

STUDENTS' COUNCIL

Tuesday September 23, 2003
Council Chambers 2-1 University Hall

ATTENDANCE (SC 2003-12)

Faculty/Position	Name	Present/ Absent @ 9: 15 pm
President	Mat Brechtel	
VP Academic	Janet Lo	
VP External	Chris Samuel	
VP Finance	Tyler Botten	
VP Student Life	Jadene Mah	
BoG Undergrad Rep.	Roman Kotovych	
University of Alberta Athletics Board Exec Officer	Tawana Wardlaw	
Agric/Forest/HomeE c	Paul Reikie	
Arts	Alex Abboud	
Arts	Chris Bolivar (Michelle Kelly)	
Arts		

Arts	Erin Kelly	
Arts	James Knull	
Arts	Chris Laver	
Arts	Terra Melnyk	
Arts	Heather Wallace (Samantha Power)	
Arts	Paul Welke	
Business	Adam Cook	
Business	Steve Smith	
Education		
Education	Allison Ekdahl	
Education		
Education	Christine Wudarck	
Education		
Engineering	Josh Bazin	
Engineering	Paige Smith (Cole Nychka)	
Engineering		
Law	Dean Hutchison	
Residence Halls Association	Kyla Rice	
Medicine/Dentistry	Jesse Pewarchuk	
Medicine/Dentistry	Tony Kwong	
Native Studies (School of	Matthew Wildcat	

Nursing		
Nursing		
Open Studies		
Open Studies		
Pharmacy	Erica Skopac (Cristal Lacombe)	
Physical Education	Holly Higgins (Glen Kakoske)	
Rehabilitation Medicine	Sarah Booth	
Faculté Saint-Jean	Zita Dube	
Science	Anne Aspler	
Science	Tereza Elyas (Justin Kehoe)	
Science	Aisha Khatib	X
Science	James Meeker	
Science	Shawna Pandya	
Science	Elaine Poon	
Science	Steven Schendel	
Science	Duncan Taylor	
Science	LeeAnn Lim	
President Athletics		
General Manager	Bill Smith	X
Speaker	Gregory Harlow	
Recording Secretary	Shirley Ngo	

Guests of Council: Cherie Klassen, Michelle Kelly, Chad Moore, Nicholas Tam, Justin Kehoe, Stephen Congly, Glen Kakoske, Tracey Smith, Chris Drake, Vanessa Thomas, Angela Thomas, Jennifer Lusk, Eric Kershaw, Sara Katz, Chris Jones, Kyle Kawanami

MINUTES (SC 2003-12)

2003-12/01

CALL TO ORDER

The Speaker calls the meeting to order at 6:15 pm.

2003-12/02

University of Alberta CHEER SONG "Ring Out a Cheer"

2003-12/03

SPEAKER'S BUSINESS

Speaker -Kyla Rice is replacing Samantha Kelch. From Medicine, Tony Kwong is our new Medicine/Dentistry Councilor and from Pharmacy, Erica Schopac will be representing her Faculty.

PANDYA/ TAYLOR- MOVED TO appoint RICE and KWONG

KWONG – I am here on behalf of the faculty of medicine/dentistry. I was elected, as well as 2 other people.

LACOMBE – Erica is at Toastmasters right now, which was why she isn't here. She wasn't elected, but nobody volunteered, and then Erica came forward.

SMITH – Wondering why the potential candidate from Dentistry didn't run in the by-election. The SU called a by-election for all council positions, and there were interests from med/dent.

KWONG – It was a communication error. We weren't aware of SU meetings over the summer break. Nobody contacted the dental association until 2 weeks ago. At that point, we found out about it and decided to come to the next meeting.

SMITH MOVED TO divide the motion into 2 separate parts. One motion to appoint Kwong to the vacant Med/Dent seat and one motion to appoint Skopac to the Pharmacy seat for the remainder of the 2003-2004 year.

Carried.

Motion to appoint Erica Skopac to the vacant Pharmacy seat is carried.

Motion to appoint Tony Kwong to the vacant Pharmacy seat is carried.

Speaker – Tonight, please write down all your amendments. When you obtain the floor, start all comments with “Mr. Speaker”

2003-12/3a

BOTTEN/BRECHTEL MOVED TO approve the minutes.

DUBE – The name of my proxy from last meeting should be “Dave Arsenault”.

