# Bill 1: Simplifying and Clarifying Governance Documents

Levi Flaman Chair - Bylaw Committee

#### Who (was involved in this)?

- Bylaw Committee
  - Jayden Brooks Engineering Councillor
  - Simran Dhillon Science Councillor
  - o Daniela Carbajal Velez Science Councillor
  - David Lee Science Councillor
  - o Abner Monteiro President
  - o Adrian Wattamaniuk Engineering Councillor
- Marc Dumouchel General Manager
- Governance Staff
  - Courtney Graham Governance Support Specialist
  - o **Jetro (Sun) Dano** Minute Taker

# When (did this start)? When (will this be finished)?

- June 14th Abner & Marc pitched the idea
- June 21 Brought to Bylaw who liked the proposal; delegated tasks and got to work
- August 9 First Principles approved in Council
- October 18 Second Reading comes to Council

#### Why (Did we need this)?

- 1. Make bylaws more accessible and easier to read
- 22 Bylaws
- 347 Sections
  - Bylaw 100 largest with ~15%
  - Top 5 largest approximately 60%
  - Lengthy sections
- Duplicate information

Bylaw #	Bylaw Description	# of Sections	% of sections
100	Students' Council, its Committees and Code of Conduct	52	14.99%
200	FNMI Consultation and Engagement	5	1.44%
500	Access to Students' Union Information	6	1.73%
600	UASU Bilingualism	3	0.86%
1100	Executive Committee	5	1.44%
1500	Judiciary	34	9.80%
2100	CRO and Elections Staff	11	3.17%
2200	Executive and BoG Election	42	12.10%
2250	Plebiscites and Referenda	39	11.24%
2300	Students' Council & GFC Election	40	11.53%
2400	Balloting and Counting	15	4.32%
2500	Plebicites for MNIFs	6	1.73%
3000	UASU Finances	10	2.88%
4000	UASU Strategic Plan	11	3.17%
5100	Student Group Conduct	10	2.88%
6100	Dedicated Fee Units	6	1.73%
6200	Operational Dedicated Fee Units	5	1.44%
6300	Granting Dedicated Fee Units	4	1.15%
8100	Student Representative Associations	12	3.46%
8200	SRA Finances	12	3.46%
8400	Faculty Membership Fees	10	2.88%
9000	Emergency Procedures	9	2.59%
Total		347	100.00%

## Why (Did we need this)?

- 2. Provide more or easier ways to update procedural content while maintaining Council oversight
- Bylaws can be too rigid and inflexible
  - o **Bylaw 8200** Student Representative Association fee collection
- 3. Separate the principles from the procedure
- Some sections of bylaw get too specific unnecessarily
  - Bylaw 100 Prescribes the allotment of council seats

#### **Before**

- Post-Secondary Learning Act (s.93 & s.95)
- UASU Bylaws

#### After

- PSLA
- Bylaws
  - $\circ \qquad \text{Regulations}$ 
    - Appendices

#### Section I - Governance

- Bylaw 100: Governance
  - o Regulation 110: Students Council
    - Regulation 110A: Students' Council Standing Orders
    - Regulation 110B: Legislative Processes
  - o Regulation 120: Committees of Students' Council
    - Regulation 120A: Committee Standing Orders
    - Regulation 120B: Aboriginal Relations and Reconciliation Committee
    - Regulation 120C: Audit Committee
    - Regulation 120D: Bylaw Committee
    - Regulation 120E: Council Administration Committee
    - Regulation 120F: Executive Committee
    - Regulation 120G: Finance Committee
    - Regulation 120H: Nominating Committee
    - Regulation 120I: Policy Committee
    - Regulation 120J: Student Group Committee
    - Regulation 120K: Sustainability Committee
    - Regulation 120L: Translation Committee
  - o Regulation 130: Student Governance Code of Conduct
  - Regulation 140: Student Judiciary
  - Regulation 150: Student Representative Associations
    - Regulation 150A: List of SRAs
  - o Regulation 160: Definitions

- Section II: Operations
  - o Bylaw 200: Operations
    - Regulation 210: Operating Policy
    - Regulation 220: Strategic Plan
    - Regulation 230: Access to Students' Union Information
    - Regulation 240: Students' Union Bilingualism
    - Regulation 250: Student Group Conduct
    - Regulation 260: Emergency Measures
    - Regulation 270: FNMI Consultation & Engagement

- Section III: Elections
  - o Bylaw 300: Elections
    - Regulation 310: Chief Returning Officer and Elections Staff
    - Regulation 320: Executive Committee and Board of Governors Representative Elections
    - Regulation 330: Students' Council and General Faculties Council Elections
    - Regulation 340: Plebiscites and Referenda
    - Regulation 350: Balloting and Counting

- Section IV: Finances
  - o Bylaw 400: Finances
    - Bylaw 410: Students' Union Finances
    - Bylaw 420: Student Representative Association Finances
    - Bylaw 430: Dedicated Fee Units
    - Bylaw 440: Faculty Membership Fees
    - Appendix 400A: Collected Fees

#### Where (do we go from here)?

- Bylaw & Regulation review will begin after Bill 1 passes second reading
- Will be conducted in the same manner as Council's Standing Order Reviews
- All bylaws and regulations being reviewed
- Section III Elections to be completed first
  - First Principles on November 29
  - Second Reading on December 13
- Regulation 110 Students Council to be reviewed concurrently
  - Rest of Section 1 Governance can be completed in early Winter term
- Section IV Finances will be next
- Section II Operations will be done by the end of the year

# Questions?