

**Tuesday, April 20, 2021**

**6:00PM**

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## LATE ADDITIONS (SC-2021-00)

2021-00/1      SPEAKERS BUSINESS

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2021-00/2      CONSENT AGENDA

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2021-00/10d    Students' Council, Votes and Proceedings (SC-2020-26) Tuesday, April 13, 2021

See SC-2021-00.04.



Committee	Member	Nomination Statement
ARRC	Barazesh	Hi Council! I would like to nominate myself for this year's Aboriginal Relations and Reconciliation Committee. While I am always learning about reconciliation, consultation, and being an ally, I have also had the opportunity to learn about ARRC and their work over the past year and have become passionate about the Committee's work. I'm hoping to be able to use my knowledge to further ARRC's work and continue to build upon it while collaborating with Indigenous students.
ARRC	Dhillon	ARRC - I first want to say that I am extremely grateful to be working with you all this year! I have chosen to run for ARRC as it has been a committee that I have passionately been a part of for the last year where I first served as the interim chair and then as a devoted ARRC Member. Throughout my time on ARRC, I have worked with other passionate leaders both on ASC and ARRC collaboratively to ensure and enhance reconciliation efforts by the Students Union. I want to further work towards supporting those on campus by utilizing my years' worth of SU experience in this role.
ARRC	Avila	I would like to be part of the ARRC Committee because it represents an amazing opportunity to collaborate towards a more inclusive and diverse community. Even though I still have a lot to learn about Reconciliation, I have always been eager to learn and work collaborative with others.
ARRC	Korfeh	I would like to join the Aboriginal Relations and reconciliation Committee because I want to be part of the reconciliation process between Indigenous peoples and university of Alberta. I believe my role on the committee would be like an ally; I want to listen to all indigenous students concerns and make sure they'r heard and addressed in Council.
Audit	Dhillon	Audit - Throughout my past 2 terms on Audit, I have noticed much room for improvement - improvement that I have begun putting the work behind earlier this year to ensure both FAs and SU members are being supported in this very important role. My 2 years' worth of experience in this role has allowed me to properly understand the process and how to be successful within this role. I will ensure that as a member I will work to revitalize this committee as the best is yet to come for Audit - by working to set up workshops and building better relationships with FAs! I want to see Audit flourish and I know that I have the experience and drive to get it to where it needs to be!
Audit	Batycki	Audit - This is a committee that needs councillors who have been on it before to function well. Having served on it for two years, I want to use my experience to help improve it.
Audit	Villoso	Audit - I was a part of Audit last year, and I would really love to be in it again this year!
Bylaw	Barazesh	Hi everyone! I would like to nominate myself for this year's Bylaw committee. I am fascinated by the legal structure that encapsulates all facets of the Students' Union. My main motivation for joining this committee is that this past year we identified several gaps in bylaws and I want to provide my insight, based on my experience on Council, on these issues in hopes of reducing these complications and challenges we've faced as the SU.
Bylaw	Monteiro	I would like to be part of the Bylaw Committee because I think I would bring a lot of insight and experience from my time in governance. Over the past year, I've sat on various committees in the SU and the University and believe that I can bring important insight when problems with bylaws arise.
Bylaw	De Grano	Bylaw - I have had the honour of being in bylaw committee in my first term as a Councillor, and I know that this is important work that I want to continue at a high calibre.
Bylaw	Beasley	I would like to serve on these committees as they align best with my skills. I've attended numerous Bylaw and Policy meetings, always having been interested in those committees.
Bylaw	Teo	Bylaw Committee: I'd like to put forth my name as a candidate on the bylaw committee. Having experience in working with bylaw and constitutions for the Education Students' Association and with bylaw interpretation/understanding. This experience would offer perspective to help inform and support his committee. Additionally, having been involved with the UASU in various capacities since my first year, I feel that these experiences could help inform future matters on the bylaw committee and how it may affect the operations of the UASU and the student experience.
CAC	Villoso	CAC - I saw firsthand the super important work that this committee does for Council, and I would love to be a part of it!
CAC	Adekar	I want to help in planning UofA such that it serves its students the best way possible and be back on under 100 ranking.
CAC	De Grano	CAC - Having been on Council for the past year, I have great ideas on how to carry out our mandate in a more efficient manner. I have a great passion for Council, and being on CAC would help me make that reality.
CAC	Beasley	I would like to serve on these committees as they align best with my skills, I was the chair of CAC during the 2019/2020 council and would like to reprise my work there.
Finance	Gardner	Finance Committee - Being a business student, financial and accounting knowledge are integrated into my degree. Additionally, I have practiced these skills in the workforce and through my volunteering experiences. Outside of this technical knowledge, I am passionate about the Access Fund and the Students' Union Awards program. Especially in today's economic climate, and with tuition rising, I believe these resources will be increasingly important. I hope you will support my seat on the Finance Committee during this term.
Nominating	Villoso	Nominating - My councillor platform this year included creating opportunities for more student engagement, joining the NomCom can really help with that!
Nominating	De Grano	NomCom - Student involvement is a priority for me, and NomCom is the perfect place for me to empower fellow students.
Policy	Yeola	
Policy	Aamer	Policy Committee: My platform was largely focused on advocacy to improve accessibility at the university as well as mental health related advocacy. I would like to contribute to the SU's advocacy efforts through the Policy Committee. I have several years of experience in governance through various councils and believe I could bring diverse perspectives to the table.
Policy	Orvold	I'd like to be nominated as a member of policy committee. To me policy committee is an integral part in what is done on student council. I'd like to bring my diverse viewpoint as a mature student with a different background than most students to the policy committee. It is important as councillors to make sure all viewpoints are considered as the university has a diverse group of students from many backgrounds and I'd like to make sure mature students are represented on policy committee.