SMITH – On page 10, strike the last 2 paragraphs of my comment – “In other news, I will be moving the addition...campus to smoke at night raises safety concerns.”

TAYLOR - Page 10, it should say “Taylor” under Question Period.

PEWARCHUK – Page 15, my comment should say, “obtain” instead of “contain”.

Carried.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Speaker – DIE board is the first court and we are the appeal court. That being said, we have as our plaintiff this evening – Mr.Reikie. The respondent is our CRO. The procedure is that we will invite the CRO to explain why he made the ruling that he did and Mr.Reikie will respond. We will give council the opportunity to ask questions.

CRO – What happened was Mr.Reikie came to me with his nomination package. He explained the situation. Upon review of bylaw 100, under section 11. It clearly states that any member missing 5 meetings or 3 consecutive meetings would not be re-elected into council in the same year. Ignorance was not an excuse. It was my decision to reject his nomination form.

REIKIE – A little bit of history behind that. I was elected for the Agriculture/Forestry Faculty. I had support from 87% of the faculty. Realizing that I wasn't able to go to all the meetings in the summer, I needed a proxy that was reliable. I approached the runner-up of the election, as she had wanted the position. She agreed and was interested, so I gave her all the appropriate documentation for the summer. I suppose that she didn't understand that there would be a consequence if she didn't show up for the meetings. I had a backup proxy in case this proxy didn't want to do this. My backup proxy was the one who found out about this. I guess I'm coming here tonight because there was no other nomination submitted for the Faculty of Agriculture/Forestry for the by-election. I was a member of council last year. I would ask that council to please elect me back into council.

KELLY – I thought it was a councilor's responsibility to check up on their proxy to be kept up to date and to make sure they were showing up. Did that happen?

REIKIE – I wasn't able to do that. I was tree planning in an isolated area for the summer. I was unable to communicate with my proxy.

PEWARCHUKCHUK – Has this kind of thing happened before? What were the outcomes?

CRO – Best of my knowledge, no.

Speaker - There has been incidence a while ago where a councilor was reappointed to SU. That was councilor Login. Since then, no one that has done this has been permitted back to student council.

HUTCHISON – Do you know the details of the Login case?

Speaker – Yes, I buckled. And then student council buckled.

REIKIE – I wasn't paying direct attention to the details of the appointments a few minutes ago. But was the member of medicine/dentistry appointed during the summer?

Speaker – No. The original member was Rosalind Ting and was removed from student council.

REIKIE – I suppose then it would have been physically possible to call several times. I had 2 proxies and I thought they would be reliable.

PANDYA – On the proxy form, who is required to sign?

Speaker – Just the councilor.

KEHOE – How late was it in the summer that you knew that your proxy had stopped attending meetings?

REIKIE – At the end of the summer. I didn't find out until I came back.

KELLY – How many absences did you have last year?

REIKIE – There was a meeting that was called out of sequence and the secretary had the wrong email address for me and that was the only meeting I missed last year.

SMITH - You sat on council from September to April last year?

REIKIE – Yes. That is typically been protocol from the Faculty of Agriculture/Forestry. Fieldwork prohibits them from holding their seat during the summer.

WELKE/ABBOUD MOVED THAT Students' Council move in camera.

Carried.

TAYLOR/DUBE MOVED THAT Students' Council to move ex camera.

Carried.

Speaker – We will go on a 10-minutes recess now.

REIKIE – There was one point I want to revisit. All I wanted to say was that, I would have had contacted my proxy if I wasn't working 7 days a week. It was just one of those jobs. I would urge council to please reconsider. I had 87% support from my faculty. I feel that I was a good councilor last year, and I would like to make a contribution again. I would like to ask that someone please make a motion to reappoint me to council.

SMITH/KELLY MOVED TO re-appoint Paul Reikie to council.

Carried.

Speaker – Mr. Reikie, welcome back to council.

2003-12/04

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

SMITH/PANDYA MOVED TO approve the Agenda.

Speaker – Late additions A, C and D should have just appeared in the regular agenda package.

TAYLOR/MAH MOVED TO add the late additions to the agenda package.

MAH – 10d is important. It is regarding the tobacco ban policy. There is an upcoming BOG meeting. 10e is important, it was passed by the student life board, but due to timing and WOW, it got lost. Since Conlgy is no longer a councilor, we would like to get this looked at before too much time has gone by.

BOTTEN MOVED TO add 11e to the agenda package.

BOTTEN – I completely forgot that this agreement existed until this week. We need to approve it this evening.

