Tuesday February 1, 2005 – 6:00 p.m.
Council Chambers 2-1 University Hall

ORDER PAPER (SC 2004-21)

2004-21/1  CALL TO ORDER
2004-21/2  University of Alberta CHEER SONG “Ring Out a Cheer”
2004-21/3  SPEAKER’S BUSINESS
2004-21/4  APPROVAL OF THE ORDERS OF THE DAY
2004-21/5  PRESENTATIONS
2004-21/6  REPORTS
2004-21/6a  Jordan Blatz, President
            Please see document SC 04-21.01
2004-21/6b  Lisa McLaughlin, Vice President (Academic)
            Please see document SC 04-21.02
2004-21/6c  Alex Abboud, Vice President (External)
            Please see document SC 04-21.03
2004-21/6d  Alvin Law, Vice President (Operations and Finance)
            Please see document SC 04-21.04
2004-21/7  QUESTION PERIOD
2004-21/7a  SAMUEL – Question for the Undergraduate Board of Governors Representative
            - Mr. Speaker, I was wondering if the Board of Governor's Representative could
            provide the reason for his absence at the Council Meeting immediately following
            the tuition decision.

            KOTOVYCH - Mr. Speaker, since the Board meeting on January 14th, my life has
            been taken over with rehearsals for Law Show. As always, I would be happy to
            answer any questions the Councilor might have.
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Please see document SC 04-21.05

BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

MOTION BY LETTNER/THOMPSON, RESOLVED THAT Students’ Council, upon the recommendation of the Internal Review Board, approve the following referendum question.

Do you support a new fee:

- Establishing an undergraduate health care plan.
- At a cost not to exceed $57 per student in each Fall or Winter term.
- With an opt-out for students who demonstrate comparable coverage within the first four weeks of the academic term.
- That will expire August 31st, 2008

The results of this referendum shall be binding on the Students’ Union and Article VIII will be amended accordingly.

OLD BUSINESS

LEGISLATION

MOTION BY SMITH, RESOLVED THAT Students’ Council, upon the recommendation of the Internal Review Board, repeal Article XVIII of the Students’ Union Constitution (second reading).

Please bring backup documentation from the October 12, 2004 meeting of Students’ Council.

MOTION BY SMITH/KIRKHAM MOVED THAT Students' Council on the recommendation of the Committee for Council Reform and Progress repeal Article XIV – Vacancies (first reading).

Please bring backup documentation from the January 18, 2005 meeting of Students’ Council.

Bill #17 – Student Groups Committee Loan Granting Privileges (sponsor; DEBENHAM)

(.second reading)

Please see document SC 04-21.06

Bill #11 - Student Group Membership Privileges Amendment (sponsor; DEBENHAM)

Principles (first reading)
1. A member of the Students’ Union shall have the privilege to be a member of any Student Group or Students’ Union Club, subject to section.
2. Where a Student Group is a Faculty Association recognized by the Students’ Union, the Faculty Association may limit membership to students enrolled in the faculty to which the Faculty Association relates.

IRB Recommendation:
1. That the privilege of Students’ Union members to belong to any student group registered with the Students’ Union be eliminated.

2004-21/11 e  Bill #23 – Council Vacancies Bill (sponsor; Smith/Kirkham)
Principles (first reading)
1. Vacancies in Councilor Positions
   a. Council will no longer have the power to fill Councilor vacancies by appointment.
   b. Where a Councilor vacancy exists, the CRO will offer the position to the runner up in the most recent election.
   c. One By-election will be held in the Fall to fill any Councilor vacancies not filled by the process in 1(b).
   d. Other than the by-election specified 1(c) no other by-elections will be held to fill Councilor Vacancies
2. Vacancies in the Executive
   a. Council may fill a vacancy in the Executive Committee or the position of Undergraduate Board of Governors Representative either by appointment or by ordering a by-election for that purpose.

2004-21/12  NEW BUSINESS

2004-21/12a  MOTION BY BLATZ/ABBoud, RESOLVED THAT Students’ Council assess Augustana students the same fee as off campus students are charged.

2004-21/12b  MOTION BY BLATZ/TAYLOR(VPSL), RESOLVED THAT Students’ Council direct the Internal Review Board to draft a referendum question relating to the proposed physical activities complex.

2004-21/12c  MOTION BY BLATZ/ABBoud, RESOLVED THAT Students’ Council direct Internal Review Board to draft a referendum question relating to a faculty association membership fee for Augustana Students’ Association.

Please see document SC 04-21.07

2004-21/12d  MOTION BY BLATZ/MCLAUGHLIN, RESOLVED THAT Students’ Council appoint one member to sit on the VP Research (U of A) review committee. Committee will meet on March 14, 2005, 2:00-3:00 pm; April 6, 2005, 9:00-11:00 am; April 25, 2005, 2:00-4:00 pm; and May 16, 2005, 2:00-3:00 pm.

2004-21/13  ANNOUNCEMENTS

2004-21/13a  Next Council Meeting
   UPCOMING COUNCIL MEETINGS
   February 8, 2005
   March 8, 2005

2004-21/14  INFORMATION ITEMS

2004-21/14a  Approved Budget Transfers as of February 1, 2005

Please see document SC 04-21.08

2004-21/14b  Augustana Faculty Association Letter

Please see document SC 04-21.09
Revised Votes and Proceedings from the November 23, 2004 meeting of Students’ Council.

Please see document SC 04-21.10
Good evening Council,

The following is a list of things that I have been working on since last meeting:

1. **BBQ** – We will be holding a free BBQ in Quad on Wednesday and encouraging students to sign a petition regarding tuition as well as form letters for the Prime Minister. This event will be running on the same day as the CFS Day of Action.

2. **Update on Meal Card expansion** – The meal card project is going extremely well. During the period from when the project started on October 18th through to the week of December 12th, the meal card accounted for 15% of total food revenue in the Powerplant and 35% of total food revenue in RATT. In that period, our investment approximately paid itself off twice in the Powerplant and two-and-a-half times in RATT. Total meal card sales in the Powerplant during that 7-week period were $8,911.59 and $11,004.72 in RATT. I hope to be able to add more verbally.

