Tuesday August 19, 2003 – 6:00 PM
Council Chambers 2-1 University Hall

AGENDA (SC 2003-10)

2003-10/1 CALL TO ORDER
2003-10/2 NATIONAL ANTHEM "O Canada:"
2003-10/3 University of Alberta CHEER SONG "Ring Out a Cheer"
2003-10/4 STUDENTS’ UNION CREDO
2003-10/5 SPEAKER’S BUSINESS
2003-10/6 APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA
2003-10/7 PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION
2003-10/8 APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES
2003-10/9 QUESTION PERIOD
2003-10/10 APPROVAL OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT (MINUTES)

Please see document SC 03-10.01.

2003-10/11 APPROVAL OF STUDENTS’ UNION BOARDS AND COMMITTEES REPORTS
2003-10/11a Internal Review Board Report

Please see document SC 03-10.02

2003-10/12 OLD BUSINESS
2003-10/12a SMITH/BAZIN MOVED THAT Students’ Council upon the recommendation of the Committee for Council Reform And Progress adopt the changes to Standing Order 18 (Process for Legislation Requiring Multiple Readings) (FIRST Reading).

Please see document SC 03-10.03

2003-10/13 LEGISLATION
2003-10/13a  JONES/LAFFIN MOVED THAT Students’ Council upon the recommendation of the Committee for Council Reform and Progress adopt the changes to Article VI – Powers Regarding Bylaws and rescind Article XVII (Master Copy of Constitution and bylaws) (Third Reading).

Please bring backup documentation from last meeting.

2003-10/13b  LO MOVED THAT Students’ Council approve the proposed changes to Bylaw 2200 (SECOND Reading).

Please see documentation SC 03-10.04

2003-10/14  NEW BUSINESS

2003-10/14a  BOTTEN MOVED THAT Students’ Council, upon the recommendation of the First Alberta Campus Radio Association (FACRA) Board of Directors, appoint one (1) Councilor to replace Chris Laver as a member of the FACRA Board of Directors for the remainder of the 2003/2004 year.

2003-10/14b  BRECHTEL/BOTTEN MOVED THAT Students’ Council grant the Executive Committee the authority to spend money received from the University of Alberta to relocate and make the necessary purchases and renovations to host Bear Scat.

2003-10/15  REPORTS

2003-10/15a  Vice President Academic Report

Please see documentation SC 03-10.05

2003-10/16  INFORMATION ITEMS

2003-10/17  ANNOUNCEMENTS

2003-10/17a  Next Council Meeting

September 9, 2003
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2003-10/17b  UPCOMING FACULTY ASSOCIATION REPORTS

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2003-10/18  ADJOURNMENT
# STUDENTS' COUNCIL

## MINUTES (SC 2003-09)

**August 5, 2003**  
Council Chambers 2-1 University Hall

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**Guests of Council:** Christine Ondro, Chad Moore, Anna Grimsrud, Samantha Power

### 2003-09/02
**NATIONAL ANTHEM “O CANADA”**  
SCHENDEL led council in the singing of the national anthem

### 2003-09/03
**University of Alberta CHEER SONG “Ring Out a Cheer”**  
KAWANAMI led council in the singing of the University of Alberta Cheer Song

### 2003-09/04
**STUDENTS’ UNION CREDO**  
LO led council in the reading of the Students’ Union Credo.

### 2003-09/05
**SPEAKER’S BUSINESS**  
**Speaker** – There is a resignation from Tara Bruneski, the representative from Pharmacy. I assume we are taking all necessary steps to rectify the situation.

I will be away on vacation starting on the Aug15th. I need a speaker for Aug 19 and maybe Aug 30. I will take nominations for Speaker now:

SCHENDEL nominates WEPPLER, WEPPLER accepts.  
SAMUEL nominates WELKE, WELKE accepts.  
WEPPLER – I don’t want to be speaker, but I don’t want to stay for a long time.  
WELKE – This will make me stay for the whole meeting.

**Congratulations to Councilor WEPPLER.**

### 2003-09/07
**APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**  
BRECHTEL/SAMUEL MOVED THAT the agenda be approved.  
SAMUEL/WEPPLER MOVED TO add the late addition package to the agenda, with exception of item 8a.  
SAMUEL – Items 14 and 15b are merely administrative oversights, 15c is pressing and urgent because quorum is required for Access Fund Board immediately.

**Motion is carried.**

SAMUEL/LO MOVED TO add item 8a from the late addition package to the agenda.  
SAMUEL – It is important to clarify the current situation as soon as possible.  
Speaker – Uncertain if it is pressing and urgent, I would like to put it to council. Please raise hands if you would like to see the mural presentation.  
**Motion is carried.**

Main motion is carried.
2003-09/08

PRESENTATIONS AND DISCUSSIONS

SAMUEL – The mural that was located at the foot of the stairs, was painted over a week ago Friday (10 days ago). Mural was part of an anti-AFTA. $500 was budged for the installation and completion of the mural. The facility staff painted over the mural. The General Manager, Senior Manager of Facilities and Operations and the Facilities Charge Hand were all away on vacation, so that puts a roadblock on communication.

MAH – I would like to point out the President was on vacation as well.

SAMUEL – When the 3 members of management were all unavailable, the executive committee passed several motions. One was to come up with a proposal by Aug 12 to replace the mural or convey a similar message like the mural. The other motion was to send a letter of apology to the artist that drew the mural. SEE and VIEW also wrote articles about this before the letter of apology was sent out. We drafted several letters to SEE and VIEW, responding to the letter they wrote. The executive summary of the letters explain why it happen – basically miscommunication with people being on vacation and what we are going to do about it. If any councilors have any suggestions on what to do, that would be great.
APPROVAL OF MINUTES
SCHENDEL/MEEKER MOVED TO approve the minutes.

BRECHTEL – I wasn’t present at last meeting, but the attendance indicates that I was, please correct that.

COOK – On Page 6, it should say, “What is the status of CAUS”, not “What is the status of the university office”. Page 7, strike, “Wondering why we are trying to set up a new society for CAUS”. Page 8, strike, “My point is that is an approved expenditure and it needs a budget line item.”. Also, on Page 8, under the Speaker’s comment, include “Point of Order is upheld.”

SAMUEL – Page 7, under the Approval of Executive Committee Report, the last sentence should say, “The direction of policy”. Page 15, my comment should say, “There have been revenues committed. We will have at least $13,500 dollars for campaigns”. Page 17, under Announcements, “Melanie” is spelt “Melanee”. Page 7, my 2nd comment under Approval of Exec Committee Report should include the words, “Operating Policy” in front of “14.12”. Page 8, my comment should say, “Items 1g and 1h are not motions to have the SU sell non fair trade coffee.”

Councilor – Matthew Wildcat is listed as absent in the attendance under the Faculty of Engineering, but present under Native Studies. Please take him off the Faculty of Engineering.

DUBE – Page 15, include, “I am very concerned with this, the fact that CAUS has no bank account is unacceptable”.

MAH – Page 16 under Reports, “I would like to thank Anna, the Student Activity coordinator”

WEPPLE – Page 16, include “I support this motion”.

Main Motion is carried.
QUESTION PERIOD

DUBE – Question for the VP External. Why is it that so many people holding crucial positions are away at the same time?

SAMUEL – Most of our staff will take vacations during the summer months, it would be impossible to come up with a vacation schedule that doesn’t overlap, something else will overlap. That is the size of our organization.

KAWANAMI – Question for the VP External. Have you decided what to do about the mural?

SAMUEL – The VP of Operations and Finance, sent an email to Former President, Mike Hudema, requiring the status of the artist and the mural. We were planning to get the plaque put up, before the mural got put up. That was where we were with it, before it was painted over.

ABB OUD – When will the SUB food court be back up with all its tenants open again?

BOTTEN – I confirmed this today. Set for Aug 11, but may be pushed back because we are looking at buying an oven for muffins. Aug 18 for Funky Pickle and Marco’s Famous Mediterranean Grill. Aug 20 for Edo.

WELKE – Whatever project you decide to take for the mural, will it be for the same message the mural had before?

SAMUEL – I guess that is a suggestion that we will tighten the focus of whatever we decide to do. I haven’t decided yet, but I will let council know.

KOTOVYCH – Looking at the executive committee minutes, I was wondering why the VP Ops and Finance voted against issuing an apology to the artist who created the mural.

BOTTEN – I rethought the issue, in light of that, I should have abstained of the vote, rather than voting opposed. I felt that there was no need for some publicized motion of drafting a letter. I thought we were just going to send the letter. I voted against, but I should have abstained from that vote.

ABB OUD – Question for VP External. In the letters for SEE and VIEW, will the organization be seeking a retraction about some of the false things that were printed?

SAMUEL – If the councilor wishes, I can pass him a letter that was drafted. It was meant to clarify the misrepresentations made. No retractions were sought, but clarifications were made.
SAMUEL – About the “Don’t get shock” campaign, we were going to have the leader of the opposition use our facility for a bit, as a background. As well, distribute flyers at the info desk, warning about dangers of signing electricity deals with landlords.

ABBOUD – Would the SU name or logo appear on this campaign?
SAMUEL – No, there is no sign that we are supporting the party. We are just letting them come into the building.

KAWANAMI – Dealing with the web board. Have we looked into getting any warning that things on the web board may not be factual? Outside people may be doing research and may look at it.

BOTTEN – I contacted Bill Shores on legal issues about the web board. My biggest concern is cost. But liability concerning the web board has been around. But the courts don’t want to touch it. We are going to try to figure it out, rather not spend the money on a legal opinion. 2nd question, confused what he is asking.

KAWANAMI – Reading through the thread from Bill Smith, it would be nice to get some clarification regarding what happened on the web board post.

ABBOUD – Question for the BoG regarding the senate report on wellness. The proposed ban on smoking campus wide is coming in September. Which way is he leaning towards now, towards protecting civil liberties, or to caving into the health conscious minority? Also, what has he done to talk to students?

KOTOVYCH – The report will be coming in its entirety in September. In terms of the smoking thing, I’m standing against it. Biggest concern is if it is necessary to ban it across the entire Campus.

2003-09/11

APPROVAL OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT
KAWANAMI/ABBOUD MOVED TO strike motion 6b of the report.
KAWANAMI – I think it is fine to use our campus for this, but giving out pamphlets may send a message.
SAMUEL – I made it very clear to the Liberal Party that anything I said was based on the contingent will of council.
KOTOVYCH – Concerned how this will affect Bill 43 and the relationships we build up with the Liberal Party.
BOTTEN – I spoke with a former employee of SU, who is now working with the Liberals. The fact that we operate a place for students to get housing information, when approached by someone by any party, saying that there are contracts being signed due to deregulation of utilities. While I agree that students should be reading contracts before signing them, I also agree that students should be notified. It should be to the best interests of the students if this information is available to them.

