
**Tuesday, March 26, 2019
6:00PM
Council Chambers, University Hall**

We would like to respectfully acknowledge that our University and our Students' Union are located on Treaty 6 Territory.

We are grateful to be on Cree, Dene, Saulteaux, Métis, Blackfoot, and Nakota Sioux territory; specifically the ancestral space of the Papaschase Cree. These Nations are our family, friends, faculty, staff, students, and peers. As members of the University of Alberta Students' Union we honour the nation-to-nation treaty relationship. We aspire for our learning, research, teaching, and governance to acknowledge and work towards the decolonization of Indigenous knowledges and traditions.

CALLED TO ORDER AT 6:08PM.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS (SC-2018-24)

2018-24/0 SMUDGING CEREMONY

2018-24/1 SPEAKERS BUSINESS

SPEAKER: Special ordered items 2018-24/7e-h from the Late Additions (SC-2018-24-LA-20190326). Confirmed that members can submit nominations for the Council scholarships as per the instructions in the email they received.

2018-24/1a Announcements - The next meeting of the Students' Council will take place on **Tuesday, April 9, 2019 at 6:00PM in **Council Chambers**, at University Hall.**

2018-24/2 PRESENTATIONS

2018-24/3 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Akanksha BHATNAGAR, Vice President (Academic) - Report.
Andre BOURGEOIS, Vice President (Student Life) - Report.
Emma RIPKA, Vice President (Operations and Finance) - Report.
Adam BROWN, Vice President (External) - Report.
Reed LARSEN, President - Report.

2018-24/4 BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORT

Audit Committee - Report.
Bylaw Committee - Report.
Council Administration Committee - Report.
Executive Committee - Report.
Finance Committee - Report.
Nominating Committee - Report.
Policy Committee - Report.
Aboriginal Relations and Reconciliation Committee - Report

Executive Compensation Committee - Report.
Board of Governors - Report.

2018-24/5 **OPEN FORUM**

2018-24/6 **QUESTION PERIOD**

2018-24/6a ***VP BHATNAGAR to Governor FLAMAN [on behalf of the Augustana Students' Association Executive Team]:***

“ Given the recent publication following the 3% fee increase vote of BoG student representative Levi Flaman, the Augustana Students' Association finds it necessary to clarify its position. As a student representative body, the Augustana Students' Association is bound by the values of not only the organization but the perspective of the students that it solely exists to serve. This stance demands opposition to fee increases that unfairly charge students whether they relate to tuition, meal plans, residence, or gym memberships. While the ASA is often consulted on these matters, the organization does not support fee increases intended to match increased standards of living when students are not themselves able to live by the very standards that are being set. Without dormitories being improved and shown to be more efficient, the Students' Association will not waver from this position and will consistently vote against these increases. It is no secret that Augustana residences have not been sufficiently upgraded over the past few years to account for increased standards of living and that many on-campus students have expressed their disapproval of both past and present meal plan options. It is for this reason that we do not see value in a residence and meal plan fee increase at the Augustana Campus and find that the student body has been unfairly represented at the BoG level.

We would like to ask the following of BoG student-elected representative Levi Flaman: (1) An explanation as to why he has voted in a manner that singles out Augustana, a campus where deferred maintenance has stalled residence improvements for over a decade, (2) Whether or not he spoke with Augustana students directly before voting in this way, and (3) What, if any, kind of research went into the decision-making process. We also call on Flaman to re-evaluate his position on the 3% Augustana fee increase and in so doing vote in the interest of the students that he is elected to represent.

I have also attached an information item below for the agenda.”

See SC-2018.24.08.

VP BHATNAGAR to Governor FLAMAN:

“In a recent Gateway News Article, found [here](#), you were quoted stating “What’s interesting about my position here is even though I was elected by my peers, my fiduciary duty is not to the student body, but it’s to the university and to the board,”

[Governor Flaman] said". As stated on the Students' Union website, "The Undergraduate Board of Governors Representative is elected directly by students to serve as a voice for the undergraduate body", however, your quote in the Gateway directly contradicts this. Why do you believe your responsibility is not to students, when students directly elected you based on this job description?"

