

# STUDENTS' COUNCIL

## Votes and Proceedings

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Tuesday July 13, 2004 – 6:00 p.m.  
Council Chambers 2-1 University Hall

### VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS (SC 2004-06)

2004-06/1

#### CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Alex Abboud, Vice President External.

2004-06/3

#### SPEAKER'S BUSINESS

2004-06/3a

Election of an interim Speaker for the duration of the meeting.

#### Nominations for an interim Speaker:

SMITH nominates SAMUEL: SAMUEL accepts.

SMITH nominates BAZIN: BAZIN accepts.

TAYLOR (VPSL) nominates SHARMA: SHARMA declines.

NICOL nominates SMITH: SMITH declines.

KEHOE nominates PANDYA: PANDYA accepts.

#### Councilor Elected:

Councilor Samuel

2004-06/4

#### APPROVAL OF THE ORDERS OF THE DAY

SMITH/BAZIN MOVED TO approve the Orders of the Day.

SMITH/BAZIN MOVED THAT item 12d as part of the agenda package.

Amendment: CARRIED

LAW MOVED TO make item 12d a special order.

Amendment: FRIENDLY

KNISELY MOVED THAT a motion to reconvene Students' Council at a meeting of Students' Council on July 20, 2004, be made item 12b of the agenda package.

Amendment: FRIENDLY

KNISLEY MOVED TO strike item 11d from the agenda package.

**CARRIED**

**ABBOUD/TAYLOR (VPSL) MOVED TO** add motion by McLaughlin that Students' Council appoint one (1) councilor to the Discipline, Interpretation and Enforcement Board Selection Committee.

**Amendment: DEFEATED**

**Main Motion: CARRIED**

**2004-06-12a**

**MOTION BY LAW/BLATZ, RESOLVED THAT** upon the recommendation of the Executive Committee, Students' Council approve the memorandum of agreement between the U of A Students' Union and The Canadian Union of Public Employees Local 1368 effective April 1st 2004 to April 30th 2007.

**KIRKHAM/KEHOE MOVED THAT** Student's Council move in camera.

**FRIENDLY**

**SMITH/KNISELY MOVED TO** postpone until the next meeting of Students' Council.

**DEBENHAM/BARON MOVED** the previous question.

**DEFEATED**

**Motion to Postpone: CARRIED**

**TAYLOR (VPSL) MOVED THAT** Students' Council move ex camera.

**FRIENDLY**

**ABBOUD/LEWIS MOVED TO** make item 12b a special order.

**CARRIED**

**2004-06/12b**

**MOTION BY KNISELY/SMITH, RESOLVED THAT** a meeting of Students' Council be scheduled for July 20, 2004 in 2-1 University Hall at 6:00 p.m.

**Main Motion: CARRIED**

**LEWIS/SMITH MOVED TO** make item 9a a special order.

**FRIENDLY**

**2004-06/9a**

**MOTION BY LAW/SMITH, RESOLVED THAT** Students' Council upon the recommendation of the Budget Committee approve the Final 2004/2005 Budget.

**BAZIN MOVED THAT** Students' Council move to informal consideration.

**FRIENDLY**

**KNISLEY/WICENOWICH MOVED TO** amend account 505-8610-000 from "\$2,004.00" to "\$0.00".

**DEBENHAM/BARON MOVED** the previous question.

**DEFEATED**

**KOWANAMI/SMITH MOVED TO** amend the amendment by replacing the number "\$0.00" with the number "\$1,004.00".

**Amendment to the Amendment: CARRIED**

**Amendment: DEFEATED**

Speaker moved Students' Council into informal consideration.

**Main Motion: CARRIED unanimous**

**2004-06/8** **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT**

Speaker declares the Executive Committee report approved.

**2004-06/9** **BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**2004-06/9b** **MOTION BY ABOUD/WICENTOWICH, RESOLVED THAT** Students' Council upon the recommendation of the Eugene L. Brody Funding Committee approve the expenditure of \$1,188.00 for the purchase of a pump, windows and paint for the Edzimkulu.

**Main Motion: CARRIED unanimous**

**2004-06/10** **OLD BUSINESS**

**2004-06/10a** **MOTION BY KNISELY/BAZIN, RESOLVED THAT** Council directs the Budget Committee to review the conduct of business and financial affairs of Students' Union and to recommend to Council improvements to bylaws respecting conduct of business and financial affairs not later than December 7, 2004.