DUBE – I am curious if our SU is willing to do this for the Provincial Govt. I don’t know if we would be so comfortable with that. It is an image issue. It seems like we are supporting them and have an alliance with them.

WEPPLER – As long as they are not violating operating policies, I think they should be allowed to use that space. I’ve seen several different political groups using SU space. I say to let them use it. Having it come forward as an actual motion, if they scrap this motion, they are still able to use it. It is in our operating policies. I’m in support of students getting this motion.

WELKE – I am against handing out Liberal logos. I will be voting against this. I suggest that the Liberal party to ask the Campus Organizations that exist to hand out these pamphlets.

SCHENDEL – To clarify, I don’t believe that student groups can hand out pamphlets. A student group doesn’t have that much power over anybody else.

PETTerson – Would it be possible to hand out the information and take off the Liberal logos?

SAMUEL – I think they feel that Bill 43 has negative qualities. Why this is a motion and not through normal channels? To a small degree, we are in a way committing some resources, such as table space for the organization. There was some confusion as to active or passive solicitation. It would have to be at the table, no matter who it was coming from. As far as taking the information, and removing the logos, there may be some copyright concerns. They came up with the information, so I don’t think we can do that. I don’t think the majority of students are into checking the labels to see where the information is coming from. I guess the most cost effective way to do that is to let them use the table space required.

KAWANAMI – It seems strange that the Liberals have a monopoly on this information and that they are the only ones that have this information. As other people of said, these things are available at the table booking venue. Almost everything that comes out of there seems to have the SU stamp approval on it. We can produce the information ourselves, a bulletin or something detailing this information. It sends a sketchy message, once you let this stuff in there, the potential for abuse is there. There must be a better way to get this information out to students.

Motion to strike is defeated. (18 opposed, 11 for)
ABBOUD/JONES MOVED TO reconsider the agenda.
ABBOUD – Regarding the whole fiasco to hold by-elections. In order to approve this, we need to approve it by this meeting.
Motion to reconsider is carried.
ABBOUD/HENDERSON MOVED TO add late addition 15d to the agenda.
Motion to add late addition is carried.
Motion that agenda is re-approved is carried.

2003-09/12

APPROVAL OF STUDENTS’ UNION BOARDS AND COMMITTEES REPORTS

SAMUEL – Reports are self-explanatory. It’s been giving out a lot of money. Which is great.

2003-09/12b

SAMUEL - Had 2 meetings. 1st meeting we discussed campaign slogans and mediums. A motion was passed. As far as the July 30th meeting, we debated the recommendations to IRB about the changes that will be putting forward to legislation review.

2003-09/12c

COOK/WEPPLER MOVED THAT Students’ Council, upon the recommendation of the Internal Review Board, strike an ad hoc committee of five (5) Students’ Councilors to act as an audit committee until January 31, 2004, and direct it to issue recommendations on the Students’ Union’s internal and external audit procedures on or before January 31, 2004.

COOK – The bylaw was good and we made a lot of amendments. To fully appreciate what the bylaw will be at the end of it all, there should be an ad hoc committee.

Motion is carried (27/0/1).
KAWANAMI nominates COOK, COOK accepts
BOTTEN nominates WEPPLER, WEPPLER declines
WALLACE nominates WUDARCK, WUDARCK accepts
KNULL nominates ABOUD, ABOUD accepts
MELNYK nominates DUBE, DUBE accepts
JONES nominates SMITH, SMITH accepts
ABBOUD nominates BAZIN, BAZIN accepts

COOK – I agree with the committee, it will be a great start to an audit process. I have some experience with it, currently working as an internal auditor for the government, which may help.
WUDARCK – Always interested in numbers. Keep tabs on the budget here.
ABBOUD – Fiscal Conservatism is great. I have also been following the budget. I will be a valuable and contributing member.
DUBE – I am a huge fan of accountability. Will be good for this.
JONES – Speaking on behalf of Smith, he was the previous VP of Op/Finance, he will be an ideal candidate.
LAFFIN – On behalf of BAZIN, he emailed me and said he really wanted to be on this committee. He’s good with numbers.

Congratulations to COOK, WEPPLER, WUDARCK, ABOUD, SMITH and BAZIN

2003-09/14

LEGISLATION
JONES/LAFFIN MOVED THAT Students’ Council upon the recommendation of the Committee for Council Reform and Progress adopt the changes to Article VI – Powers Regarding Bylaws and rescind Article XVII (Master Copy of Constitution and bylaws) (SECOND Reading).
JONES – It makes our lives simpler. Vote on it.
Motion is carried (26/1/5).

2003/09/14a

BOTTEN/LO MOVED THAT Students’ Council approve the proposed changes to Bylaw 3200 (SECOND Reading).

BOTTEN – One change to this bylaw made in IRB was to section 10, indexing. It was pointed out that we would not be able to legally do this. It was basically put in to cover our rear. Makes things a bit simpler. Right now, these salaries could go up, which would be good.

Motion is carried (32/0/0).
LO/JONES MOVED THAT Students’ council approve the proposed changes to Bylaw 2200 (FIRST Reading).

LO – Basically to centralize GFC elections, meaning that SU will run the elections. Everything in the bylaw, with exception to Claus 4, is about the GFC elections. 4 is about problems with the dates that the CRO has set. It will let them run the election at one alternative date. We are centralizing these elections because we have the resources to make these elections work. Such as staff, advertising, Gateway…etc., increases the profile of General Faculty Council.

JONES – I would like to second everything Lo said. If we are going to centralize elections, we should do all of them, to level the playing field.

HUTCHISON – I am opposed to this. It robs faculty associations of a voice. They no longer have their seats protected here. I don’t see how Faculty associations have any purpose in SU, if we don’t have a voice in SU.

HIGGINS – I agree with Hutchison. Can we have a compromise if elections are centralized but we want to maintain our own elections, as they have been?

EKDAHL – I am in favor of this motion. I think it is good that someone with higher authorization look at this - trusting that someone who is familiar with the process will do their job.

COOK – One concern is about our finances. It is adding a lot more weight to SU. It may push us back into a deficit. Faculty associations do run better elections, they are more than able to do it, where the SU seems out of touch with students from those Faculties. I think we can compromise - those Faculties that want to do it can do it. I think many students feel that Faculty Associations can do it better. I have yet to see, as President of BSA to transfer this to the SU.

WEPPLE – We have a whole consolidation binge. Either pulling those down that are excelling and I think this absolutely about lifting those up that are falling. This is all about trying to lift up those faculties, who probably haven’t even sent out their GFC electives out.

DUBE – It was through Lo that I found out I was selected for the GFC rep. There was no nomination, nothing. I didn’t even know what GFC was. I later learned that several people were just automatically elected. A Faculty Association vote is not necessarily student choice. Put it where the students are, and you can’t go wrong.
KOTOVYCH – A lot of the issues opposing this motion is how it will affect the faculty, not how it will affect the students. If we can do anything to raise the awareness of GFC, it will be best for students.

KAWANAMI – I think what we need to keep in mind is, this doesn’t seek out to destroy any faculty association ideas. It’s the SU that appoints the GFC councilors. What this is proposing is that we take back our authority. If Faculty Associations are doing a better job than we are, we are more than happy to let them continue on. This raises the profile of GFC. I can’t see why a Faculty Association would oppose them, as the cost of the election would no longer be with them. I think this is a win-win proposition for GFC and Faculty Associations.

KNULL - I think this debate is going into a different debate. This takes a lot of the burden off Faculty Associations.

SCHENDEL – Wondering before the next reading, would there be a list of black-listed faculties. Would like to see which Faculties are in hot water and which ones have run good elections in the past. This would be something I would like to see before 2nd Reading.

COOK – I have no problem with centralizing elections if it is done properly. Faculty associations are there to represent student voice. If we are taking that away from them, what is the point to have them anyway? It’s the same argument why the BoG is in council. Make Faculty Associations better, give them better structure, so we don’t have to take away their power for not doing it right.

JONES – The point is, we already decided to centralize SU election. This is not up for discussion. It makes no sense to have separate systems for SU and Faculty Associations. There is no sense to doing this, unless we are going to undo FARCE. Further, the opponents of this motion are factually incorrect. They argue that they the students will be more in touch, but the majority of Faculty Associations have no idea that the elections are centralized. Their executives should have known the case. Clearly that argument cannot hold. I am proud to be from one of the few faculties that ran a clear and clean election. It is not a given that people want to have the same representative for all of the things. Finally, the bylaw in place authorizes Faculty Associations to use the infrastructure at no cost; so if you want --- to hold your elections on the same day, same time, for free. If your Faculty Associations can get 60% turnout, you can get it here. There will be no distinction to the students; it will seem like one seamless ballot. And that is why we should centralize these elections.
CRO – Addressing Schendel’s concerns. There isn’t a blacklist. I would be more open if an association came to me and gave me a proposal on how they had run their elections in the past. Given those arguments, if they can prove that they have ran good elections, then I would not say “no” and not let them run their election.

SCHENDEL – When would you expect such a proposal by?

CRO – It’s hard to say, but late next semester. We’ll need extra grant expense for candidates, additional advertising for GFC. We will have the same polling clerks, same ballots and maybe extra printing costs, maybe hiring an extra DRO. That is the best that I can tell you right now.

HUTCHISON – So you can provide specifics on what you would want from the proposals for Faculty Associations that want to run their own election. Are you saying that if it wasn’t broke, you won’t touch it?

CRO – Yes you are right. But, I won’t turn a blind eye on it either.

EKDAHL – Regarding Cook’s comment earlier, I wanted to point out that you can give all the resources to Faculty Associations and may still do a crappy job.

KNULL/WELKE MOVED the previous question, Defeated.

LO – It is difficult to project how much GFC elections will cost. It depends on what we are looking for. Typically there are very few people who want to be involved with GFC. This is what we are hoping as SU that we can fix. GFC is a high academic board on campus. It is severely underused. I think that a high profile election that the SU can provide, this is what they should do. I would like to say that I have a lot of stats, 23 were elected and there were 9 appointments, they were from smaller faculties, where their VPs automatically get the seats. There are also 4 vacant seats.

Motion is carried (30/2/0).

ABBOUD/HENDERSON MOVED THAT Students’ Council approve the proposed changes to Bylaw 2200 (FIRST Reading).

ABBOUD – Basically sets some basic guidelines for running elections. I urge council to vote yes.

Motion is carried (22/1/2).

SAMUEL/COOK MOVED THAT upon the recommendation of the External Affairs Board, Students’ Council rescind the Political Policy on the Student Finance Board.

SAMUEL – The actual political policy itself is silly because it makes reference to high membership fees, comparatively high with no comparison on what it is drawn between.

ABBOUD – Doesn’t seem that far gone, that archaic to me. If one of the rationales of getting rid of it is because it seems the membership fees are comparatively high, with nothing to compare it to, the solution should not be to get rid of it. I will be voting “no” on this. I think it is important to have.
WEPPLE – If getting rid of it means we are joining CFS, I vote YES. It is a terrible political policy. This is just taking up space. Let’s just get rid of it.