3. **Augustana** – Our posting for the Augustana Transition Coordinator has now ended and we will be interview applicants shortly. I hope to be able to select our new ATC and announce who it is at council. I have spent a considerable amount of time working with the President of the ASA to work out the issues of fees for next year. However, we will be dealing with a lot of this during council.

4. **SUB Expansion** – I am currently working on resolving an issue with the University regarding outstanding money that we believe is owed to us from the University for the SUB Expansion process in 2002. I met with Don Hickey, Vice President of Facilities and Operations to discuss the issue and I hope to be able to have it resolved by the end of my term.

5. **Meeting with the Provost** – I had a very good meeting with the Provost regarding a couple of issue. The first issue was regarding elections and whether or not the SU would be able to send out an email to every student on campus using the U of A Webmail. This email would inform students about the elections, where they can get information about candidates, and the location of the forums. The Provost supported my request and we are in the process of getting proper approval to do it. The second issue related to advocacy and the Universities strategy leading up to Bill 1, the Throne speech, and the Provincial budget. I asked the Provost to support the SU’s lobbying to the government for dedicated operating funding for tuition relief. The Provost agreed to support our efforts and we will be meeting again shortly to determine how the University will be able to help us.

6. **Planning** – I have spent a lot of time since the tuition meeting, going over my goals for the year and planning the last few months. I expect to spend the majority of the rest of my term working on advocacy, planning for transition, as well as starting to
work on a couple of new initiatives. I am looking forward to a productive three months.

7. Other meetings/events
   • CAUS Conference call
   • Meeting with Dima Utgoff
   • Meeting with Dr. Ros Sydie
   • Meeting with Dane Bullerwell, CRO
   • Internal Review Board
   • Meeting with President and Office Manager from Augustana Students’ Association
   • President’s Installation planning committee
   • Official opening of International House
   • Alumni Council

8. Upcoming:
   • CAUS meeting – Alex and I will be traveling to Calgary on Thursday, February 3rd for a meeting of the CAUS membership. We will be discussing advocacy strategies for Bill 1 and an upcoming CAUS lobby tour in March.
   • Exec retreat – the Executive and I will be taking Friday, February 4th off for a retreat.
   • Elections!!!!
PROJECTS:

**Academic Survey** - Submitted revised ethics application and will likely obtain approval by early next week. We will be recruiting students for focus groups next week and hopefully starting the focus groups by February 7 at the latest.

**24/7 Study Space in SUB Pilot Project** - A banner is up in CAB and one is slotted for HUB beginning January 31 for 2 weeks. There was an article on 24-hour SUB in last week’s Gateway as well. We are still discussing producing handbills to distribute to study areas around campus as well as producing cardholders to put on tables in SUB. The feedback I have been receiving so far via the online form has been predominantly positive, with only 1 or 2 people suggesting that perhaps the money contributed by the University could have been used to keep tuition lower.

**SU Survey** - The Executive Committee is reviewing the survey analyses and determining how to cross tabulate the data to make it useful. I will be asking our partnering University units to do the same.

**STLHE Conference Proposal** - I have been working with the VP (Academic) at the University of Calgary to develop a proposal for a 75-minute session at the June 2005 conference of the Society for Teaching and Learning in Higher Education. We were two of only a handful of students at the 2004 conference and found it highly valuable to us in our roles as VPs (Academic). This year’s conference, “A Fine Balance: The Student Experience of Learning,” is occurring in PEI and will be highly focused on students’ experiences with and perspectives on issues in teaching and learning, making this a prime opportunity for us to weigh in on such issues and put the things we’ve learned this year to use. This project is something we are pursuing as our own initiative outside of work since our terms will have ended by June, and we will be looking for sources of funding to help make this happen, but our interest in it does stem from our experiences as VPAs and I thought you might be interested to know about it. I will be recommending strongly that the 2005-06 U of A SU VPA attend this conference.

**Awards Night** - Posters are up, classroom announcements are being done, a speaker has been confirmed, the theme is established, colours for invitations and programs are being finalized, and the nitty gritty is being discussed on an ongoing basis to ensure a well-planned, classy, and enjoyable evening.

VP ACADEMIC COMMITTEES:

- **Jan 20 - AAB** - Discussed the Dept of English and Film Studies’ proposed reduction of junior English requirements, allowing students to defer exams due to exceptionally heavy exam schedules, and the issue of connecting teaching and research as a follow-up to a presentation on the final report of the Working Group on The Teaching and Research back in December. AAB will be developing a position paper on the report, including some of the recommendations the report makes. We will also be developing a political policy on quality of teaching.

- **Jan 24 - COFA** - Hosted by PERCS, we discussed the Dept of English and Film Studies’ proposed reduction of junior English requirements, the role of technology in learning, FAs’ academic services for students, and a concept from the ESS of linking FAs on a rotational basis throughout the year to facilitate getting to know each other and doing joint activities.
UNIVERSITY COMMITTEES:

- None! That’s a first.

OTHER MEETINGS:

- Jan 26 - PC Purchasing Committee - A group from Supply Management Services and CNS wants to know how to better market to students some of the discounts that are available on computing systems due to contracts the University holds with certain companies such as IBM and Dell.

EVENTS:

- Jan 18 - Judged Engineering Week Battle of the Bands, hence my tardiness and grogginess at the last Council meeting. It was enjoyable for me and very much appreciated by the Engineers. SU Exec (and the GM) traditionally participate in the judging for this event.
- Jan 21 - Attended the Law Show! Roman has some great moves. Ask him to show you sometime.
- Jan 22 - Attended the Business Students’ Association Charity Fashion Show. Great job BSA!

MEDIA:

- Jan 25 - Exec met with Jodie Sinnema, the new Edmonton Journal reporter who has replaced Larry Johnsrude to cover post-secondary education.