**BAZIN MOVED TO** add the words "and budget process" after the words "Financial Affairs".

**Amendment: FRIENDLY**

**Main Motion: CARRIED**

**2004-06/10b** **MOTION BY KAWANAMI, RESOLVED THAT** Students' Council amend Standing Order 48.

**CURRENT**

48. Attendance and Roll Call

The Speaker will conduct a roll call immediately prior to adjournment or 3 hours after the call to order, whichever is earlier, to record the attendance of members.

**PROPOSED**

48. Attendance and Roll Call

The Speaker will conduct a roll call immediately after speaker's business and immediately prior to adjournment or 3 hours after the call to order, whichever is earlier, to record the attendance of the members

**DEBENHAM/KNISELY MOVED TO** postpone indefinitely.

**Motion to Postpone: DEFEATED**

**BAZIN/NICOL MOVED TO** limit debate to ten (10) minutes.

**CARRIED**

**PANDYA/KEHOE MOVE TO** strike the proposed Standing Order #48 and replace it with "Councilors shall sign in and note the time of their arrival and departure with a list to be authorized by the Speaker."

**Amendment: DEFEATED**

**LEWIS/SMITH MOVED TO** extend debate indefinitely.

**DEFEATED**

**KEHOE/PANDYA MOVED THE** amendment that "The speaker will conduct a roll call immediately after Speaker's Business to record the attendance of the members."

**Amendment: DEFEATED**

**Main Motion: CARRIED**

**McLAUGHLIN/KOTOVYCH MOVED TO** make item 11a a Special Order.

**CARRIED**

2004-06/11a

**Bill #5 – Awards Administration Amendment Motion (sponsor; McLAUGHLIN)**  
(second reading)

**Main Motion: CARRIED**

2004-06/10c

**MOTION BY KNISELY, RESOLVED THAT** Students' Council adopt a political policy regarding the Post-Secondary Learning Act.

WHEREAS the Students' Union of the University of Alberta is a corporation organized and existing under the Post-secondary Learning Act;

AND WHEREAS the Students' Union of the University of Alberta, as part of its mandate, must from time to time oppose the policies, regulations, and methods of the University of Alberta and the Government of Alberta;

AND WHEREAS the fulfillment of the mandate above requires financial and political independence from the University of Alberta and the Government of Alberta;

AND WHEREAS the circumstances giving rise to the comments of the President of the University of Alberta published by the Edmonton Journal in May 2004 suggest that the Government of Alberta is willing to exert inappropriate influence over the University of Alberta to further the political goals and preserve the public reputations of members of the Executive Council of Alberta;

AND WHEREAS the ability of the Students' Union of the University of Alberta to fulfill its mandate above may be seriously compromised by undue financial and political influence as a result of provisions of the Post-secondary Learning Act relating to the intervention of the Minister of Learning in cases of financial irregularity;

AND WHEREAS the assets of the Students' Union of the University of Alberta rightfully belong to its members;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. The Students' Union of the University of Alberta opposes the authority of the Minister of Learning to intervene in the management of its business and other affairs;
2. The Students' Union of the University of Alberta believes that the ability of the Minister of Learning to suspend and terminate the office of members of Students' Council breaches the political independence of the Students' Union; and
3. The Students' Union of the University of Alberta most strongly opposes the authority of the Minister of Learning to dissolve the Students' Union under section 102(5) of the Act in the absence of a dissolution agreement between the Students' Union and the Government of Alberta as to the disposition of the assets and liabilities of the Student's Union.