LO – I have one more motion to add to this, which will be item 11f – “**LO/SAMUEL MOVED THAT** Students’ Council appoint one member of council to the Academic Affairs Board and one member of council to SCAB.”

Carried.

**On adding the late additions - carried.
Main motion is carried.**

Speaker – I would like to make new business item 11b a special order.

2003-12/11b

BOTTEN/COOK MOVED THAT Students' Council, upon the recommendation of the Financial Affairs Board, approve the disbursement of the APIRG fund to the Alberta Public Interest Research Group for the 2003/2004 year.

Carried (33/0/4).

2003-12/11c

BOTTEN/WEPLER MOVED THAT Students' Council, upon the recommendation of the Financial Affairs Board, approve the disbursement of \$73,096 from the APIRG fund collected in 2001/2002 to the Alberta Public Interest Research Group.

BOTTEN – In 2001/2002, \$127,146 was collected in APIRG fees, but no funds were disbursed to the group that year. Last year, \$54,050 was released according to the startup budget submitted to Students’ Council. This is the budget proposal for the remaining \$73,096 including the investment plans for the money. \$20,000 of this will not be available to the Board for operating matters; the remainder will need to be approved by Students’ Council in future years should the Board wish to use it in a given year.

SMITH– What does it take to liquidate this?

KLASSEN – We put them into short-term rotating bond, so they will renew on a short-term basis. And if we did need to access that, we will introduce that to the board. Otherwise, it will just be turned over and accumulated.

Carried (34/1/2).

2003-12/06

QUESTION PERIOD

TAYLOR – Question for the VP Operations/Finance: I recently spoke to one of the members of volunteers of campus food banks and they have several needs. Need carpeting removed, a sink...etc. all before the end of this month. Are they are going to do this? Or else they will lose their food license.

BOTTEN – I'll defer this to the VP Student Life.

MAH – Capital Health sent us a letter, apparently a couple of times during different durations of council. Not quite sure how it ended up, but it ended up with me. Capital Health needs us to have a sink and a non-absorbent washable floor, in the food storage space and in the food preparation area. We buy the burgers in bulk, break them into kilograms and half-kilogram packages. It is expensive to purchase these packages on their own. Which is why there is a need from Capital Health to have these safety considerations in place. We looked at the space and it is pretty complicated to get a sink in there. The interim solution, is that we tell Capital Health what we are going to do. And then our long-term solution is that we need to find a space on campus, somewhere where we can put the food bank permanently, where it has all the facility, hand washing places. It needs to be a space on campus that is relatively private - for our clients. There are a number of challenges in place there. So, basically the board was faced with the decision with the interim decision before the 30th to install linoleum on the floor. I'm sure it will be no problem to secure the funds. The board is confident that we will be able to come up with the funds. We may need more volunteers, as things will be in different places. I think that the food bank board of directors will come up with a more permanent solution. This is just a band-aid solution. It is a very valuable service that we provide to our students.

SCHENDEL – Question for the BoG. This Friday of the Bog meeting, the Faculty of Science made a motion. Are you going to vote in favor of this motion?

BoG – This is something that was brought forward to the PFPC last Tuesday. Phase 1, the funding was approved. I voted in favor of it. Phase 1 is an underground laboratory. It is going to be an underground in a grassy area. Phase 2, which is still tentative, which will go forward in a couple of years. Part of that is because Physics is not in a very great state right now.

SMITH – With the recent announcement about the starlight room, wondering if the VP Student Life has any plans of capitalizing on that?

MAH – Given the experience of our current manager of programming licensed activities, we can all say that our commitment in the live music area, with any live entertainment that we bring to campus, we want to make sure we are serving students.

DUBE – Regarding Bill 43, at some of the events, attendance has been lacking for protesting this. What process will be used to change this?

BRECHTEL – There are a number of things to do. We will have a forum next Tuesday. Actually, tonight, if we get out of council by 9:30pm, we were going to get some students together at Lister Hall. We are looking to certain student groups. I agree, our turnout hasn't been as much as we hoped.

POWER – Councilor Wallace would like to know why the material wasn't available on the 15th. It was explained to her it was a marketing department problem. She would like to know if anything has been done to resolve this.

BRECHTEL – I've arranged to have a discussion with the senior manager about the deadline - why the deadline we set wasn't met. I assume that they will tell me the same thing, that they are really busy. We had a part-time employee work there in the summer and is still there. So, what are we doing about it? We have some part-time employees. I've arranged to have a discussion with them.

