Tuesday May 31, 2005 – 6:00 p.m.
Council Chambers 2-1 University Hall

2005-03/3  SPEAKER’S BUSINESS

2005-03/3b Rachel Woynorowski’s Resignation Letter
Please see document LA 05-03.01

2005-03/7  REPORTS

2005-03/7b Graham Lettner, President
Please see document LA 05-03.02

2005-03/7c Samantha Power, Vice President (External)
Please see document LA 05-03.03

2005-03/7d Jason Tobias, Vice President (Operations and Finance)
Please see document LA 05-03.04

2005-03/7e Justin Kehoe, Vice President (Student Life)
Please see document LA 05-03.05

2005-03/9  BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

2005-03/9f MOTION BY PANDYA/KIRKHAM, RESOLVED THAT Students’ Council, upon the recommendation of the Chief Returning Officer Selection Committee, appoint Rachel Woynorowski to the position of Chief Returning Officer for the 2005/2006 academic year.

2005-03/10 GENERAL ORDERS

2005-03/10i MOTION BY TOBIAS, RESOLVED THAT Students’ Council approve a two year cellular phone contract with Telus Mobility as per allocations made in the 2005/06 preliminary budget.

2005-03/11 INFORMATION ITEMS

2005-03/11c Tim Schneider’s Cover Letter for Council Committees
2005-03/11d  LEWIS MOVED TO amend item 2005-03/6a by striking point (d) which reads “One (1) member to the Student Affairs Committee” and adding new item (d), which will read, “One (1) member to the Bylaw Committee”, new item (e), which will read, “One (1) member to the Budget and Finance Committee”, and new item (f) which will read, “One (1) member to the Council Administration Committee”.

2005-03/11e  Excerpt from the minutes of the Executive Committee.

TOBIAS/KEHOE MOVED THAT the Executive Committee appoint the Vice President External to the Tribune Selection Committee.

CARRIED 5/0/0
May 30, 2005

Dear Students’ Council,

Please accept my resignation from Students’ Council, effective May 30th 2005, for the remainder of the 2005/06 academic year. Having been recently offered a position working as the Chief Returning Officer with the Students’ Union it would be a conflict of interest for me to continue to serve on Council.

I wish the best of luck to all members of Students’ Council in the coming year.

Sincerely,
Rachel Woynorowski
President’s Report to Council

Date: May 29th

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Over the past two weeks the Executive has begun to crystallize their goals and timelines for implementation. This is a difficult process that requires much projection and critical thought. On Monday, May 30th, reports from each Executive were submitted to the President. A reporting structure is being formalized to allow for continual checks of the progress and status of the work of both the VP’s and the General Manager.

ONGOING / EMERGING / CRITICAL ISSUES:

- Day with the President

President Indira will be spending a day with the undergraduates on this campus on Wednesday, September 14th; the Students’ Union has been directed by the University to plan this event. A steering committee has been struck and Sarah Colpitts, the AVP (External) and I will be taking the lead on this project.

- CCSA

I will be accompanying Vice-Presidents Tobias and Johnson to the Canadian Conference of Students’ Associations (CCSA) at Vancouver Community College from June 1st – June 4th. In addition to the regular sessions, I will be discussing the arrival of major dailies to campuses across Canada, CCSA’s evolving structure, and pan-Canadian teaching and funding issues.

- VP (External) Search Committee

The first meeting of this committee was held Thursday, May 27th. Many of the University’s goals can be gleaned from the nature of priorities and discussion in this arena, which will be useful for construction of my own priorities. Of course, all the conversation at these meetings is strictly confidential.

- Goal Setting

On Monday, May 30th I submitted the implementation guidelines of my vision for this year to the Executive Committee. Each of our submissions will be thoroughly discussed and fine-tuned at which point I imagine they will be disseminated widely.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

It was an honour and privilege to be invited to dinner with Her Majesty the Queen last Tuesday evening. Bilingual speeches were made by both Her Majesty and the Right Honourable Prime Minister. The memorable moment of the night? A violin and piano performance by two young Alberta woman that brought the house to its feet.
The past two weeks have been spent clarifying the objectives of the external department for the next year and how those goals fit in with the large objectives of the advocacy of the Student’s Union. The retreat on Tuesday May 24 was constructive in defining many implementation points of the objectives and the two meetings we’ve had with the advocacy department have also been very constructive. My objectives for the year are now constructed in a neat nine page document. If you’d like to view it, ask questions, etc. Please feel free to contact me. Or I can give a brief presentation as my oral report.

We’ve constructed a draft tuition policy for CAUS which is now under conversation on the CAUS listserv. It will be vetted over the next few weeks and approved at the next CAUS meeting, June 24.

The Upass. Upass opportunities abound this year with Councilor Korotash from St Albert and Councilor Krushell from Edmonton dedicated to putting the issue through in the next year to two years. I’ve spent the last week getting up to date on the negotiations that happened last year and how it will affect this year. Essentially ETS has proposed a number and we’re not happy with that number. The summer will be spent looking into options and feasibility. We met with Grant MacEwan on Friday and their executive is very interested in seeing through a Upass for their own students, something that didn’t exist last year. They’ll be joining the Upass Steering Committee.

At the CAUS Changeover the organization joined Public Interest Alberta and I attended as the CAUS Rep at their first AGM this past Saturday. They have a task force on PSE which will hold a conference in January to put forward their vision on PSE for Alberta. You can join PIA as an individual member, info at www.pialberta.org.

We began hiring for the CCC, interviews will continue until Tuesday. Totally on schedule.

The SU will be going on a Rural Tour, details will be put together by the AVPX and the Advocacy Director. Hopefully we can get out four times this year, two in the first semester and two in the second.
REPORT OF THE VICE PRESIDENT OPERATIONS AND FINANCE

May 31, 2005

Quote of the day: "I'm not positive where I stand on filibusters, but as a longtime proponent of 'less talk, more rock,' I assume I'm against them."

