

# STUDENTS' COUNCIL

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Tuesday October 12, 2004 – 6:00 p.m.  
Council Chambers 2-1 University Hall

## A G E N D A (SC 2004-14)

2004-14/1

### CALL TO ORDER

Speaker called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2004-14/3

### SPEAKER'S BUSINESS

2004-14/3a

**MOTION BY DEBENHAM, RESOLVED THAT** Students' Council appoint Adam Knisely to Students' Council, effective November 6, 2004.

Point of Order: Knisely – Is it in order to consider motions in Speaker's Business?

Speaker – Point of order not well taken. Motions covering the rights of individuals to vote as Councillors is in order during Speaker's Business.

Point of Order: Smith – Is it in order for me to move that we appoint Aleem Rajani as the councillor for Rehabilitation Medicine?

Speaker – Point of order not well taken, but welcome to Mr. Rajani.

Speaker's List: Debenham, McLaughlin.

Point of Order: Kelly – I was wondering whether or not our ability or lack thereof to do anything less, has anything to do with whether or not we have the ability to reappoint a councillor. This does not seem to fit under whether or not we have the ability to appoint or not.

Speaker – Point of order not well taken. Comments are germane to the motion.

Speaker's List: Panas, Smith, Nicol, Abboud, Kelly, Lewis, Colpitts, Sharma.

Point of Privilege: Knisely – I was just identified as a formal councillor.

Speaker – Point of privilege is well taken. In Council, members are to be referred to by their titles.

Speaker's List: Kirkham, Blatz.

Point of Order: Nicol – Can I ask exactly how this is germane to the appointment to the appointment of a councillor?

Speaker – Point of order is not well taken. The comments are germane to the motion.

Speaker's List: Panas.

Point of Order: Nicol – Basically, he's trying to use a point of information to prove a point as opposed to bringing new information into the conversation.

Speaker – Point of order is not well taken. We have previously ruled such points of information to be in order. CCRAP has endorsed this position and Council has struck from the agenda motions to the contrary.

Speaker's List: Smith.

**LETTNER/PANAS MOVED THE** previous question.

**Motion to Move the Previous Question: DEFEATED**

Speaker's List: Nicol, Blatz.

**DEBENHAM MOVED THE** previous question.

Point of Privilege: Knisely – Under the circumstances, I feel that I should publicly say something and moving the previous question would infringe on my fundamental parliamentary whatever.

Speaker – Point of privilege is not well taken. In spite of the circumstances no special speaking privileges accrue to the Councillor.

**Motion to Move the Previous Question: WITHDRAWN**

Speaker's List: Knisely.

Speaker offers to turn over the floor for the duration of the debate if any Councillor feels that the impartiality of the chair is in question.

Nicol requests the speaker to step aside.

Harlow relinquishes the chair.

**Nominations for Speaker for the Duration of the Question**

SMITH nominates BAZIN: BAZIN accepts.

NICOL nominates KOTOVYCH: KOTOVYCH declines.

**Members Acclaimed**

Councillor Bazin

Bazin takes the positions of Chair for the duration of the question.

Speaker's List: Larter, Ms. Meagan Johnston, Harlow, Kehoe.

**KELLY/MONTASSER MOVED TO** postpone until the next meeting of Students' Council.

Speaker's List: Kelly, Lewis, Lau, Nicol, Smith.

Speaker ordered the previous question.

**Motion to Postpone: DEFEATED**

**LEWIS/WICENTOWICH MOVED THE** previous question.

**Motion to Move the Previous Question: CARRIED**

**Main Motion: DEFEATED 4/29 division #1**

2004-14/4

**APPROVAL OF THE ORDERS OF THE DAY**

**KNISLEY/NICOL MOVED TO** approve the orders of the day.

Point of Privilege: Smith – I'm sorry I couldn't hear what's going on.

Speaker: Point of privilege well taken. Decorum is to be observed.

**LEWIS MOVED THAT** Students' Council order the Chief Returning Officer to hold a by-election for all vacant Students' Council seats with the date and the Chief Returning Officer's discretion.

Point of Order: Nicol – I believe this motion was submitted past the deadline for late additions.

Speaker: Point of order not well taken. Late additions can be submitted up until approval of the orders of the day.