UPCOMING:

- Jan 28 - Samantha’s session for UTS on student-instructor e-mails
- Jan 28 - Meeting of the Exam Deferral Ad-hoc Committee (of ASC) to discuss the idea of allowing students to apply for exam deferrals if they have a certain number of exams (finals) in a certain period of time.
- Jan 28 - Tour of International House
- Jan 31 - Feb 4 - International Week (I’ll be going to a lot of these events because they are centered around global health issues.)
- Feb 2 - GFC CLE
- Feb 3 - AISSC
- Feb 3 - E-learning Plan Development Committee
- Feb 3 - Faculty-based Information and Communications Technology Steering Committee
- Feb 3 - AAB @ 5:30 pm @ LLMR SUB
- Feb 4 - Exec day out (i.e., bonding time)
- Feb 7 - GFC Exec
- Feb 7 - Convocation Committee
- Feb 9 - GFC APC (?)
- Feb 10 - GFC ASC SOS
- Feb 17 - GFC ASC

DATES TO NOTE:

- Feb 7 - Application deadline for SU Involvement Awards
- Feb 9 - 50% refund deadline
- Feb 21 - 25 - Reading Week!
CAUS
We’ve scheduled our Spring Lobby Conference for March 21\textsuperscript{st}-24\textsuperscript{th} in Edmonton. The CAUS membership will be gathering in Edmonton to meet with and lobby MLAs for that week.

Our next meeting is tentatively scheduled for February 3\textsuperscript{rd} in Calgary, where we’ll be finalizing our priorities for the spring lobby document, and dealing with some other outstanding business. We’ve been discussing over the phone other activities to do surrounding the Premier’s address, and the throne speech.

Along with our Executive Director Duncan Wojtaszek and our Vice Chair Jason Rumer, I attended the Ministry’s summit on January 19\textsuperscript{th}. It was essentially a brainstorming and discussion session with the leadership of the post-secondary sector. The Premier even stopped by to kick the event off.

Municipal Politics
We had another meeting with ETS. They’ve agreed to knock the cost of new buses off their proposal for a U-Pass, which brings the cost down, but we’ve now factored in St. Alberta and Strathcona County, and their base price brings the overall offer back up to about $115. That’s still a decrease from what had previously been proposed.

Councilor Kim Krushell is looking to organize a meeting with the Institution and Student Association Presidents from across the city for the end of February in order to discuss issues of concern. I’m also working with Councilors Krushell and Batty on the issue of Residential Property Taxes, since the budget is out of the way and they have more time to focus on other projects.

I’m also in the process of scheduling presentation on the Universal Bus Pass to both St. Alberta and Strathcona County. Strathcona County meets Tuesday nights, which is proving to be problematic, but I’m tentatively presenting to St. Albert on February 7\textsuperscript{th}.

Federal Politics
I met with James Rajotte, Conservative MP for Edmonton-Leduc, at his constituency office. We discussed a number of post-secondary initiatives, and he agreed to raise a couple of them in caucus as recommendations to bring forward to the policy convention.
Senate
We’re continuing work on the Senate Task Force. Our request for written submissions has gone out to stakeholder groups, and focus groups should begin as soon as we get ethics approval (expected very soon). There will also be an Executive Committee meeting I’ll be attending in the next couple of weeks (date TBD) leading up to the plenary on February 25th.

Meetings
- Ministry of Advanced Education Summit at Government House (January 19th)
- U-Pass Meeting (January 20th)
- Senate Task Force Meeting (January 20th)
- James Rajotte, MP for Edmonton-Leduc (January 21st)
- Lewis Lapham, Revolutionary Speakers Series (January 21st)
- BSA Fashion Show (January 22nd)
- Canadian Unity Council Luncheon (January 24th)
- Jodie Sinemma, Edmonton Journal Reporter (January 24th)
- Internal Review Board (January 24th)

Upcoming
- Awareness Event and BBQ by the Alumni Room (February 2nd)
- CAUS Meeting in Calgary (February 3rd)
- Super Bowl (Go Pats!) (February 6th)
- Presentation to St. Albert City Council on the Universal Bus Pass (February 7th)
Hello Council

I seem to have lost Nemo, I am looking for a Nemo, has anyone seen a Nemo? He is one inch long and orange with three white stripes. His abdominal stripe is laterally connected to his cervical stripe above the fins. He mysteriously disappeared from his fish tank sometime between the night of January 17th and the morning of January 18th. No evidence as to his whereabouts were left at the site. If you have seen a Nemo, please contact me ASAP.

Christmas Bureau: A great thank you to the staff at Information Services who bought me at the SU Christmas Party Executive auction for $60! Their contribution alone bought an additional three turkeys for families this Christmas and provided me an opportunity to return to the land that I use to call home, CAB. It was an enjoyable two hours as I spent some time around lunch manning the CAB information booth, it was perfect timing too as I helped fill in for a staff member that was not able to fulfill her shift. Again thanks to Information Services.

Engginerring Week: Many thanks to the ESS Executive who showed us a fun trouble-free week. There were no incidents this year which shows the amount of organization and dedication of this year’s ESS exec. Many congratulations to the MecE’s who won this year. A huge congratulations also go out to the Nurses for a very respectable performance in their first year of competition.

Faculte St. Jean ABM: Sarah Colpitts and I have been discussing the possibilities of introducing a Campus Advantage ABM at the Faculte since there is currently no ABM service. The details have been provided and Sarah will be initiating discussions with her Faculty to obtain space.

Health Plan: Duncan and I met with Dr. McInroy and Kevin Friese of the University Health Centre to go through the financials of this Ancillary Service. We discussed and educated ourselves on exactly how the Health Services Fee is spent and how the centre operates. Also in doing our diligence to ward off any foreseeable problems with the referendum, we have decided that the staff of the Health Centre will not be offering anything other than facts in relation to a possible health plan. It was decided that Dr. McInroy would not play a role within the politics and if asked questions on the health plan, he would just refer them to the Students’ Union Executive. We feel that this is the best way to ensure that the referendum is run in a fair manner without undue influence.
Student Groups Granting Committee: The SGGC has had two meetings since the last council meeting in order to review applications. It seems to be a busy time of the year for many committee members as we are having difficulties achieving quorum. As an update on financials, prior to this session, we have granted approximately $28 000 of the available $45 000 for the year. This leaves approximately $17 000 to be split amongst the last two granting sessions. With these numbers, the committee feels that we are well on track to hitting our target of granting as much is needed for worthy applications. This account was decreased by $5000 from last year due to the fact that the money granted never came close to the budgeted $50 000. I currently feel that this new amount of $45 000 is very appropriate for the realities of this granting process.