KAWANAMI – When we first passed this, this was the strongest thing the body could do at the time. I don’t see how things have changed from this. But the thing is, we’ve been passing political policy for a long time, but have been rescinded because they were seen as too harsh. So, what council has to do at the end of the day is to look what is in the political policy, do we disagree with it? If we do, we should vote to rescind it. I don’t think we should be getting reckless with this.

Motion is defeated (19/11/0).

SAMUEL/WEPPLER MOVED THAT, upon the recommendation of the External Affairs Board, Students’ Council rescind the Political Policy on the Student Finance Board.

Motion is carried with unanimous consent.

NEW BUSINESS

JONES/WELKE MOVED THAT Students’ Council approve the inclusion on the ballot of the Students’ Union campus-wide election of March 2004 a referendum question asking students if they support the elimination of the Golden Bear and Panda Legacy Fund, and that, upon the recommendation of the Internal Review Board, the wording of the question be:

“Do you support the elimination of Section 2 (e) of Article VIII of the Students’ Union Constitution, which currently reads: ‘Pursuant to a referendum passed on 6 and 7 March 1991, the sum of Three Dollars and Thirty–Six cents ($3.66) per Fall or Winter Term from each full-time and part-time student’s Students’ Union fees will be allocated to the Golden Bear and Panda Legacy Fund.’? The results of this referendum will be binding the Students’ Union in accordance with Article V of the Students’ Union Constitution.”

JONES – Issue has come before council once. When asked to create a question. The IRB did consult with the Athletic Board Executive Officer and had a discussion about this question. Came to the conclusion that this is the question that we can come up with. The background behind this is that Golden Bear Legacy fund has been in existence since 1991 and has not been reviewed since.

WELKE – We as a council asked IRB to do this.

KAWANAMI – Any thought of reviewing our other referendum dedicated fees?

DUBE – What does the fund serve?

PETTerson – Very excellent question. I do believe in reviewing the funds. Students should know where their money is going towards. However, my concern with the question is that it does not state to include that this money does go towards Athletics. This is a concern. If you put what it is actually going to, it is harder to kill it.
WALLACE – Will the athletics dept launch a “no” campaign? With a “no” campaign, all these issues will be addressed.

PETTerson – There will be a campaign. I will probably be in charge of it. I personally think that it is a good idea to put it on the ballot because of the fact that people have no idea what it is.

Speaker – Would the councilor like to make an amendment to the motion?

PETTerson - I thought it had to be referred back to IRB.

PETTerson /WALLACE MOVE THAT item 15a be referred back to IRB to insert into question that the funds collected in this referendum will go to athletics.

ABBoud – I speak against this amendment. Campaigns are the place to flush out the issues in this question. Basically, IRB did their job. They were directed to draft a question about the fund. I think the fact that the Golden Bear and Panda fund deals with athletics is a good indication what the money is for. Do now need to put it in again?

PETTerson – No one had any idea that the Golden Bear had a legacy fund based on the name.

ABBoud – Curious how many people councilor Petterson asked. This is a valid question. IRB followed its instructions, so I’m voting no on this amendment.

BEAMish – I will vote no on this amendment as well. We may end up not making a single decision in council unless IRB or FARCE goes through it. If there is an amendment, make it now.

WELKE – I am against sending this back to IRB.

BRECHTEL – If you are trying to word something in something this size, you’ll never get anything that can be agreed on. I don’t think it will bias it, it will educate people.
DUBE – I want to make a few points. I have never seen a referendum question properly debated. Eugene Brody doesn't get the money from the Eugene Brody Fund. People just don’t know. How does adding 2 words in there destroy the process? I think it address to the credibility of the question.

BOTTEN – I have seen nothing, no concerns about educating students about any other dedicated fee. I don’t think it is a valid argument that we should be the ones to decide what we promote. You have a constitution, take that section of the constitution and put that in the process.

JONES – We have an uninformed electorate. California for example, will send information about every referendum question. However, their referendum question is black and white. Unfortunately, we don’t have space on the paper to inform the people absolutely everything. Given limited space, we can’t adequately discuss the question. This is why we have campaigns. They are a system that we have. For better or for worse, that is how we have chosen to educate our voters. To change from our current style where we put no information on the amendment itself, and suddenly start informing students about the question, may lead us to biasing the question.

HUTCHISON/SCHENDEL MOVED THE QUESTION
Motion is defeated.

SAMUEL – Nowhere in our legislation says that it goes to Athletics. It’s not something that is dictated anywhere. If we were to put it on there, it may be misleading. There is nowhere that says that it has to go there.

Roll call conducted by Recording Secretary at 9:00pm

WEPLPER – There have been many discussions about referendum discussions. I am a firm believer that you need to give students a very simple question. I think IRB did an excellent job. This is what you want in a referendum question. It just states what the legal ratifications are. I do not have a stance either way. But the whole purpose to have IRB draft this question is that they went through all the scenarios. It does not get any better than this. Please vote down any attempts to amend it, any attempts to direct it back to IRB.

DUBE/HUTCHISON MOVE the previous questions.
Motion is carried.

Motion to refer this question to IRB and amend the motion is defeated.

WELKE/EKDAHL MOVED the previous question
Motion is defeated.
Main motion is carried.
2003-09/15c  BOTTEN/SAMUEL MOVED THAT Students’ Council appoint one (1) Councilor to replace Matthew Wildcat as a member of the Access Fund Board for the remainder of the 2003/2004-year.

BOTTEN – I require quorum for the Access Fund meeting so we can put in policies and that students will have this information before September. I need quorum for a board, and I need a councilor to sit there.

DUBE – Are we appointing someone? Removing someone?

Speaker – We are removing Councilor Wildcat. If removed, we will be taking nominations for another councilor.

Motion is carried.

WEPPLER nominates himself, he accepts

Congratulations to WEPPLER.

2003-09/15d  ABBOUD/SCHENDEL MOVED THAT council direct the Chief Returning Officer to hold a by-election for the vacant council seat in the Faculty of Arts.

ABBOUD – One of the 9 Arts seat is vacant. The CRO has crunched some numbers and figured out the logistics for holding the elections.

EKDAHL/DUBE MOVED TO AMEND 15d to say, “Council direct the Chief Returning Officer to hold a by-election to fill all vacant seats with the exception of Engineering”

CRO – What I have done is that, with the additional 6 faculties added means an additional cost of $2100, excluding grant expenses. Last year, we had problems with paid poll clerks showing up to their shifts on time. There is also the issue of security for soliciting volunteers for the polling booths. Is that something council is in favor of? Some faculties have had 2 volunteers per polling booth.

BOTTEN – I am going to speak to Abboud’s concern about cost. This evening, if it goes through, given one position for each seat, with a base setup cost of $650, we are talking about $45 dollar per faculty which is way too minute for council to consider.

CRO – If we were to run…to solicit volunteers, it would be…to run with paid poll clerks, it would be 5 times the cost.

Main motion is carried.

2003-09/16  REPORTS

BRECHTEL – There is a council meeting on Aug 16, not 23\textsuperscript{rd}. We will get the agenda to you.

HUTCHISON – Is there still a meeting on the 19\textsuperscript{th}?

BRECHTEL – yes.

LO – I am on holidays on Aug 15-23. But I will be there to answer all questions when I get back.

SAMUEL – Bill 43 campaign is rolling under way, www.tuitiontrouble.com. The mural issue and the U pass have kept me busy. I have copies of the letter to the editor, so you can see them if you want. Also attached, is my SUDS report. Please see the recommendations on this.
BOTTEN – Recommend reading it. I also threw out some questions for
councilors to ask me next council meeting.
MAH – WOW is flying. Thanks to our WOW event coordinators.
Revolutionary Speaker’s Series, 3 out of 4 of the headliners are
confirmed. I have included a very tentative WOW schedule on the back
there. We’ll have that completely finalized by Friday.
KELCH – Lister center is near completion. All of the offices that are
moving over, some from housing and food services, conference services
and parking services are moving over as we speak and should be ready to
move in September. Move in for all residences are moving quickly and
for all the difference residences move in ranges from August 29 to
September 1. East campus village is currently finishing up the design bid
build part of the contract and will hopefully be starting construction soon.

2003-09/18

ANNOUNCEMENTS
CRO – Dates for upcoming for upcoming by-elections:
Nomination packages available Friday, Aug 22
Nomination deadline is Friday, September 12
Campaign begins Monday, September 15
Campaign ends Monday, September 22
Voting is on September 23 and 24.
PETTERSON – I have posted a new web page for UAB. The primary
pages explain what the legacy fund is about.

2003-09/19

ADJOUNRMENT

EKDAHL/SAMUEL MOVED TO ADJOURN at 9:38pm.
Motion is carried.
1. The following motion were passed at the August 7, 2003, 2003 Executive Committee Meeting
   a. BOTTEN/BRECHTEL moved that the Executive Committee adopt the proposed Executive Committee Standing Orders for the remainder of the 2003/2004-year.
      VOTE ON MOTION 5/0/0 CARRIED

   b. BOTTEN/BRECHTEL MOVED THAT the Executive Committee prorate the pay of the Chief Returning Officer for the 2003/2004 year according to the following schedule: $325/month in August, September, October, November & December 2003, $500/month in January, February & March 2004, $619 in April 2004 to be paid at the end of each of the above months, for a total remuneration of $3,744.
      VOTE ON MOTION 5/0/0/ CARRIED

   c. BOTTEN/SAMUEL MOVED THAT The Executive Committee strike an ad hoc committee comprising of no more than seven (7) students, to be chaired by the Vice President (Operations & Finance) for the purpose of reviewing the content of the Students' Union website and providing recommendations for improvement; the Vice President (Operations & Finance) will be responsible for compiling the committee's findings in a report to be submitted to the Executive Committee no later than October 31st, 2003..
      VOTE ON MOTION 5/0/0 CARRIED

   d. MAH/SAMUEL MOVED THAT the Executive Committee approve an expenditure of not to exceed $1300.00 from the special project reserve to erect a communications board in SUB.
      VOTE ON MOTION 5/0/0 CARRIED

2. The following motion were passed at the August 11, 2003 Executive Committee Meeting
   a. BOTTEN/SAMUEL MOVED THAT the Executive Committee approve the proposed Operating Policy 14.12 Ethical Business Partners.
      VOTE ON MOTION 5/0/0 CARRIED

   b. BOTTEN/SAMUEL MOVED THAT THE Executive Committee approve an expenditure of $200 from the Project Reserve Fund to undertake the proposed website review project.
      VOTE ON MOTION 4/1(SAMUEL)/0 CARRIED
3. The following motions were passed at the August 14, 2003 Executive Committee Meeting

   a. SAMUEL/MAH MOVED THAT the Executive Committee approve an expenditure form the facilities budget to paint a mural in the space above the mail boxes on the main floor of SUB
   VOTE ON MOTION 5/0/0 CARRIED

   b. BOTTEN/MAH MOVED THAT the Executive Committee direct the VP External to direct CAUS to run a provincial campaign opposing the inclusion of Education in the FTAA and GATS.
   VOTE ON MOTION 5/0/0 CARRIED
The Students’ Union of the University of Alberta

Operating Policy Statement

Policy Number: 14.12

Effective Date: 8/15/03

Responsibility for Policy: Executive Committee

Subject Matter - Category: OPERATING POLICY (GENERAL)
- Specific: GENERAL
- Topic: Ethical Buying

Introduction:
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Policy:

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14.12.04 Companies will be asked to provide information on items 14.12.23 a-h and 14.12.03 a-f at the time when sponsorship, procurement, or advertising is first considered.

