

STUDENTS' COUNCIL

Votes and Proceedings

Tuesday September 14, 2004 – 6:00 p.m.
Council Chambers 2-1 University Hall

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS (SC 2004-11)

2004-11/1

CALL TO ORDER

Speaker called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

2004-11/3

SPEAKER'S BUSINESS

Point of Order: Knisely – Standing Order # 48 requires taking attendance before approving the orders of the day.

Speaker - Point of Order well taken.

2004-11/4

APPROVAL OF THE ORDERS OF THE DAY

YUSUF/YUSUF MOVED TO approve the orders of the day.

BAZIN/SMITH MOVED TO amend the orders of the day by striking item 12g from the agenda.

Amendment: CARRIED

THOMPSON/LAU MOVED TO amend the orders of the day by making item 12a a special order.

Amendment: CARRIED

LEWIS/SHARMA MOVED TO amend the orders of the day by striking items 10b, 10c, 10d, 12b, and 12f from the agenda.

BAZIN/KNISELY MOVED TO divide the amendment.

Motion to Divide: CARRIED

LEWIS/SHARMA MOVED TO amend the orders of the day by striking item 10b from the agenda.

Amendment: DEFEATED

LEWIS/SHARMA MOVED TO amend the orders of the day by striking item 10c from the agenda.

Amendment: CARRIED

LEWIS/SHARMA MOVED TO amend the orders of the day by striking item 10d from the agenda.

Amendment: CARRIED

LEWIS/SHARMA MOVED TO amend the orders of the day by striking item 11j from the agenda.

Amendment: CARRIED

LEWIS/SHARMA MOVED TO amend the orders of the day by striking item 12b from the agenda.

Knisely requested an electronic vote.

Amendment: DEFEATED 12/13/2

LEWIS/SHARMA MOVED TO amend the orders of the day by striking item 12f from the agenda.

Amendment: CARRIED

MOTION BY LAW/TAYLOR (VPSL), MOVED TO amend the orders of the day by adding: **MOTION BY LAW/TAYLOR (VPSL), RESOLVED THAT** Students' Council approve an expenditure not to exceed \$4,500.00 from the Contingency Reserve, department 911, for the purpose of replacing a broken ice machine in department 838, Powerplant.

Point of Order: Knisely – Given that the executive Committee has a regularly scheduled meeting tomorrow morning, would it be in order for items that are perhaps not as pressing to be added to the agenda such as that, because I believe that it is a requirement for Late Additions to have a pressing nature.

Speaker - Point of Order not well taken. The proposed amendment requires a 2/3 majority vote of Council to approve and is of a pressing nature.

Speaker ordered that the motion be added to the Executive Committee Report.

Amendment: CARRIED unanimous

BLATZ/LEWIS MOVED TO amend the agenda by making item 10a a special order.

Amendment: CARRIED

SMITH/BAZIN MOVED TO amend the agenda by adding item 9d to the agenda.

Amendment: CARRIED

KNISELY/LAU MOVED TO amend the agenda by adding item 12h to the agenda.

Point of Order: Samuel – My impression was that once a motion was moved it couldn't be moved a second time regardless of circumstances.

Point of Order withdrawn

Amendment: CARRIED

Speaker orders that item 5a be made a special order.

Main Motion: CARRIED

2004-11/5

PRESENTATIONS

2004-11/5a

'Council Evolution' presented by Gregory Harlow.

Point of Order: Bazin – Aren't special orders supposed to go in the order in which we made them special orders.

Speaker - Point of Order not well taken. Special orders are taken up in the order they appear in the Orders of the Day unless otherwise specified.

Point of Canada: Abboud – We beat Finland three to two and are the World Champions of Hockey.

Speaker - Point of Canada not well taken. The outcome of the game was never in doubt.