Coming Up:

Access Fund: Will be having an Access Fund Board meeting to update the board on the current status of the fund as well as discuss advertising and the Access Fund involvement in Campaign 2008. Originally, the board was not aware that Campaign 2008 had used Access Fund grants as ‘contributions from the Students’ Union,’ so this is being discussed.

Campus Recreation Enhancement Fund: Will be attending a meeting on Thursday to review applications for this granting body.
Executive Committee Report to Students’ Council February 1, 2005

Motions

1. There were no motions passed at the January 17, 2005 Executive Committee Meeting.

2. There were no motions were passed at the January 19, 2005 Executive Committee Meeting.

3. The following motions were passed at the January 24, 2005 Executive Committee Meeting.
   a. TAYLOR/LAW MOVED THAT the Executive Committee support Norma Rodenburg’s, (Transition Program Manager) bid for a three-year board position on NODA.
      VOTE ON MOTION 5/0/0 CARRIED

4. The following motions were passed at the January 26, 2005 Executive Committee Meeting.
   a. BLATZ/TAYLOR MOVED THAT the Executive Committee appoint the VP Academic to sit on the review committee.
      VOTE ON MOTION 4/0/1 (MCLAUGHLIN) CARRIED
Bill #17 - Student Groups Committee Loan Granting Privileges

1. The Student Groups Committee shall have the power to issue loans to student groups under $1500 from the Student Groups granting fund.

Bylaw 3100 Amended
Bylaw 4000 Amended
PROPOSED

Bylaw 3100
A Bylaw Respecting the Conduct of Students' Union Business

Short Title
1. This Bylaw may be referred to as the "Conduct of Business Bylaw".

Definitions
2. In this Bylaw:
   a. "fiscal year" means the year commencing on May 1 of a calendar year, and ending on April 30 of the next calendar year;
   b. "reserve" means an account which is designated to a specific use by referendum or by motion of Students' Council;
   c. "General Manager" means the General Manager of the Students' Union or his designee.

Students' Union Reserve
3. a. The Students' Union fees collected by the Financial Services Division of the University of Alberta will be transferred to the Students' Union.
   d. The Vice President (Operations and Finance) an
   b. d the General Manager will retain receipts for all money received and will have access to the accounts kept by the Financial Services Division of the University of Alberta in order to ascertain whether the accounts have been credited correctly.

Financial Statements
4. a. A complete set of financial records will be kept by the General Manager according to generally accepted accounting procedures.
   b. There shall be two audits performed annually, an interim and a final one, performed by a qualified accounting firm.
   c. The audited financial statements and report of the auditor will be presented to Students' Council by the third Council meeting following completion of the final audit.
d. Monthly summary statements for all Students' Union accounts will be submitted to the Budget Committee as soon as they are available.

**Preliminary Budget**

5. a. Prior to March 15 of each year, all Students' Union organizations will submit a preliminary budget and business plan to the Vice President (Operations and Finance).

b. Budgets and business plans submitted pursuant to Subsection a. will contain estimates for all revenues and expenditures anticipated in the next fiscal year.

c. The Vice President (Operations and Finance), in consultation with the Budget and Finance Committee, will review all budget and business plan submissions and will present the total preliminary budget to Students' Council for approval not later than the outgoing Students' Council meeting prior to April 30.

**Final Budget**

6. a. Not later than the third Monday of May in each year, the Vice President (Operations and Finance) will invite requests for budget and business plan revisions and during the month of June, they will be available to meet with representatives of Students' Union departmental units to discuss their budget, business plan and other financial problems.

b. Not later than June 30 of each year, the Vice President (Operations and Finance), in consultation with the Budget and Finance Committee, will review all budget and business plan revisions and prepare a final budget for presentation to Students' Council.

c. Not later than July 30 of each year, the Vice President (Operations and Finance) will present the final budget to Students' Council for approval.

d. i. A deficit budget requires passage by a two-thirds (2/3) majority of the members present at a Students' Council meeting.

ii. An amendment to any budget which has the effect of creating or increasing a deficit in the entire budget amount requires passage by a two-thirds (2/3) majority of Students' Council.

e. The Vice President (Operations and Finance) will publish the final budget in a September issue of the Official Student Newspaper.
Appeal
7. The recommendation of the Budget and Finance Committee concerning the budget of any organization may be appealed to Students' Council for approval.

Spending Authority
8. a. Subject to Subsection 3. hereof, an organization or budget area may not spend more than has been budgeted unless specifically authorized to do so by Students' Council.

b. Budget Alterations

i. Transfers of Five Hundred Dollars or less, between or within budget areas, may be approved by the VP Operations and Finance;

ii. Transfers of One Thousand Dollars or less, between or within budget areas, may be approved by the Executive Committee;

iii. Transfers of Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars or less, between or within budget areas, may be approved by the Budget and Finance Committee;

iv. Transfers of funds over Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars, between or within budget areas, must be approved by the Students' Council.

v. The VP Operations and Finance will report all budget alterations, excepting those alterations that were approved by Students’ Council, to Students’ Council at the next Council meeting following the alteration

c. Expenditures approved in the Students' Union budget will be authorized by Students' Union signing officers.

d. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, all commitments, whether in the Students' Union budget or in excess of one (1) year from the time of their approval, will be approved by the Students' Council and will, in the absence of such approval, be null and void.

e. Loan Granting

i. Loans granted by the Students' Union in the amount of $4,000 or less must be approved by the Budget and Finance Committee
ii. Loans granted by the Students' Union in excess of $4,000 must be approved by Students' Council

iii. Notwithstanding i. above, the Student Groups Committee may approve loans to student groups of up to $1,500.

