

**Tuesday, September 15, 2015**

**Council Chambers**

**VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS (SC 2015-10)**

***MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 6:08PM.***

**2015-10/1      SPEAKERS BUSINESS**

**2015-10/1a**      Announcements - The next meeting of the Students' Council will take place on **Tuesday September 29, 2015 in Council Chambers.**

Speaker special orders *Late Additions* items **2015-10/7a** and **2015-10/7b.**

**2015-10/2      PRESENTATIONS**

**2015-10/2a**      BONDARCHUK/KWAN MOVE TO allow a presentation about Sustain SU's Reusable Dish Program, by Kerstyn Lane, the Students' Union's Sustainability Engagement Specialist.

- *The purpose of the presentation was to inform Students' Council about the history, status/success and function of the Reusable Dish Program.*

RAHMAN/KHINDA MOVE TO allow a presentation about the SU Submission to the 2015 Academic Plan, also presented by Vice President Rahman.

- *The purpose of the presentation was to inform Students' Council about the 5-Year Strategic Plan currently being developed by the University of Alberta Executive team and projected to be finished in 2016.*

**2015-10/3      EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT**

DYLAN HANWELL, Vice President External – Report.

NAVNEET KHINDA, Students' Union President – Report.

**2015-10/4      BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORT**

Board of Governors (BoG) – Report.

FACRA Board of Directors –Report

Gateway Board of Governors –Report

**2015-10/5      QUESTION PERIOD**

COUNCILOR PATRICK TO PRESIDENT KHINDA:

*As the president, would your advocacy efforts on the board of governors be assisted by the formalization of your ability to entertain positions that deviate from the SU political policy, particularly in the context of tuition/market modifiers/MNIFs?*

PRESIDENT KHINDA'S RESPONSE TO COUNCILLOR PATRICK'S QUESTION:

*Thank you for the question, Councilor Patrick!*

*As an Executive member, it's a little tricky for me to say what I prefer in political policies, since they are meant to direct our advocacy efforts. However, from my experience observing former colleagues on the Board and from my own this year, I do agree that more openness in our policies would give me greater flexibility to a) adapt to new and ever-changing political situations; and b) give me room to provide different solutions. At the same time, I am also aware that should I need more flexibility in interpreting our political policies, I can bring that conversation to Students' Council and ask for direction.*

**2015-10/6      BOARD AND COMMITTEE BUSINESS**

***Bylaw Committee - Second Reading of Bills #6-#10***

**2015-10/6a**      CHRISTENSEN/DUAN MOVE to adopt the second reading of Bill #6 and amend Bylaw 2100, based on the advice of the C.R.O. and recommendation of Bylaw Committee.  
Please see SC 15-10.01

- *Councillors questioned whether this motion accurately reflected the perspective/view of the CRO. Bylaw Committee members stated that this was they interpreted to be the essence of her view, determined from their multiple meetings.*

**MOTION CARRIED. 3, including MR. SOOD ABSTAINS.**

**2015-10/6b**      CHRISTENSEN/PATRICK MOVE to adopt the second reading of Bill #7 and amend Bylaw 2200, Section 23 and Bylaw 2300, Section 17 based on the advice of the C.R.O. and recommendation of Bylaw Committee.  
Please see SC 15-10.02  
Please see SC 15-10.03

- *Councillors were concerned about what "satisfactory evidence" is defined by. Other's asked about the process the CRO would adopt to*

*determine the validity of preferred names.*

- *The CRO's would be responsible for exercising their discretion in finding solutions appropriate to the election they are managing.*

**MOTION CARRIED.**

**2015-10/6c** CHRISTENSEN/BONDARCHUK MOVE to adopt the second reading of Bill #8 and amend Bylaw 2200, Section 25 based on advice of the C.R.O., and recommendation of Bylaw Committee.

Please see SC 15-10.04

**MOTION CARRIED.**

**2015-10/6d** CHRISTENSEN/DUAN MOVE TO adopt the second reading of Bill #9 and amend Bylaw 2400, on the recommendation of Bylaw Committee, to maximize representation of vacant Students' Council and GFC seats.

Please see SC 15-10.05

**MOTION CARRIED. TWO ABSTAIN.**

**2015-10/6e** CHRISTENSEN/PATRICK MOVE TO adopt the second reading of Bill #10 and amend Bylaw 2200, Section 47 and Bylaw 2300, Section 38 based on the advice of the C.R.O and the recommendation of Bylaw Committee.

Please see SC 15-10.06

KHINDA/FLAMAN MOVE TO amend **line 313** of document **SC 15-10.06** read as:

- Where a complaint is received and is found to be complete as set out in *per* Section 47(1), the CRO shall is encouraged to rule on the complaint within twelve (12) working hours of receiving complaints, ***unless it is an extraordinary situation that requires more time.***

KHINDA/FLAMAN MOVE TO amend the aforementioned amendment to read as follows:

- Where a complaint is received and is found to be complete as per Section 47(1), the CRO ***shall*** rule on the complaint within twelve (12) working hours of receiving complaints, unless it is an extraordinary situation that requires more time.