2004-11/10a

MOTION BY ABOUD/BLATZ, RESOLVED THAT Students' Council create an ad-hoc working group, named the Advocacy Consultation and Development Committee (ACDC), which will:

- a) Be responsible for consulting with students and stakeholder groups on campus regarding the Advocacy efforts of the Students' Union, particularly those relating to tuition.
- b) Work in conjunction with the Academic Affairs Board, External Affairs Board, and Executive Committee to achieve the goal set out in a)
- c) To submit a report of its findings to the Executive Committee, and to Students' Council no later than October 31st, 2004.
- d) Be composed of The President (Chair), Vice President External, One Student Councilor (as selected by Students' Council), One Student at Large member of the Academic Affairs Board (as selected by the Academic Affairs Board), one Student at Large member of the External Affairs Board (as selected by the External Affairs Board), and one term employee of the Students' Union (non-voting).
- e) This motion will expire on April 30, 2005.

Speakers List(mm): Blatz

Point of Order: Lettner – I think debate is generally facilitated a bit better when all the comments are directed through the speaker a little more formally. I was wondering, Mr. Speaker, are you planning on enforcing that a little more stringently?

Speaker - Point of Order well taken. Robert's Rules of Order require that all comments be directed to the chair.

SMITH MOVED TO amend the motion by replacing it with "MOTION BY ABBOUD/BLATZ, RESOLVED THAT Students' Council appoint one Student Counsellor to an Executive created advocacy committee".

Speakers List(am): Sharma, Knisely, Panis.

Amendment: CARRIED

Main Motion: CARRIED

Point of Order: Knisely – Would it not be in order to now appoint a position?

Speaker - Point of Order well taken. Standing Order #36 states that once a motion to nominate is approved the floor will immediately be open to nominations.

Nominations for the Executive created advocacy committee:

SMITH nominates SHARMA: SHARMA accepts.
 DEBENHAM nominates KNISELY: KNISELY declines.
 BAZIN nominates YUSUF: YUSUF declines.
 TAYLOR (VPSL) nominates KEHOE: KEHOE declines.
 KNISELY nominates SAMUEL: SAMUEL declines.
 McLAUGHLIN nominates PANIS: PANIS declines.
 ABBOUD nominates LETTNER: LETTNER accepts.
 BAZIN nominates KIRKHAM: KIRKHAM declines.
 PANDYA nominates SMITH: SMITH declines.
 BAZIN nominates THOMPSON: THOMPSON declines.
 McLAUGHLIN nominates MONTASSER: MONTASSER accepts.
 KNISELY nominates SKOPAC: SKOPAC accepts.

Member Elected:

Councillor Montasser

2004-11/12a

MOTION BY LAW/BAZIN, RESOLVED THAT the composition of the ad-hoc committee established by Students' Council in motion 2004-09/11a be changed to include one ex-officio (non-voting) representative of each dedicated fund unit.

Speakers List(mm): Law, Knisely, Taylor (VPSL), Lewis, Thompson, Kowanami, Smith.

SMITH/BAZIN MOVED TO amend the main motion by adding the words "and to establish a quorum for the committee of three voting members".

Amendment: FRIENDLY

KNISELY/DEBENHAM MOVED TO amend the main motion by adding the words "who shall not be privy to in camera discussions of the committee".

Speakers List(am): Panis, Bazin, Lettner.

Amendment: CARRIED

BLATZ/DEBENHAM MOVED the previous question.

Motion to Move the Previous Question: CARRIED

Main Motion: CARRIED

Revised Motion:

MOTION BY LAW/BAZIN, RESOLVED THAT the composition of the ad-hoc committee established by Students' Council in motion 2004-09/11a be changed to include one ex-officio (non-voting) representative of each dedicated fund unit who shall not be privy to in camera discussions of the committee, and to establish a quorum for the committee of three voting members.

Speaker orders that the Executive Committee Report be made a special order.

2004-11/8

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

BAZIN/PANIS MOVED TO approve the Executive Committee Report.

Main Motion: CARRIED unanimous

2004-11/7

QUESTION PERIOD

KNISELY/LAU MOVED THAT when this meeting adjourns it adjourns to meet at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday September 21 in 2-1 University Hall.