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14.12.08 Where a company has been found to be in violation of this policy, and where the Students’ Union is contractually obligated to continue dealing with that company, the Students’ Union shall notify that company of this policy.

14.12.09 If, upon expiration of a contractual obligation with a company found to be in violation of this policy, the company continues to be in violation of this policy, the contract shall not be renewed.

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   VOTE ON MOTION 6/0/0 CARRIED

   b. SMITH/JONES MOVED THAT those bodies ultimately responsible for the interpretation of Students’ Union legislation be separate from those bodies ultimately responsible for formulating and implementing Students’ Union legislation.

   VOTE ON MOTION 6/0/0 CARRIED

   c. SMITH/BAZIN MOVED THAT the body responsible for the formulation of legislation have no ability to affect its implementation.

   VOTE ON MOTION 6/0/0 CARRIED

   d. SMITH/JONES MOVED THAT no individual receive a voting position on a legislative body by virtue of a position in the Executive or Judicial branch.

   VOTE ON MOTION 6/0/0 CARRIED
Standing Orders of the University of Alberta Students’ Council

1. Order of Business

The Order of Business for the Students’ Council shall be as follows:

1. Call to Order
2. National Anthem “O Canada”
3. University of Alberta Cheer Song “Ring out a Cheer…”
4. Students’ Union Credo
5. Speaker’s Business
6. Approval of the Agenda
7. Presentations and Discussions
8. Approval of the Minutes
9. Question Period
10. Approval of Executive Committee Report
11. Approval of Students’ Union Boards and Committees Reports
12. Old Business
13. Legislation
   Constitutional
   • Third reading
   • Second Reading
   • First Reading
By-laws
   • Second Reading
   • First Reading
Political Policies
14. New Business
15. Reports
   a. President
   b. Vice-President Academic
   c. Vice-President External
   d. Vice-President Operations & Finance
   e. Vice-President Student Life
   f. Undergraduate Board of Governors Representative
   g. Faculty Report
   h. Faculty Report
16. Information Items
17. Announcements
18. Roll Call

Note: Standing Order 1 notwithstanding, Council may make any order of the day a Special Order.

2. Call to Order

The Speaker shall call each meeting of Students’ Council to order at 6:00 PM.

3. Lack of Quorum
CURRENT

A meeting will be cancelled if quorum is not achieved by 6:15 PM.

4. Singing of the National Anthem

The Speaker shall call upon a volunteer to lead Students’ Council in the singing of the National Anthem “O Canada”. The anthem may be sung in French or English.

5. Singing of the University of Alberta Cheer Song

The Speaker shall select a member of Students’ Council to lead in the singing of the University of Alberta Cheer Song.

6. SU Credo

The Speaker shall select a member of Students’ Council to lead the reading of the Students’ Union Credo.

7. Speaker’s Business

The Speaker shall at this time address all new appointments, suspensions, expulsions, guests of council and any other day-to-day regulatory concerns.

8. Guests of Council

During Speaker’s Business any member of Council may name any person a guest of council for that meeting.

9. Approval of the Orders of the Day

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The Order of Business for the Students’ Council shall be as follows:

1. Call to Order
2. National Anthem “O Canada”
3. University of Alberta Cheer Song “Ring out a Cheer…”
4. Students’ Union Credo
5. Speaker’s Business
6. Approval of the Agenda
7. Presentations and Discussions
8. Approval of the Minutes
9. Question Period
10. Approval of Executive Committee Report
11. Approval of Students’ Union Boards and Committees Reports
12. Old Business
13. Legislation
   Constitutional
   • Third reading
   • Second Reading
   • First Reading
   By-laws
   • Second Reading
   • First Reading
   Political Policies
14. New Business
15. Reports
   a. President
   b. Vice-President Academic
   c. Vice-President External
   d. Vice-President Operations & Finance
   e. Vice-President Student Life
   f. Undergraduate Board of Governors Representative
   g. Faculty Report
   h. Faculty Report
16. Information Items
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18. Roll Call

Note: Standing Order 1 notwithstanding, Council may make any order of the day a Special Order.

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The Speaker shall call each meeting of Students’ Council to order at 6:00 PM.

3. Lack of Quorum
A meeting will be cancelled if quorum is not achieved by 6:15 PM.

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The Speaker shall call upon a volunteer to lead Students’ Council in the singing of the National Anthem “O Canada”. The anthem may be sung in French or English.

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The Speaker shall select a member of Students’ Council to lead in the singing of the University of Alberta Cheer Song.

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The Speaker shall at this time address all new appointments, suspensions, expulsions, guests of council and any other day-to-day regulatory concerns.

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   i. The motion is placed on the order paper
   ii. The motion is read in Council for information
   iii. The motion is presented in the following format:
       1. the principles and objectives are listed;
       2. Specific wording of legislation is not permitted.
   iv. Debate is limited to a single introduction by the mover of the motion
   v. The motion is automatically approved for Second Reading
c. Second Reading
   i. The motion is presented as it was in first reading.
   ii. Debate is limited to general principles and objectives.
   iii. If approved the motion is referred to the Internal Review Board.
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   i. The committee identifies the relevant legislation that requires amendment and/or drafts new legislation on the basis of the principles passed in second reading.
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   i. Members debate and vote on the changes to legislation.
   ii. Debate is confined to technical merits, and whether the committee properly interpreted the principles passed in second reading and appropriately drafted the legislation.
   iii. The motion will be presented in the following format:
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       2. The bylaw(s) as it/they will read if passed or amended.
f. In Force
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Bylaw 2200

A Bylaw Respecting the Faculty Councilor Election of the Students’ Union

1. This Bylaw may be referred to as the “Faculty Councilor Election Bylaw”

2. For the purposes of this bylaw:

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   (c) a “faculty association” shall be any organization recognized as a faculty association under the Faculty Association Bylaw;

   (d) a “candidate” shall be any member whose nomination is accepted under this bylaw;

   (e) a “slate” shall be two (2) or more candidates from the same faculty who choose to run as members of a single slate for the purposes of this bylaw;

   (f) a “faculty councilor” shall be any voting member of Students’ Council whose seat is allocated on the basis of faculty population under the Students’ Council Bylaw;

   (g) the “Election” shall be the general election of faculty councilors;

   (h) a “campaign activity” shall be any act, planned or organized by or on behalf of any candidate or slate, that is calculated to draw attention to that candidate or slate’s candidacy;

   (i) the “Campaign” shall be the period of time during which campaign activities are permitted;

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(m) a “D.R.O.” shall be a Deputy Returning Officer of the
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his/her given name or a reasonable derivation thereof when
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square feet;

(s) a “poster” shall be any campaign material composed of paper,
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square feet that is designed to be posted on a wall or similar
plane;

(t) a “voter” shall be any member who exercises his/her
entitlement to vote, as set out in Section 70;

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the Students’ Union, a candidate, or a volunteer acting on
behalf of a candidate at which campaign activities are
facilitated;

(v) the “University” shall be the University of Alberta; and
(w) “working hours” shall be any and all hours occurring between 0900 and 1700.

3. This bylaw shall govern the conduct of the Election.

4. The Election shall occur fifteen (15) days after the General Election of the Executive Committee and the Undergraduate Board of Governors Representative as set out in the General Election of the Executive Committee and the Undergraduate Board of Governors Representative Bylaw.

5. The C.R.O. shall determine and announce, prior to the end of November each year, the time and date of the commencement of the Campaign, to occur not fewer than seven (7) days prior to the start of the Election as set out in Section 4.

6. The C.R.O. shall determine and announce, prior to the end of November each year, the deadline for the nomination of candidates, to occur not fewer than nine (9) days prior to the date of the Election as set out in Section 4.

7. The C.R.O. shall make available to every member nomination packages not fewer than twenty (20) days prior to the nomination deadline as set out in Section 6, and shall advertise the availability of these in not fewer than three (3) editions of the Official Student Newspaper prior to the nomination deadline.

8. The nomination packages shall contain, at minimum:

   (a) complete and current copies of this bylaw, the Chief Returning Officer and Elections Staff Bylaw, and the Discipline, Interpretation, and Enforcement Board Bylaw;

   (b) nomination papers soliciting the name, contact information, and student identification number of the proposed nominee, and the names, years, signatures, and student identification numbers of at least ten (10) and at most twenty (20) members registered in the same faculty as the nominee as nominators;

   (c) contact information for the C.R.O. and D.R.O.s;

   (d) the times, date, and location of the candidates meeting, as set out in Section 12.

9. Valid nomination papers shall include:

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(a) the names, years, signatures, and student identification numbers of at least ten (10) members registered in the same faculty as the proposed nominee identifying themselves as nominators;

(b) a signed acceptance of the nomination by the proposed nominee;

(c) a signed letter from the proposed nominee’s faculty confirming his/her registration in that faculty and that he/she is in good academic standing under University regulations;

(d) a statement, signed by the proposed nominee, identifying the name under which he/she wishes to appear on the ballot.

10. Where a member submits valid nomination papers, as set out in Section 9, prior to the nomination deadline, as set out in Section 6, that member’s nomination shall be accepted by the C.R.O. within twenty-four (24) hours of the nomination deadline.

11. Where the number of nominations received in a given faculty is less than the number of Students’ Council seats allocated to that faculty in the Students’ Council Bylaw, the C.R.O. shall extend the nomination deadline that faculty by one (1) day.

12. The C.R.O. shall hold a candidates meeting following the nomination deadline but prior to the commencement of the Campaign.

13. All candidates shall either attend the candidates meeting in its entirety or designate, in writing, an agent who will do so.

14. Where a candidate contravenes Section 13, that candidate shall be disqualified.

15. The C.R.O. may, at his/her discretion, grant exemptions to Section 14, but shall do so only where:

   (a) the candidate requesting the exemption does so in writing at least forty-eight (48) hours prior to the commencement of the candidates meeting; or

   (b) the candidate requesting the exemption informs and provides satisfactory evidence to the C.R.O. of an emergency for which no notice could be given.

