University of Alberta Students' Union

STUDENTS' COUNCIL LATE ADDITIONS

Tuesday July 11, 2006 Council Chambers 2-1 University Hall

LATE ADDITIONS (2006-06)

2006-06/5	BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORTS
2006-06/50	<u>University Policy Committee</u> – July 6, 2006
	Please see document LA 06-06.01
2006-06/5c (i)	JANZ/LE MOVED THAT Students' Council, upon the recommendation of UPC, adopt a Political Policy based on the following principles:
	 That the Students' Union continue to support the cancellation of classes from 12:00 to 1:00 for the purposes of students attending the general election forum; That the Students' Union support the implementation of a process by which a student is not penalized for attending the forum from 12:00 – 3:00 and not class; That the Students' Union lobby the University to ensure that professors comply with the existing stipulation that classes be cancelled for the purposes of the election forum, as outlined in the University of Alberta Calendar Academic Schedule (Section 11.1); and That the Students' Union negotiate with the University to develop a plan to have the forum shown in large lecture theatres equipped with projectors for the 50 minute block in which classes are cancelled.
2006-06/5d	<u>Council Administration Committee</u> – July 10, 2006
	Please see document LA 06-06.02
2006-06/6	<u>GENERAL ORDERS</u>
2006-06/6c	KUSTRA MOVED THAT Students' Council read Bill #5 a first time.
	Bill 5 – <i>Faculty Elimination</i> Principle (First Reading)
	 A faculty shall be allocated seats for upcoming Students' Council elections dependent upon that faculty continuing to include undergraduate students in their student body at the time of the election.
	Please see document LA 06-06.03

2006-06/7 INFORMATION ITEMS

- **2006-06/7e** Samantha Power, President Report
 - Please see document LA 06-06.04
- 2006-06/7f Omer Yusuf, Vice President (Student Life) Report
 - Please see document LA 06-06.05

Report to Student' Council

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University Policy Committee

Thursday July 7, 2006

The University Policy Committee met for the fourth time on July 7, 2006 at 6:00 p.m. Councillors Kehoe (Chair), Le, Eruvbetine and Janz, Vice President Henry, President Power (proxy for Vice President Yusuf) and Chris Henderson (guest) were all in attendance.

Vice President Henry added to her report that the Executive Committee was planning goal timelines, and mentioned academic materials and the rising ACCESS Copyright levy. Question Period involved the topics of academic technologies, the UDT, and international student access to co-op programs.

The first item of new business was a political policy on the Students' Union Election Rally. Vice President Henry introduced that this issue had been in the General Faculties Council committee system for over a year with no resolution. A political policy was drafted last year but never adopted by Council. Janz and Le moved to recommend the principles to Council for approval.

Councillor Janz introduced the possibility of a political policy on waste on campus, and wondered whether the University had any such policies. President Power and Vice President Henry committed the Executive Committee to preliminary investigation.

The Chair wished to review the Standing Orders of other committees to improve the set that governs UPC meetings. He will meet with the Speaker and the Chair of EPC to clarify political policy development. He also explained to the members that minutes will continue to be taken and posted on the SU website, but instead of submitting them to Council, they will be replaced by a summary report. Councillor Sumar had not attended any UPC meetings and had indicated to the Chair that he was having difficulty finding a proxy. The Committee recommended that the Chair inform Councillor Sumar of the different avenues towards obtaining a proxy and encourage him to continue his efforts for now.

The Committee was unclear on the new legislative process for political policy. The Chair introduced the history of the changes and explained that while principles could come from a committee or an individual Councillor, first reading is to approve principles only, and full legislation can only be at second reading. It was agreed that principles would essentially form the "be it resolved" clauses.

Motivating the Committee to undertake basic strategic planning, the Chair requested that the members determine their priorities for the year, specify what they want to accomplish, and realize the expectations of Council.