Point of Order: Samuel – Can you move motions in question period?

Speaker - Point of Order not well taken. Robert's Rules of Order state that a motion to "Fix the time to adjourn" is a privileged motion that takes precedence over any other business.

Motion: CARRIED

SMITH/BLATZ MOVED TO adjourn.

Motion to Adjourn: CARRIED

Speaker calls the meeting to order on September 21, 2004 in room 2-1 University Hall at 6:00 p.m.

Point of Privilege: Knisely – What is the ability of people who are currently seeking seats on this body in an election to serve as proxies?

Speaker – Point of Privilege is not well taken. There is no rule to disbar candidates running in Students' Union elections from serving as proxies for members of Council.

2004-11/9

BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

2004-11/9a

MOTION BY KNISELY/SMITH, RESOLVED THAT Students' Council, upon the recommendation of the Internal Review Board, order the employees of the Students' Union to not enter the Students' Union into any obligation subsisting or extending beyond April 30, 2005 or commit to perform any action at a time after April 30, 2005 without forwarding the nature and, if publishable, particulars of any such proposed obligation or commitment, as the case may be, to Students' Council before the obligation or commitment, as the case may be, is undertaken.

Speakers List(mm): Smith, Law, Knisely, Duncan, Smith, Panis.

Point of Order: Bazin – Is that a point of information? Is he asking a question or not?

Speaker - Point of Order not well taken. A Point of Information can be used to insert new information into debate as long as it in the form of a question.

Speakers List(mm): Taylor (VPSL)

SHARMA/TAYLOR (VPSL) MOVED the previous question.

Motion to Move the Previous Question: CARRIED

Main Motion: DEFEATED

2004-11/9b

MOTION BY KNISELY/SMITH, RESOLVED THAT Students' Council, upon the recommendation of the Internal Review Board, rescind the Policy Dispersal Political Policy Statement.

Speakers List(mm): Knisely.

Main Motion: CARRIED unanimous

2004-11/9d

MOTION BY LAW/BAZIN, RESOLVED THAT Students' Council upon the recommendation of the Budget Committee adopt the September 13, 2004 Budget Committee Report.

Speakers List(mm): Law.

Main Motion: CARRIED

2004-11/10

OLD BUSINESS

2004-11/10b

MOTION BY KNISELY/LEWIS, RESOLVED THAT Students' Council append Standing Order 44 with the following: "and shall take precedence over any other method of voting."

Speakers List(mm): Knisely.

BLATZ MOVED THE previous question.

Motion to Move the Previous Question: CARRIED

Main Motion: CARRIED unanimous

2004-11/11

LEGISLATION

2004-11/11a

MOTION BY SMITH/BAZIN, RESOLVED THAT Students' Council upon the recommendation of the Internal Review Board repeal Article VII (Matters of Executive or Non-Executive Character) of the Students' Union Constitution (first reading).

Speakers List(mm): Smith.

Main Motion: CARRIED unanimous

Item 11g is automatically made a special order with the passage of item 11a.

2004-11/11g

Bill #12 – Powers of Executive Committee (sponsor; SMITH/BAZIN)
Principles (first reading)

1. The Executive Committee will be responsible for all aspects of the operation of the Students' Union not provided for in Bylaw;
2. The Executive Committee will have the power to take such measures as it may consider appropriate to discharge this responsibility subject to the limits prescribed in Students' Union legislation;
3. The Executive Committee may delegate any of its powers, duties, or functions as it sees fit, and prescribe conditions governing the exercise of any delegated power, duty of function, including the power of sub delegation.

SMITH/BAZIN MOVED THAT Bill #12 be read for a first time.

Speakers List(mm): Smith, Kotovych, Knisely, Smith.

BLATZ MOVED THE previous question.

