

STUDENTS' COUNCIL

Tuesday, February 9, 2021 6:00PM Zoom

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.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS (SC-2020-22)

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 6:00PM

2020-22/1	SPEAKERS BUSINESS
2020-22/1a	Announcements - The next meeting of Students' Council will take place on Tuesday, February 23, 2021 at 6:00PM via Zoom.
2020-22/2	PRESENTATIONS
2020-22/3	EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT
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David DRAPER, Vice President (Academic) - Report. Rowan LEY, Vice President (External) - Report. Alana KRAHN, Vice President (Operations and Finance) - Report. Katie KIDD, Vice President (Student Life) - Report.

Joel AGARWAL, President - Report.

2020-22/4 **BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORT**

KIDD, Aboriginal Relations and Reconciliation Committee - Report

VILLOSO, Audit Committee - Report FOTANG, Bylaw Committee - Report

BID, Council Administration Committee - Report

AGARWAL, Executive Committee - Report KRAHN, Finance Committee - Report DRAPER, Nominating Committee - Report MONTEIRO, Policy Committee Report KIDD, Student Group Committee

DIXON, Sustainability Committee Report

KRAHN, Sustainability and Capital Fund Committee

EINARSON, Translation Committee - Report

KONRAD, Undergraduate Board of Governors Representative - Report

2020-22/5 <u>OPEN FORUM</u>

2020-22/6 QUESTION PERIOD

BOSE: Inquired as to whether there is a University policy, procedure, standard, or regulation that prohibits professors from assigning work during a semester's Reading Week.

DRAPER: Responded that courses are treated as if they are not in session but that there is no official prohibition.

DIXON: Inquired as to whether the SU Executive will support the No Cops On Campus Collective and sign its Open Letter to End the Police Liaison Program.

KIDD: Responded that she is in the process of developing a Campus Policing Political Policy.

2020-22/7 BOARD AND COMMITTEE BUSINESS

2020-22/7a **DRAPER/MON**

DRAPER/MONTEIRO MOVED, on behalf of the UASU nominating committee, to ratify the selection of Megan Ciocchetto and Liam Pearce to fill the vacant Undergraduate ALES representative positions on the General Faculties Council for a term ending on April 31st.

See SC-2020-22.16

DRAPER: Noted that, if approved, GFC will have full and complete student representation for the first time in history.

CARRIED 25/0/0

2020-22/7b

DRAPER/SARETZKY MOVED to appoint 1 member of Students Council to the University of Alberta Libraries Open Educational Resources Team. See SC-2020-22.07

FOTANG nominated BRANDWEIN: declined. DIXON nominated MONTEIRO: accepted. VILLOSO nominated DEGRANO: declined. AGARWAL nominated FILIPOVIC: declined.

MONTEIRO is appointed by acclamation as Council representative to the University of Alberta Libraries Open Educational Resources Team.

2020-22/7c

LEY/DIXON MOVED to approve the Second Principles of the Nonpartisan Political Policy.

See SC-2020-22.08

LEY: Noted that the Policy clarifies rules concerning expressions of political partisanship without preventing the SU from taking strong positions on issues important to students.

BOSE: Inquired as to the meaning of Resolution 14 'Students' Union Councillors must behave in a non-partisan manner when acting in their capacity as Councillors. However, they are free to engage in partisan activities separate from their role on Students' Council.'

LEY: Responded that the Resolution aims to implement a less stringent standard for councillor partisanship restrictions as compared with those for executives.

AKKERMAN: Expressed concern that Resolution 11 is unclear about how determinations are made as to how 'The Student' Union reserves the right to stand in solidarity with organizations and other unions when it advances our mandate in a non-partisan manner.'

DIXON: Clarified that the Executive and Council decide when to 'stand in solidarity' with other groups. Clarified that the intent of Resolution 11 is to enable Council to, among other things, participate in joint-protests with other student advocacy groups or associations.

AGARWAL: Clarified that the Resolution 11 phrase 'reserves the right' gives Council and the Executive flexibility in determining what causes to support.

BOSE: Proposed that the SU support organisations promoting Alberta's oil and gas industry which is important for engineering jobs.

AGARWAL: Noted that the SU does not take stances on issues which do not directly impact students and do not directly relate to serving, representing, and engaging students.

DOHERTY: Inquired as to the process for reprimanding councillors that contravene the Policy.

LEY: Responded that contravention could result in censure from Council or the involvement of the Discipline, Interpretation, and Enforcement Board.

BUCHANAN: Expressed concern that there is a loophole in the Policy as it does not prohibit individuals from partisanship during the period in which they are campaigning.

SPEAKER: Clarified that members of Council running for re-election are not active members of Council and are free to be partisan.

CARRIED 25/1/1

2020-22/7d **KRAHN/LEY MOVED** to approve the 2021-22 Budget Principles on behalf of the Finance Committee.

See SC-2020-22.09

BUCHANAN: Inquired as to why Item 19 'The Students' Union shall make resources available towards planning for the long-term maintenance and management of SUB.' is being removed from the Principles.

KRAHN: Responded that Item 19 was fulfilled when the SU secured the Sustainability and Capital Fund.

BOSE: Inquired as to what plans the SU has to re-hire its student staff which were laid-off due to COVID-19.

KRAHN: Responded that student employment remains a priority for the SU and re-hiring will depend on SU business projections and the availability of funds.

CARRIED 25/1/0

2020-22/7e

FOTANG/EINARSON MOVED approve the second reading of Bill #9, according to these second principles.

See SC-2020-22.10

CARRIED 25/0/0

2020-22/7f

FOTANG/DIXON MOVED to approve the second reading of Bill #8, according to these second principles.

See SC-2020-22.11

DRAPER: Expressed concern that his proposed addition to the academic vice-presidential portfolio was rejected. Suggested that supporting GFC is a large part of the VPA role and it should be addressed as part of the Bill.

AGARWAL: Agreed with Draper.

FOTANG: Clarified that the Committee did not include the proposed addition on the basis that it was overly specific and prevented the VPA from delegating tasks to other members of the Executive.

DRAPER: Suggested that adding the responsibility to support GFC as part of the VPA portfolio would not preclude the VPA from requesting assistance from others and delegating their responsibility when needed.

FOTANG/DIXON MOVED to add §4.3(e) 'Shall provide support to the student members of the General Faculties Council as well as work to ensure student seats are

	CARRIED 25/0/0
2020-22/8	GENERAL ORDERS
2020-22/9	INFORMATION ITEMS
2020-22/9a	Executive Committee Reports See SC-2020-22.01-05
2020-22/9b	Board of Governors Report See SC-2020-22.06
2020-22/9c	Council Submissions See SC-2020-22.07-11

Vice President External Rowan Ley - Information about Leave of Absence

Students' Council, Votes and Proceedings (SC-2020-21) Tuesday, January 26, 2021

2020-22/9d

2020-22/9e

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See SC-2020-22.12

See SC-2020-22.13

See SC-2020-22.14

See SC-2020-22.15

Students' Council - Motion Tracking

Students' Council - Attendance

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:46PM