

**BYLAW
COMMITTEE**

Wednesday, August 15, 2018

**5:00 PM
SUB 0-55**

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.

ATTENDANCE

NAME	PROXY	PRESENT	SUBMISSION OF WRITTEN FEEDBACK (IF ABSENT)
Michelle Kim (Chair)		YES	
Tahra Haddouche		NO	
Rowan Ley		YES (arrived late)	
Emma Ripka		NO	8400: Engineering is the only faculty that currently has a Faculty membership fee, and they want to dissolve it. All that needs to happen is the ESS needs to give approval, then it will be removed; I am working on it right now. Once tha happens, I'd suggest that bylaw looks at removing this bylaw all together because this type of fee is no longer necessary. Re: Jimmy. 8200: I suggested a couple content-heavy changes as well as

			<p>some editorial ones, you can choose to table this until I am back to explain?</p> <p>6200 & 1500: I am going through currently.</p> <p>Training of the chairs (questions to DG): Overall, what the executive committee & management has decided is that this type of thing does not belong in bylaw, because it will be provided by DG, which is an operation (thus, it would fall under operational policy). Moving forward, this topic will be brought to the meeting of the chairs, where we will provide guidance to DG as to how to improve training.</p> <p>Bylaw 100 & attendance: My view on this is the first council meeting (0) should happen at the end of April, not included in the attendance as the training and speaker selection should be enough of an incentive to come. Then, at meeting 1 in May, committees shall be formed.</p>
Nathan Sunday		YES	
Jimmy Thibaudeau		YES	
Ariyanna Callihoo (SAL)		YES	
Katherine Belcourt		YES	

MINUTES (BC-2018-06)

2018-06/1 INTRODUCTION

2018-06/1a **Call to Order**

Meeting called to order at 5:12 PM

2018-06/1b **Approval of Agenda**

SUNDAY/THIBAUDEAU MOVE to suspend standing orders to discuss item 3c first
5/0/0 CARRIED.

2018-06/1c **Approval of Minutes**

No previous minutes to approve.

2018-06/1d **Chair's Business**

2018-06/2 QUESTION/DISCUSSION PERIOD

2018-06/2a Bylaw 100 (19), which states that:

The two (2) individuals nominated as ex-officio representatives of the Students' Union to the University of Alberta General Faculties Council shall be

1. The Students' Union Vice President (Academic), and
2. The Students' Union Vice President (Student Life).

However, under the Post-Secondary Learning Act, section 24 (c)(i), GFC must have, "2 students nominated by the council of the students association". Due to the Bylaw, Students' Council is unable to vote (or even ratify) the two positions.

Kim: Reads RIPKA's submission.

Sunday: every faculty except for native studies has a membership fee.

Thibaudeau: this is referring to a diff type of fee that in the past, it was able to be used for renos, etc. The only one still o/s is the engineering fee is we're not sure if it expires or not. The only reason is the bylaw still exists is as a reminder to not let that happen again in the future.

Sunday: is it still being collected?

Kim: yes. It's called a faculty membership fee but faculties don't use it.
Councillor Rait? Has resigned from BC due to scheduling conflicts so we have to select another councillor.

RE RIPKA's submission

Sunday: doesn't make sense.

Kim: she spoke to exec and management re this so that's all she provided. Is it okay if we move it to the next meeting bc we have one more at the end of August?

Sunday: I want to see if we can move it bc it doesn't have anything to do with DG, etc.

Kim: so we want to push it in a way for transition report standards to be responsible for it.

Sunday: There are standards in place but it's outlined in bylaw. For eg. Setting goals - that's something that can be modified at the end of the year. It's up to the chair to decide how to use robert's rules so that doesn't involve DG either. It's all at the Committee level. All this stuff is done at the Committee here, just no standards in place.

Kim: re chair shadowing - the timing of it basically because when the chairs are being elected.

Sunday: well if I was a councillor one year and if I know I'm coming back and I want to be chair then I can speak to the chair now nad have a better understanding for next year so there shouldn't be such a steep. Learning curve.

Ley: what's the diff by someone shadowing the chair and showing up at. A council mtg.