Motion to Move the Previous Question: CARRIED

Main Motion: CARRIED unanimous

2004-11/11b

MOTION BY SMITH/BAZIN, RESOLVED THAT Students' Council upon the recommendation of the Internal Review Board repeal Article XII (Elections) of the Students' Union Constitution (first reading).

Speakers List(mm): Smith.

Main Motion: CARRIED unanimous

Item 11h is automatically made a special order with the passage of item 11b.

2004-11/11h

Bill #13 – Term Length and Right to Vote (sponsor; SMITH/BAZIN)
Principles (first reading)

1. All voting members of Students' Council hold office for a term of not more than one year;
2. Any person is entitled to vote who is an undergraduate student enrolled in at least one course for credit;
 - a) During the fall term for an election occurring in September, October, November, or December;
 - b) During the Winter term for an election occurring in January, February, March, or April;
 - c) No elections may occur during May, June, July, or August.

SMITH/BAZIN MOVED THAT Bill #13 be read for a first time.

Speakers List(mm): Smith, Knisely, Lewis.

KNISELY/THOMPSON MOVED TO amend the main motion by striking the words in section one "not more than one year" and insert the words "beyond April 30, 2005".

Speakers List(am): Knisely.

SMITH MOVED TO amend the amendment by striking "2005".

Speakers List(am am): Blatz, Knisely.

Amendment to the Amendment: FRIENDLY

KNISLEY MOVED TO amend the amendment to the amendment by striking "2005" and replacing it with "to the end of the Council year".

Amendment to the Amendment: FRIENDLY

Amendment: FRIENDLY

Main Motion: CARRIED unanimous

2004-11/11c

Bill #6 - Student Groups and Student Groups Committee Update Motion (Sponsor; TAYLOR(VPSL)) (second reading)

TAYLOR (VPSL)/SMITH MOVED THAT Bill #6 be read for a second time.

Speakers List(mm): Taylor (VPSL).

Main Motion: CARRIED

2004-11/11d

Bill #7 – Administrative Committee Motion (sponsor; PANDYA/KEHOE) Principles (first reading)

1. Relieve Council from having to consider routine, day to day housekeeping motions.
 2. Work with the Speaker to develop and manage Council's budget.
 3. Provide oversight of SU employees who report directly to Council.
 4. Reduce the number of vacant seats on Council.
 5. Review the structure and operations of Council and its committees (not the organization as a whole) and make recommendations as to how they can be improved.
 6. Work with Councilors to develop Council goals and oversee their implementation.
- B. Duties**
1. Approval of any record of council happenings (including in camera minutes) (Mandate #1)
 2. Overview of staff: (Mandate #3)
 - a. Speaker
 - i. Including budgeting (outreach) (Mandate #2)
 - b. Chief Returning Officer
 3. Recruitment of students' to fill seats through the election process. (Mandate #4)

4. Review of Standing Orders and recommendation of changes to Council. (Mandate #5)
5. Review and recommend changes to legislation regarding Students' Council. (Mandate #5)
6. Gather goals from Councilors and aid in the development of an implementation strategy. (Mandate #6)

C. Composition

1. Seven voting members of Students' Council elected by Council, one of whom will be elected by the committee
2. The Speaker, as a non-voting member
3. All voting members of Students' Council as ex-officio voting members

D. Quorum

1. One half of the voting, permanent members.

PANDYA/KEHOE MOVED THAT Bill #7 be read a first time.

Speakers List from previous debate: Bazin, Pandya, Abboud, Smith, Lettner, Samuel.

KOTOVYCH/BAZIN MOVED TO amend Bill #7 by striking from item C3 "voting member" and replacing the words with "non-voting members".

Amendment: CARRIED

KEHOE MOVED TO amend Bill #7 by adding the words "as chair" to section C1.

Point of Order: Knisely – I believe it already was chair in the first place and it's an administrative error.

Speaker – Point of Order not well taken. An amendment will resolve any ambiguity.