Point of Order: Smith – I do not think this meets the requirements under standing orders for a late addition.

Speaker: Point of order well taken.

Lewis appeals from the judgment of the chair.

**Appeal: WITHDRAWN**

**Amendment: RULED OUT OF ORDER**

**LEWIS/PATZ MOVED TO** amend the orders of the day by striking items 11l, 12b, and 12c.

**LEWIS/LETTNER MOVED TO** divide the amendment.

**Motion to Divide: FRIENDLY**

Point of Order: Lettner – I believe it was myself that seconded the motion to divide and not Councillor Patz.

Speaker – Point of order well taken.

**LEWIS/PATZ MOVED TO** amend the orders of the day by striking item 11l.

**Amendment: DEFEATED**

**LEWIS/PATZ MOVED TO** amend the orders of the day by striking item 12b.

Speakers orders the previous question.

Point of Order: Lettner – I was under the impression that I just seconded the motion to divide and not the motions themselves.

Speaker – Point of order well taken.

**Amendment: DEFEATED**

**LEWIS/PATZ MOVED TO** amend the orders of the day by striking item 12c.

Speaker orders the previous question.

**Amendment: CARRIED (Blatz abstained)**

**DEBENHAM/NICOL MOVED TO** amend the orders of the day by striking item 11g.

**Amendment: DEFEATED**

**NICOL/KNISELY MOVED TO** amend the orders of the day by adding 12d from the late additions package.

**Amendment: RULED OUT OF ORDER**

Point of Order: Larter – Shouldn't we have had a recess?

Speaker – Point of order is not well taken. We have not yet disposed of the first item of business 90 minutes after the call to order in accordance with Standing Order #46.

**SMITH/NICOL MOVED TO** amend the orders of the day by placing a half hour time limit on item 5a.

**Amendment: CARRIED**

**Main Motion: CARRIED**

Point of Privilege: Smith – I can't hear anything very well and knowing how timid you are, I'm wondering if you'll give your okay to my bellowing at people to shut up.

Speaker – Point of privilege is well taken. Decorum must be observed.

**2004-14/5**

**PRESENTATIONS**

**2004-14/5a**

Provincial Election Campaign Presentation by Jordan Blatz, President, and Alex Abboud, Vice President (External).

Please see document VP 04-14.01

**SMITH MOVED TO** extend the debate by an additional 15 minutes.

**Motion to Extend: FRIENDLY**

2004-14/6

**REPORTS**

2004-14/6c

Alvin Law, Vice President (Operations and Finance)

Please see document VP 04-14.02

2004-14/7

**QUESTION PERIOD**

**PANDYA/YUSUF MOVED TO adjourn.**

**Motion to Adjourn: DEFEATED**

2004-14/8

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT**

Point of Order: Smith – I believe this contravenes our Standing Orders on Exec, which is that we either have to ask questions of the Executives or strike things. We can't just ask random questions about things.

Speaker – Point of order not well taken. The question is relevant to the report.

**NICOL MOVED TO** strike item 3a from the Executive Committee Report.

**Motion: DIES FOR WANT OF A SECONDER**

Point of Order: Pandya – I was just wondering if you could make some kind of cautionary warning as to comments made out of frustration by members of council. I realize that not everyone will agree with everything that is said in these chambers. It's really frustrating to have people make comments off hand about their personal feelings about this matter.

Speaker – Point of order well taken.

Speaker declares that the Executive Committee Report approved.

**KOTOVYCH/NICOL MOVED TO adjourn.**

**Motion to Adjourn: CARRIED 9:51 p.m.**

**ATTENDANCE (SC 2004-14)**

Faculty/Position	Name	1 <sup>st</sup> Roll Call	2 <sup>nd</sup> Roll Call	Division 1
President	Jordan Blatz	√	√	X
VP Academic	Lisa McLaughlin	√	√	X

