

STUDENTS' COUNCIL LATE ADDITIONS

Tuesday October 7, 2003 – 6:00 p.m.
Council Chambers 2-1 University Hall

- 2003-13/3 SPEAKERS BUSINESS
- 2003-13/3c Chief Returning Officer's Elections Report
Please see document LA 03-13.01
- 2003-13/8 Approval of Students' Union Boards and Committees
- 2003-13/8c Student Life Board Report
Please see document LA 03-13.02
- 2003-13/11 NEW BUSINESS
- 2003-13/11b MAH/PETTERSON MOVED THAT Students' Council ratify Rae-Anne Hilsenteger and Jennifer Willson as Athletics Campus Promotions Coordinator (2).
- 2003-13/11c BOTTEN MOVED THAT Students' Council strike an ad hoc committee comprised of the Vice President (Academic), the Vice President (Operations & Finance) and the Community Relations Coordinator, for the purpose of selecting Student At Large members for the Awards Selection Committee, Eugene Brody Funding Committee and Financial Affairs Board, with the selected candidates to be presented for ratification by Students' Council no later than November 4th, 2003.
- 2003-13/12 REPORTS
- 2003-13/12a Janet Lo – Vice President Academic
Please see document LA 03-13.03
- 2003-13/12b Tyler Botten – Vice President Operations and Finance
Please see document LA 03-13.04
- 2003-13/12b Undergraduate Board of Governors Representative Report
Please see document LA 03-13.05

2003-13/12c

Report from the Office of Academic Affairs

Please see document LA 03-13.06

2003-13/12d

Student Activities Coordinator Report

Please see document LA 03-13.07

STUDENT LIFE BOARD REPORT

COUNCIL REPORT - Anna Grimsrud (Secretary and non-voting member)

October 7th 2003

UPDATES

- Smoking Ban and Diversity Policy
 - Thanks to council for their approval
- Task Force on Wellness
 - To be discussed at this weeks meeting
 - Discussed “wellness” issues at last meeting
- Antifreeze
 - Will be working with PC
- Next meeting
 - Wednesday, Oct 8th at 6pm in Lower Level Meeting Room

PROGRAMMING COMMITTEE REPORT

COUNCIL REPORT - Anna Grimsrud (Chair, non-voting member)

October 7th 2003

UPDATES

- Student at a Glance
 - First student have been interviewed
 - In the process of looking for a sponsor
 - Thanks to Miranda Belanger
- Name That Tune
 - Every Wednesday evening at the Powerplant
 - Thanks to Tyler Daignault
- Movie Night
 - Every Monday evening at the Powerplant
 - Schedule can be viewed online
 - Recruiting Student Group Hosts
 - Thanks to Matt and Tawfiq
- The Dating Game
 - Date TBA
- Drag Show
 - Working with Siderite, Outreach and Ship Programming Committee
 - Powerplant, Thursday, Nov 6th
- Students' Union Christmas Party for Kids
 - Friday, December 5th
- Pie for Poems
 - Monday, October 27th
 - Thanks to Terra Melnyk
- United Nations Day and AIDS Awareness Day
 - October 24th and December 1st respectively
 - Looking for Student Groups support
- Antifreeze
 - Combining efforts of SLB and PC, similar to WOW
 - Discussion to begin shortly...

REPORT FROM THE OFFICE OF THE VP ACADEMIC

REPORT TO STUDENTS' COUNCIL
FROM: JANET LO, VICE-PRESIDENT ACADEMIC
SUBMITTED: TUESDAY 07 OCTOBER 2003
[HTTP://WWW.SU.UALBERTA.CA/VPACADEMIC](http://www.su.ualberta.ca/vpacademic)

EXECUTIVE MATTERS:

- Paid tuition, 80's style. Some of you may have caught our message in the Gateway.

COUNCIL OF FACULTY ASSOCIATIONS:

http://www.su.ualberta.ca/su/student_government/boards_and_committees/cofa/2003-2004

- CoFA met on the 1st of October at Faculte Saint-Jean. Thanks to AUFSJ for hosting a super classy meeting.
- Major item of discussion was the handbook project: reflection and towards the future.
- CoFA meets next on the 29th of October. We'd like ALL FA's to send a rep, if possible.

