

STUDENTS' COUNCIL VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Tuesday April 3, 2012
Council Chambers 2-1 University Hall

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS (SC 2011-23)

2011-23/1

SPEAKER'S BUSINESS

Speaker moved all joke presentations and motions to the end of the agenda

2011-23/2

PRESENTATIONS

2011-23/2a

SU General Elections Results – Presented by Zach Fentiman, CRO. Sponsored by Rory Tighe, President/Sumar.

Outline: This presentation will outline to council in detail the results of the two elections conducted in March, and allow council to provide and receive feedback on the SU's electoral processes.

2011-23/2c

Discovering Governance presentation- Presented by Amanda Henry, Student Governance Advisor. Sponsored by Emerson Csorba, VP Academic/Sumar.

Abstract:

Discover Governance is asked to "provide annual reports to Students' Council and to the University Secretariat regarding:

- a. The number of students involved in governance activities in the previous year;
- b. Suggestions regarding the recruitment of student representatives; and,
- c. Suggestions for improving the quality of student representation."

Please see document SC 11-23.01

2011-23/2d

The SU's budget – Presented by Andy Cheema, VP Operations and Finance. Sponsored by Andy Cheema, VP Operations and Finance/Kusmu.

Abstract:

This presentation is intended to outline the Students' Union's proposed 2012-2013

operating and capital budgets. Key budget drivers and changes will be discussed for Council's information as the motion to approve the budget is tabled.

2011-23/3

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Rory Tighe, President- Presidents farewell address.

Andy Cheema, VP Operations and Finance- Oral Report

Emerson Csorba, VP Academic- Oral Report

Colten Yamagishi, VP Student Life- Oral Report

Rory Tighe, President- Oral Report

2011-23/4

BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

Petros Kusmu, Policy Committee chair- Oral Report

Saadq Sumar, GAC Chair- Oral Report

Adam Woods, Bylaw Committee Chair- Oral Report

Kim Ferguson, CAC Chair- Oral Report

Su Su Liang, Audit Committee Chair- Oral Report

2011-23/5

QUESTION PERIOD

2011-23/6

BOARD AND COMMITTEE BUSINESS

2011-23/6a

CHEEMA/CRONE MOVE THAT Students' Council, upon the recommendation of the Budget and Finance Committee, approve the 2012-2013 Operating and Capital budget.

Speakers List: Cheema, Crone, Woods, Bellinger

Motion: CARRIED

2011-23/6b

CHEEMA/LIANG MOVE THAT Students' Council, upon the recommendation of the Grant Allocation Committee, approve the 2012-2013 Access Fund budget.

Speakers List: Cheema, Iskandar, Bellinger

Motion: CARRIED

Automatic recess at 8:43pm

Meeting called back to order at 9:00pm

2011-23/6c

BELLINGER/FERGUSON moves that Students' Council, upon the recommendation of the CRO Selection Panel, ratify the hiring of Farid Iskandar as the Chief Returning Officer for the 2012-2013 term.

Speakers List: Bellinger, Ferguson, Yamagishi, Cheema

Motion: CARRIED

Iskandar abstain

2011-23/6d

MILLS/BELLINGER moves that, upon recommendation of the Council Administration Committee, following changes to the Budget and Finance Committee Standing Orders in omnibus.

1. Adding Section 5: Responsibilities of Members, and renumbered to read

"The Council Administration Committee may recommend to Students' Council, by a simple majority vote, the removal of any permanent member who is not carrying out his/her duties in contributing to the fulfillment of the mandate of the Committee."

2. Change all instances of "suck" to "such."

Change all instances of "his/her" to "their."

Speakers List: Mills, Ferguson, Nicol, Bellinger, Yamagishi, Woods, Tighe

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Change all instances of "his/her" to "their."

Motion: CARRIED

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2. Change all instances of "suck" to "such."

Change all instances of "his/her" to "their."

Motion: CARRIED

ISKANDAR/LEPAGE FORTIN called to question

Motion: CARRIED

Main Motion: CARRIED

2011-23/6e

BELLINGER/FERGUSON moves that, upon recommendation of the Council Administration Committee, the following changes to the Policy Committee Standing Orders be made in omnibus.

1. Add "16. The Chair of the Policy Committee shall not be a member of the Executive Committee."
2. Strike the previous from the current section 17.
3. Renumber accordingly.

Speakers list: Nicol, Khinda, Bellinger, Ferguson, Liang, Iskandar, Woods, Zinyemba

NICOL MOVED TO reject the consideration of item 2011-23/6e

Motion: FAILED

Main Motion: CARRIED

NICOL/ISKANDAR MOVED to amend the agenda to strike items 2011-23/6f – 2011-23/6j

LIANG/FERGUSON MOVED TO challenge the chair that it would be correct for council to entertain the motion on the floor to strike 2011-23/6f-2011-23/6j

Motion: FAILED

CSORBA/ROBERTO CHERRON called to question

Failed

NICOL/MACGILLIVARY MOVED TO challenge the chair on what vote is required to amend the agenda

KUSMU called to question

Amendment to agenda: CARRIED

2011-23/6

BOARD AND COMMITTEE BUSINESS

2011-23/6k

CSORBA/WOODS MOVES that, upon the recommendation of Policy Committee, Students' Council adopt the Fall Reading Week Political Policy in second reading based on the following principles:

1. That the Students' Union will advocate through University Governance for the creation of a Fall Reading Week;
2. The Fall Reading Week advocated for would be created under the following guidelines:
 - a. A full week without instruction will take place concurrent with the Remembrance Day holiday.
 - b. Two instructional days will be removed from the Fall Term.
 - c. Instruction in the Fall Term will commence, when possible, on the Tuesday following Labour Day.
3. That this policy shall expire on April 30th, 2015