2003-12/07

**APPROVAL OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT
(MINUTES)**

BRECHTEL – Following 1a, there was an appointment of the VP External that wasn't recorded.

SMITH/BAZIN MOVED TO make new business in its entirety a special order.

Carried.

2003-12/11

NEW BUSINESS

2003-12/11a

MAH/ABBOUD MOVED THAT Students' Council appoint one (1) councilor to sit on the WUSC board for the remainder of the 2003-2004 year.

MAH/SMITH MOVED TO amend 11a by inserting “and one (1) councilor to sit on the Programming Committee” after the words, “WUSC board”.

MAH – Friendly amendment.

SMITH nominates **REIKIE** for the WUSC board, **REIKIE** Accepts

Congratulations to Councilor **Reikie**.

KNULL nominates **LAVER** for the Programming Committee, **Laver** accepts.

Congratulations to Councilor Laver.

2003-12/11d

BOTTEN/COOK MOVED THAT Students' Council, upon the recommendation of the Financial Affairs Board, approve the revised final Operating, Capital & Non-Dedicated Reserves Budget for the 2003/2004 year.

BOTTEN – Sometimes when you work with Excel spreadsheets, you make mistakes and that is where the deficit came from. The Financial Affairs board decided that once the error was corrected, that council should approve this revised budget.

Carried.

2003-12/11e

BOTTEN/LO MOVED THAT Students' Council approve a \$25,000 loan to the University of Alberta Forest Society for their annual Christmas Tree sale, pursuant to the standing agreement between the Students' Union and the Forest Society.

BOTTEN –We have a standing agreement with the Forest Society. Back then, it was set up that the Forest Society would be loaned \$20,000/year for a span of 10 years. A portion of this money will be put away, so that the Forest Society can finance this project themselves at the end of the 10 year period. It is for paying their deposits on the trees, they sell the trees and the money goes towards their graduation. This money resides in our chequing account, and taking \$20,000 out of the bank means that we will need to pay interest on our overdraft until we receive our fees from the University, after which time the \$20,000 hole in our account is not a big deal. I've discussed the matter of the interest with the Forest Society and they've agreed to cover it for us.

KOKOSKI - Are they selling 25.000 worth of trees?

BOTTEN – The loan is to be repaid in full by January. Aside from the tree purchases or operating needs, I am not sure what the money is used for.

Carried with unanimous consent.

2003-12/11f

LO/ABBOUD MOVED TO appoint one member of council to the Academic Affairs Board and one member of council to SCAB.

LO – We discuss academic affairs for the university ever Thursday, I hope that somebody interested joins.

DUBE nominates **WUDARCK** for AAB, **accepts**.

KEHOE nominates **PANDYA** for AAB, **PANDY accepts**.

SAMUEL nominates **SCHENDEL** for AAB, **SCHENDEL declines**.

WUDARCK – Very interested in this board, I've been attending regularly since this summer. I see a lot of problems with academics, which is why I wanted to be a councilor.

PANDYA – I ran before I left this summer, I am fully available now. The projects are very exciting.

Congratulations to Councilor Wudarck.

PEWARCHUK nominates **SCHENDEL** for the SCAB Board,

SCHENDEL accepts.

Congratulations to Councilor Schendel.

RICE nominates KELLY, KELLY accepts

BOTTEN – Most meeting times, should note that the APIRG board meets on a weekly basis. For candidates out there, we have quick meetings.

ABBOUD nominates DUBE, DUBE declines.

Congratulations to Councilor Kelly (for APIRG)

2003/12/10

LEGISLATION

SMITH/HUTCHISON MOVED that the tobacco policy becomes a special order.

Carried.

2003-12/10d

LAYER/TAYLOR MOVED THAT Students’ Council, upon the recommendation of the Student Life Board, adopt the Campus-wide Smoking and /or Tobacco Ban Policy

LAYER- The SU currently has no official stance on this issue. Now, it comes back to you, the proposed policy has been changed. The words “WHEREAS” were added.

TAYLOR – With respect to the safety issues, people living in residences will need to leave their homes and go off-campus to smoke. An another thing, I would like council to notice that tobacco and tobacco products are added.

REIKIE - Wondering if there was any study done to support this?

LAYER – Regarding the proven benefit thing, there have been no Studies done regarding with what we are dealing with (smoking in the walk ways).