MEETINGS:

- GFC: met on the 29th. Definitely the best student participation on GFC that I have ever seen. Many thanks to GFC student councilors who represented their students on the 29th.
- GFCSC is now a super informal gathering of GFC Councilors to discuss issues that are hitting campus and ask questions of each other and myself and Chris Henderson. Stressing: super informal, not mandatory, but highly recommended.
- GFC Committee on Learning Environment: committed to looking at some large issues this year, including the learning experience for 1st and 2nd year students, teaching workshops, academic advisement, and a professional code of conduct for instructors.
- GFC Executive Committee: looking at a Policy Development Policy and the University's UA PPOL.
- Met with a Marketing Research Group from MARK 312, who will be working on a project that surveys students about major classroom issues.
- Bookstore Task Force met early last week and have 2 meetings planned for this week.
- Visited the GMCSA VP Academic, Matt Glass, and took a nice tour of GMC Downtown, and chatted academics for a bit.

- Awards Selection Committee Meeting. We are well under way towards picking themes and getting the details done for Awards Night. Chris Henderson is the lead, doing a great job as always.

TECHNOLOGY:

- Needing User Acceptance Testing volunteers for the Bear Tracks upgrade for Oct 16, 20, 21. Please come and talk to me if you are interested, or sign your friends up. Please.

PROJECTS:

- CART 2. Preparing for the conference next week: have a few issues I'll be bringing with me, and lots of questions. It will be interesting to see how my counterparts across the country have found their term, and I'm looking forward to what will be a good week at Conestoga College.
- WestCAST 2004. This conference is an Education conference for student teachers, and will be hosted by the U of A this February. I'm looking to place a proposal for a presentation before the committee later this week.

UPCOMING ACADEMIC INTRIGUES: (**Bold indicates NEED VOLUNTEERS!**)

Tuesday, October 7, 2003

CART Advisory Board Conference Call	11-12 am
Bookstore Task Force	2-3 pm
Budget Advisory Committee	3-5 pm

Wednesday, October 8, 2003

Executive Meeting	10-11 am
Meet the Exec @ FSJ!	11-1 pm
GFC Student Caucus	5-6 pm

Thursday, October 9, 2003

ALS Steering Committee Meeting	8-9 am
Subcommittee on Standards (ASC, GFC)	9-10 am
Bookstore Task Force	5-6 pm

Wednesday, October 15 to Sunday, October 19, 2003

Canadian Academic Round Table 2 @ Conestoga College, Kitchener ON

Thursday, October 16, 2003

Bear Tracks User Acceptance Testing	1-430 pm
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Monday, October 20, 2003

Bear Tracks User Acceptance Testing	1-430 pm
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Tuesday, October 21, 2003

Bear Tracks User Acceptance Testing	1-430 pm
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Technology Enhanced Instructional Spaces Advisory Committee (TEISAC)

Report to Students' Council
October 7, 2003
Tyler Botten, Vice President (Operations & Finance)

Members of Council,

We now enter the glorious month of October. As the season changes, so too do the colours outside, which leaves me thankful for my office window so I don't miss out on some of those *finer things in life*. With the coming of the change of a season, so to have I noticed a change of season with Students' Council, as the debate on governance structure permeates through these hallowed halls and beyond, looming ominously in the back of everyone's mind like the darkness of the coming winter. Be it this dark cloud with the suspicious look of a tree with three branches, or the stress of looming midterms, something has worked its way into the hearts and minds of many of you, bringing empty looks, tears and fits of rage. I have heard the internal struggles you face, and I know them too. The questions ring as clearly in my head as they do in yours. Why did I seek election to this office? What role does this government play? Is this truly what I was looking for when I signed my name on that nomination form and worked to prove myself a worthy contender for the job of representing the students that walk this campus?