Kim: the chair would show the calling for votes and send the recording to this person.

Sunday: there's are broad here.

Kim: I'm personally in favor to table bill #2. So for bill#4, I'm ok with us bringing it to council then here.

Sunday: if first principles go through, then but how it's written now. Then I'll move it.

SUNDAY/LEY second move for first principles.

3/0/1

BELCOURT abstains.

2018-06/3 **COMMITTEE BUSINESS**

2018-06/3a **KIM MOVES** to approve amended First principles of Bill #2: Bylaw 100 Attendance Regulations.

KIM/LEY MOVE to have bill #2 tabled for next mtg
4/0/0 CARRIED

2018-06/3b **SUNDAY MOVES** to approve First principles of Bill #4: Bylaw 100 Students' Council Committee Chairs' Training.

Ley: VP Academic and student's Life will be the most obvious to sit on GFC so I don't personally have a problem with this in principal but if there's some sort of contradiction in post secondary learning ac then we can have DIE Board voting on it.

Sunday: we should be given the choice to nominate not be forced to.

Thibaudeau: every other member of SC has opportunity to run in the election for GFC and if they win that nomination then they sit on the council. Or if they run and lost, then we'd be going behind the students' vote to nominate them on GFC. As for the other exec, VP EXT makes no sense to sit on GFC, opsfi makes no sense to sit on as well, president could but portfolio of student life; it makes. A lot more sense for them to sit on GFC.

Sunday: I'm fine with having two of them as student reps but for ex we had to ratify the appt of Nadia. It's just a symbolic gesture; for ex. They already had the position we just ratified that through council.

Kim: it's very obvious for all of us that VP Academic and Student Life to sit on GFC. But while in bylaw being ex-officio members are stated is a bit contradictory. Is there another line so them to be ratified/

Sunday: so it could be the 2 individuals nominated and ratified.

Ley: so the're both automatically nominated?

Sunday: yes, they'll automatically have the seat and it will be a symbolic gesture that council still has the authority.

Belcourt: so in postsec learning act, so there are already GFC reps.

Kim: from my understanding, post secondary learning act, there are

2018-06/3c SUNDAY/KIM MOVES to approve Second principles of Bill #3. For recommended amendments
5/0/0

See BC-2018-06.01.

SUNDAY: We had started on this last year and made finishing touches on the weekend. First principles so legislative and operational are gone and only standing committee, Ad-Hoc Committee. If this get approved...

KIM: 7b - there's a typo saying student council with large O.

SUNDAY: Katherine and I discussed the process. We didn't want to go through a robust process eg. NomCom process not in bylaw so a heavy process for not picking SALs should not be in SO either. SAL are already in the NomCom bylaw.

KIM: It's good so committee

SUNDAY: stuff drafted for SAL and confidentiality agreements. There's one created for SALs.

THIBAudeau: For the first one, section 1i - why did you remove out of delegated legislative functions definitions?

SUNDAY: didn't think it was needed bc all committees have de

THIBAudeau: The original bylaw was to include the processes behind bylaws, policies and finances in bylaw so this was the main reason the original bylaw was written in the first place. I don't know if it was redundant to include or not or necessary. The same type of wording in 1g.

SUNDAY: We can keep it in, doesn't matter to me. I would also like to add that to Ad-Hoc and Operational Committee definition.

THIBAudeau: for 1k under Ad-Hoc Committee you struck out b. Reason>?

SUNDAY: Section 5 says shall expire.. not exceeding one year so no need to have both.

THIBAudeau: RE section 1k & 1L. I agree with decision to leave close/open memberships for comm's decision so probably eliminate section 4 and 2. That should be struck bc open memberships aren't defined anywhere in the bylaw. There's no definition of open memberships.

KIM: It's struck out but still mentioned again. What was the reason?>

SUNDAY: I didn't think it was needed.

Kim: do you mind putting it back for clarification.

Sunday: we can get rid of open membership and it'll be up to the Committee to decide.

THIBAUDEAU: I agree. I'd like it better to include definition of open membership and just keep that line within both so when comm are formed. SC are aware they can choose whoever they want

Sunday: then it has to be under standing comms too. It infers that stand comms can have SALs

DECISION: We will strike out open membership portion.