SMITH – It’s not statistical evidence, it is mostly a common sense point of view. These smokers are willing to go to hell and back to continue to smoke. I doubt that there are people who have been smoking for a long time would suddenly quit, as it has suddenly become inconvenient to smoke.

REIKIE – It would seem inappropriate to go ahead to have a binding political policy to do something like this. We haven't researched the premises and have gone ahead.

DUBE – A great majority of smokers want to quit. We really don't want to smoke anymore. It is expensive and we are not happy doing it. I think I would smoke a lot less, if this was banned.

WELKE – I am a smoker, but for the most part - has quit. I don't see where it is the position of this council to take on social engineering.

KOTOVYCH – 3 things. First, the issue that I have with banning tobacco. For example, there is a difference between having the availability to have healthy food – which is something I support, but forcing someone to eat that food is different. The university is also looking at providing programs for students who are smoking. If we are concerned about litter and smoking around doorways, we can always mandate them to move away from doorways.

RICE – Speaking on behalf of residence - it is a long walk for those who smoke to go off campus. We already have problems with our neighbors with noise, but now if we have to go across the street to smoke, it may cause more problems.

HUTCHISON – As someone that lived in Lister. This is your home. Having someone telling you what you can and can not do is unthinkable. I'm worried what kind of doors this opens for the University.

WUDARCK – I don't like this, simply because it says that smoking bans are bad. Walk to the busses one day and see if you can smell cigarette smoke. I guarantee you, you will. I don't think that this policy is right, because the smoking ban is what we should be looking at. I don't think this ban is the way to go.

Carried (26/10/1).

2003-12/10e

MAH/EKDAHL MOVED THAT Students' council, upon the recommendation of the Student Life Board, adopt the Policy on Discriminatory Business Practices.

BOTTEN/SAMUEL MOVED TO amend 10e by striking, "BE IT RESOLVED THAT Students' Union consequently support businesses that do not engage in discriminatory practices."

SAMUEL – The point of political policy is to be binding in our position. So council should vote in favor of the amendment.

The amendment is carried.

RICE – Should we not correct the expiration date before we vote on that? So it should be 2006.

Speaker – Yes. It will say 2006.

Main motion is carried (28/2/3).

2003-12/10a

COOK/ABBOUD MOVED THAT Students' Council approve the proposed changes to bylaw 3100 (THIRD Reading).

COOK – This is mainly clarification for the audit committee. So that we have a record of that.

Carried. (28/1/5)

2003-12/10b

SMITH/BAZIN MOVED THAT Students' Council, upon the recommendation of the Internal Review Board, approve amendments to Students' Union legislation based on the following principles (Second Reading):

- (a) that those bodies ultimately responsible for the interpretation of Students' Union legislation be separate from those bodies ultimately responsible for formulating and implementing Students' Union legislation.
- (b) that the body responsible for the formulation of legislation be Students' Council;

Roll Call conducted by the Recording Secretary at 9:15pm

SMITH/HUTCHISON MOVED TO ADJOURN @ 9: 17pm

Defeated.

SMITH – Most common question that came up was why we are discussing this, especially when students don't care about this. They do not care about separation of powers - Because it is past 9 pm at this point and because we are debating how our structure works. This is why we are discussing this. The judicial issue, what happened earlier would not go on. I was pleased to see that SCAB meeting take place before this. Another point, dictates how the executive committee has the freedom to execute Students' Union legislation in a manner that they see fit. I have heard some concerns about this from councilors. Who is to say this position wouldn't be abused down the road. Even under the status quo, executive can already do that. Operating policies, money motions and everything else, those are they things the executive committee can do. Remember how we had that debate about how students don't get shocked...there is nothing stopping from the Executive Committee going to participate in it. Real accountability comes in the council's ability to dismiss officers and to drill officers during Q&A. A lot of the time, we debate things in the executive committee report which requires detailed information, you need to be in the office day to day to get a good grasp on it. Student council can simply legislate that, make the operating policy in effect. So, the effect of that, remove the votes from council. The point is that the executive committee is more in contact with the SU bureaucracy.

KOTOVYCH/WELKE MOVED THAT section A is separate from the other sections.

SMITH – I'll consider it friendly.

Speaker – So we are dealing just with section A now.