Fellow Councillors,

Over the course of the past two week since we last met I have been engaged in the following projects:

1) Providing administrative staff support to council and committees
2) Finalizing an operating agreement with the Campus Food Bank
3) Understanding the current Granting Committee structure and how it can actually work in practice
4) Going through metric tonnes of paper work and files
5) Finalizing my VPOF goals for the year (look for a nifty document, coming soon)
6) Training for another half marathon and eating far too much junk food.

If any of you are interested in more hearing more, as always, please feel free to ask.

Respectfully Submitted,

JT
Good Evening Council,

I once again apologize for not having filed my report early enough to be published in the main agenda package. In the future, if I miss the deadline (usually the previous Thursday), I will consider sending my report over the Council email list if I receive such a request from any Councillors.

A mysterious illness sidelined me for the entire long weekend, leaving me unable to do anything but watch a M*A*S*H marathon. I just managed to drag myself down to GM Place for the Executive Retreat on Tuesday, May 24, after which I returned to campus for the CAC. Upon visiting the University Health Centre, it was determined that I had beaten the odds and will soon make a full recovery.

The Student Life Committees are off to an exciting start. SLAC and PC have each met once, while the WOW Planning Committee has met twice since the last Council meeting. These dedicated volunteers are putting in long evening hours to select our WOW theme, but none of it would be going so smoothly and according to schedule if it weren’t for the finesse and fortitude of Peter Haggard, the Associate VPSL.

Campus bar programming was the topic of a meeting of myself, the AVPSL, the President, the Sr. Manager of Marketing and Communications, and the Sr. Manager of Programming and Licensed Activities. We contemplated a few new initiatives for the year and reviewed recommendations from an independent survey.

I’ve met with Marc Dumouchel and Mark Wilson to crystallize our options regarding the Webboard. If all went according to plan, I should have presented my recommendation at Executive Committee this morning, and hopefully I will be able to let you know what we are going to do about it.

The Campus Food Bank remains an issue in need of attention. The VPOF is putting the finishing touches on our new operating agreement with them, which was required to clarify our changed relationship due to the CFB autonomy movement. The need for a suitable space and access to resources has not diminished, and as a Board member, I will continue to search for a solution.

The Revolutionary Speakers Series planning committee met for the first time yesterday, and we are already working at a very fast pace. At our meeting next week, we will be compiling a list of all the speakers we would like to see, and then narrowing that down to our roster for the year. If you would like to submit any suggestions for RSS, please do so by the end of this week by contacting Peter Haggard at avpsl@su.ualberta.ca.
Justin Kehoe, Vice President (Student Life)
Report to Students’ Council
May 17, 2005

The SU Handbook is already in the works. I am meeting with the Marketing Department staff to revise what has been done in the past and suggest changes, as well as developing the SU submission for the Augustana student handbook.

**Other Meetings:** After another meeting with the GSA Executive, it looks like we will have a mutually beneficial year through communication and cooperation.
- The first Exec & Service Director lunch allowed us to get out of the office and get to know those hard-working students in the lower level a little better.
- I met with the Student Distress Centre Director and the Sr. Manager of Student Services to discuss a new initiative for the service: Campus Crisis Chat.
- We’ve had further information sessions with the department managers to learn about the different aspects of SU operations.
- During a media training session with University Public Affairs, each member of the Exec went through a recorded interview which we were unprepared for. I never realized how sleazy I look, but I think it was the combination of moustache, bandana, hoodie, and poor lighting. Mostly it was the lighting.

**On a more classy note,** we were treated to an excellent lunch at the Faculty Club by Dr. Bill Connor, Dean of Students and Vice-Provost (Academic Programs). The discourse was enriching, and I look forward to working with him further this year.
- But when I treat people to lunch, like Christian Tremblay (King of Student Life at Campus St-Jean) or the President and VP Internal of the LHSA, I don’t take them to the Faculty Club. I take them to the Powerplant. Classy and student-owned.

Today I will have completed the **meeting triad** of Executive Committee, General Faculties Council, and Students’ Council meetings all in the same day. It’s like getting the Triforce back in Hyrule. Be the first person to congratulate me, and you’ve won yourself a prize from the office of the VPSL.

**Upcoming:**

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June 1
- Meeting with the Service Directors
- Student Life Advisory Committee, Programming Committee, & WOW Planning Committee
- Not going to Vancouver

June 6
- Bar operations
- Revolutionary Speakers Series

June 8
- Workplace Health Promotions Advisory Committee
- Social Norms Committee

June 10
- Campus Food Bank Board of Directors
- Chaplains’ lunch

Thank you for your time.

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To: Fellow Councillors  
From: Councillor Tim Schneider  

RE: Grant Allocation Committee and Access Fund Committee Nominations  

Dear Fellow Councillors,  

In light of the committee appointments at the May 17, 2005 meeting of Students' Council, I have chosen to appeal to you to allow me to sit on both the Grant Allocation Committee and the Access Fund Committee.  

My reason for wanting to sit on these committees is with regard to their insufficient membership. I feel that by sitting on these committees, I would be able to increase the effectiveness of both of these committees, which are currently unable to meet quorum.  

I am a very strong proponent of Council efficiency and effectiveness, and I believe that Council would be wise to elect me to these committees so that they may operate properly.  

If you choose to elect me to these two committees, I promise that I will dedicate myself to them, and do my best to satisfy the expectations you would have of any member of these committees.  

Please vote Tim Schneider to sit on the Access Fund Committee and the Grant Allocation Committee.  

Thank you.  

Yours Sincerely,  

Tim Schneider