Thibaudeau: section 12, section 8 - you included all permanent memberships but is their membership still scouncil members and d

Sunday: it's still open for SC, and certain number of aboriginal SALs.

Thibaudeau: You should include that close in here but under CAC, this section of bylaw isn't used in quorum but in SOs

Sunday: Yes.

Thibaudeau: I like your SAL process, it made sense. In section 22, standing comm attendance regulation, section 4; should we change wording to a member of that Committee where a member meets the following criteria or defined as per Committee?

Sunday: I'd say the comm defines it. Or what does everyone think.

Kim: I think it's up to the comm bc some have more power than others.

Sunday: for the aboriginal SAL on ARRC if an aboriginal wants to come to the meeting then they'd have to email me to vote. Numbers can com and go as they please.

Thibaudeau: the same thing goes for CAC. But I'm thinking more of the permanent membership so is it for the council review to dictate the SAL

Sunday: we're leaving it up to the comms so if they want to have SALs they can.

Kim: I'm leaning more towards leaving it up to the comms

Belcourt: I think that's a good point. If we have it as members for both then it's for consistency.

Sunday: the reason we changed it to member, it's good to leave stuff open but I don't think comms should dictate if SALs can have proxies or not which is why we changed 223 so they can have proxies.

Thibaudeau: we should say SAL attendance regulation should be determined by that comm

Sunday: I agree. We'll have a 5th one.

Ley: for section 1, subsection K2; why was it struck out?

Sunday: under 5, it says they will expire and shall not exceed 1 yr so it's redundant.

Ley: I guess I saw it more as a guideline but that's fine. For section 12.1 - why does it say CAC and not bylaw has the authority to bring forward first principles for a change to this bylaw?

Sunday: it was a suggestion from DG bc CAC is the admin comm and they deal with administrative side of council. Bylaw only has a set number for voting representation.

Belcourt: a comm isn't being blindsided by another comm so it's fair.

Ley: another minor typos I noticed but I can talk to you about that later.

Thibaudeau: section 12, subsection 12; has there been any thought of pointing out for it to be a permanent membership for going through that process. AARC has their own process for

Kim: can you say permanent SAL members?

Sunday: Yes. I think that's fine

Thibaudeau: that should follow through each of the subsections, just to clarify.

Sun: sounds good

Ley: under 17, 7K - does that include standing comms of council bc I believe it would be done by NomCom right?

Kim: that's true

Thibaudeau: I feel like that's fine bc clause says comms would have main focus on aboriginal students

Ley: so how does that work?

Sunday: for ext, we did it through council.

Ley: does it include council comms?

Sunday: yes

Ley: but it does specifically say it's chosen through nom com?

Kim: it's only councillors going through SC...

Sunday: if non-councillor reps SC sign a confidentiality agreement? Out of my scope

Ley: if it was change do stay ARRC would provide recommendation to NomCom.

Sunday: could say recommend to SC and not NomCom.

Belcourt: if you do that then closing off ppl who hold diff position

Sunday: but in ARRC, you're not a councillor.

Belcourt: 1.1.j - it sounds good the way it's now. Would that be the same as being technically a SAL on ARRC but when I'm in AARC.

Kim: you're not a rep of SC but you're representing your group.

Ley: why ARRC is a higher quorum than other things?

Sunday: we have a larger permanent memberships - execs, SALs, councillors, the elder.

2018-06/4 **INFORMATION ITEMS**

2018-06/5 **ADJOURNMENT**

@ 6:01 ; will decide on a mtg time next semester so bring your seed use.

2018-06/5a **Next Meeting: Wednesday, August 29, 2018 @ 5:00PM in SUB 0-55.**

MOTION	VOTES
SUNDAY/LEY second move for first principles.	3/0/1 CARRIED BELCOURT abstains.
KIM/LEY MOVE to have bill #2 tabled for next mtg	4/0/0 CARRIED
SUNDAY/KIM MOVES to approve Second principles of Bill #3. For recommended amendments	5/0/0 CARRIED