Purchases
9.  a. It is the duty of the organization requesting a purchase to submit an accurate estimate of cost.

     b. All liabilities incurred by the Students' Union must have the prior approval of two (2) signing officers, as designated in Section 18.

     c. All authorized expenditures will be paid by cheque, signed by two (2) signing officers as designated in Section 18.

Reserves
10. The General Manager will keep reserves for the following purposes:

     a. general operations;

     b. capital equipment;

     c. building reserve;

     d. contingency reserve;

     e. sponsorship reserve.

     f. project reserve

Unappropriated Surplus
11. a. The Unappropriated Surplus shall be used for the general and miscellaneous operations of the Students' Union.

     b. Any surplus or deficit of revenue over expenditures in the Students' Union accounts in any year will be credited or charged to Unappropriated Surplus.

Capital Equipment Reserve
12. The Capital Equipment Reserve will be used for the purpose and replacement of capital equipment belonging to the Students' Union.
Building Expansion Reserve
13. The Building Reserve will be used for the construction of an extension to or internal renovation of the Students' Union Building or other Students’ Union controlled facilities.

Contingency Reserve
14. The Contingency Reserve will be used for the funding of unforeseen expenditures.

Sponsorship Reserve
15. The Sponsorship Reserve will be used for the funding of programs/initiatives or to fund the annual events for which they were raised in years when sponsorship revenues fall below expectations.

16. a. An amount of money not less than One Hundred Thousand Dollars per year will be placed in the Capital Equipment Reserve or the Students' Union Building Expansion Reserve, or divided between the two;

   b. An amount not less than Thirty Thousand Dollars will be placed in the contingency reserve.

Reserve Transfers
17. By a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of Students' Council, money may be transferred or loaned from one reserve to another, or from a reserve into the operating budget.

   a. Notwithstanding Section 17, the Executive Committee shall have the authority to transfer up to $5000 from the contingency reserve to fund unforeseen expenditures.

   b. Notwithstanding Section 17, the Executive Committee shall have the authority to transfer monies in the Sponsorship reserve for the funding of programs and initiatives when fund in Sponsorship reserve exceed Five Thousand Dollars.

   c. Notwithstanding Section 17, the Vice President (Operations and Finance) shall have the authority to transfer up to $500 from the project reserve, the Executive Committee shall have the authority to transfer up to $2500, and the Budget and Finance Committee up to $5000. All transfers must be for the purpose of funding unforeseen project costs.

Jan 11/05 – Implemented May 1/05
Aug 17/04 (IRB)
Sept 23/03
June 18/02 (IRB)
Apr 2/02
May 2/01
Nov 7/00
**Promissory Notes**
18. No officer of the Students' Union or member of the Students' Union staff has any authority to issue a promissory note or to execute any instrument which constitutes a charge, lien, or mortgage of any property of the Students' Union without the consent of the Students' Council.

**Travel Expenses**
19. All persons traveling on behalf of the Students' Union and whose expenses are paid in whole or in part by the Students' Union will account for all travel expenditures in a manner satisfactory to the General Manager.

**Signing Authority**
20. a. Any documents requiring the signature of signing officers shall be signed by one of each of the following categories:

   i. Political: President, Vice President (Operations and Finance), Vice President (External)

   ii. Administration: General Manager, Senior Manager of Finance and Administration, Senior Manager of Facilities and Operations.

   b. All cheques require two signatories, one individual in the "Political" category, and one individual in the "Administration" category; the preference is that these two individuals be the Vice President (Operations and Finance) and the Senior Manager of Finance and Administration.
Bylaw 4000
A Bylaw Respecting the Standing Committees of Students’ Council

The Standing Committees of Students’ Council
1. The Standing Committees of Students’ Council are
   (a) the Access Fund Committee,
   (b) the Audit Committee,
   (c) the Budget and Finance Committee,
   (d) the Bylaw Committee,
   (e) the Council Administration Committee,
   (f) the External Policy Committee,
   (g) the Grant Allocation Committee,
   (h) the Student Affairs Committee, and
   (i) the University Policy Committee.

Composition
2. (1) The Access Fund Committee, the Budget and Finance Committee, the External Policy Committee, the Student Affairs Committee, and the University Policy Committee are each composed of seven voting members of Students’ Council selected by Students’ Council.

(2) The Bylaw Committee is composed of five voting members of Students’ Council selected by Students’ Council.

(3) The Audit Committee is composed of five voting members of Students’ Council, who are not members of the Executive Committee, selected by Students’ Council.

(4) The Council Administration Committee is composed of
   (a) five voting members of Students’ Council selected by Students’ Council as permanent members;
   (b) all voting members of Students’ Council; and
   (c) the Speaker of Students’ Council, as a non-voting member.
The Grant Allocation Committee is composed of

(a) seven voting members of Students’ Council selected by Students’ Council;

(b) at meetings at which grants are being made from the Campus Recreation Enhancement Fund, three individuals appointed by the University of Alberta Recreation Action Committee as non-voting members; and

(c) at meetings at which grants are being made from the Golden Bear and Panda Legacy Fund, three individuals appointed by the University of Alberta University Athletics Board as non-voting members.

The chairs of the Standing Committees of Students’ Council are elected by and from the committee’s voting membership.

Every Standing Committee of Students’ Council shall elect a chair on or before June 15 of each year.

The Access Fund Committee, the Budget and Finance Committee, the External Policy Committee, the Grant Allocation Committee, the Student Affairs Committee, and the University Policy Committee have quorums of four voting members.

The Audit Committee and the Bylaw Committee have quorums of three voting members.

The Council Administration Committee has a quorum of three permanent members.

Standing Committees of Students’ Council shall establish meeting schedules on a trimester basis, with the three trimesters being May 1 to August 31, September 1 to December 31, and January 1 to April 30.

Meetings of Standing Committees of Students’ Council shall occur in person, and not by proxy or otherwise.

No meeting of a Standing Committee of Students’ Council shall occur unless either

(a) all members of the committee have received at least seventy-two hours notice of the meeting; or

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(b) all members of the committee have consented for the meeting to occur.