16. At the candidates meeting, the C.R.O. shall, at minimum:

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(a) review all relevant bylaws, rules, and regulations, including this bylaw, and respond to questions about same;
(b) conduct a random draw to determine the order of appearance of candidates’ names on the ballot for each faculty;
(c) determine and announce which candidates are joke candidates as set out in Section 2 (o);
(d) where two (2) or more candidates from the same faculty have asked to appear on the ballot under names that are either identical or so similar as to be practically indistinguishable, the C.R.O. shall determine and announce under what names each of the two (2) or more candidates shall appear on the ballot; and
(e) take attendance for the purpose of verifying compliance with Section 13.

17. All candidates shall, within twenty-four (24) hours of the nomination deadline, report to the C.R.O. any keys, cards, and other means of access to any building or room on the University of Alberta campus.

18. The C.R.O. shall confiscate, until the commencement of voting, any keys, cards, and other means of access to any building or room on the University of Alberta campus where:
   (a) the key, card, or other means of access in question would provide an unfair advantage to the candidate; and
   (b) the candidate is not academically, occupationally, or otherwise required to retain the key, card, or other means of access in question for the duration of the Campaign.

19. The C.R.O. shall make arrangements for space to be available on the University campus to all candidates for the purpose of the storage of campaign materials.

20. Where a candidate contravenes Section 17, he/she shall be disqualified.

21. No candidate shall, between the nomination deadline and the commencement of campaign activities, engage in any campaign activity.

22. Candidates wishing to run as a slate shall notify the C.R.O. in writing of their desire within twenty-four (24) hours of the nomination deadline.

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23. Candidates providing written notification to the C.R.O. as set out in Section 22 shall include a slate name, which may not be the same as or a reasonable derivation of the name of any registered federal or provincial party.

24. Where candidates requesting to run as a slate are in compliance with Sections 22 and 23, the C.R.O. shall grant their request.

25. Where a candidate has been designated as a joke candidate as set out in Section 16 (c), that candidate may provide to the C.R.O. a new signed statement indicating the name under which he/she wishes to appear on the ballot, provided that this is done prior to the commencement of campaign activities.

26. Where a candidate who has been designated a joke candidate exercises his/her right, as set out in Section 25, to submit a new name under which he/she wishes to appear on the ballot, and where the new name is, at the discretion of the C.R.O., a reasonable derivative of that candidate’s legal name, that candidate’s designation shall be reversed.

27. Where two (2) or more slates in the same faculty submit names that are either identical or so similar as to be effectively indistinguishable, the C.R.O. shall determine and announce within thirty-six (36) hours of the nomination deadline what name each of the two (2) or more slates shall use.

28. Within thirty-six (36) hours of the nomination deadline, the C.R.O. shall post the legal name of each of the candidates, the name under which each candidate will appear on the ballot, the name of each slate, and abbreviation of each slate as it will appear on the ballot, and shall publish the same in the next available issue of the Official Student Newspaper.

29. Each candidate and slate shall act reasonably and in good faith, and specifically shall:

   (a) ensure that each volunteer engaging in campaign activities on his/her/its behalf is aware of all bylaws, rules, regulations, and orders;

   (b) ensure that each volunteer is in compliance with all bylaws, rules, regulations, and orders while engaging in campaign activities on his/her/its behalf; and
(c) report any contravention of a bylaw, rule, regulation, or order to the C.R.O. immediately.

30. No candidate or slate shall make use of any resource that is not:
   (a) available to all candidates and slates;
   (b) general volunteer labour or expertise; or
   (c) accounted for as part of that candidate’s or slate’s campaign expenses.

31. No two (2) or more candidates or slates shall jointly use resources, including tables, posters, banners, and budgets but excluding volunteers, except that a candidate may jointly use tables with a slate of which he/she is a member.

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35. All campaign materials shall be approved in form, content, and cost by the C.R.O. before they may be used in campaign activities.

36. Candidates and slates wishing to have campaign materials approved shall provide the C.R.O. with:
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   (a) have more than a nominal value when distributed;
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39. Where a candidate or slate contravenes Section 35, the offending campaign materials shall be destroyed and the C.R.O. may assess an additional penalty to that candidate or slate, as set out in Section 110.

40. No candidate or slate shall have more than one (1) banner on display in any given building at any given time.

41. Where a candidate or slate contravenes Section 40, the offending banners shall be destroyed and the C.R.O. may assess an additional penalty to that candidate or slate, as set out in Section 110.

42. No candidate or slate shall have more than sixteen (16) posters on display in any given building at any given time.

43. No poster shall be displayed in such a way as to obscure another candidate or slate’s campaign materials.

44. Where a candidate or slate contravenes Section 42 or Section 43, the offending posters shall be destroyed, and the C.R.O. may assess an additional penalty to that candidate or slate, as set out in Section 110.

45. No candidate or volunteer shall damage or destroy any other candidate or slate’s campaign materials unless specifically authorized to do so by the C.R.O.

46. All campaign materials shall be removed by 21h00 on the day before the commencement of voting.

47. All printed campaign materials shall be purchased at official list price costs from one (1) or more of the printing companies designated by the C.R.O.
48. The C.R.O. shall designate at least five (5) printing companies from which candidates may purchase materials to be in compliance with Section 47.

49. Where a candidate demonstrates that a desired campaign material could not be produced by any of the five (5) or more printers designated by the C.R.O. as set out in Section 48, the C.R.O. may grant a limited exemption from Section 47 to that candidate.

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55. Where the number of students in a faculty beyond three thousand (3,000) is not a multiple of one thousand (1,000), the amount of money in excess of the base amount, as set out in Sections 53 through 55, shall be prorated and rounded to the nearest cent.

56. No joke candidate shall accrue more than one half (1/2) of the expenses set out in Sections 52 through 55.

57. Where a candidate or slate chooses to print campaign materials on recycled paper containing one hundred per cent (100%) post consumer content, and where that candidate or slate demonstrates, to the satisfaction of the C.R.O., that this choice resulted in an increased cost being incurred to him/her/it, then the amount of this increased cost shall not count against the limits set out in Sections 52 through 56.
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59. Each candidate and slate shall submit to the C.R.O. the record, as set out in Section 58, no less than eight (8) working hours prior to the commencement of voting.

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62. Where a candidate or slate receives a product or service for consideration that is greater than the fair market value of that product or service, then that candidate or slate shall be considered to have incurred a campaign expense equal to the actual consideration.

63. For the purposes of Section 61, general labour and any expertise had by a significant portion of the population, including, but not limited to, poster design, web page design, and web page programming, shall be considered to have a fair market value of zero.

64. The fair market value shall be determined by the C.R.O. using the price that any other candidate or slate would have to pay for a comparable product or service as a guideline.

65. Candidates and slates shall have the right, but not the obligation, to receive an assessment of a product or service’s fair market value in advance.

66. A candidate or slate wishing to receive a fair market value assessment in advance shall make a written request to the C.R.O., which shall include:

(a) a full and accurate description of the product or service;

(b) the supplier of the product or service, along with contact information for same; and
(c) the candidate or slate’s estimation of the product or service’s fair market value, and a rationale for same.

67. Where a complete request, as set out in Section 66, has been submitted to the C.R.O., the C.R.O. shall respond with a decision within nine (9) working hours.

68. The C.R.O. shall review all campaign expense records, and shall post summaries of same prior to the posting of official remarks as set out in 98 (b).

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71. Where a member is found to have cast more than one (1) ballot, all of that member’s ballots shall be considered spoiled.

72. Ballots shall list each candidate followed by the voting selection “None of the Above.”

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74. Balloting shall be conducted by preferential balloting, in which each voter shall rank his/her choices using natural numbers with one (1) representing the first choice and increasing numbers representing less desirable choices.

75. A candidate shall require a majority of voters to indicate him/her as their first choice in order to be elected.

76. Voters shall be entitled to mark as few as zero candidates or as many as all of them.

77. A voter’s ballot shall be considered spoiled where:

(a) that voter has indicated the same number for more than one (1) candidate;
(b) that voter has not included the number one (1) next to any candidate;
(c) that voter has indicated more than one (1) number next to any given candidate; or
(d) that voter has used non-consecutive numbers.

78. Notwithstanding Section 77, where a voter’s intention is clear that voter’s ballot shall be counted.

79. In the event that no candidate receives a majority of first place votes, the candidate with the fewest first place votes shall be eliminated.

80. Any voter who has indicated an eliminated candidate with a number shall have the candidate marked with the next lowest number following the number by which the eliminated candidate had been indicated take the place of the eliminated candidate, and so on, in such a way that all candidates indicated by that voter as less desirable than the eliminated candidate are registered as being one (1) step more desirable than originally indicated.

81. Where a ballot is left with no first place vote, that ballot shall be considered spoiled.

82. Where all remaining candidates have an equal number of first place votes, or where the remaining candidate with the fewest first place votes is tied with another remaining candidate, the candidate that had the fewest first place votes on the first count in which a differential existed shall be eliminated.

83. Where all remaining candidates have an equal number of first place votes, or where the remaining candidate with the fewest first place votes is tied with another remaining candidate, where this tie has existed on every count, and where the candidates are running in the same faculty in which the C.R.O. is registered, then the C.R.O. shall cast a ballot.

84. Where all remaining candidates have an equal number of first place votes, or where the remaining candidate with the fewest first place votes is tied with another remaining candidate, and where this tie has existed on every count, the candidate to be eliminated shall be selected from those candidates with the fewest first place votes by a random or quasi-random method selected by the C.R.O.
85. The process set out in Sections 79 through 84 shall continue until such time as a candidate receives a majority of first place votes, at which point that candidate shall be declared victorious and removed from the ballot, and the process recommenced with the remaining candidates not yet declared victorious.

86. The process set out in Sections 79 through 85 shall continue for each faculty until such time as the number of candidates declared victorious is equal to the number of Council seats allocated to that faculty by the Students’ Council Bylaw.

87. Where “None of the Above” is declared victorious, no further candidates shall be declared victorious.

88. Voting shall be conducted a times determined and advertised by the C.R.O.

89. The C.R.O. shall conduct balloting by any means that provide accurate results, and may use multiple methods in any combination.

90. At each physical polling station, there shall be at least two (2) poll clerks, hired by the Students’ Union for that purpose, at all times.

91. Where there are fewer than two (2) poll clerks at any given physical polling station at any given time, polling at that polling station shall cease until such time as there are at least two (2) poll clerks at that polling station.

92. At each physical polling station, there shall be a notice to voters that shall explain the balloting procedures.

93. On each ballot, there shall be an explanation of the balloting procedures, which shall include, at minimum, the following:
   (a) that “None of the Above” shall be considered a candidate;
   (b) that voters shall rank each candidate according to their preferences;
   (c) that the ballot shall be considered spoiled where any of the conditions set out in Section 77 are met; and
   (d) that voters shall be permitted to rank as many as all or as few as zero candidates.
94. The C.R.O. shall provide for the secure handling of ballots, and shall ensure that at all times ballots are either under the direct supervision of the C.R.O. or a secure location.

