University of Alberta Students' Union **STUDENTS' COUNCIL**

Tuesday, March 22, 2016 Council Chambers

ORDER PAPER (SC 2015-21)

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 6:11PM.

2015-21/1 SPEAKERS BUSINESS

2015-21/1a Announcements - The next meeting of the Students' Council will take place on Tuesday April 5, 2016 at 6.00pm in the Council Chambers.

Speaker orders *Late Additions* items **2015-21/7b** on to the Order Papers.

2015-21/2 PRESENTATIONS

2015-21/2a University Institutional Strategic Plan First Draft Presentation. Presented by Provost Steven Dew and sponsored by Vice President Rahman.

Purpose of the presentation was to provide information regarding the University Institutional Strategic Plan to Student's Council, highlighting the student response through feedback and explaining how this feedback was used to develop the plan. The plan was developed and narrowed into 5 (five) themes: build, experience, excel, engage, and sustain. Each of these themes is comprised by a number of specific objectives.

Please see SC 1521.01

RAHMAN/McKINNON MOVE to extend the presentation by 10 minutes.

RAHMAN/FLAMAN MOVE to extend the presentation by 10 minutes.

MOTION CARRIES.

2015-21/2b Health and Dental Plan Presented by Student Care. Sponsored by Vice President Kwan.

 Purpose of the presentation was to provide information regarding the Student's Union Health and Dental Plan and projections related to the future of the plans.

WANG K./ADEMAJ MOVE to extend the presentation by 10 minutes.

ADEMAJ/KHINDA MOVE to Suspend Standing Orders, and have Council's

break after Question Period.

MOTION FAILS.

HANWELL/WANG J. MOVE to special order *Late Additions* items 2015-21/8f and 2015-21/8g.

MOTION CARRIES.

2015-20/3 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Dylan Hanwell, VICE PRESIDENT (External) - Report.
Cody Bondarchuk, VICE PRESIDENT (Operations & Finance) - Report.
Fahim Rahman, VICE PRESIDENT (Academic) - Report.
Vivian Kwan, VICE PRESIDENT (Student Life) - Report.
Navneet Khinda, STUDENTS' COUNCIL PRESIDENT - Report.

2015-20/4 BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORT

Council Administration Committee (CAC) - Report.
Policy Committee - Report.
Nominating Committee (NomCom) - Report.
Audit Committee - Report.
Finance Committee - Report.
Bylaw Committee - Report.

2015-20/5 OPEN FORUM

2015-21/5a Councillor Christensen to Vice President Rahman:

In regards to item 8d you have submitted for this meeting could you please provide Students' Council with the names of the faculties that currently have vacancies as of the 2016 General Election? Furthermore, could you speak to which faculties historically have had vacancies on Students' Council, as these are the faculties and Faculty Associations most likely to be affected by this change?

2015-21/5b Vice President Rahman's Response to Councillor Christensen:

Thank you Councilor Christensen for the question. This upcoming year, I anticipate vacancies from Augustana, Education (two seats), Native Studies, Pharmacy, and Physical Education & Recreation. Over the past three years, there have been vacancies from Augustana (once), Education (three times, with two years having two vacant seats), Medicine & Dentistry (once), Native Studies (twice), Nursing (twice), Open Studies (once), Pharmacy (once) and PhysEd & Rec (once). All of those numbers are from data after the year's Fall by election.

2015-20/6 QUESTION PERIOD

2015-20/7 BOARD AND COMMITTEE BUSINESS

2015-21/7a DIE Board Ruling 2015 01

Please see SC 15 21.02

2015-21/7b PACHES/KWAN MOVE to appoint one Councillor to the Audit Committee.

ADEMAJ nominates FLAMAN.

FLAMAN appointed to Audit Committee.

2015-20/8 GENERAL ORDERS

2015-20/8a BONDARCHUK/FLAMAN MOVE TO, upon recommendation of Finance Committee, approve no more than \$220,000 in funds from the Capital Equipment Reserve for the purchase of new equipment for SUBprint.

MOTION CARRIES.

2015-21/8b BONDARCHUK/KHINDA MOVE TO approve Bill 18: Amendments to the (Bylaw 3000) Elections

Reserve in Students' Union Bylaw in first reading based on the following first principles:

- 1. The Students' Union holds a number of financial reserves for the purpose of large expense projects not outlined in an annual budget.
- 2. The Elections Reserve is distinct from the other reserves in that it may be used more frequently and unexpectedly than other reserves.
- 3. The Elections Reserve shall be renamed to the Campaign and Advocacy Reserve, and the definition shall be changed to include advocacy campaigns towards the University, for clarity.
- 4. Guidelines shall be set for use of the reserve, where the Executive Committee has authority to approve up to \$5,000 in spending for a single campaign before requiring Finance Committee to release additional funds.
- 5. An upper limit shall be set on the accrual of the reserve, where additional funds outside the limit will be reallocated to the operating budget on an annual basis.

