University of Alberta Students’ Union

STUDENTS’ COUNCIL

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Tuesday February 26th, 2013
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DIE Board Ruling 2012-2

Style of Cause: Lau v CRO

Hearing Date: February 25th, 2012

Hearing Number: Ruling # 02 2012/2013

DIE Board Panel Members: Sean Wallace, Chief Tribune
                         Eve Coppinger, Tribune
                         Becky Gormley, Tribune

Issues:

[1] Is there any remedy available to Mr. Lau to relink his website following CRO Ruling #2?

[2] What is Mr. Lau permitted to post on his website during its non-operational period?

Relevant Legislation:

[3] From Bylaw 2200 § 48:

   “(1) Where a candidate, side manager or volunteer has contravened a bylaw, rule, or regulation, regardless of the cause or the intent of the parties involved, and that contravention has provided an unfair advantage to a candidate, the C.R.O. shall assign a penalty that

   a. fully counter-balances any advantage gained; and

   b. where the contravention was intentional, penalizes the candidate or campaign manager who was or whose volunteer was guilty of the contravention. “
Decision:

The Panel was unanimous in their decision

[4] All parties, including the Panel, agree that Mr. Lau engaged in pre-campaigning when his election website was published live and freely accessible for 39.5 hours from February 19-21.

[5] The applicant, Mr. Lau, does not dispute the fine levied or the 39.5 hour website shutdown period beginning on February 27th at 9:00 AM. However, he requested an opportunity to redirect his election website to his Facebook election page, to avoid voters from visiting a non-operational website.

[6] The Panel agrees that Mr. Lau did not intend to have his website posted early, and that this was an honest mistake. However, an unfair advantage was nonetheless gained. The Panel also recognizes that Mr. Lau did not take immediate steps to notify the CRO of the error.

[7] The Panel finds that Mr. Lau’s proposed remedy is untenable with Bylaw requirements. Pursuant to Bylaw 2200 § 48(1)(a), penalties must fully counter-balance any advantage gained. Allowing Mr. Lau to redirect his website to a Facebook page comparable in content would not counter-balance the advantage gained, as it would merely circumvent the penalty.

[8] The Panel also finds that Mr. Lau is only permitted (but not required) to post the following information on his website: (1) a statement that the website is non-operational (2) the time and date the website will be operational again (3) the reason the website is non-operational (i.e., CRO Ruling #2). The website cannot refer to any social media or other external websites.
February 25, 2013

To: Students’ Council 2012-2013

Re: Report of the Vice President Academic

Hello Council,

It’s been a while since my last report. I’ve attended a number of meetings and events, listed below, with the highlights summarized for your interest.

I. **Bookstore Advisory Group**

The Bookstore Advisory Group met on February 11, with a light agenda. We were informed that sales of used textbooks were down substantially, but that overall $814,000 in expenses were saved, 10 months over 10 months. Margins remain near-static at 21.2% over costs. The student submission to the strategic plan was forwarded to the BSAG for discussion, but the Director requested more time to respond as strategic planning is delayed. Dean Robinson suggested a final meeting before the end of Winter 2013, as well as a unit review for the Bookstore.

II. **ASC Subcommittee on Concessions**

The Academic Standards Committee struck a subcommittee on Concessions, in response to concerns that students with religious affiliations weren’t given appropriate accommodations for missed term work. I am hopeful that this group will also tackle academic concession policies for student representatives and athletes that is being championed by the Dean of Students, and concession policies for students managing mental health issues, as recommended by a recent Queen’s report.

III. **COFA Senior Board**

The COFA Senior Board hosted its Winter semester meeting during the past three weeks. We had thorough conversations about proposed bylaw changes affecting FAs, programming for a joint FA/Council retreat, the Faculty Association Task Force report, and the collaborative marketing campaign. I hope to produce a year-end report to summarize the work completed by COFA this academic year.

IV. **Miscellaneous**

I attended a number of committee meetings, including the TLEF Award Adjudication Committee, Coca-Cola Award Adjudication Committee, TBAC-MBAC, the Alcohol Policy Working Group, the Subcommittee on the Status of USRIs, and the eUSRI Working Group.
TLAT discussed a proposed eTextbook policy I worked on, and AASUA TLC discussed online learning. I’ve met individually with a number of FAs to discuss year-end and bylaw changes. I attended the Ignite conference, and a reception at the President’s residence. Finally, I’m working on my campaign for re-election.