95. During voting, candidates shall not encourage members to vote, or engage in campaign activities.

96. During voting, candidates shall not remain within twenty (20) feet of any polling station except to vote.

97. Each candidate shall be permitted to have one (1) person, designated in writing by the candidate, acting as scrutineer and being present at the counting of the ballots.

98. The C.R.O. or at least one (1) D.R.O. shall:

(a) supervise the counting of ballots;

(b) post final Election results within twenty-four (24) working hours of all complaints and appeals being resolved;

(c) notify the Speaker of Students’ Council and the President of the Students’ Union of the final results, in writing;

(d) post unofficial Election results at any time, including during counting;

(e) advertise final Election results in the first available edition of the Official Student Newspaper after the posting of final results as set out in Section 98 (b); and

(f) store the ballots in a locked room or container for at least two (2) weeks after the last recount has been completed.

99. A request for a recount shall be granted by the C.R.O. where:

(a) the request is in writing and signed by a member;

(b) the request is submitted to the C.R.O. within forty-eight (48) hours of the posting of Election results as set out in Section 98 (b); and

(c) the difference between the first place votes of the last victor to be declared and any other candidate on the final count is less than two percent (2%) of the total votes cast for that position.

100. The C.R.O. may initiate a recount independently for any reason.
101. The C.R.O. shall post the results of any recount within twenty-four (24) working hours of the recount being completed.

102. Where a joke candidate is elected in any faculty, the seat to which that joke candidate has been elected shall be considered vacant.

103. The C.R.O. shall be empowered to investigate and rule upon every contravention of this bylaw or any other bylaw, rule, or regulation related to the Election.

104. The C.R.O. shall prepare and provide a complaint form which shall require complainants to indicate:

(a) their names and student identification numbers;
(b) the specific bylaw and section, rule, or regulation that is alleged to have been contravened;
(c) the specific individual or group that is alleged to be in contravention;
(d) the specific facts which constitute the alleged contravention; and
(e) the evidence for these facts.

105. Where a complaint is received within twelve (12) working hours of the alleged contravention, and where the original complaint form is provided to the C.R.O., the C.R.O. shall rule on that complaint.

106. The C.R.O. shall provide a copy of the complaint form, with the complainant’s student identification number blacked out, to each respondent.

107. Where a complaint is received and is found to be complete as set out in Section 104, the C.R.O. shall rule on the complaint within twelve (12) working hours of receiving the complaint.

108. The C.R.O. shall post all of his/her rulings, including:

(a) a summary of the complaint;
(b) a list of parties to the complaint;
(c) where the C.R.O. fails to possess jurisdiction, as set out in Section 103, a summary of reasons for this finding;
(d) a listing of all bylaws, rules, and regulations that apply;
(e) a finding regarding the facts;
(f) a ruling regarding the alleged contravention;
(g) the penalty assigned, if any;
(h) the time the ruling was posted; and
(i) the time limit for appeal.

109. Where a candidate 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 who was or whose volunteer was guilty of the contravention.

110. Penalties available to the C.R.O. shall include:
(a) a fine, to be counted against the candidate’s campaign expenses;
(b) the confiscation or destruction of campaign materials;
(c) limits, restrictions, and prohibitions on any type of campaign activities for any period of time up to the commencement of voting; and
(d) disqualification.

111. A candidate or slate shall be disqualified where he/she/it is guilty of a contravention that:
(a) cannot be counter-balanced by a lesser penalty;
(b) is malicious or substantially prejudicial to another candidate or slate; or
(c) involves tampering with ballots, voting procedures, or counting procedures.

112. Where a slate is disqualified, all candidates running as a part of that slate shall also be disqualified.

113. Where a member is guilty of a serious contravention, the C.R.O. may recommend to the D.I.E. Board that further penalties be brought under the Discipline, Interpretation, and Enforcement Board Bylaw.
114. Any member shall be entitled to appeal a ruling of the C.R.O. to the D.I.E. Board.

115. No appeal shall be considered by the D.I.E. Board unless it is received within twelve (12) working hours of the C.R.O.’s ruling being posted.

116. Where a complete appeal is received, the D.I.E. Board shall convene a hearing within twelve (12) working hours of the appeal being submitted.

117. No appeal shall exist from a ruling of the D.I.E. Board on an appeal of a ruling by the C.R.O.

118. The C.R.O. may delegate any of his/her responsibilities under this bylaw to relevant faculty associations.

119. Notwithstanding Section 118, ultimate authority for all decisions delegated to faculty associations shall rest with the C.R.O.

120. Faculty associations shall have the right to use Election polling stations for the purposes of:

   (a) electing such positions as may be required by that faculty association; and

   (b) holding plebiscites and referenda.
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Bylaw 2200

A Bylaw Respecting the Councilor Elections to Students’ Council and General Faculties’ Council Faculty Councilor Election of the Students’ Union

1. This Bylaw may be referred to as the “Councilor Elections to Students’ Council and General Faculties’ Council Faculty Councilor Election Bylaw”

2. For the purposes of this bylaw:

   (a) a “member” shall be a member of the Students’ Union as defined by Article I of the Students’ Union Constitution;

   (b) a “faculty” shall be any entity defined by the University of Alberta General Faculties Council as either a faculty or a school and in which members are registered and shall include Open Studies;

   (c) a “faculty association” shall be any organization recognized as a faculty association under the Faculty Association Bylaw;

   (d) a “candidate” shall be any member whose nomination is accepted under this bylaw;

   (e) a “slate” shall be two (2) or more candidates from the same faculty who choose to run as members of a single slate for the purposes of this bylaw;

   (f) a “faculty councilor” shall be any voting member of a council whose seat is allocated on the basis of faculty population Students’ Council whose seat is allocated on the basis of faculty population under the Students’ Council Bylaw;

   (g) the “Election” shall be the general election of faculty councilors;

   (h) a “campaign activity” shall be any act, planned or organized by or on behalf of any candidate or slate, that is calculated to draw attention to that candidate or slate’s candidacy;

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(i) the “Campaign” shall be the period of time during which campaign activities are permitted;

(j) a “campaign expense” shall be any and all expenditures incurred in engaging in campaign activities;

(k) the “C.R.O.” shall be the Chief Returning Officer of the Students’ Union, as set out in the Chief Returning Officer and Elections Staff Bylaw;

(l) the “D.I.E. Board” shall be the Discipline, Interpretation and Enforcement of the Students’ Union, as set out in Article XV of the Students’ Union Constitution and in the Discipline, Interpretation, and Enforcement Board Bylaw;

(m) a “D.R.O.” shall be a Deputy Returning Officer of the Students’ Union, as set out in the Chief Returning Officer and Elections Staff Bylaw;

(n) the “Official Student Newspaper” shall be the Official Student Newspaper designated by Students’ Council, as set out in the Official Student Newspaper Bylaw;

(o) a “joke candidate” shall be any candidate running either individually or as a member of a slate who chooses not to use his/her given name or a reasonable derivation thereof when appearing on the ballot;

(p) a “volunteer” shall be any individual who participates in campaign activities;

(q) “campaign materials” shall be any physical or electronic media produced or distributed as part of campaign activities;

(r) a “banner” shall be any campaign material composed of paper, cloth, or similar material, of a total area greater than four (4) square feet;

(s) a “poster” shall be any campaign material composed of paper, cloth, or similar material, of a total area of under four (4) square feet that is designed to be posted on a wall or similar plane;
(t) a “voter” shall be any member who exercises his/her entitlement to vote, as set out in Section 70;

(u) a “forum” shall be any event organized by any entity other than the Students’ Union, a candidate, or a volunteer acting on behalf of a candidate at which campaign activities are facilitated;

(v) the “University” shall be the University of Alberta; and

(w) “working hours” shall be any and all hours occurring between 0900 and 1700.

(x) a “council” shall either be Students’ Council or General Faculties’ Council, as the context requires.

3. This bylaw shall govern the conduct of the Election.

4. The Election shall occur fifteen (15) days after the General Election of the Executive Committee and the Undergraduate Board of Governors Representative as set out in the General Election of the Executive Committee and the Undergraduate Board of Governors Representative Bylaw.

(a) Notwithstanding Section 4, the C.R.O. may establish one alternate date designated for Election to occur, where the faculty can prove that the above date is unsuitable for their electorate.

5. The C.R.O. shall determine and announce, prior to the end of November each year, the time and date of the commencement of the Campaign, to occur not fewer than seven (7) days prior to the start of the Election as set out in Section 4.

6. The C.R.O. shall determine and announce, prior to the end of November each year, the deadline for the nomination of candidates, to occur not fewer than nine (9) days prior to the date of the Election as set out in Section 4.

7. The C.R.O. shall make available to every member nomination packages not fewer than twenty (20) days prior to the nomination deadline as set out in Section 6, and shall advertise the availability of
these in not fewer than three (3) editions of the Official Student Newspaper prior to the nomination deadline.

8. The nomination packages shall contain, at minimum:

   (a) complete and current copies of this bylaw, the Chief Returning Officer and Elections Staff Bylaw, and the Discipline, Interpretation, and Enforcement Board Bylaw;

   (b) nomination papers soliciting the name, contact information, and student identification number of the proposed nominee, and the names, years, signatures, and student identification numbers of at least ten (10) and at most twenty (20) members registered in the same faculty as the nominee as nominators;

   (c) contact information for the C.R.O. and D.R.O.s;

   (d) the times, date, and location of the candidates meeting, as set out in Section 12.

9. Valid nomination papers shall include:

   (a) the names, years, signatures, and student identification numbers of at least ten (10) members registered in the same faculty as the proposed nominee identifying themselves as nominators;

   (b) a signed acceptance of the nomination by the proposed nominee;

   (c) a signed letter from the proposed nominee’s faculty confirming his/her registration in that faculty and that he/she is in good academic standing under University regulations;

   (d) a statement, signed by the proposed nominee, identifying the name under which he/she wishes to appear on the ballot.

10. Where a member submits valid nomination papers, as set out in Section 9, prior to the nomination deadline, as set out in Section 6, that member’s nomination shall be accepted by the C.R.O. within twenty-four (24) hours of the nomination deadline.
11. Where the number of nominations received in a given faculty is less than the number of council Students’ Council seats allocated to that faculty in the Students’ Council Bylaw, the C.R.O. shall extend the nomination deadline for that faculty by one (1) day.

12. The C.R.O. shall hold a candidates meeting following the nomination deadline but prior to the commencement of the Campaign.

13. All candidates shall either attend the candidates meeting in its entirety or designate, in writing, an agent who will do so.