**AMENDED AMENDMENT FAILS.**

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RAHMAN/J.WANG MOVE TO refer item 2015-10/6e back to Bylaw Committee.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

***Bylaw Committee - First Reading for Polling Stations: Bill #11 and Bill #12***

**2015-10/6f** CHRISTENSEN/DUAN MOVE to amend bylaw to eliminate the definition of polling stations within the context of SU elections based on the following first principles (Bill #11):

1. Presently, the definition of polling stations remains ambiguous and therefore makes interpretation of elections bylaws challenging.
2. Elections bylaws shall be amended to eliminate polling stations because of modern technological advancements and given that polling stations are no longer used.
3. Bylaw shall be amended to re-evaluate the election voting process.

HANWELL/RAHMAN MOVE TO strike the third principle from item 2015-10/6f.

PATRICK/CHRISTENSEN MOVES TO call the aforementioned amendment to question.

- 18 – In Favour
- 8 – Abstain
- 2 – Oppose

**MOTION CARRIED.**

**AMENDMENT FAILS.**

PATRICK/BONDARCHUCK MOVE TO amend item 2015-10/6f by striking/replacing principle 3 and adding principle 4. The item, would subsequently, read as follows:

- 3. Voting shall only be done electronically.
- 4. Bylaw shall be updated to take into account the inherent differences between electronic voting and previously used vote collection methods.

**AMENDMENT CARRIED.**

**MOTION CARRIED. 2, including WANG J. , ABSTAIN.**

**2015-10/6g** CHRISTENSEN/BONDARCHUK MOVE to create legislation within elections

bylaws to enhance the integrity of Students' Union elections in the context of electronic voting and modern technological advancements, based on the following first principles (Bill #12):

1. Students' Union elections shall be run in a fair, equitable and integral manner for all candidates and voters.
2. Every voter shall have the right to a secret ballot.
3. Candidates shall not interfere with the secret ballot process in any way.
4. Bylaw shall be amended to create regulations that increase the integrity of elections.
5. Regulations shall be created surrounding the use of electronic devices on voting days.
6. Where contravention of the above principles occurs, penalties shall be outlined in bylaw up to and including disqualification.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

**2015-10/7**

**GENERAL ORDERS**

**2015-10/7a**

BONDARCHUK MOVES TO, upon recommendation of Policy Committee, approve the Gender Policy in second reading based on the following first principles:

1. Students deserve equitable treatment regardless of their gender identity and/or biological sex.
2. Not all students identify their gender to be within the male-female binary.
3. It is not always necessary for administrations to require students to disclose their gender and/or biological sex outside of medical reasons.
4. Students who do not identify within the male-female gender binary are denied access to gendered spaces on campus.
5. Transgender students may feel misgendered or unsafe in gendered spaces on campus.
6. Gender non-binary students are excluded from important University documents such as the Code of Student Behaviour when students are referred to as "he or she."
7. Existing alternatives to gendered spaces on campus do not have appropriate signage to address their inclusivity.
8. Students face barriers to obtaining non-binary living conditions in housing and residence.

KHINDA/ALLARD MOVES TO change "gender-free" to "gender-neutral" in

item 13 of Document SC 15-10.08.

**AMENDMENT CARRIED.**

**MOTION CARRIED.**

Please see SC 15-10.08

**2015-10/7b** RAHMAN/FLAMAN MOVE TO appoint one member of Students' Council to the Governance Review Task Force.

J. WANG nominates PATRICK.

COUNCILLOR PATRICK APPOINTED.

**2015-10/7c** PATRICK/FLAMAN MOVE TO appoint one (1) member of Students' Council as a permanent member of the Council Administration Committee.

ADEMAJ nominates FLAMAN.

BURTON nominates ANGUS.

COUNCILLOR FLAMAN APPOINTED.

**2015-10/8** **INFORMATION ITEMS**

**2015-10/8a** Students' Council 2015/16 Entrance Survey Report.

Please see SC 15-10.09

**2015-10/8b** PRESIDENT Report.

Please see SC 15-10.10

**2015-10/8c** VICE PRESIDENT EXTERNAL Report.

Please see SC 15-10.11

**2015-10/8d** VICE PRESIDENT ACADEMIC Report.

Please see SC 15-10.12

**2015-10/8e** VICE PRESIDENT STUDENT LIFE Report.

Please see SC 15-10.13

**2015-10/8f** VICE PRESIDENT OPERATIONS & FINANCE Report.

Please see SC 15-10.14

**2015-10/8g** Executive Committee Motion Tracking.

Please see SC 15-10.15

**2015-10/8h** Students' Council Motion Tracking.

Please see SC 15-10.16

**2015-10/8i** Committee Motion Tracking - By Committee.

Please see SC 15-10.17

**2015-10/8j** Committee Motion Tracking - By Date.

Please see SC 15-10.18

**2015-10/8k** Students' Council Attendance.

Please see SC 15-10.19

**MEETING ADJOURNED AT 9:09PM.**