2018-24/7 **BOARD AND COMMITTEE BUSINESS**

2018-24/7e **BHATNAGAR/RIPKA MOVED** to approve the First Reading of the Assessment and Grading Political Policy.
See SC-2018.24.03.

BHATNAGAR: Established that changes to the Policy included phrasing updates and improving the connection between Facts and their related Resolutions.

LARSEN MOVED to amend the Policy to correct the numbering of its provisions.
CARRIED as friendly.

CARRIED - 19/0/0

2018-24/7f **MOGALE/BOURGEOIS MOVED**, on behalf of Policy Committee, to approve the First Principles of the Equity, Diversity, and Inclusivity Policy.
See SC-2018.24.04.

MOGALE: Established that the Policy, under development since last year, included extensive consultations and will act as an expansive replacement for the existing Gender Policy.

BOURGEOIS: Supported the Policy citing its addressal of students with disabilities.

BHATNAGAR: Supported that the Policy citing its intersectional approach.

LEY: Commended the authors for the robust consultation completed to produce the Policy.

CARRIED - 19/0/0

2018-24/7g **LEY/BHATNAGAR MOVED** to approve the Second Principles of the Food Policy.
See SC-2018.24.06.

LEY: Established that, since First Reading, the Committee added statistics in Facts 3 and 4.

LEY MOVED to amend Fact 1 to add a space between the terms 'security' and 'is'
CARRIED as friendly.

BHATNAGAR: Expressed concern that Fact 7 is an incomplete sentence.

BOURGEOIS MOVED to amend Fact 7 access to read “access to sufficient on-campus options is limited for students with specific dietary needs including ...”

CARRIED as friendly.

BOURGEOIS: Noted that the Policy accords with the mission, vision, and values of the Food Bank.

MOGALE: Supported the Policy citing its recognition of the importance of having cultural and religious choice in food options.

LARSEN: Expressed concern that 39% of students suffer from food insecurity. Noted that food insecurity affects international and Indigenous students in particular.

CARRIED - 17/0/0

2018-24/7h **LEY/LARSEN MOVED** to approve the Second Reading of Bill #5 as amended. See SC-2018.24.07.

LEY: Established that the Bill, in accord with a Discipline, Interpretation, and Enforcement Board ruling, creates a framework for the French translation of Students' Union bylaw and policy.

LARSEN MOVED to extend the timeline for the completion of a translation to three months from two months.

CARRIED as friendly.

LARSEN: Proposed extending the timeline for the completion of a translation to three months from two months. Noted that this change will accommodate translations arising from the last meeting of Council in December before Christmas break. Clarified that this timeline would not allow for translations to be approved within two months. Inquired into how the Policy defines a term of Council.

LEY: Responded that each term of Students' Council refers to each elected term. Noted, therefore, that translations must be audited once per Council term on that basis. Recognised the need to produce translations within a reasonable time frame.

BOURGEOIS/BHATNAGAR MOVED to amend Bylaw 600 Section 2.1(b) to read “the Committee shall procure an annual translation audit of all governing documents that have been created or modified in the Council year”.

BOURGEOIS: Suggested that this amendment provides greater clarity and

flexibility as to the time in which the translation audit occurs.

LEY: Clarified that the two reasons for putting the audit at the changeover in terms were (a) to allow experienced members of the Committee to set up the audit and (b) to allow new councillors to have access to completed bylaws and policies at the beginning of their terms. Suggested having a fixed time in which to complete the translations.

LARSEN: Expressed concern at having fixed timelines for translation audits as the Committee cannot foresee the outcome, difficulty, or cost of the audit. Proposed, instead, including the timeline for audits within Translation Committee Standing Orders.

15/0/0 - CARRIED

BELCOURT: Expressed concern that the term 'procure' is unnecessarily complicated.