14. Where a candidate contravenes Section 13, that candidate shall be disqualified.

15. The C.R.O. may, at his/her discretion, grant exemptions to Section 14, but shall do so only where:

   (a) the candidate requesting the exemption does so in writing at least forty-eight (48) hours prior to the commencement of the candidates meeting; or

   (b) the candidate requesting the exemption informs and provides satisfactory evidence to the C.R.O. of an emergency for which no notice could be given.

16. At the candidates meeting, the C.R.O. shall, at minimum:

   (a) review all relevant bylaws, rules, and regulations, including this bylaw, and respond to questions about same;

   (b) conduct a random draw to determine the order of appearance of candidates’ names on the ballot for each faculty;

   (c) determine and announce which candidates are joke candidates as set out in Section 2 (o);

   (d) where two (2) or more candidates from the same faculty have asked to appear on the ballot under names that are either identical or so similar as to be practically indistinguishable, the C.R.O. shall determine and announce under what names each of the two (2) or more candidates shall appear on the ballot; and
(e) take attendance for the purpose of verifying compliance with Section 13.

17. All candidates shall, within twenty-four (24) hours of the nomination deadline, report to the C.R.O. any keys, cards, and other means of access to any building or room on the University of Alberta campus.

18. The C.R.O. shall confiscate, until the commencement of voting, any keys, cards, and other means of access to any building or room on the University of Alberta campus where:

(a) the key, card, or other means of access in question would provide an unfair advantage to the candidate; and

(b) the candidate is not academically, occupationally, or otherwise required to retain the key, card, or other means of access in question for the duration of the Campaign.

19. The C.R.O. shall make arrangements for space to be available on the University campus to all candidates for the purpose of the storage of campaign materials.

20. Where a candidate contravenes Section 17, he/she shall be disqualified.

21. No candidate shall, between the nomination deadline and the commencement of campaign activities, engage in any campaign activity.

22. Candidates wishing to run as a slate shall notify the C.R.O. in writing of their desire within twenty-four (24) hours of the nomination deadline.

23. Candidates providing written notification to the C.R.O. as set out in Section 22 shall include a slate name, which may not be the same as or a reasonable derivation of the name of any registered federal or provincial party.

24. Where candidates requesting to run as a slate are in compliance with Sections 22 and 23, the C.R.O. shall grant their request.

25. Where a candidate has been designated as a joke candidate as set out in Section 16 (c), that candidate may provide to the C.R.O. a new signed
statement indicating the name under which he/she wishes to appear on the ballot, provided that this is done prior to the commencement of campaign activities.

26. Where a candidate who has been designated a joke candidate exercises his/her right, as set out in Section 25, to submit a new name under which he/she wishes to appear on the ballot, and where the new name is, at the discretion of the C.R.O., a reasonable derivative of that candidate’s legal name, that candidate’s designation shall be reversed.

27. Where two (2) or more slates in the same faculty submit names that are either identical or so similar as to be effectively indistinguishable, the C.R.O. shall determine and announce within thirty-six (36) hours of the nomination deadline what name each of the two (2) or more slates shall use.

28. Within thirty-six (36) hours of the nomination deadline, the C.R.O. shall post the legal name of each of the candidates, the name under which each candidate will appear on the ballot, the name of each slate, and abbreviation of each slate as it will appear on the ballot, and shall publish the same in the next available issue of the Official Student Newspaper.

29. Each candidate and slate shall act reasonably and in good faith, and specifically shall:

   (a) ensure that each volunteer engaging in campaign activities on his/her/its behalf is aware of all bylaws, rules, regulations, and orders;

   (b) ensure that each volunteer is in compliance with all bylaws, rules, regulations, and orders while engaging in campaign activities on his/her/its behalf; and

   (c) report any contravention of a bylaw, rule, regulation, or order to the C.R.O. immediately.

30. No candidate or slate shall make use of any resource that is not:

   (a) available to all candidates and slates;

   (b) general volunteer labour or expertise; or
(c) accounted for as part of that candidate’s or slate’s campaign expenses.

31. No two (2) or more candidates or slates shall jointly use resources, including tables, posters, banners, and budgets but excluding volunteers, except that a candidate may jointly use tables with a slate of which he/she is a member.

32. Any member with the exceptions of the C.R.O., the D.R.O.s, and an individual within a faculty association to whom the C.R.O. has delegated powers under Section 118 shall be free to act as a volunteer for or endorse multiple candidates.

33. No candidate shall, without the permission of the C.R.O., engage in any campaign activity:
   (a) in any business or service operated by the Students’ Union;
   (b) in a University library;
   (c) in a classroom during a class unless he/she first obtains the permission of the professor responsible for that class;
   (d) in any residence; or
   (e) in any building or on any land not owned or operated by the University or the Students’ Union.

34. No candidate shall participate in any forum unless each candidate in his/her faculty has received at least twenty-four (24) hours notification of the forum and will be afforded an equal chance to speak at it.

35. All campaign materials shall be approved in form, content, and cost by the C.R.O. before they may be used in campaign activities.

36. Candidates and slates wishing to have campaign materials approved shall provide the C.R.O. with:
   (a) a written estimate of the cost of the proposed campaign material, including the source of that estimate; and
   (b) the complete contents of the proposed campaign material, including text, images, and layout.
37. The C.R.O. shall provide in confidence a written approval or refusal of campaign materials within nine (9) working hours of receiving a request as set out in Section 36.

38. The C.R.O. shall not approve campaign materials that:

(a) have more than a nominal value when distributed;

(b) cannot be removed at the end of the Campaign; or

(c) are likely to permanently damage or alter property.

39. Where a candidate or slate contravenes Section 35, the offending campaign materials shall be destroyed and the C.R.O. may assess an additional penalty to that candidate or slate, as set out in Section 110.

40. No candidate or slate shall have more than one (1) banner on display in any given building at any given time.

41. Where a candidate or slate contravenes Section 40, the offending banners shall be destroyed and the C.R.O. may assess an additional penalty to that candidate or slate, as set out in Section 110.

42. No candidate or slate shall have more than sixteen (16) posters on display in any given building at any given time.

43. No poster shall be displayed in such a way as to obscure another candidate or slate’s campaign materials.

44. Where a candidate or slate contravenes Section 42 or Section 43, the offending posters shall be destroyed, and the C.R.O. may assess an additional penalty to that candidate or slate, as set out in Section 110.

45. No candidate or volunteer shall damage or destroy any other candidate or slate’s campaign materials unless specifically authorized to do so by the C.R.O.

46. All campaign materials shall be removed by 21h00 on the day before the commencement of voting.

47. All printed campaign materials shall be purchased at official list price costs from one (1) or more of the printing companies designated by the C.R.O.
48. The C.R.O. shall designate at least five (5) printing companies from which candidates may purchase materials to be in compliance with Section 47.

49. Where a candidate demonstrates that a desired campaign material could not be produced by any of the five (5) or more printers designated by the C.R.O. as set out in Section 48, the C.R.O. may grant a limited exemption from Section 47 to that candidate.

50. Where campaign materials can be produced by any Students’ Union operated business, candidates shall purchase those campaign materials from that business.

51. Where a candidate contravenes Section 47 or Section 50, the offending campaign materials shall be destroyed, and the C.R.O. may assess an additional penalty to that candidate, as set out in Section 110.

52. No candidate shall accrue more than thirty dollars ($30.00), plus six dollars ($6.00) for every one thousand (1,000) students in his/her faculty beyond three thousand (3,000) in campaign expenses, all of which shall be paid by the Students’ Union.

53. No slate shall accrue more than twenty two dollars and fifty cents ($22.50), plus six dollars ($6.00) for every one thousand (1,000) students in its faculty beyond three thousand (3,000) in campaign expenses, all of which shall be paid by the Students’ Union.

54. No candidate running as part of a slate shall accrue more than fifteen dollars and seventy five cents ($15.75) in campaign expenses, all of which shall be paid by the Students’ Union.

55. Where the number of students in a faculty beyond three thousand (3,000) is not a multiple of one thousand (1,000), the amount of money in excess of the base amount, as set out in Sections 53 through 55, shall be prorated and rounded to the nearest cent.

56. No joke candidate shall accrue more than one half (1/2) of the expenses set out in Sections 52 through 55.

57. Where a candidate or slate chooses to print campaign materials on recycled paper containing one hundred per cent (100%) post consumer content, and where that candidate or slate demonstrates, to the

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satisfaction of the C.R.O., that this choice resulted in an increased cost being incurred to him/her/it, then the amount of this increased cost shall not count against the limits set out in Sections 52 through 56.

58. Each candidate and slate shall keep an up to date and accurate account of all campaign expenses he/she/it incurs, and shall be responsible to the C.R.O. for all such campaign expenses.

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60. No candidate or slate shall incur any campaign expense within eight (8) working hours of the commencement of voting, except where that campaign expense has been has been reported in the record submitted to the C.R.O. as set out in Section 59.

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62. Where a candidate or slate receives a product or service for consideration that is greater than the fair market value of that product or service, then that candidate or slate shall be considered to have incurred a campaign expense equal to the actual consideration.

63. For the purposes of Section 61, general labour and any expertise had by a significant portion of the population, including, but not limited to, poster design, web page design, and web page programming, shall be considered to have a fair market value of zero.

64. The fair market value shall be determined by the C.R.O. using the price that any other candidate or slate would have to pay for a comparable product or service as a guideline.

65. Candidates and slates shall have the right, but not the obligation, to receive an assessment of a product or service’s fair market value in advance.
66. A candidate or slate wishing to receive a fair market value assessment in advance shall make a written request to the C.R.O., which shall include:

   (a) a full and accurate description of the product or service;

   (b) the supplier of the product or service, along with contact information for same; and

   (c) the candidate or slate’s estimation of the product or service’s fair market value, and a rationale for same.

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78. Notwithstanding Section 77, where a voter’s intention is clear that voter’s ballot shall be counted.

79. In the event that no candidate receives a majority of first place votes, the candidate with the fewest first place votes shall be eliminated.

80. Any voter who has indicated an eliminated candidate with a number shall have the candidate marked with the next lowest number following the number by which the eliminated candidate had been indicated take the place of the eliminated candidate, and so on, in such a way that all candidates indicated by that voter as less desirable than the eliminated candidate are registered as being one (1) step more desirable than originally indicated.

81. Where a ballot is left with no first place vote, that ballot shall be considered spoiled.

82. Where all remaining candidates have an equal number of first place votes, or where the remaining candidate with the fewest first place votes is tied with another remaining candidate, the candidate that had

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the fewest first place votes on the first count in which a differential existed shall be eliminated.

83. Where all remaining candidates have an equal number of first place votes, or where the remaining candidate with the fewest first place votes is tied with another remaining candidate, where this tie has existed on every count, and where the candidates are running in the same faculty in which the C.R.O. is registered, then the C.R.O. shall cast a ballot.

84. Where all remaining candidates have an equal number of first place votes, or where the remaining candidate with the fewest first place votes is tied with another remaining candidate, and where this tie has existed on every count, the candidate to be eliminated shall be selected from those candidates with the fewest first place votes by a random or quasi-random method selected by the C.R.O.

