

STUDENTS' COUNCIL VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Tuesday February 15, 2011
Council Chambers 2-1 University Hall

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS (SC 2010-22)

- 2010-22/1 **SPEAKER'S BUSINESS**
- 2010-22/1a Announcements – The next meeting of Students' Council will take place on Tuesday, March 1, 2011
- 2010-22/1b Reminder: nomination packages for the Executive and Board of Governors Election are due this Friday, February 18th, at 5:00pm in SUB 302K. The mandatory candidates meeting will be held this Friday, February 18th, at 6:00pm, in SUB's third floor conference room.
- 2010-22/2 **PRESENTATIONS**
- 2010-22/2a ISSS Update- Presented by Andy Cheema, ISSS VP Academic and Dustin Chelen, ISSS President. Sponsored by James Eastham, VP Academic.
- 2010-22/3 **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT**
- James Eastham, VP Academic- Oral report
- Rory Tighe, VP Student Life- Oral report
- Nick Dehod, President- Oral report
- 2010-22/4 **BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORTS**
- Craig Turner, CAC Chair- Oral report
- Natalie Cox, Policy Committee Chair- Oral report
- Jazz Singh, CRO- Oral report
- 2010-22/5 **QUESTION PERIOD**
- 2010-22/6 **BOARD AND COMMITTEE BUSINESS**
- 2010-22/6a **MURPHY/LEPAGE FORTIN MOVE THAT** upon the recommendation of the Policy Committee, Students' Council approve Bill #28, that Students' Council adopt the political policy, Tuition, in first reading based on the following principles:

1. that the University of Alberta Students Union advocate for a tuition policy that:
 - a) provides long-term, sustained base operating funding for our universities that will be protected from negative changes in our government's financial situation;
 - b) protects tuition from increasing due to fluctuations in funding grants to the university from the government;
 - c) ensures tuition levels are predictable;
 - d) has as its primary indicator of affordability the ability of students to pay without having to accrue the burden of debt;
 - e) provides for the fact that tuition is only one of the costs of pursuing a postsecondary education;
 - f) ensures that no student will ever be denied the opportunity to pursue postsecondary education because of their inability to pay

2. that the University of Alberta Students' Union advocate that the Government of Alberta legislate a policy on tuition fees that:
 - a) provides strict guidance to an institution's ability to set tuition, including annual and ultimate limits on the maximum amount of tuition fees that can be levied on students;
 - b) requires post-secondary institutions to provide to the Board of Governors of the institution, the Auditor General of Alberta and the Minister of Advanced Education & Technology a detailed and verifiably transparent public plan on how additional tuition revenues will be spent; and

3. that the Students' Union shall not support the Board of Governors increasing tuition.

Speakers List: Murphy, Ross, Cox, Lpage, Iskandar, Turner, Fentiman, Eastham, Tighe, Dehod, French

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Point of Order: Cox "Shouldn't we have debate before we amend the motion?"

Speaker "Point well taken"

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Lapage called to question

Motion: CARRIED

French called for division

Dehod- N

Eastham- N

Murphy- N

Fentiman- N

Tighe- N

Turner- Y

Cox- N

Roberts- N

French- N

Stan- Y

Yamigishi- N
Kaai- Y
Lumins- Y
Ross- Y
Broughton- Y
Iskandar- N
Stitt- Y
Zhao- N
Tenove- Y
Lepage Fortin- N
Grundberg-Y
Ferguston-N
Cheema- N
Huynh- N
L'abbe'- Y
Mcbean- N

Motion: FAILED

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4. this policy will expire April 20, 2014

Motion: CARRIED

Main Motion: CARRIED
Turner abstain

Automatic Recess at 7:40pm

Meeting called back to order at 7:55pm

2010-22/6b

COX/ROSS MOVE THAT upon the recommendation of the Elections Review Committee, Students' Council approve Bill #29, in first reading based on the following principle:

1. that Students' Council adopt the ballot counting mechanism, UASU-STV, as outlined in the November 2010 Elections Review Committee Report.

Speakers List: Cox, Eastham, Dehod, Ross, Turner, Huynh, Lpage, Tighe, Fentiman, French

EASTHAM/DEHOD MOVED TO postpone item 2010-22/6b until the next meeting of Students Council

Iskandar called to question

Motion: FAILED

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1. that Students' Council adopt the ballot counting mechanism, UASU-STV, as outlined in the November 2010 Elections Review Committee Report.
2. This motion will come into effect prior to the 2012 elections.

Motion: CARRIED

MURPHY/MCBEAN MOVED TO recess for 7 minutes

Motion: FAILED

ISKANDAR MOVED TO call to question

Motion: FAILED

Main Motion: CARRIED

2010-22/6c

FENTIMAN/YAMAGISHI MOVE THAT, upon the recommendation of the Budget and Finance Committee, Students' Council approve the proposed Budget Principles for the 2011-2012 fiscal year.

Speakers List: Fentiman, Dehod, Tighe, Huynh

DEHOD/TURNER MOVED TO move into informal consideration

Motion: CARRIED

HUYNH/FENTIMAN MOVED TO postpone item 2010-22/6c to the March 15

meeting of Students Council

Motion: CARRIED

FERGUSON/STITT MOVED TO adjourn

Motion: CARRIED

Meeting adjourned at 8:55pm