RIPKA: Proposed the use of the term 'obtain'.

BOURGEOIS MOVED to amend Bylaw 600 Section 2.1(b) to replace the term 'procure' with 'obtain'.
CARRIED as friendly.

CARRIED - 19/0/0

2018-24/7a **KIM/RIPKA MOVED** on behalf of the Bylaw Committee, to approve the Second Principles of Bill #6: Changes to SU SG Oversight.

See SC-2018.24.09.

KIM: Established that, earlier in the year, Council received a presentation on the Bill which is now in Second Reading.

CARRIED - 19/0/0

2018-24/7b **BILAK/BOSE MOVED** on behalf of the Bylaw Committee, to approve the Second Principles of Bill #7.

See SC-2018.24.10.

KIM: Established that this Bill, on the recommendation of the Discipline, Interpretation, and Enforcement Board, centralises the authority to make amendments to Council Standing Orders in Students' Council while allowing committees to recommend changes to Council.

BILAK: Clarified that this Bill simplifies the process for completing Standing

Order amendments to ensure that there are not multiple, disconnected changes occurring without proper communication between councillors and committees.

LARSEN: Supported the motion.

CARRIED - 19/0/0

2018-24/7c **BHATNAGAR/BILAK MOVED** to authorize the Vice-President Academic, in consultation with the Students' Council Nominating Committee, to make interim appointments for the General Faculties Council Student Vacancies until the October University of Alberta Students' Union by-Elections.

BHATNAGAR: Established that the motion intends to provide for appointing of students to vacant GFC positions via Nominating Committee in order to fill some or all of the 25 vacant seats. Noted that this a temporary measure for the summertime after which appointed members would have to seek election.

LARSEN: Supported the motion. Emphasised the importance of GFC's activities and responsibilities. Identified that GFC is considering restricting the membership of its committees to only its members. Emphasised the need for student representation on GFC committees. Determined to increase the level of advertising for GFC and Council elections.

BHATNAGAR: Expressed concern that there is no appointment mechanism to fill vacant Council positions until the October by-election.

CARRIED - 19/0/0

2018-24/7d **BROWN/RIPKA MOVED**, on behalf of Policy Committee, to approve the Second Reading of the Campus Saint-Jean Political Policy.

See SC-2018.24.11.

BROWN: Noted that the Committee organised a Town Hall as part of the consultation for this Policy. Highlighted the Policy's recognition of the original agreement that created the Campus Saint-Jean. Expressed concern that some elements of the agreement were overlooked since 1976.

LARSEN: Supported the Policy.

BHATNAGAR: Supported the Policy citing its addressal of the disparity in the quality of programming between the Saint-Jean and North campuses.

CARRIED - 19/0/0

2018-24/8 **GENERAL ORDERS**

2018-24/9 **INFORMATION ITEMS**

2018-24/9a Vice-President (Academic) - Report.

See SC-2018.24.01.

2018-24/9b Vice-President (External) - Report.

See SC-2018.24.02.

2018-24/9c Vice-President (Operations and Finance) - Report.

See SC-2018.24.03.

2018-24/9d Students' Council Motion Tracker.

See SC-2018.24.04.

2018-24/9e Executive Committee Motion Tracker

See SC-2018.24.05.

2018-24/9f Students' Council, Votes and Proceedings (SC-2018-23)

See SC-2018.24.06.

2018-24/9g Students' Council - Attendance.

See SC-2018.24.07.

2018-24/9h Board of Governors Response - Augustana Students' Association.

See SC-2018.24.08.

2018-24/9i Second Principles, Bill #6 - Changes to SU SG Oversight.

See SC-2018.24.09.

2018-24/9j Second Principles, Bill #7.

See SC-2018.24.10.

2018-24/9k Second Reading - Campus Saint-Jean Political Policy.

See SC-2018.24.11.

2018-24/9l CASA - Budget Briefing (2019).

See SC-2018.24.12.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:06PM.