(4) Standing Committees of Students’ Council have the authority to adopt such standing orders or other procedural rules that do not conflict with this or any other Students’ Union bylaw.

Access to Resources

6. The Speaker of Students’ Council, and through him/her chairs of Standing Committees of Students’ Council, shall have access to sufficient administrative support to ensure the proper functioning of the committee system, including but not limited to

(a) the creation and publication of agendas for committee meetings;

(b) the creation and publication of minutes of committee meetings;

(c) the booking of meeting rooms;

(d) the duplication of required documents; and

(e) access to Students’ Union archives.

Reporting Mechanisms

7. (1) The chair of each Standing Committees shall, after each meeting of the committee, submit to Students’ Council a report detailing the activities of the committee at that meeting, including

(a) any decisions made by the committee acting under authority delegated to it by Students’ Council;

(b) any recommendations made by the committee to Students’ Council; and

(c) any standing orders or procedural rules adopted by the committee.

(2) The Speaker of Students’ Council shall publish each report of each Standing Committee of Students’ Council as part of Students’ Council documentation.

(3) No decision made by a Standing Committee of Students’ Council acting under delegated authority is effective until a report including it is provided to the Speaker of Students’ Council.

The Access Fund Committee

8. The Access Fund Committee

(a) has authority to set and implement policy regarding the disbursal of the Access Fund;

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(b) shall provide for the existence of an appeals mechanism;

(c) shall recommend a budget for the Access Fund to Students’ Council on or before April 30 of each year; and

(d) shall recommend to Students’ Council changes to Students’ Union legislation affecting the Access Fund as it considers appropriate or as required by Students’ Council.

The Audit Committee

9. The Audit Committee

(a) has authority to select the Students’ Union auditor;

(b) shall select the Students’ Union auditor annually;

(c) shall oversee the Students' Union’s external audit;

(d) shall review the Students' Union’s audited financial statements in advance of their presentation to Students’ Council;

(e) shall review all alterations made to the Students' Union’s budget for the purpose of verifying compliance with Students' Union legislation;

(f) shall each month review, for appropriateness and compliance with the Students' Union’s budget, the transactions of at least two Students' Union organizational units;

(g) shall review all expenditures made on Students’ Union credit cards;

(h) shall investigate any inappropriate transactions or significant variances against the Students' Union’s budget;

(i) has the authority to require to appear before it, in a reasonable period of time, any Students’ Union employee;

(j) shall review the proposed uses and make a decision on the disbursal of the CJSR-FM88 Fund, the Student Legal Services of Edmonton Fund, the Alberta Public Interest Research Group Fund, and the Gateway Student Journalism Fund on or before July 31 of each year;

(k) has the authority to approve disbursal of the CJSR-FM88 Fund, the Alberta Public Interest Research Group Fund, and the Gateway Student Journalism Fund;

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(l) shall monitor the Grant Allocation Committee’s allocation of the Campus Recreation Enhancement Fund, the Eugene L. Brody Fund, the Golden Bear and Panda Legacy Fund, and the Refugee Student Fund; and

(m) shall monitor the use of all Faculty Association Membership Fees and Faculty Membership Fees.

The Budget and Finance Committee

10. The Budget and Finance Committee

(a) shall recommend a preliminary budget for the following fiscal year to Students’ Council on or before April 30 of each year;

(b) shall recommend a final budget to Students’ Council on or before July 30 of each year;

(c) shall make recommendations to Students’ Council on alterations of the Students’ Union budget;

(d) shall make recommendations to Students’ Council on expenditures of money from the Project Reserve and the Contingency Reserve;

(e) shall make recommendations to Students’ Council on Students’ Union legislation dealing with the conduct of business as it considers appropriate or as required by Students’ Council; and

(f) shall exercise such powers as might be delegated to it by the Conduct of Business Bylaw.

The Bylaw Committee

11. The Bylaw Committee

(a) shall draft bylaws as required by Students’ Council;

(b) shall draft referendum and plebiscite questions as required by Students’ Council;

(c) shall make recommendations to Students’ Council on Students’ Union bylaws where such recommendations are not the purview of any other Standing Committee of Students’ Council; and

(d) has the power to make, to Students’ Union bylaws, alterations that do not alter the meaning of the bylaws in question.

The Council Administration Committee

12. The Council Administration Committee

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(a) has authority to amend, adopt, or rescind standing orders of Students’ Council after an initial set of standing orders has been adopted by Students’ Council;

(b) shall make recommendations to Students’ Council on the structure of Students’ Council and its Standing Committees;

(c) shall oversee the Speaker of Students’ Council and the Chief Returning Officer;

(d) shall oversee the progress of Students’ Council’s legislative agenda;

(e) shall recommend to Students’ Council a candidate for the position of Chief Returning Officer on or before April 15 of each year;

(f) shall recommend to Students’ Council a composition for the Awards Committee on or before April 15 of each year; and

(g) shall recommend to Students’ Council candidates to fill vacancies on Students’ Council as required by Students’ Council.

The External Policy Committee
13. The External Policy Committee

(a) shall make recommendations to Students’ Council on political policy respecting the business of entities not based on the University of Alberta;

(b) shall make recommendations to Students’ Council on political policy respecting undergraduate tuition at the University of Alberta;

(c) shall receive reports from the Executive Committee on its off-campus and tuition-related advocacy activities and evaluate their effectiveness.

The Grant Allocation Committee
14. The Grant Allocation Committee

(a) shall make grants from the Campus Recreation Enhancement Fund, the Golden Bear and Panda Legacy Fund, the Refugee Student Fund, the Eugene L. Brody Fund, and the portion of the Students’ Union operating budget designated for grants to Student Groups;

(b) has authority to make grants from the Campus Recreation Enhancement Fund, the Golden Bear and Panda Legacy Fund, the portion of the Refugee Student Fund designated for contingencies, and the portion of the Students’ Union operating budget designated for grants to student groups;
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(c) has authority to grant loans to student groups in amounts not exceeding $1,500 per student group.

(d) has authority to make grants of up to five hundred dollars from the Eugene L. Brody Fund; and

(e) has authority to develop and implement policy respecting granting from funds under its jurisdiction.