Policy	Barazesh	Hello council! I would like to nominate myself for this year's Policy Committee. Throughout this past year, I have observed the amazing work done by this committee. The committee's work directly impacts students, and I would like to join the committee to help advance our campus and transform it into a more inclusive space by addressing students' issues and concerns. I hope to bring my insight and experience from this past year on Council and other involvements on campus to help the committee continue the amazing work it is doing.
Policy	Motoska	I would like to nominate myself to join the Policy Committee. My goal in every student leadership position I have held has been to make the lives of students better. Quality and equitable education has been something I have been particularly focused on the last several years. I can bring passion and knowledge of these topics to the committee to bring change and new policies in order to make students' lives on campus better.
Policy	Dhillon	Policy - Over the last year I have been a member of Policy committee, where I have served to create and update policies that will facilitate a better student experience for individuals at the University of Alberta. Some of the policies I have worked on include the Student Financial Aid policy and the Health and Wellness policy! I believe that my understanding attributed to my year worth of experience - and my passion to concretely aid and develop action for students will allow me to truly flourish within this role.
Policy	Brandwein	
Policy	Beasley	I would like to serve on these committees as they align best with my skills. I've attended numerous Bylaw and Policy meetings, always having been interested in those committees.
Student Group	Aamer	Student Group Committee: I enjoy working with student groups and have been involved in a few myself including as co chair of Outrun the Stigma, a group focused on mental health initiatives.
Student Group	Morris	I would like to be considered for the student groups committee. As a volunteer for the landing, I have seen the impact that shared value community has on individuals, especially during the pandemic. For some, their student group is their only interaction outside of their household. I would like to act in the best interest of student groups and do what I can to enable communities to prosper.
Student Group	Brandwein	
Student Group	Beasley	I would like to serve on these committees as they align best with my skills. I have a background in conflict resolution and as a former SRA president, I feel that I would bring a good perspective to the Student Groups Committee.
SCF	Yeola	
SCF	Batycki	SCF - I served on SCF last year and helped craft the adjudication documents. I would like to continue working on this committee and help provide continuity to the work done on it.
SCF	Villoso	SCF - I had the opportunity to serve on this committee last year, and all of the work that we did on this committee was super integral to life on campus.
Translation	Visweswaran	As a proud Franco-Albertan and student at Campus Saint-Jean, I would like to join the translation committee of the Students' Council. I am confident that my minor in French will help me in assuring that translations are done properly and are of quality. My experience with translation for the SU in the past and with Young Diplomats of Canada currently will come in handy when doing translations for bylaws and political policies. As Campus Saint-Jean continues to feel alienated by the rest of the University, it is important to begin to make all Council bylaws and documents easily accessible in both official languages. Several translations of political policies, including the one on Campus Saint-Jean, remain incomplete. As a member of this committee, I will make this a priority.
Translation	Teo	Translation Committee: Recognizing the essential nature of having our documents be available bilingually, I'd like the opportunity to serve on this committee. I have two decades worth of French Language experience and having recently completed 400 level French translation courses, I feel this would be an asset to this committee.

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VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS (SC-2020-26)

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 6:00PM

2020-26/1 SPEAKERS BUSINESS

2020-26/1a Announcements - Nominations for the final council scholarship are now open, please submit your nominations no later than **April 20th**. A voting form will be sent out **April 21st**.

2020-26/2 PRESENTATIONS

2020-26/3 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

David DRAPER, Vice President (Academic) - Report.

Rowan LEY, Vice President (External) - Report.