I wish I could tell you all the winter is not going to come this year, but control of Mother Nature's realm does not fall under the portfolio of Operations & Finance. Winter will surely hit with the cutting winds and mounds of soft snow we this far North have come to accept. While we have no choice but to accept the conditions that the climate puts upon campus, we do not have to accept similar conditions on the social and academic lives of our constituents. I implore each and every one of you to keep 'Winter's chill' at bay by bringing forward ideas, questions and concerns and most importantly the thoughts of those students that each of you represent. This Council chamber is used by us, as agents of student governance, to create a discourse on the issues that matter most to our constituents. First and foremost, it is imperative that these issues be brought to the table, and for us to fail to do so is to walk away from those we have vowed to protect and advocate for.

The Past

1. **the fees we pay** – had a meeting with the Registrar, Carole Byrne and the Assistant Registrar, Dorte Sheikh, to discuss some options for changes to the fees content of the Calendar, student fee reports included on timetables, and the University's fees website. results from the meeting look favorable, as both were receptive to the ideas of better detailing SU fees and providing the proper links to more information on one of our own pages. In addition, Carole is looking to revamp the committee system dealing with fees and I inadvertently scored a student seat on the group that will examine logistics of implementing new fees, such as the Faculty Association Membership Fee passed 2 years ago by Students' Council on behalf of Engineering students.
2. **gsjs AGM** – I attended the 2003 annual general meeting of the gateway student journalism society, where some much-needed changes to the society's bylaws were made, their audit was approved, a new volunteer rep was chosen and

- some pizza was consumed. this being the first such AGM I have ever attended, I was impressed with how dull they can sometimes be. thankfully editor-in-chief boutet was there to supply the correct combination of motion moving and wit to keep everyone in (relatively) good spirits.
3. **council outreach & concerns** – were it not for the chair's falling ill, this committee would have had something to propose to students' council by this time, but as it stands we have temporarily stalled. having brainstormed outreach methods, we are moving forward on holding faculty-based forums for councilors to connect to constituents. we are still looking to hear from everyone on whether or not they can commit. also at the next meeting, we will be analyzing the creation of an administrative committee of council.
 4. **SU in the classroom** – myself, along with other members of the executive, are looking at a project to extend the use of the students' union as a case study in the classroom beyond the current research surveys conducted by marketing students. the project is still in the preliminary phase, as we still gather ideas (got something? send it my way) but should culminate soon in a proposal to all members of the faculty to see what kind of interest is out there.
 5. **pages in the paper** – another day another SU page, as the saying goes. if you thought having the budget in the gateway was exciting, you're gonna lose your socks next week when the fees breakdown and details on dedicated fee units shows up. the point to all of this is that I am looking for some feedback and impressions on the pages that I am running in the gateway – are they useful? interesting? a waste of paper? criticism is welcome but only the constructive kind. anything else I'll probably ignore. then again, maybe not...
 6. **meetings bloody meetings** – well, the regular meetings list is short this time 'round so I'm going to include some non-meetings as well just for kicks: saw my first audit presentation with gsjs; entertained students waiting to pay tuition with the smooth sounds of survivor and soft cell; learned more than I needed to about the american justice system in irb; helped the dean of students office grant some money for extracurricular assistance; revisited the true joys of sitting on multiple granting bodies in reviewing the same application three times in the span of two and a half weeks; hung out with high school kids at the senate pizza night; spent a couple of hours telling high school students about the SU during open house saturday; examined proposals for the creation of three new apirg working groups; made popcorn for a truly regal movie night in dewey's.

The Future

1. **booking our venues** – all these bookings we do for all these groups come at a price. some people don't like paying for things. our venues make money to keep fees low. conflicts galore – I'll be closely examining the structure of our venue bookings to ensure that we can accommodate everyone's needs while still keeping wet t-shirt contests out of the powerplant and gallagher out of the horowitz.
2. **them policies** – looking at the question raised over whether all of our policies have been officially ratified (august 31, 1999 seems to be a day where dates

- were erased) and I've got all the relevant stakeholders down ready to contact so I don't need to do this review in a partial vacuum.
3. **we're rich!** – well, not really. but we did get our fees from the university, which means we can start disbursing! I'm preparing to cut the largest cheques I'll see all year. almost makes an ops & finance guy giddy.
 4. **website review committee** – I'm a damn lucky vp for having such a committed group of people working on this project. another couple of weeks and I'll be compiling the results and recommendations for the executive. prepare for new website material (and I'm told perhaps a new look) hopefully by mid-november at the latest.
 5. **the 'org review'** – well, nothing was really done with this the last time it was tried (unfortunately) and since it's a big, expensive undertaking, I will be working on some alternate plans to implement some changes to help this org structure work more effectively.
 6. **we're rich (again)!** – well, again, not really. but we do have some money freeing up after we pay off this '93 loan and I am not happy to dump it on my successor without some foresight into how it could be most efficiently used. proposal coming soon to a fab near you to be vetted as only fab can.