The Student Affairs Committee

15. The Student Affairs Committee

(a) shall recommend political policy regarding student health, wellness and security within the University of Alberta; and

(b) shall perform an ongoing needs assessment with respect to student services.

The University Policy Committee

16. The University Policy Committee

(a) shall make recommendations to Students’ Council on political policy respecting the business of entities based on the University of Alberta;

(b) shall not make recommendations to Students’ Council on political policy respecting undergraduate tuition at the University of Alberta;

(c) shall receive reports from the Executive Committee on its on-campus non-tuition-related advocacy activities and evaluate their effectiveness.

General Mandate

17. (1) Standing Committees of Students’ Council have the authority to make recommendations to Students’ Council on matters related to their mandates but not explicitly set out in this bylaw.

(2) Students’ Council has the authority to require recommendations from Standing Committees of Students’ Council on matters related to their mandates but not explicitly set out in this bylaw.
Proposal to Create the ASA Faculty Association Membership Fee

The Augustana Students' Association, a Faculty Association of the University of Alberta Students' Union, shall set its membership fee at $125 per year or $62.50 per term. This membership fee will remain in effect while the Augustana Students' Association has Faculty Association status with the Students' Union.

The Augustana Students' Association membership fee will be utilized for the following purposes:

1. to promote the welfare of students at Augustana Faculty;
2. to encourage student participation in planning and administering student affairs;
3. to promote academic, cultural, and social interests;
4. to represent members to the administration of Augustana Faculty;
5. to provide events and entertainment to encourage socialization;
6. to administer the business interests of the organization to the benefit of the membership; and
7. to provide space for social and community purposes.

The scope of the membership fee is to enhance the student experience at Augustana Faculty.

Refunds of membership fees shall be issued for those members who withdraw within thirty (30) calendar days of the start of the academic term. For those members who are philosophically opposed to or unable to pay the fee, refunds shall be issued.

Augustana Students' Association membership fees will be disbursed to the Faculty Association according to the following schedule:

- September 15th – 40%
- January 15th – 40%
- March 15th - 15%
- The balance adjusted for the current year’s enrollment by May 31st (5%).

In regard to financial oversight, the Augustana Students’ Association employs someone to conduct and oversee the daily financial requirements of the organization. We use sound accounting practices, and our books are audited yearly by a professional accounting firm. The Association adheres to an annual budget that is approved by the Augustana Students’ Council.
## ASA 2004-05 Draft Budget

(Revised: October 25/04)

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January 15, 2005

To: Office of the Registrar, University of Alberta
   University of Alberta Students' Union, c/o Jordan Blatz

Please accept this letter as a statement of intent to create a Faculty Association membership fee at the Augustana Faculty.

As part of the merger between Augustana University College and the University of Alberta, a unique working relationship will be established between the Augustana Students' Association and the University of Alberta Students' Union. It is the intent of the Augustana Students' Association to pursue a referendum in March for a Faculty Association membership fee so we can continue to offer the same level of services to students at the Augustana Faculty.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

John K. Pattison
President
Augustana Students' Association
CALL TO ORDER
The Speaker called the meeting to order at 6:07 p.m.

SPEAKER’S BUSINESS
TAYLOR (VPSL)/BAZIN MOVED THAT Students’ Council moved in camera.
Motion to Move In Camera: CARRIED

SMITH/SAMUEL MOVED THAT Students’ Council moved ex camera.
Motion to Move Ex Camera: CARRIED

APPROVAL OF THE ORDERS OF THE DAY
LEWIS/SMITH MOVED THAT Students’ Council approve the orders of the day.

DEBENHAM/KIRKHAM MOVED TO amend the orders of the day by making item 12b a special order.
Amendment: CARRIED

BAZIN/KIRKHAM MOVED TO amend the orders of the day by making item 12a a special order.
Amendment: CARRIED

McLAUGHLIN/KIRKHAM MOVED TO amend the orders of the day by adding the Late Additions into the main agenda package and to make item 12c a special order.
Amendment: CARRIED

Main Motion: CARRIED
2004-17/12a MOTION BY BAZIN/SMITH, RESOLVED THAT Students’ Council elect one councilor to sit on the Internal Review Board.

Nominations for the Internal Review Board:
BAZIN nominates KIRKHAM: KIRKHAM declines.
LEWIS nominates VANDERSLUIS: VANDERSLUIS accepts.
BAZIN nominates BERGHOFF: BERGHOFF accepts.
VANDERSLUIS nominates PATZ: PATZ declines.
TAYLOR (VPSL) nominates KEHOE: KEHOE declines.
NICOL nominates NICOL: NICOL accepts.

Member Elected:
Councillor Berghoff

2004-17/12b MOTION BY DEBENHAM/LEWIS, RESOLVED THAT the CRO hold a by-election for all vacant Students’ Council seats by January 31, 2005.

Speaker’s List (mm): Debenham, Smith.

Main Motion: DEFEATED

2004-17/12c MOTION BY MCLAUGHLIN/LAW, RESOLVED THAT Students’ Council approve an expenditure not to exceed $5500 from the Special Projects Reserve for the purpose of developing and carrying out a student learning experience project.

Speaker’s List (mm): McLaughlin, Nicol, Lewis, Blatz, Smith.

SMITH/PATZ MOVED TO amend the main motion by striking the sum “$5500.00” and replacing it with the sum “$3500.00”.

Speaker’s List (am): Smith, McLaughlin.

MCLAUGHLIN/BLATZ MOVED TO amend the amendment by striking the sum of $3500.00” and replacing it with the sum of “$4000.00”.

Speaker’s List (am am): Blatz, Kirkham, McLaughlin, Smith.

Amendment to the Amendment: DEFEATED

LEWIS/KIRKHAM MOVED TO amend the amendment by striking the sum of “3500.00” and replacing it with the sum of “$7500”.

Point of Order: Smith – That clearly, directly contradicts the purpose of the original amendment.

Speaker – Point of order not well taken. As long as we are still dealing with number amounts – it’s okay.