MOTION CARRIES.

- **2015-21/8c BONDARCHUK/ALLARD MOVE TO** approve Bill 19:Amendments to (Bylaw 6100) DFU Timelines in Students' Union Bylaw in first reading based on the following first principles:
 - 1. Dedicated Fee Units get the first opportunity to draft the plebiscite question on their renewal year.
 - 2. The current deadline of January 15 is too close to the nomination deadline to allow a thorough vetting of the submitted plebiscite question.
 - 3. Bylaw shall be amended to include an earlier submission deadline of the proposed plebiscite question to Bylaw Committee, and shall include a deadline for when Bylaw Committee shall submit the approved question to Students' Council for ratification.
 - 4. Bylaw shall include a requirement for the DFU board to run the "yes" side of the plebiscite question, and outline a process for the Chief Returning Officer to put out a call for the "no" side in accordance with Bylaw 2200.

MOTION CARRIES.

2015-21/8d RAHMAN/ADEMAJ, under the recommendation of Bylaw Committee, **MOVE** to approve the following first principles for Bill #20, an amendment to Bylaw 100.

First Principles

- 1. Representation on Students' Council is better than no representation on Students' Council.
- 2. NOT A is a form of representation at Students' Council for a Faculty.
- Faculty Association executives are democratically elected and are already called upon to recruit undergraduates to fill vacancies in representative roles.
- 4. Not all undergraduate Faculty Associations have the resources to hold elections at any time of the year.
- 5. Students' Council currently does not have the ability to remove or add undergraduate representatives on Students' Council.
- 6. Anyone who is appointed to fill a vacancy before a Fall by election will hold an advantage on other candidates with their incumbency.
- 7. Bylaw 100 shall be amended to give Faculty Associations the ability to

fill vacancies on Students' Council after the Fall by elections.

- Some Councillors were concerned that this bylaw would compromise the integrity of the Student's Council's electoral process. Additionally, they expressed that the "slate" mechanism has been implemented during this electoral term, and that this option should be evaluated before a more drastic measure is put in place. It was also argued that Faculty Associations Executives are not elected to appoint, and would require a change in the job description.
- Councillors in support of this motion suggested that appointing a Councillor would allow other members of smaller faculties to become more familiar with the Student's Council through consistent feedback, and promote more involvement.

RAHMAN/CHRISTENSEN MOVE to Suspend Standing Orders to allow the Vice President Academic one more speaking turn, of one minute.

MOTION FAILS.

OVERALL MOTION FAILS.

ADEMAJ/HANWELL MOVE to suspend Standing Orders to allow for a 7 minute break.

MOTION CARRIES.

2015-21/8e

KWAN/WANG K., on the recommendation of Council of Residence Associations (CORA), **MOVE** that Students' Council advise the Board of Governors to direct the University to continue the collection of Residence Association membership fees.

MOTION CARRIES. KHINDA AND KHAN ABSTAIN.

2015-21/8f

HANWELL/BURTON MOVE to approve the Student Employment First Principles.

HANWELL/MACKINNON MOVE to amend the motion, to read as follows:

HANWELL/BURTON MOVE to approve the Student Employment Policy based on the following attached first principles.

MOTION CARRIES.

OVERALL, AMENDED MOTION CARRIES.

Please see LA 1521.01.

2015-21/8g HANWELL/J. WANG MOVE to approve the Truth and Reconciliation Commission Policy based on the following attached first principles.

ALLARD/RAHMAN MOVE amend Point 7 to read, students in certain areas of study should have mandatory aspects of their degree to deal with Aboriginal people's reconciliation.

 Point in its current state is too specific and this should only occur in second principles, and following consultation from the campus community.

MOTION CARRIES.

HANWELL/WANG J. PROPOSE to remove "and" and add an "r" to in Point 6.

MOTION CARRIES.

OVERALL, MOTION CARRIES.

Please see LA 1521.02.

2015-21/8h ANGUS/DEJONG MOVE to compel the CRO of the Students' Union to publicly release the raw election results from the 2016 Faculty of Arts SU/GFC Councillor Election by 5pm on Wednesday, March 23rd, 2016.

MOTION CARRIES.

2015-20/9 INFORMATION ITEMS

2015-20/9a VICE PRESIDENT STUDENT LIFE Report.

Please see SC 15-19.04

2015-20/9b Executive Committee Motion Tracking

Please see SC 15-19.05

2015-20/9c Student Council Motion Tracking.

Please see SC 15-19.06

2015-20/9d Committee Motion Tracking - By Date.

Please see SC 15-19.07

2015-20/9e Student's Council Attendance.

Please see SC 15-19.08

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 11:21 PM.