85. The process set out in Sections 79 through 84 shall continue until such time as a candidate receives a majority of first place votes, at which point that candidate shall be declared victorious and removed from the ballot, and the process recommenced with the remaining candidates not yet declared victorious.

86. The process set out in Sections 79 through 85 shall continue for each faculty until such time as the number of candidates declared victorious is equal to the number of Council seats allocated to that faculty by the Students’ Council Bylaw.

87. Where “None of the Above” is declared victorious, no further candidates shall be declared victorious.

88. Voting shall be conducted a times determined and advertised by the C.R.O.

89. The C.R.O. shall conduct balloting by any means that provide accurate results, and may use multiple methods in any combination.

90. At each physical polling station, there shall be at least two (2) poll clerks, hired by the Students’ Union for that purpose, at all times.

91. Where there are fewer than two (2) poll clerks at any given physical polling station at any given time, polling at that polling station shall
cease until such time as there are at least two (2) poll clerks at that polling station.

92. At each physical polling station, there shall be a notice to voters that shall explain the balloting procedures.

93. On each ballot, there shall be an explanation of the balloting procedures, which shall include, at minimum, the following:

   (a) that “None of the Above” shall be considered a candidate;

   (b) that voters shall rank each candidate according to their preferences;

   (c) that the ballot shall be considered spoiled where any of the conditions set out in Section 77 are met; and

   (d) that voters shall be permitted to rank as many as all or as few as zero candidates.

94. The C.R.O. shall provide for the secure handling of ballots, and shall ensure that at all times ballots are either under the direct supervision of the C.R.O. or a secure location.

95. During voting, candidates shall not encourage members to vote, or engage in campaign activities.

96. During voting, candidates shall not remain within twenty (20) feet of any polling station except to vote.

97. Each candidate shall be permitted to have one (1) person, designated in writing by the candidate, acting as scrutineer and being present at the counting of the ballots.

98. The C.R.O. or at least one (1) D.R.O. shall:

   (a) supervise the counting of ballots;

   (b) post final Election results within twenty-four (24) working hours of all complaints and appeals being resolved;
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(c) notify the following persons: Speaker of Students’ Council and President of Students’ Union of the final results, in writing:

i. in the case of results for Students’ Council Elections, the Speaker of the Students’ Council;

ii. in the case of results for General Faculties’ Council elections, the Secretary of General Faculties Council and the Vice-President Academic of the Students’ Union.

(d) post unofficial Election results at any time, including during counting;

(e) advertise final Election results in the first available edition of the Official Student Newspaper after the posting of final results as set out in Section 98 (b); and

(f) store the ballots in a locked room or container for at least two (2) weeks after the last recount has been completed.

99. A request for a recount shall be granted by the C.R.O. where:

(a) the request is in writing and signed by a member;

(b) the request is submitted to the C.R.O. within forty-eight (48) hours of the posting of Election results as set out in Section 98 (b); and

(c) the difference between the first place votes of the last victor to be declared and any other candidate on the final count is less than two percent (2%) of the total votes cast for that position.

100. The C.R.O. may initiate a recount independently for any reason.

101. The C.R.O. shall post the results of any recount within twenty-four (24) working hours of the recount being completed.

102. Where a joke candidate is elected in any faculty, the seat to which that joke candidate has been elected shall be considered vacant.

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103. The C.R.O. shall be empowered to investigate and rule upon every contravention of this bylaw or any other bylaw, rule, or regulation related to the Election.

104. The C.R.O. shall prepare and provide a complaint form which shall require complainants to indicate:

(a) their names and student identification numbers;

(b) the specific bylaw and section, rule, or regulation that is alleged to have been contravened;

(c) the specific individual or group that is alleged to be in contravention;

(d) the specific facts which constitute the alleged contravention; and

(e) the evidence for these facts.

105. Where a complaint is received within twelve (12) working hours of the alleged contravention, and where the original complaint form is provided to the C.R.O., the C.R.O. shall rule on that complaint.

106. The C.R.O. shall provide a copy of the complaint form, with the complainant’s student identification number blacked out, to each respondent.

107. Where a complaint is received and is found to be complete as set out in Section 104, the C.R.O. shall rule on the complaint within twelve (12) working hours of receiving the complaint.

108. The C.R.O. shall post all of his/her rulings, including:

(a) a summary of the complaint;

(b) a list of parties to the complaint;

(c) where the C.R.O. fails to possess jurisdiction, as set out in Section 103, a summary of reasons for this finding;

(d) a listing of all bylaws, rules, and regulations that apply;
(e) a finding regarding the facts;
(f) a ruling regarding the alleged contravention;
(g) the penalty assigned, if any;
(h) the time the ruling was posted; and
(i) the time limit for appeal.

109. Where a candidate 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 who was or whose volunteer was guilty of the contravention.

110. Penalties available to the C.R.O. shall include:

(a) a fine, to be counted against the candidate’s campaign expenses;

(b) the confiscation or destruction of campaign materials;

(c) limits, restrictions, and prohibitions on any type of campaign activities for any period of time up to the commencement of voting; and

(d) disqualification.

111. A candidate or slate shall be disqualified where he/she/it is guilty of a contravention that:

(a) cannot be counter-balanced by a lesser penalty;

(b) is malicious or substantially prejudicial to another candidate or slate; or
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(c) involves tampering with ballots, voting procedures, or counting procedures.

112. Where a slate is disqualified, all candidates running as a part of that slate shall also be disqualified.

113. Where a member is guilty of a serious contravention, the C.R.O. may recommend to the D.I.E. Board that further penalties be brought under the Discipline, Interpretation, and Enforcement Board Bylaw.

114. Any member shall be entitled to appeal a ruling of the C.R.O. to the D.I.E. Board.

115. No appeal shall be considered by the D.I.E. Board unless it is received within twelve (12) working hours of the C.R.O.’s ruling being posted.

116. Where a complete appeal is received, the D.I.E. Board shall convene a hearing within twelve (12) working hours of the appeal being submitted.

117. No appeal shall exist from a ruling of the D.I.E. Board on an appeal of a ruling by the C.R.O.

118. The C.R.O. may delegate any of his/her responsibilities under this bylaw to relevant faculty associations.

119. Notwithstanding Section 118, ultimate authority for all decisions delegated to faculty associations shall rest with the C.R.O.

120. Faculty associations shall have the right to use Election polling stations for the purposes of:

   (a) electing such positions as may be required by that faculty association; and

   (b) holding plebiscites and referenda.

121. The Election shall be divided into as many parts as there are councils for which elections are occurring.
122. A candidate who contests multiple parts of the Election shall be considered to be one candidate per contested part of the election;

123. All rules concerning nominations, campaign activities, campaign expenses, balloting, and penalties apply to a candidate per contested part of the Election and not to the candidate between multiple parts of the Election;

124. A slate may encompass candidates contesting multiple parts of the Election.

125. Where Students’ Council calls a by-election, the C.R.O. shall determine and announce the date of the by-election not less than two (2) weeks in advance of the close of nominations for that by-election, such date to occur not more than eight (8) weeks from the date of the by-election being called by Students’ Council.

126. Where Section 125 would require the C.R.O. to call a by-election during May, June, July, or August, the C.R.O. may instead call the by-election in September or October.

127. Any by-election shall be governed by this bylaw except as set out in Sections 123 through 126.
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Report to Students’ Council
From: Janet Lo, Vice-President Academic
Submitted: Tuesday 19 August 2003
http://www.su.ualberta.ca/vpacademic

Academic Affairs Board:
- Met on the 8th of August
- More info: refer to AAC report or the website.

Council of Faculty Associations:
- CoFA Meeting on the 13th of August:
- 6 Faculty Associations in attendance: APSA, BSA, PERCS, UASUS, LSA, ESS.
- FA’s that still need to register: ASA, NUA, NSSA, MSA, RMSA, AFHESA. If you aren’t registered, you technically cannot occupy office space as you are not covered by University insurance policies. The moral of the story is: REGISTER!!!
- Special thanks to the Engineering Students’ Society and their lovely President, Angela Thomas, for hosting the CoFA meeting.
- More info: refer to AAC report or to website.

General Faculties’ Council:
- One thing that I have found odd about the GFC is the tendency to conduct e-mail votes on issues in the summer. I guess the governance process must continue, but it just struck me as odd and slightly difficult to vote on issues via e-mail.
- Preparing for GFC Exec in early September. I can’t believe we’re almost in September! How crazy!
- University Budget Meeting with VP Finance & Admin Phyllis Clark, and her Associate VP, Philip Stack. Good insight into how the Budget process at the University works and where students fit in.

Chats:
- Met with various University Administrators and picked the winner for the Distinguished Teaching Chair! Very exciting and just mind-blowing to go through application packages of some phenomenal professors that we have on our campus. Kudos to all applicants. Winner to be announced at the Celebration of Teaching & Learning on Wednesday, September 3rd.
Met via conference call with the Canadian Academic Round Table Advisory Board (CARTAB), of which I am the Northwest rep, representing AB, NWT, and YK. Discussed plans for the CART2 conference which is to occur October 15-19 at Conestoga College in Kitchener, Ontario. More details to come to Council soon, obviously, in a conference budget approval for me!

**Technology:**
- **Communications Plan.** Reviewed Student Communication Plan with the Registrar's Office, AIS, and IBM for communicating the changes in Bear Tracks due to the upgrade occurring in mid-November. More information to come soon.
- **Administration Information Systems Steering Committee (AISSC) Meeting.** Same old, same old. Pretty generic, very higher level HR information. A bit of information regarding the Bear Tracks upgrade but nothing too substantial.

**Projects:**
- **La Bear Scat.** Received response from the University. Accepted an offer from Senior Administration, and we will be transferring this service to the Students' Union, with some upgrades to our current facilities necessary to do so. Very exciting, keep tuned for details soon!

**Interesting Notes:**
- I am away in Florida, sadly missing this August 19th meeting! You are all in my thoughts 😊
- I did bring with me: my GFC Policy Manual, my laptop, and various mini-projects for the car, the plane, and late at night in hotel rooms. Hoping I’ll have internet access, but meh! Not promising that any of it will get done though!

**Upcoming Academic Intrigues:**

**JANET TAKES A HOLIDAY!**
Somewhere far away FRI AUG 15 to FRI AUG 22
*If you need anything or would like to discuss anything with me, please do so before I leave, as when I get back, I expect campus to be utter chaos*

**ACADEMIC AFFAIRS BOARD**
Meeting WED AUG 27, Lower Level Mtg Rm, 5-8 pm

**ACADEMIC AFFAIRS BOARD**
Meetings every Thursday, 5-8 pm, starting Sept 11th

**GENERAL FACULTIES’ COUNCIL STUDENT CAUCUS**
Retreat SAT SEP 13, SUB Alumni Rm, 12-5 pm

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