**KOTOVYCH/KEHOE MOVED TO** refer the motion to the External Review Board.

**CARRIED**

2004-06/11

**LEGISLATION**

2004-06/11b

**Bill #6 - Student Groups and Student Groups Committee Update Motion (Sponsor; TAYLOR(VPSL))**

Principles (first reading)

1. Existing Legislation Regarding Student Groups and the Student Groups Committee is repealed.
2. The Student Groups Committee will no longer play an administrative role and will be limited to granting.
3. The Composition of the Committee will be:
  - a. The Director of Student Groups as Chair
  - b. The Vice-President Operations & Finance
  - c. Three Councilors from Students' Council
  - d. Four students'-at-large

4. The Committee shall set out all regulations regarding the granting of Student Groups Grants.
5. No grant shall exceed \$1500.00
6. All the existing powers granted to the Student Groups Committee with the exception of granting will be transferred to the Director of Student Groups.
7. Club administrative privileges will be removed from by-law.
8. Membership requirements for a student group will:
  - a. Must meet all requirements of U of A Student Groups; and
  - b. A minimum of 1/2 of the members must be SU members; and
  - c. A minimum of 2/3 of the members must be SU members and/or alumni
  - d. 2/3 of the Executive Committee must be SU members
9. The application process shall be the same as that required by the University
10. Student Group status expires April 30<sup>th</sup> of each year and must be renewed on an annual basis.
11. Student Groups Must report to the Director of Student Groups if required.
12. The Director of Student Groups may suspend Student Group privileges for cause.
13. Decisions of the Director of Student Groups may be appealed to the Vice-President Student Life.

**SMITH MOVED TO** replace #5 with the words "No Student Group shall receive more than \$1,500.00 in grants in any one year".

**Amendment: FRIENDLY**

**KNISELY/KEHOE MOVED TO** add the end of #13 "and further appeal to the Discipline, Interpretation and Enforcement Board".

**Amendment: DEFEATED**

**SMITH MOVED TO** insert the words "Selected by Students' Council" to the end of #3c.

**Amendment: CARRIED**

**KNISELY/WICENTOWICH MOVED TO** add to #3a "the chair will not vote except in the case of a tie".

**Amendment: CARRIED**

**SMITH/NICOL MOVED TO** strike sections #6, #7, and #11.

**Amendment: CARRIED**

**KNISELY//BAZIN MOVED TO** strike the word "must" in #10 and replace it with the word "may".

**SMITH MOVED TO** amend the amendment by striking the words from #10 "and must be renewed on an annual basis".

**Amendment to the Amendment: FRIENDLY**

**Amendment: CARRIED unanimous**

**SMITH/BAZIN MOVED TO** replace #3a “Director of Student Groups” with the words “Students' Union employee responsible for dealing with Student Groups and designated by the Executive Committee for that purpose, such employee to be an undergraduate student”.

**Amendment: CARRIED**

**BARON/SOMAYAJI MOVED TO** adjourn.

**DEFEATED**

**SMITH/LEWIS MOVED TO** replace #12 and #13 with a new #12 to read: “the Vice President Student Life shall develop, in conjunction with the University, a procedure through with Student Group privileges may be suspended and shall forward this procedure to Council”.

**SHARMA/ABBOUD MOVED TO** adjourn.

**Adjournment: CARRIED**

**ATTENDANCE (SC 2004-06)**

Faculty/Position	Name	Present/Absent
President	Jordan Blatz	√
VP Academic	Lisa McLaughlin	√
VP External	Alex Abboud	√
VP Finance	Alvin Law	√
VP Student Life	Duncan Taylor	√
BoG Undergrad Rep.	Roman Kotovych	√
Agriculture, Forestry and Home Economics	Leah Bennett	X
Arts	Catrin Bergoff	√
Arts	Gabrielle Donnelly	√
Arts	Aaron Johnson	X
Arts	Adam Knisely	√
Arts	Tamara Larter	X
Arts	Chris Laver	X
Arts	Cameron Lewis	√

Arts	Anand Sharma	√
Business	Chelsea Baron	√
Business	Steve Smith	√
Business	Nandini Somayaji	√
Education	Sean Clovechok	X
Education	Trevor Panas	X
Engineering	Josh Bazin	√
Engineering	Graham Lettner	X
Engineering	Jamaal Montasser	X
Engineering	Gary Wicentowich	√
Law	Tara Thompson	√
Medicine and Oral Health Sciences	Brock Debenham	√
Native Studies (School of)	Matthew Wildcat	X
Pharmacy	Erica Skopac	√
Science	Justin Kehoe	√
Science	Stephen Kirkham	√
Science	Darren Lau	√
Science	Scott Nicol	√
Science	Shawna Pandya	√
Science	Chris Samuel	√
Science	Kelli Taylor	√
Science	Omer Yusuf	√
General Manager	Bill Smith	X
Speaker	Gregory Harlow	X