VP External	Alex Abboud	√	√	X
VP Finance	Alvin Law	√	√	X
VP Student Life	Duncan Taylor	√	√	X
BoG Undergrad Rep.	Roman Kotovych	√	√	X
Agriculture, Forestry and Home Economics	Leah Bennett	√	√	X
Agriculture, Forestry and Home Economics	Chelsy Shillington	√	√	X
Arts	Catrin Bergoff	√	√	X
Arts	John Chandler	√	√	X
Arts	Gabrielle Donnelly	√	√	X
Arts	Aaron Johnson	X		
Arts	Adam Knisely	√	X	A
Arts	Tamara Larter	√	√	X
Arts	Chris Laver	PROXY		X
Arts	Cameron Lewis	√	√	X
Arts	Anand Sharma	√	√	X
Business	Chelsea Baron	X		
Business	Steve Smith	√	√	X
Business	Nandini Somayaji	X		
Education	Sean Clovechok	√	√	X
Education	Trevor Panas	√	√	√
Education	Lillian Patz	√	√	X
Engineering	Josh Bazin	√	√	
Engineering	Graham Lettner	√	√	X
Engineering	Jamaal Montasser	√	√	X
Engineering	Gary Wicentowich	√	√	X
Law	Tara Thompson	√	√	X

Medicine and Oral Health Sciences	Brock Debenham	√	√	√
Native Studies (School of)	Matthew Wildcat	X		
Pharmacy	Erica Skopac	X		
Faculte Saint-Jean	Sarah Colpitts	√	√	X
Science	Justin Kehoe	√	√	X
Science	Stephen Kirkham	√	√	X
Science	Darren Lau	√	√	√
Science	Scott Nicol	√	√	√
Science	Shawna Pandya	√	√	A
Science	Chris Samuel	√	√	X
Science	Kelli Taylor	√	√	X
Science	Keith Vandersluis	√	√	X
Science	Omer Yusuf	√	√	X
General Manager	Bill Smith	√	√	
Speaker	Gregory Harlow	√	√	

### GUESTS OF STUDENTS' COUNCIL

Meagan Johnston	Arts
Ariel Bowering	Arts
Tess Elsworthy	Arts

## Specific Provincial Election Campaign Details

### October

- 13 Media launch for “Universities Matter” campaign
- 19-21 Rural Tour to Drumheller, Brooks, & Hanna
- 19 begin major lawn sign distribution push & delivering coalition pamphlets.
- 26 Possible media launch for Coalition campaign (tbd)
- 26 If day after writ drops, launch blood drive; see below for more details.
- 29 Parade action
- Entire month distribution of lawn signs and Coalition pamphlets in targeted ridings

### November

- 1-19 (or 8-26) Tables booked in Sub with Elections Alberta information
- 2 If day after writ drops, launch blood drive.
- 3 Cook-off event with Edmonton-Riverview candidates (tentative date)
- 8 Possible leaders debate/Great Alberta Job Interview (Interview may move to Sunday)  
  
Launch of coalition tv & radio ad campaign.
- 8 – 12 Media release re: Access Fund Million Dollar Giveaway update; visual with Wall of Backpacks/shoes to personalize Access Fund.
- 15 Possible leaders debate/Great Alberta Job Interview (Interview may move to Sunday)
- 15 – 19 Shopping on \$20 at Army & Navy with Edmonton-Strathcona candidates (to be featured in ed magazine) (possibly switched with cook-off to take place first week in November, but to run in ed this week).
- 8 – 21 Television & Radio advertising for Coalition campaign
- 22 Election (?)



22 – 26            If election isn't held on 22, then action possible for this week.

29                 Election (?)

### Costs

The “Universities Matter” campaign has been generously subsidized by the university administration. Our cost for the lawn signs was limited to \$1250 (the cost of the lawn signs & stakes is approx. \$20,000). We have ordered buttons with the symbol at a cost of \$350 and T-shirts for approximately \$1001.52 (including GST). We are selling the T-shirts to recoup some of the cost and so we anticipate that the total net cost of the T-shirts to be at minimum \$96.00 (if 100% of shirts are sold, so likely cost will be greater). We have also purchased advertising for the backs of buses to begin on November 1 that cost approx. \$6000. It includes 35 buses in Edmonton, 2 in St. Albert, and 2 in Sherwood Park. Total cost: \$8600 (minus whatever we can recoup from T-shirt sales).

The costs of the coalition campaign are included in our CAUS fees, so there is no direct cost to the U of A for the television or radio advertising.

The costs for the other events are still tbd, but should be nominal. The main expense will be advertising.