Sincerely,

Dustin Chelen
Motions

1. CHEEMA/CRONE MOVE THAT the Budget and Finance Committee recommend that Students’ Council approve the 2013-2014 Budget Principles as amended.  

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<td>1.</td>
<td>CHEEMA/CRONE MOVE THAT the Budget and Finance Committee recommend that Students’ Council approve an allocation not to exceed three hundred and sixty thousand dollars from the Building and Tenant Reserve and unrestricted reserves for the purpose of the next planning phase of the SUB renovation project.</td>
<td>CARRIED 4/0/0</td>
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**SUB Renovation Additional Project Funding**  
Summary for Students' Council (February 26, 2013)

**Architectural Fees**
- Schematic Design (SD) $79,200 (Approved)
- Design Development (DD) $85,800 (Approved)

**Contract Documents** $316,800
- Bid and Contract Work $19,800
- Contract Administration $145,200
- Record Drawings $13,200

**Management Fees**
- Project Manager (SD and DD) $50,000 (Approved)
- Project Manager Extension $20,000
- Construction Manager $20,000

**Total Additional Funding for Next Phase**
- Architectural Fees $316,800
- Management Fees $40,000
- Consultant Contingency $3,200

  Total to Date $215,000
  Next Phase $360,000
February 25, 2012

To: Students’ Council

Re: Report to Council

Hello Council,

Welcome back from reading week! Below are the highlights since my last report.

**SUB Renovations**

We presented an update on Schematic Design and project financing at the last meeting of Students’ Council. At this meeting, I will move a motion to proceed with the next step of planning (contract documents). We are actively working with our consultants and stakeholders to finalize Design Development for its presentation to Council in the near future. We are also actively working to develop a financing proposal that will allow Council to make a decision on proceeding with the project as a whole.

**Budget and Finance Committee**

BFC has met twice since my last report. At the first of these two meetings, the Committee amended and recommended a set of Budget Principles to Students’ Council. A motion to approve this document appears on today’s order paper. I will explain the budget process in detail at the meeting.

At the following meeting, BFC made a recommendation to Students’ Council to proceed with the next phase of SUB Renovation planning. This entails architectural fees for preparation of contract documents and fees for our project manager and construction manager.

**Budget 2013-2014**

I have been working with management to assemble departmental budgets and review the numerical operating and capital budget. We are actively working through a large number of details. Once Council has recommended a set of Budget Principles I will be able to consider the numbers through this lens.

**Health Centre Advisory Group**

The second HCAG meeting of the year took place this month. The bulk of the meeting was spent reviewing budgets for the University Health Centre and related units. There was some discussion about the recent funding received from the provincial government for mental health.

**MNIF Budget Advisory Committee**

The President, Vice President (Academic) and I attended the first M-BAC meeting of the New Year two weeks ago. I have many concerns with the paucity of data that has been disclosed to the committee, as well as with the content that has been provided, especially in relation to the CoSSS fee. The SU is preparing a written response documenting these, and other issues.

**Miscellaneous**

Other activities in the last three weeks include writing a midterm, attending a reception at the University Presidents’ residence, attending the keynote speech for Ignite, participating in a round of Access Fund selections, attending a Bookstore Advisory Group Meeting, and appearing before the DIE Board for appeal 2012-08 (available online).

Cheers,

[Signature]

Andy Cheema
# AUDIT COMMITTEE MEETING
## SUMMARY REPORT TO COUNCIL

**Date:** February 21st 2013  
**Time:** 5.13 pm  
**2011 – 2012 MEETING**

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<td>HODGSON amended the agenda to include February 21, 2013 as the date, instead of February 14, 2013.</td>
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<td>The amended agenda was approved as friendly.</td>
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<td>The tabled minutes for January 16, 2013 were approved as friendly.</td>
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<td>HODGSON moved to suspend item a-i-1, in section 3 of the Standing Orders, concerning a student council representative on the dedicated fee board being present while approving the financial package for a particular DFU.</td>
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<td>MLYNARSKI moved to table the approval of SLS’s financial report pending the receipt of their budget.</td>
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<td>6.</td>
<td>HODGSON moved to approve FACRA’s financial package.</td>
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<td>GENSLER moved to adjourn the meeting.</td>
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