The Committee adjourned after two hours and seven minutes. The next UPC meeting will take place on Thursday, July 20, 2006.

University of Alberta Students' Union VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

University Policy Committee

Thursday July 7th 2006

- 1. CALL TO ORDER: 6:00 pm
- 2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA KEHOE/JANZ moved that the agenda be approved as presented.

6/0/0 CARRIED

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- 3. NEW BUSINESS
- a. The Students' Union Election Rally Policy UPC recommends that Council adopt a Political Policy based on the following principles:
 - a. That the Students' Union continue to support the cancellation of classes from 12:00 to 1:00 for the purposes of students attending the general election forum;
 - b. That the Students' Union support the implementation of a process by which a student is not penalized for attending the forum from 12:00 3:00 and not class;
 - c. That the Students' Union lobby the University to ensure that professors comply with the existing stipulation that classes be cancelled for the purposes of the election forum, as outlined in the University of Alberta Calendar Academic Schedule (Section 11.1); and
 - d. That the Students' Union negotiate with the University to develop a plan to have the forum shown in large lecture theatres equipped with projectors for the 50 minute block in which classes are cancelled.

JANZ/LE moved to recommend the policy in principle to Council for approval.

6/0/0 CARRIED

b. Waste on Campus

POWER/HENRY agreed to take this item to the executive committee to find out who would be best positioned to provide the necessary background information.

- c. Standing Orders
- 4. DISCUSSION ITEMS
 - Reports and Minutes
 - Summer Attendance
 - Legislative Process for Political Policy
- 5. ADJOURNMENT LE/ERUVS moved to adjourn at 8:07 pm
- 6. NEXT MEETING Thursday, July 20th

4/1/0 CARRIED

Report to Students' Council

2006-04

Council Administration Committee

10 July 2006 @ 16:00 - SUB 2-900

Report to Students' Council (CAC 2006-04)

The Council Administration Committee met for an emergency meeting on the 10th of July, 2006 at 16:07 in SUB 2-900. All permanent members of the committee were present excepting Councillor German. Also in attendance was VPOF David Cournoyer. All permanent members provided advance consent of a meeting occurring at this time in compliance with Bylaw 100 14 (2). The meeting was called under the auspices of cancelling the Students' council meeting to occur on the 11th of July, 2006.

The first item of new business was a motion by President Samantha Power and seconded by Councillor Christopher Le to add the following to the standing orders:

"3(2) Meetings of Students' Council may be cancelled, no later than 97 hours in advance of the meeting intended to be cancelled, by the:

(a) Speaker(b) Council Administration Committee(c) Students' Council"

In creating the new Standing Order, it was decided to not allow the Executive Committee to cancel meetings of Students' council because it would undermine Council's self governance and role as the highest governing body of the Students' Union. There were no problems raised with allowing the bodies that remain to cancel meetings of Students' Council. Of great concern was the time that must be given in advance to cancel a council meeting. It was decided that because Council meetings are held on Tuesday, and the last business day of the previous week would be Friday, that Friday at 5pm would be an acceptable deadline. Also taken into consideration was the opportunity to see what was on the agenda for the next meeting to see if there was enough material to warrant a meeting. This is how it was decided that ninety-seven (97) hours in advance was an appropriate amount of time for one to have notice that a meeting of Students' Council was cancelled.

Following the creation of the new standing orders, it was determined that a motion to cancel the intended meeting of Council would be out of order. With no further items of business, Councillor Chris Le motioned to adjourn, seconded by VPA Amanda Henry, and the Council Administration Committee adjourned at 16:37.

Bill #5 Information Item

From: http://www.uofaweb.ualberta.ca/rehabmed/ot.cfm#important (July 11, 2006)

IMPORTANCE NOTICE

In September 2007, the undergraduate program in Occupational Therapy will change to a Master's program (subject to final approval) and only applicants with a bachelor's degree will be considered. The Canadian Association of Occupational Therapists will require a professional Master's degree as the minimum qualification for entry into the profession commencing 2010. Students who graduate with a BScOT prior to2010 can practice without a master's degree within Canada after 2010provided they maintain registration with their professional association.