Alana KRAHN, Vice President (Operations and Finance) - Report.

Katie KIDD, Vice President (Student Life) - Report.

Joel AGARWAL, President - Report.

2020-26/4

BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORT

DIXON, Aboriginal Relations and Reconciliation Committee - Report  
BADESHA, Audit Committee - Report  
FOTANG, Bylaw Committee - Report  
BID, Council Administration Committee - Report  
AGARWAL, Executive Committee - Report  
KRAHN, Finance Committee - Report  
DRAPER, Nominating Committee - Report  
MONTEIRO, Policy Committee - Report  
KIDD, Student Group Committee - Report  
DIXON, Sustainability Committee - Report  
KRAHN, Sustainability and Capital Fund Committee - Report  
EINARSON, Translation Committee - Report  
KONRAD, Undergraduate Board of Governors Representative - Report

2020-26/5

OPEN FORUM

2020-26/6

QUESTION PERIOD

KONRAD: Inquired as to the struggle Draper encountered in having 'What's CAC-a-lackin' established as the official greeting of the Council Administration Committee.

DRAPER: Responded that he was unable to implement the change in the last session of Council but, through hard work and planning, has succeeded in making the change.

KRAHN: Inquired as to how Kidd is doing.

KIDD: Responded that she will be truly good in two weeks when she moves back to Calgary to spend time with her pet donkeys.

KIDD: Inquired as to what color Krahn believes best represents herself.

KRAHN: Responded that she is the color yellow.

KONRAD: Inquired as to what the future holds for Agarwal.

AGARWAL: Responded that he will announce life updates soon.

KIDD: Inquired as to whether Draper fears space.

DRAPER: Responded that his fear of space depends on the nature and scale of space itself.

KIDD: Inquired as to whether Agarwal feels a pen, pencil, or eraser best represents himself.

AGARWAL: Responded that he is a 0.5 millimeter pen.

DRAPER: Inquired as to how Ley intends to respond to the phenomenon in which people are turning into crabs.

LEY: Responded that he believes crabification is good as it will enable humans to explore parts of their environment that they otherwise would not see.

2020-26/7

BOARD AND COMMITTEE BUSINESS

2020-26/7a

**LEY/KONRAD MOVED** to discuss Exceptional Tuition Increases.

See SC-2020.26.17

CARRIED

LEY: Noted that standard allowable tuition increases are set at a maximum of 7% per year. Clarified, however, that the University is proposing a series of exceptional increases, which are subject to no limit, and enter into effect in 2022 only for all incoming students. Identified that the proposed increases range from 22% to 104% of yearly tuition cost. Clarified that, under law, exceptional increases to tuition require quality consultation and must improve program quality. Noted that the Alberta Minister of Education can reject proposals for exceptional increases which fail to satisfy these criteria. Noted that, if the increases are implemented, UAlberta tuition for the affected programs will sit around average for U15 institutions. Expressed concern, however, that the Alberta Government offers the lowest amount of needs-based grant support in Canada and so affected programs will become unaffordable as a result of the increases. Expressed concern that the increase proposals have a mere 50 day consultation window and that students are not on Campus due to COVID and are currently occupied with exams. Considered that the Minister may reject the proposed increases.

KONRAD: Inquired as to the University's motivation in attempting to implement exceptional increases in an unprecedented short window.

AGARWAL: Responded that the University's rationale for the fee increase is the need to align tuition costs with U15 universities.

BATYCKI: Expressed concern that the increases would be particularly steep in the second year of an engineering degree.

BRANDWEIN: Expressed concern that the increases will dissuade low-income prospective students from applying to the University and negatively impact cultural, geographical, and demographic diversity.

**SPEAKER/KRAHN MOVED** to censor Councillor Orvold.

CARRIED

HERKENDALL: Inquired as to whether the fee changes apply to students at Campus Saint-Jean.

AGARWAL: Responded that it is unclear at this time.

KONRAD: Inquired as to how the UASU is responding to the proposed increases.

AGARWAL: Responded that the UASU is looking for increased consultation.

BATYCKI: Proposed that Council sign a joint declaration against the proposed increases.

AGARWAL: Noted that the UASU is working with Faculty Associations.

LEY: Noted that the UASU is carefully monitoring the quality of University consultations before it lobbies the Minister to reject the increases.

2020-26/7b

**KRAHN/KONRAD MOVED** to authorize a joint resolution with the Gateway Student Journalism Society to cease collection of the Gateway DFU effective December 31st, 2021.