Amendment: FRIENDLY

Main Motion: CARRIED unanimous

2004-11/11e

Bill #10 – Quorum of Students' Council (sponsor; KNISELY)
Principle (first reading)

1. Quorum of Students' Council shall be twenty-three members thereof.

KNISELY/SMITH MOVED THAT Bill #10 be read for a first time.

Speakers List(mm): Knisely, Smith.

SMITH/BAZIN MOVED TO amend Bill #10 by inserting the word "voting" after the words "twenty-three" in section 1.

Speakers List(am): Knisely.

Amendment: CARRIED

BAZIN/PANDYA MOVED TO amend Bill #10 by replacing the words "twenty-three" with the words "one half".

Point of Order: Smith – Would this amendment, if passed, not make the main motion meaningless?

Speaker - Point of Order not well taken.

Speakers List(am): Bazin, Pandya.

PANDYA MOVED TO amend Bill #10 by adding the word "active" in front of the word "voting".

Speaker - Ruled out of Order. There is still another amendment on the table.

KNISELY/PANIS MOVED TO amend the amendment by striking "one half" and replacing the words with the number "18".

Speakers List(am am): Knisely, Sharma, Taylor (VPSL).

Point of Order: Knisely – When considering an amendment to the amendment is it not proper to keep the comments confined to improving the original amendment?

Speaker - Point of Order not well taken. The amendment and comments are germane.

Speakers List(am am): Knisely, Panis.

Amendment to the Amendment: WITHDRAWN

Amendment: DEFEATED

SMITH/SHARMA MOVED TO amend Bill #10 by striking "twenty-three" and replacing the words with "twenty-five".

Amendment: CARRIED

Main Motion: CARRIED

Point of Order: McLaughlin – It's after 7:30 p.m. Recess?

Speaker - Point of Order well taken. Standing Order #46 requires a recess at this time.

2004-11/11f

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

Part 1: General 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.

KNISELY/SMITH MOVED THAT Bill #11 be postponed to the next meeting of Students' Council.

Motion to Postpone: CARRIED unanimous

2004-11/11i

Bill #14 – Office Holding Restrictions (sponsor; KNISELY)
Principle (notice of motion/first reading)

1. No employee of the Students' Union other than a voting member of the Executive Committee shall be eligible for office as a voting member of Students' Council, or as a proxy therefore.

KNISELY/WICENTOWICH MOVED TO withdrawn Bill #14.

Motion to Withdraw: CARRIED

2004-11/12

NEW BUSINESS

2004-11/12b

MOTION BY KNISELY/PANIS, RESOLVED THAT the Internal Review Board investigate the merits of the presently-employed method of nominating the two undergraduate Governors of the University of Alberta and report to Students' Council with recommendations on that subject not later than January 11, 2005.

Speakers List(mm): Knisely, Abboud.

ABBOUD/BAZIN MOVED TO postpone the main motion indefinitely.

Speakers List: Abboud, Knisely, Bazin.

Motion to Postpone Indefinitely: DEFEATED

Main Motion: DEFEATED

2004-11/12c

MOTION BY KNISELY/KIRKHAM, RESOLVED THAT the Student Life Board reconsider the political policy statement opposing the campus-wide ban of smoking and tobacco products and report to Students Council with recommendations on that subject not later than January 11, 2005.

Speakers List(mm): Knisely, Blatz.

Point of Order: Knisely – Is the President speaking to the motion or to the merits of the Student Life Board's investigation being proposed?

Speaker - Point of Order well taken. Comments must be limited to the question of ordering an investigation.

Speakers List(mm): Kirkham, Smith, Knisely, Panis.

Main Motion: DEFEATED

2004-11/12d

MOTION BY KNISELY/LEWIS, RESOLVED THAT the Academic Affairs Board reconsider, in light of the current academic schedule published by the Office of the Registrar and Student Awards, the political policy statement concerning the appropriate period for the add-drop deadline and report to Students Council with recommendations on that subject not later than January 11, 2005.

Speakers List(mm): Knisely.