President's Report – July 11th, 2006

<u>UPass</u> – Transportation and Public Works Committee received for information a report from ETS on the feasibility of the Universal Transit Pass today. Dave and I have spent the last two weeks talking to councilors about the benefits of a UPass to the city and students. We met with councilors Cavanaugh, Sloan, Leibovici, Phair, Thiele, Melnychuk, Krushell, Batty and Gibbons. There was a lot of positive reaction. TPW has asked ETS to prepare a document on the specific capital and operational investments needed for the UPass, which will come back to TPW on September 19th. They've also asked for a specific commitment from the University.

Exec Goals – I've been meeting with the VPs and the Advocacy Department to solidify the action plans and specifics of each goal. Research and planning has been going well, but it's been quite time consuming. Our new academic advocacy "wing" is developing well. We'll be without an advocacy director for a couple weeks as he leaves for his honeymoon. (Congratulations Don!)

RSS – Planning is going very well. We have three or four tentative speakers right now. I've contacted several of them myself on recommendations from the committee that was set up.

Campus Advocacy – I am setting up meetings with individual Board members to discuss student issues on campus. I'm also meeting with a couple faculty representatives in the next few weeks, including the President of the AAS:UA.

Office Move – Purely internal, but more time consuming than it should be, with the change to several departments we need to move people around. It's been a month long process trying to figure out office space reconfigurations.

Coming Up

July 12-14 – CAUS meeting in Lethbridge July 17th – Media Training for Service Directors July 19th – Exec/Service Director goal sharing meeting July 26th – Student Finance Board Retreat; meeting w. John Hoddinot July 27th – Aug. 3rd Sam's Vacation

Omer Yusuf, Vice President (Student Life) Report to Council

Greetings Council,

As I've been in Toronto for the past week, I'll be brief with my report:

- Food Services Task Force: The University is willing to participate in a task force comprised of students to allow room for student input and understanding in the processes regarding food services, particularly Aramark. A document was drafted up regarding the composition of this group and is being circulated to students and to the University.
- Campus Security Services Golf Tournament: A yearly event that allows the SU to meet and interact with members of CSS in an informal setting. This year, Bill Smith, Steve Derpack, Chris Cunningham and I delegated ourselves to the task. We managed to golf 1 over par playing best ball. As this was my first time golfing, I felt we performed amazingly, as we were able to secure our place as winners of the tournament.
- Handbook: After many approvals and second, third and maybe even fourth readings, it should be going out to print, and we should have a near final version available by the end of this week.
- SU SWAG: We're looking into making SU joggers available for public consumption through the SU special project reserve. Some of these will be kept to give away at special events or to dignitaries, but the rest will likely be sold near cost to anyone willing to buy. Feel Free to ask me what these will look like!
- □ Week of Welcome: Planning is going smoothly, and WOW currently has an idea of what all the events will be looking like. Coordinator positions will soon be assigned, and the details will be ironed out ASAP.
- Service Promotion at WOW: A few of the Service Directors and I had a meeting to discuss opportunities to work together during WOW. Particularly, I'm looking at having service awareness and promotion at WOW for the services. In return, some of the services will ask some of their volunteers to help out at WOW. It's a win-win situation for everyone.
- Non-instructional fees: Chris Henderson and I have discussed some main principles for political policy on this subject, as well as scope. Primarily, it highlights the need for student input in the processes, and for transparency/accountability in the collection/usage of fees. Look forward to a presentation in the near future.

Coming up:Workplace Health Promotion Advisory Committee

Guests from U of Saskatchewan WOW and marketing and materials, Orientation From Backpack to Briefcase Health Services / Health Education meeting with UHS Media Training with Service Directors Campus Food Bank