Speakers List: Csorba, Tighe, Woods

TIGHE MOVED TO amend the motion to read:

FALL READING WEEK POLITICAL POLICY - Second Reading to Council (April 3, 2012)

WHEREAS the Students' Union is committed to improving the success and well-being of its members;

WHEREAS an accumulation of stress increases one's vulnerability to mental illness;

WHEREAS a Fall Reading Week will create an opportunity to provide wellness, academic and social programming;

WHEREAS many major Canadian research intensive universities have 61 or fewer instructional days;

WHEREAS the benefits of a fall break will be optimized by providing students with a full week off from classes; and

WHEREAS a Fall Reading Week that coincides with the Remembrance Day holiday is preferable given the constraints on the academic schedule.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Students' Union will advocate through University Governance for the creation of a Fall Reading Week such that:

- a. A full week without instruction will take place concurrent with the Remembrance Day holiday;
- b. Two instructional days will be removed from the Fall Term; and
- c. Instruction in the Fall Term will commence, when possible, on the Tuesday following Labour Day.

Motion(friendly): CARRIED

Main Motion: CARRIED

BELLINGER/FERGUSON MOVED to adjourn at 9:55

Motion: CARRIED

Meeting called back to order at 10:15 pm

ISKANDAR/TIGHE MOVED TO special order 2011-23/7c

Motion: CARRIED

2011-23/7

GENERAL ORDERS

2011-23/7c

ISKANDAR MOVED THAT Students' Council approves Bill #15 in second reading based on the following principles:

1. The Executive Committee will inform council of any University proposal to create a new Mandatory Non Instructional Fees or to increase the cost of any existing Mandatory Non Instructional Fees beyond the Alberta Consumer Price Index. Students' Council will review all proposal brought forward and upon appropriate consultation, council will either vote to support a proposal for a Mandatory Non Instructional Fees or send the proposal to a plebiscite question.
2. This bylaw does not govern SU Dedicated Fee Units.

Speakers List: Iskandar, Liang, Woods, Iskandar

Liang Point of order- "according to our standing orders first readings of bylaws if the motion is approve the motion is referred to the Bylaw Committee. So I'm surprised that after Council approved it two meetings ago that this morning was not referred to the Bylaw Committee"

FERGUSON/ISKANDAR MOVED TO suspend standing orders 15.2

Motion: CARRIED

Main Motion: CARRIED

2011-23/6l

KHINDA/CRONE MOVE that, upon the recommendation of Policy Committee, Students' Council adopt the Smoke Free Environment Political Policy in second reading based on the following principles:

- That the Students' Union advocate that the University of Alberta restrict smoking on all of its campuses to appropriate and health promoting designated smoking areas;
- That the policy expire on April 30, 2015.

Speakers List: Bellinger, Tighe, Nicol, Zinyemba, Iskandar, Fehr, Petros, Ferguson, Khinda, Crone, Liang,

BELLINGER/NICOL MOVED TO postpone item 2011-23/6l indefinitely

LEPAGE FORTIN/ZINYEMBA called to question

FAILED

Motion to postpone: FAILED

ZINYEMBA MOVED TO amend the motion to read:

SMOKE FREE ENVIRONMENT POLITICAL POLICY - Second Reading to Council (April 3, 2012)

WHEREAS The Students' Union is committed to the health and wellness of all its employees and its members;

WHEREAS The Students' Union is committed to initiatives promoting sustainability on campus;

WHEREAS The University of Alberta is a world leading institution in health and cancer research;

WHEREAS Environmental tobacco smoke (ETS) contains many known carcinogens, and poses a serious preventable health risk;

WHEREAS cigarette butts and ETS pose a considerable hazard to the local ecosystem;

WHEREAS the reduction of cigarette butts and litter on campus has the potential to reduce maintenance and disposal costs;

WHEREAS the University of Alberta is subject to, but not limited to, provincial and municipal legislation regarding smoking;

WHEREAS the University of Alberta defined campuses are: Campus Saint-Jean, Enterprise Square, North Campus, South Campus, and Augustana;

WHEREAS a campus-wide ban could potentially place members of the campus community in unsafe situations;

WHEREAS accessible designated smoking areas are beneficial to all members of the community;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Students' Union advocate that the University of Alberta restrict smoking on all of its campuses to appropriate and health promoting designated smoking areas.

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¹ Nagle, A.L., Schofield, M.J., Redman, S., 1996. Smoking on hospital grounds and the impact of outdoor smoke-free zones. *Tobacco Control* 5, 199–204.

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FERGUSON MOVED TO amend the amendment to read:

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WHEREAS Environmental tobacco smoke (ETS) contains many known carcinogens, and poses a serious preventable health risk¹²;

WHEREAS cigarette butts and ETS pose a considerable hazard to the local ecosystem³⁴;

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WHEREAS a campus-wide ban could potentially place members of the campus community in unsafe situations²;

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Amendment: CARRIED

Called to question

Main Amendment: CARRIED

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TIGHE called to question

Motion: FAILED

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Motion: CARRIED

KHINDA/ROBERTO CHERRON Called to question

CARRIED

NICOL CALLED for division

Tighe- Y

Iskandar- Y

Cheema- N

Yamagishi- Y

Lepage Fortin- Y

Fehr- Y

Kusmu- Y

Khinda- Y

Woods- N

Kelly- Y

Zinyemba- Y

Mills- N

Crone- Y

Sumar- A

Nicol- N

Gould- Y

Bellinger- N

Zhao- N

Champigne- Y

Ferguson- N

Roberto Charron- Y

Upodhyaya- Y

Liang- N

MacGillivray- Y

Main Motion: CARRIED

Council Scholarship awarder to Councillor Kusmu and Councillor Zinyamba

Meeting adjourned at 12:00pm