KOTOVYCH– This deals with separating the judiciary branch from the legislative branch. I think that the principle is solid and pretty well established. Essentially, I've seen council act as a judicial body twice. Both times it was a miserable ordeal. There is a tendency to legislate and judge at the same time. The 2 times I've seen council do it, I don't think it was done well. It was not a just procedure. This is something that most people can support.

RICE – I agree that it is a good ideal to separate the judicial part. I recognize the problem, but I have a hard time supporting it.

SAMUEL – I think that one of the things Rice should realize, we are first approving the principle. If approved, we will be looking at it in more detail. The process is, this doesn't take affect until the next reading. Dealing specifically with the principles, I've heard a lot of concerns about not having a specific proposal in front of council. The principles are fairly obvious to everybody. I don't think it is a good idea to vote against this, just because there isn't a concrete proposal in front of us.

DUBE – I think that no one will walk into a business and say, “Take our idea and we will prove that it works later”. This is an investment in an idea. I’m not asking for specifics, but we need some sort of idea. What is going to happen? We don’t have that. This is changing the very nature of our organization in many ways.

ABBOUD – I would like to introduce an amendment. I would like to put a 2nd clause under a. “That there will be 2 levels of the body responsible for the interpretation of Students’ Union legislation.”

Speaker – No. If you want something else, you can change it on third reading.

COOK – I think part of the problem is about the degree of specificity, or how general the principles are. It has to be very broad. Other amendments will be fairly specific. I plan on supporting this in principle, knowing that the 3rd reading may be sent back to the committee a few times. However, I’m open to the plan that there is sufficient plan if you let IRB do its work.

ABBOUD/BAZIN MOVED TO amend 10b and insert “That the body responsible for the interpretation of SU legislation include mechanisms for appeal.” after first paragraph of section A.

SMITH – I’ll consider it friendly

Carried.

The motion of section A of item 10b is carried. (30/0/0).

Speakers – Now we will deal with parts b, c and d.

TAYLOR – 2 problems. I believe doing this will increase the power of council. The issue with this, voter turnout for faculty elections is dismal compared to executive elections. When the science councilors were voted in, there were just 234 votes. So that is my biggest problem with this. The best way that I know how to describe this, if you were to take a solution (council) and remove some of the solvent (executive committee), but to keep the solute (power). So now it is the same amount of legislative power, but concentration is much greater. Also puts too much power to the executive committee, by removing the approval of executive reports. I think there are much better ways of doing this.

SAMUEL – This idea that council is illegitimate because it was elected under the circumstances. I think future elections will be less sketchy than past elections were.

TAYLOR – We don't have results of the elections yet, so we don't know what it will be like.

SAMUEL – When you think about the amount of resources, it is fairly obvious to see that the sketchiness will go down. This is just my opinion. However, I still think that the 2nd point to this is that Taylor is making the argument that council as a body is eloquent to be making decisions. Then maybe, to argue in the opposite way, why are we even giving council any power to begin with. This whole idea that council is less democratic than the executive committee needs to go. Of course when you are having a faculty election compare to a campus-wide election, there will be a higher turnout in a campus-wide election.

WEPLER – Realizing that the fundamental problem I have with this is based on the model of an ideal government. Because to me, the SU is not an ideal government. The executive are the only people who have the time to dedicate to the issues. The executive committee is disproportionately more powerful than in an ideal government. They are essentially hired for a year and have more time to contribute. We have policies, bylaws and things written down. We are a worthwhile organization because of the things we do for students. This is where the real strength of SU. When we went to orientation and saw that people were involved in the legislative side - I don't think it is appropriate to say that we must choose to be judicial, legislative or executive.

JONES – First, separation of powers doesn't mean that student councilors can't volunteer for WOW or Orientation. What we do mean, because the executive does have that time, they can spend it best running the organization, making the contacts with the university. But when setting the direction the SU should be going in, it should be what the students want. The executives get paid to find out what students want. Sadly, they don't have the time to get out and ask what students want. This is why we have councilors who can talk to the students. It is the executives who are responsible for taking the direction and running with it. That is the separation of powers.

TAYLOR – How many students has Mr. Jones talked to who think the separation of powers is a good way to spend student council's time?

JONES- No, ordinary students should be worried about things like getting their homework done. They shouldn't have to know about stuff like this. The correct model is more of a corporate board, not a government approach. It also has paid employees who handle the actual activities. Council is the board of directors, the executives are responsible for getting this done.

HUTCHISON/KELLY MOVED TO ADJOURN @ 10:00 pm

Carried.