### Other

We are hoping to host the Leadership debate at the Myer Horowitz theatre, and may also host the Great Alberta Job Interview in partnership with Student Vote Alberta 2004, and Canada 25, as well as other community organizations. The details of both are being finalized and we will know shortly what is to take place. More details on the Job Interview can be reached through Erin Chrusch, the Advocacy Director. We want to do both; at the least we will make a strong bid to host the Leadership debate, although if we have to do one or the other, our preference would be the Job Interview.

Ideas/suggestions for events that we have not yet scheduled:

- Tuition drop-out – throughout the day students go stand across the street from campus (at the sign by 114 Street & University Drive) to signify the number of students who can't go to university because it's unaffordable.
- Educational forums throughout the election (probably one/week).
- Bake sale to pay our debt.
- Blood drive challenge to the govt – i.e. for every pint donated by U of A students, they'll give an extra \$100,000 in bursaries/grants or if U of A students donate x pints, the government will give x. This could go on during November (or December as part of a Christmas or tuition-related initiative).
- Play “My Student Loan”. We did this during Debt Week in March and can try it again.
- MLA policy delivery
- Try to get on Wild Rose Forum/Rutherford Show

## Ways to Help

The success of our campaign depends upon the number of students who show up to support it. The lawn signs have received a very warm reception so far and we trust that each councilor will dutifully put one on their lawn (or have it be seen from their apartment). However, there are many other ways that councilors and other students can help make this a success:

- 1) Help us distribute lawn signs. Several people have requested lawn signs through our website. We need people to help deliver these signs, as well as to go door-to-door in targeted areas to distribute lawn signs and coalition campaign pamphlets. If you can't help with anything else, please help with this. If you are able to spare some time for this endeavor, contact Erin Chrusch at [advocacy@su.ualberta.ca](mailto:advocacy@su.ualberta.ca).
- 2) We need people to be part of the parade on October 29. Please see Hailey Pinto ([hailey.pinto@su.ualberta.ca](mailto:hailey.pinto@su.ualberta.ca)) to participate.
- 3) Be the students who can no longer attend university for the Tuition drop-out action.
- 4) Donate blood, and encourage everyone you know to donate blood.
- 5) Help identify speakers & topics for the educational forums. Ideas can be sent to [advocacy@su.ualberta.ca](mailto:advocacy@su.ualberta.ca)
- 6) Bake something (or bring something that someone else has baked) to the bake sale.

**Department 912 Special Projects Budget 2004-2005**

<b>Project</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Budget</b>	<b>Actual to Date</b>	<b>Approved Amount</b>
Grant	Special Projects Grant	\$ 50,000.00	\$ -	
Celebration on PSE	Sept. 29 2004 Celebration on Post Secondary Education (headed by Jordan)	\$ (8,500.00)	\$ (1,004.29)	\$ (14,029.50)
VIDs	To remove all current VIDs hardware as its current form is not useful for any future use (headed by Alvin)	\$ (200.00)		
Horowitz Rental Department	To start up a rental department within the Horowitz Theatre for mobile sound equipment (headed by Alvin)	\$ (4,500.00)		
Undergrad Survey	Partnering with ATL to provide a mass survey of the undergraduate students on this campus (headed by Duncan and Lisa)	\$ (10,000.00)		\$ (10,000.00)
Quality of Education	A survey on the quality of undergrad education (headed by Lisa)	\$ (7,000.00)		
Tuition Campaign	For Tuition Decision Week events(headed by Jordan and Alex)	\$ (4,500.00)		
Student for a Day	Oppurtunity for members of the community to become students for the dav (headed by Alex)	\$ (500.00)	\$ (45.00)	\$ (900.00)
Student Involvement Card	Appreciation card for students who go the extra mile (headed by Duncan)	\$ (90.00)	\$ (25.00)	\$ (90.00)
Health Plan Research & Travel	For travel and research relating to the Health Plan throughout the year (headed by Duncan and Alvin)	\$ (5,000.00)		
Wellness Week??	(headed by Duncan)	\$ (5,000.00)		
CONTINGENCY	In case anything happens this year	\$ (4,000.00)		
Sponsorship	Sponsorship of Various Activities	\$ (650.00)		
<b>NET BALANCE</b>		\$ 60.00		