See SC-2020-26.18

KRAHN: Noted that, in consultation with the Gateway, the rationale for the proposal is (1) to listen to the majority of students have voted against Gateway fee proposals twice, (2) to limit reputational risk for the SU as students would be unhappy if they perceived needing to reject a fee three times before it failed, (3) to ensure important student services can continue, (4) to respect the spirit of SU bylaw. Noted that the Gateway fee will be assessed in Spring and Fall but cease in Winter. Clarified that the earliest resumption of the full fee is after the 2023 referendum.

KONRAD: Proposed amending bylaw to address fees that fail at proposed increases but not renewal, as in the Gateway's case.

KRAHN: Responded that bylaw can be amended but Council will be making a precedent in its decision today.

CARRIED

2020-26/7c

**KRAHN/KIDD MOVED** to approve the 2021/22 fee schedule, to be sent to BFPC and the Registrar's Office.

See SC-2020-26.19

KRAHN: Noted that the uPass fee may need to be included as part of the UASU fee schedule if it is not assessed by the University.

KIDD: Clarified that the SU aims to keep fees low while offering quality services.

CARRIED

2020-26/7d **KRAHN/BATYCKI MOVED** to approve the release of \$23,480.18 from the Sustainability & Capital Fund for SCF Green Fund projects, as approved by the SCF Committee, in accordance with Bylaw 100.  
See SC-2020-26.20

CARRIED

2020-26/7e **FOTANG/MARQUES MOVED** to approve Bill 10 Second Principles Amendments to Bylaw 8100.  
See SC-2020-26.21

DRAPER: Outlined that Aboriginal Student Council, COFA, CORA, and International Student Association consulted on the Second Principles. Identified that items of concern to some consulted groups were (a) ensuring that there is clear definition of external parties, (b) the need to have an executive seat on SRA boards, and (c) the need to report external meetings on a trimesterly basis. Noted that consulted groups approved of the proposal overall.

CARRIED

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2020-26/7f **KONRAD/AGARWAL MOVED** to debrief tuition advocacy at the Board of Governors.  
See SC-2020-26.05

CARRIED

KONRAD: Invited Council to provide feedback on tuition advocacy efforts.

AGARWAL: Identified that a success of the advocacy was that the University set aside 15% of the increase for student financial aid.

KIDD: Proposed that advocacy strategy needs to be reassessed as stories of student hardship are not working at the Board level. Proposed starting advocacy conversations well in advance of budget deliberations.

LEY: Invited students with advocacy strategies to contact him.

2020-26/7g **KRAHN/SARETZKY MOVED** to approve the 2021/22 Operating & Capital Budget.  
See SC-2020-26.06

CARRIED

22/1/0

**AGARWAL/KONRAD MOVED** to schedule a special in camera meeting of Council  
17 April 2021 at 6:00pm.  
CARRIED

- 2020-26/8     GENERAL ORDERS
- 2020-26/9     INFORMATION ITEMS
- 2020-26/9a    Executive Committee Reports (Extended President Report Attachment)  
                  See SC-2020-26.01-04.16
- 2020-26/9b    Council Submissions  
                  See SC-2020-26.05-06.17-21
- 2020-26/9c    UASU Exceptional Tuition Increase Press Release April 2021  
                  See SC-2020-26.22
- 2020-26/9d    Sustainability Committee Winter Trimester Report  
                  See SC-2020-26.23
- 2020-26/9e    Executive Committee Winter Trimester Report  
                  See SC-2020-26.24
- 2020-26/9f    Bylaw Committee Winter Trimester Report  
                  See SC-2020-26.25
- 2020-26/9g    Aboriginal Relations & Reconciliation Committee Winter Trimester Report  
                  See SC-2020-26.26
- 2020-26/9h    Translation Committee Winter Trimester Report  
                  See SC-2020-26.27
- 2020-26/9i    Letter to the UASU Council - ISA Refugee Committee  
                  See SC-2020-26.28
- 2020-26/9j    Council Administration Committee Winter Trimester Report  
                  See SC-2020-26.07
- 2020-26/9k    Nominating Committee Winter Trimester Report  
                  See SC-2020-26.08
- 2020-26/9l    Policy Committee Winter Trimester Report  
                  See SC-2020-26.09
- 2020-26/9m    Finance Committee Winter Trimester Report

See SC-2020-26.10

2020-26/9n Sustainability and Capital Fund Winter Trimester Report  
See SC-2020-26.11

2020-26/9o Student Group Committee Winter Trimester Report  
See SC-2020-26.12

2020-26/9p Students' Council - Motion Tracking  
See SC-2020-26.13

2020-26/9q Students' Council - Attendance  
See SC-2020-26.14

2020-26/9r Students' Council, Votes and Proceedings (SC-2020-25) Tuesday, April 6, 2021  
See SC-2020-26.15

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 9:18PM