BLATZ/PANIS MOVED THE previous question.

Motion to Move the Previous Question: CARRIED

Main Motion: CARRIED unanimous

2004-11/12e

MOTION BY KNISELY, ORDERED THAT the Executive Committee halt the sale of tobacco products in all Students' Union owned and/or operated businesses as of July 1, 2005.

KNISELY/PANDYA MOVED TO postpone to the next meeting of Students' Council.

Motion to Postpone: CARRIED

2004-11/12h

MOTION BY KNISELY, RESOLVED THAT the Tribune Selection Committee report to Students' Council nominations of tribunes to serve on the Discipline, Interpretation and Enforcement Board not later than September 28, 2004.

Speakers List(mm): Knisely.

KNISELY MOVED TO amend the main motion by striking "September 28" and replacing the date with "October 12".

Amendment: FRIENDLY

Speakers List(mm): Smith, Knisely.

KNISELY MOVED TO amend the main motion by striking "October 12" and replacing it with the word "forthwith".

Amendment: FRIENDLY

BLATZ/KNISELY MOVED THE previous question.

Motion to Move the Previous Question: CARRIED

Main Motion: CARRIED

LEWIS MOVED TO adjourn.

Ruled Out of Order

Point of Order: Lewis – Roll call?

Speaker - Point of Order well taken. Standing order #48 requires a roll call.

LEWIS/VANDERSLOOSE MOVED TO adjourn.

Motion to Adjourn: CARRIED – 8:35 p.m.

ATTENDANCE (SC 2004-11)

Faculty/Position	Name	Sept. 14 1 st Roll Call	Sept. 14 2 nd Roll Call	Sept. 14 3 rd Roll Call	Sept. 14 4 th Roll Call
President	Jordan Blatz	√	√	√	√

VP Academic	Lisa McLaughlin	√	√	√	√
VP External	Alex Abboud	√	√	√	√
VP Finance	Alvin Law	√	√	√	√
VP Student Life	Duncan Taylor	√	√	√	√
BoG Undergrad Rep.	Roman Kotovych	X	X	X	√
Agriculture, Forestry and Home Economics	Leah Bennett	X	√	X	√
Arts	Catrin Bergoff	√	√	X	√
Arts	Gabrielle Donnelly	√	√	√	√
Arts	Aaron Johnson	√	√	√	√
Arts	Adam Knisely	√	√	√	√
Arts	Tamara Larter	X	√	X	X
Arts	Chris Laver	X	X	X	X
Arts	Cameron Lewis	√	√	√	√
Arts	Anand Sharma	√	√	√	X
Business	Chelsea Baron	X	X	X	X
Business	Steve Smith	√	√	√	√
Business	Nandini Somayaji	√	√	X	X
Education	Sean Clovechok	√	√	X	X
Education	Trevor Panas	√	√	√	√
Engineering	Josh Bazin	√	√	√	√
Engineering	Graham Lettner	√	√	X	X
Engineering	Jamaal Montasser	√	√	√	√
Engineering	Gary Wicentowich	√	√	√	√
Law	Tara Thompson	√	√	√	√
Medicine and Oral Health Sciences	Brock Debenham	X	√	√	√

Native Studies (School of)	Matthew Wildcat	X	✓	X	✓
Pharmacy	Erica Skopac	✓	✓	✓	✓
Science	Justin Kehoe	✓	✓	✓	✓
Science	Stephen Kirkham	✓	✓	✓	✓
Science	Darren Lau	✓	✓	✓	✓
Science	Scott Nicol	✓	✓	✓	✓
Science	Shawna Pandya	X	✓	X	✓
Science	Chris Samuel	✓	✓	✓	✓
Science	Kelli Taylor	✓	✓	✓	✓
Science	Omer Yusuf	✓	✓	✓	✓
General Manager	Bill Smith	X	X	X	X
Speaker	Gregory Harlow	✓	✓	✓	✓

Guests of Students' Council

Chelli Kelly