Speaker’s List (am am): Lewis, Lettner, Kirkham, Smith, Blatz, Nicol.

Amendment to the Amendment: DEFEATED

KIRKHAM/DEBENHAM MOVED THE previous question on the amendment to the main motion.
Motion to Move the Previous Question: CARRIED

Amendment: CARRIED 16/14.

Speaker’s List (mm): Lewis, McLaughlin, Kotovych, Blatz, Panas.

Main Motion: CARRIED

Speaker ordered that item 11b be made a special order.

2004-17/11b Bill #16 – The Committee System Reform Bill (sponsor; SMITH) (first reading)

Debate continued from the November 2, 2004 meeting of Students’ Council.

PANDYA/LAU MOVED THAT principle 1(3) be amended to read “The allowance of proxies shall be determined by individual Committee Standing Orders”.

Speaker’s List (from previous debate): Pandya, Lau.

Speaker’s List (am): Smith, Taylor (VPSL).

Point of Order: Smith – This has precisely zilch to do with the amendment.

Speaker – Point of order well taken. The comments are not germane to the amendment.

Amendment: DEFEATED

TAYLOR(VPSL)/PANDYA MOVED THAT principle 3(1) be amended to read “The Budget and Finance Committee, External Policy Committee, University Policy, Student Affairs Committee, Access Fund committee, and Grant Allocation Committee shall each have seven voting members,” and that a new principle 17 be added to read “The Student Affairs Committee shall (a) recommend political policy regarding student health, wellness and security within the University of Alberta; and (b) perform an ongoing needs assessment with respect to student services,” and that existing principle 17 be renumbered as 18.

Speaker’s List (am): Taylor (VPSL), Lettner, Kotovych, Panas, Smith, Taylor (VPSL), Smith.

Speaker orders the previous question on the amendment to the main motion.

Amendment: CARRIED 13/11

TAYLOR(VPSL)/PANAS MOVED THAT principle 3(1) be amended to read “The Budget and Finance Committee, External Policy Committee, University Policy Committee, Student Affairs Committee, and Access Fund Committee, shall each have seven voting members” that principle 16 be deleted, and that principle 17 items (i), (j), (k), (l), and (n), be deleted.

Speaker’s List (am): Taylor (VPSL), Lettner.

Amendment: DEFEATED
BAZIN/LEWIS MOVED THAT principles 3(3) and 4(3) be struck, and that principle 3(1) be amended to read “The Council Administrative Committee, Budget and Finance Committee, External Policy Committee, Student Affairs Committee, Access Fund Committee, and Grant Allocation Committee shall each have seven voting members”.

Speaker’s List (am): Bazin, Smith.

Amendment: DEFEATED

PANDYA/LAU MOVED THAT principle 13(a) be amended to read “recommend political policy regarding the University of Alberta, and on tuition; and”. Speaker’s List (am): Pandya, McLaughlin, Samuel, Panas, Samuel, Lewis.

Speaker orders the previous question on the amendment to the main motion.

Amendment: DEFEATED

BLATZ/LEWIS MOVED THAT principle 13(b) be amended to read “receive reports from the Executive Committee on its University-based advocacy activities and evaluate their effectiveness,” and that principle 14(b) be amended to read “receive reports from the Executive Committee on its External advocacy activities and evaluate their effectiveness”.

Speaker’s List (am): Blatz.

Amendment: FRIENDLY

SMITH/DEBENHAM MOVED THAT principle 16(1) be amended to read “The Grant Allocation Committee shall administer and disburse the Golden Bear and Panda Legacy Fund, the Campus Recreations Enhancement Fund, the Eugene L. Brody Fund, the Refugee Student Fund, and grants to student groups.” Speaker’s List (am): Smith.

Amendment: FRIENDLY

BAZIN MOVED TO amend the motion by striking principles 3(3), 4(3), and 9.

Amendment: DIES FOR WANT OF A SECONDER

McLAUGHLIN/LAW MOVED TO amend Bill #16 principle 3(1) by adding “including: (a) the Vice-President (Operations and Finance) as an ex-officio voting member of the Budget and Finance Committee, the Access Fund Committee, and the Grant Allocation Committee; (b) two members of the Executive Committee as ex-officio voting members of the External Policy Committee; and (c) two members of the Executive Committee as ex-officio voting members of the University Policy Committee”.

Speaker’s List (am): McLaughlin.

McLAUGHLIN MOVED TO amend the amendment by adding “(d) The Vice President Student Life as an ex-officio voting member of the Student Affairs Committee”.
Amendment to the Amendment: FRIENDLY

Speaker’s List (am): Lewis, Law.

BLATZ/SMITH MOVED TO amend the amendment (b) and (c) to insert the word “non” before the word “voting”.

Amendment to the Amendment: FRIENDLY

Amendment: DEFEATED

McLAUGHLIN/LAW MOVED TO amend Bill #16 by replacing principle 16(3) with the words “The members under sub principle (2) are voting members, whose membership constitutes part of the total voting membership as set out in 3(1)”.

McLAUGLIN MOVED TO amend the amendment by striking the words “whose membership constitutes part of the total voting membership as set out in 3(1)”.

Amendment to the Amendment: FRIENDLY

Amendment: DEFEATED

McLAUGHLIN/BLATZ MOVED TO amend Bill #16 by striking the word “affairs” in principle 11(b) and replacing it with the word “management”, striking the word “affairs” in principle 11(c) and replacing it with the word “management”, and striking the word “usage” from principle 11(d) and replacing it with the word “management”.

Amendment: FRIENDLY

McLAUGHLIN/KOTOVCH MOVED TO amend Bill #16 by striking the words “members of the Awards Selection Committee” from principle 9(c).

Amendment: DEFEATED

LAU/SMITH MOVED TO amend Bill #16 by striking 11(c) and replacing it with “exercise such oversight mechanisms on the APIRG, GSJ, FACRA, and SLS of Edmonton as exist at the time of this Bill’s adoption”.

Amendment: FRIENDLY

Main Motion: CARRIED

Adjournment: 9:53 p.m.

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