Upcoming Meetings

tupac – thursday, 9 october @ 8am

AP!RG board meeting – tuesday, 14 october @ 5pm

council activities & concerns planning – wednesday, 15 october @ 2pm

AP!RG board meeting - monday, 20 october @ 4:30pm

FACRA special general meeting – wednesday, 22 october @ 6pm

FACRA board meeting – wednesday, 22 october @ 6:30pm

access fund board meeting – wednesday, 29 october @ 5pm

Interesting Website of the Week

http://home.att.net/~highgrounds/80s_song_list.htm

*given that the NHL season is starting up, this week's quiz is based on the ice. in the above report, there are 3 years listed. each of those years corresponds to a year that one of a trio of brothers was selected as a hockey east all-star from the university of maine. be the first (or second) person to give me the names of two of the brothers (hint: two of them now play for teams who faced off in the 2001 stanley cup finals) and I'll hit you with two (2) free tickets to sloan this friday at red's.

Bogg Dylan

BOG Rep Report to Council – October 7, 2003

Recent Highlights

1) Pandas and Bears Fest (September 26).

I attended the excellent Pandas and Bears Fest at the Manhattan Club. Yay, athletics! If having drinks and partying with Pandas is wrong, then I don't want to be right.

2) Alumni Pride Awards Ceremony & Dinner (October 2)

The Alumni Association held its annual recognition of outstanding U of A alumni. The award recipients made it a truly inspirational event. I had the opportunity to chat with Dean Percy about Law differential tuition, Reuben Kaufman about GFC matters and the selection process for academic Board reps, and an out-of-town guest about the governance structure at the University of Guelph. Thank you Councilor Melnyk for joining me for a wonderful evening.

3) Senate Pizza Night (October 3)

The Senate held its annual pizza night for out-of-town high school students. Funding for this event is raised through the Chancellor's Cup Golf Tournament. I had a blast chatting with future students, and helping them cheat on U of A trivia questions.

4) Senate Wellness Report

I was interviewed by CJSR on October 3 for yesterday's U-News. I was also interviewed by the Gateway yesterday. The subject of both interviews was the Senate Wellness Report. I spoke against the smoking ban and voted against the Wellness Report at the September 16 BSHEC meeting. President Brechtel and I both spoke against the smoking ban and voted in favour of the Wellness Report at the September 26 BOG Meeting. The response from the administration to the report will be coming to the Board in January.

5) TUPAC Meetings

TUPAC has met four times. We are discussing a long-term tuition vision for the University, this year's tuition strategy, concurrent lobbying on the University's budgetary process, and future SU tuition strategies. One item of contention has been the idea of multi-year tuition decisions. All in all, things are moving smoothly.

6) Wedding Bells

Congratulations to former FAC councilor Lisa Clyburn on her recent engagement. ☺ All the best to you, Senator Clyburn.

Coming Up

October 16: BSHEC Meeting (has been postponed)

October 17: TUPAC

In remembrance of the Ukrainian Holodomor,

Roman Kotovych
Undergraduate Board of Governors Representative

From the Office of Academic Affairs

Vice-President Academic: Janet Lo vp.academic@su.ualberta.ca
Academic Affairs Coordinator: Chris Henderson aac@su.ualberta.ca

Report to Students' Council
7 October, 2003

1) Academic Affairs Board

a. 10 September, 2003 (AAB/EAB Special Meeting)

i. Formal Motions Considered

(None at this meeting)

ii. Intriguing Topics of Discussion

1. Degree Granting Status
2. Tuition/Differential Tuition
3. Quality of Education

iii. In Attendance:

C Jones, L McLaughlin, L Clyburn, S Katz, Z Dube, A Abboud,
M Hirji, S Kirkham

b. 11 September, 2003

i. Formal Motions Considered:

1. KATZ/JONES motion that questions regarding the PeopleSoft contract, drafted by the VPA and approved by the AAB be forwarded to the Undergraduate Representatives on the Board of Governors.

ii. Intriguing Topics of Discussion:

1. Exchange of APC seat from the SU President to the SU VPA
2. Midterm Formative Evaluations

iii. In Attendance: 8

A Abboud, S Kirkham, D Bullerwell, S Katz, MM Hirji, C Jones,
Z Dube, L McLaughlin

iv. Regrets:

c. 18 September, 2003

i. Formal Motions Considered:

None at this meeting.

ii. Intriguing Topics of Discussion:

1. Guest Speaker: Dr. Don Carmichael

iii. In Attendance: 7

A Abboud, S Kirkham, D Bullerwell, C Jones, L McLaughlin, MM
Hirji, Z Dube, S Katz

iv. Regrets:

2) General Faculties' Council

a. 13 September 2003

i. Formal Motions Considered:

None. This meeting was a retreat for GFC undergraduate councilors

ii. Intriguing Topics of Discussion:

1. Governance 101
2. Lobbying Techniques

iii. In Attendance:

Attendance not taken

iv. Regrets:

b. 29 September, 2003

i. Formal Motions Considered

1. Vote on Standardized Course Outlines

CARRIED

ii. Intriguing Topics of Discussion

1. Budget Outline
2. Standardized Course Outline

iii. In Attendance: **32 (of 42)**

H Davis, H Wallace, T Melnyk, MM Hirji, M Johnson (Arts), S Power, Joanne Ing, S Smith, C Wudarck, M Larson, J Kakish, T Panas, L Bezuidenhout, M Johnson (Eng), C Jones, D Wepler, Z Dube, D Hutchison, B Hnatiuk, T Bear-coon, T Metz, A Grimsrud, M Bagoda, E Cameron, D Damaraju, T Elyas, J Kehoe, B Khatib, K Williams, J Lo, M Brechtel, C Samuel

iv. Regrets: **10**

A Abboud, T Hamula, S Hildebrant, K Herregodts, A Morris, H Pirani, J Smolak, S Shultis, R Flook, R Kotovych

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COUNCIL REPORT - Anna Grimsrud

October 7th 2003

Activities from the month of SEPTEMBER:

Meetings

- WOW/Orientation Volunteer Appreciation Party
- More meetings with Outreach and Siderite
- Student at a glance
- Student Life Board and Programming Committee
- CSSC (Campus Security Services Commission) Meeting (cancelled, again!)
- Sponsorship for Students Union Christmas Party for Kids

Just for Fun

- Alzheimer's Day – Sept 18th
- General Faculties Council
- Hair cut
- Tyler's Birthday
- Jazz Choir
- The Bachelor Premier

Current Projects

- Students' Union Christmas Party for Kids (SUCPK)
 - Recruiting to "high need" schools on the recommendation of the Superintendent
 - Hosting public schools this year
 - Abbot Elementary has confirmed
 - Upcoming meeting regarding equipment necessary
 - Piano, microphones etc. for the Horowitz
 - Sponsorship
 - Have enough money from corporate sponsors to fund the event
 - Special this year: pizza contra deal already made, possibility of bus hours available
 - Will possibly be recruiting for more contra, in process of making "wish list"
 - Volunteers
 - Have many people already recruited
 - Plan to have a 1:3 volunteer to participant ratio
 - First majordomo Christmas Party email coming soon
- 1st semester programming
 - Pie for Poems
 - Asked for help from COFA to make this event cross campus
 - Thanks to UASUS and PERCS!
 - Date: Oct 27th, time TBA, Free piece of pie/cobbler for a poem
 - Thanks to Councilor Melynk for her help
 - Movie Night
 - Running well thanks to two volunteers from committee
 - Student at a Glance
 - First students recruited, ready for posting in display cabinet
 - International AIDS Awareness and United Nations Day
 - In the process of recruiting student groups to help
 - Drag Show
 - Date set for November 6th, working with both Outreach and Siderite

