University of Alberta Students’ Union

STUDENTS’ COUNCIL

VOTES & PROCEEDINGS

Tuesday March 28, 2006
Council Chambers 2-1 University Hall

VOTES & PROCEEDINGS (SC 2005-25)

KIRKHAM MOVED TO call the orders of the day.

2005-25/1 CALL TO ORDER
The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

2005-25/2 SPEAKER’S BUSINESS

2005-25/2a Announcements – Congratulations to call elected Councillors, special thanks to Councillors returning from the previous year.

2005-25/3 APPROVAL OF THE ORDERS OF THE DAY

KIRKHAM/KEHOE MOVED TO approve the orders of the day.

KIRKHAM/LEWIS MOVED TO amend the main motion by adding item 5a from Late Additions to the order paper.

Amendment to the Main Motion: CARRIED

KEHOE/LEWIS MOVED TO amend the main motion by adding item 9h from Late Additions to the order paper.

Amendment to the Main Motion: CARRIED

BERGHOFF MOVED TO amend the main motion by adding item 10d from Late Additions to the order paper.

Point of Order: Lewis – “I don’t think it’s necessary to add information items to the agenda if they’re just amendments they should be moved during the debate”

Speaker: Point of order well taken.

Amendment: WITHDRAWN

Main Motion: CARRIED
Speaker: Please note, from Late Additions, that the Budget and Finance meeting this Wednesday has been cancelled. Also, the election results are attached and that Cameron Lewis has resigned from the Budget and Finance Committee.

2005-25/4 PRESENTATIONS

There were no presentations scheduled for this meeting.

2005-25/5 NOMINATIONS

2005-25/5a LEWIS MOVED THAT Students’ Council appoint one (1) member to the Budget and Finance Committee

Speaker’s List (mm): Lewis

LEWIS nominates CHAPMAN: Chapman accepts.

Councillor Chapman acclaimed to the Budget and Finance Committee.

2005-25/6 REPORTS AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Speaker: Seeing how Standing Orders have eliminated 2 minute reports, please note the written reports in the order paper.

Point of Order: Lewis – “You’ve missed item 6d (i)”

Speaker: Point of Order well taken.

2005-25/6d (i) LETTNER/BLAIS MOVED THAT Students’ Council read Bill #26 a first time.

Bill #36: Executive Committee By-law Update
Principles (first reading)

1. By-law 1100 is Repealed.
2. The Executive Committee will manage the day-to-day business and affairs of the Students’ Union and represent the Students’ Union to all external parties
3. The Executive Committee has the power to make operating policy and give direction governing:
   a. The individual Executive Officers of the Executive Committee,
   b. Any matter pertaining to the business and affairs of the Students’ Union.
4. The Executive Committee must implement the lawful:
   a. Legislation of Students Council including:
      i. Bylaws
      ii. Political Policy
      iii. Standing Orders
      iv. Budget
      v. General Orders
   b. Orders and Operating Policy of the Executive Committee, and
   c. Decisions of the DIE Board
5. For greater certainty regarding the delegation of power:
   a. Students’ Council retains the power, by the instruments listed in 4(a) to
direct the Executive Committee or one of its individual officers, or the staff
through the President
   b. The Executive Committee retains the power, by the instrument listed in
4(b), to direct any of the Executive Officers, including the President.
   c. The President has the power, by order, to direct the General Manager and,
though him, the Students’ Union staff reporting directly or indirectly to
the General Manager.
6. The Executive Committee consists of:
   a. The President
   b. The Vice President (External)
   c. The Vice President (Academic)
   d. The Vice President (Student Life)
   e. The Vice President (Operations & Finance)
   f. The General Manager, non-voting
7. The Executive Committee has the same reporting requirements as any of the
standing committees of Students’ Council.
8. Quorum of the Executive Committee is 4 voting members.
9. The Chair of the Executive Committee is the President.
10. The mandate of the President is:
   a. To develop and maintain a full awareness of significant student issues and
issues that impact on students
   b. To be the primary advocate for students within the Students’ Union and
the University, and beyond
   c. To be the primary and official Students’ Union spokesperson
   d. To chair and coordinate the Executive Committee
   e. To supervise the overall affairs of the Students’ Union at the direction of
Executive Committee
   f. To direct the Students’ Union’s staff (where applicable, through the
General Manager)
   g. To have signing authority in respect of significant legal and other
agreements entered into by the Students’ Union
11. The Mandate of the Vice-President (External) is:
   a. To develop and maintain a full awareness of significant student issues,
and issues that impact on students, in the External area
   b. To advocate for students to the federal, provincial and municipal
   c. To lead and coordinate the Students’ Union’s efforts and activities in the
   External area.
12. The Mandate of the Vice-President (Academic) is:
   a. To develop and maintain a full awareness of significant student issues,
and issues that impact on students, in the Academic area
   b. To be the primary advocate for students within the Students’ Union, with
the University, and beyond on academic matters
   c. To lead and coordinate the Students’ Union’s efforts and activities in the
Academic area.
13. The Mandate of the Vice-President (Student Life) is:
   a. To develop and maintain a full awareness of significant student issues, and
      issues that impact on students, in the Student Life (non-academic) area
   b. To advocate for students within the Students’ Union, with the University,
      and beyond on non-academic Student Life-related matters
   c. To lead and coordinate the Students’ Union’s efforts in the non-academic
      Student Life area.
14. The Mandate of the Vice-President (Operations and Finance) is:
   a. To develop and maintain a full awareness of the financial and operational
      factors impacting on the Students’ Union’s short-, medium and long-term
      effectiveness and wellbeing
   b. To oversee the Students’ Union’s budget process, in accordance with The
      Standing Orders of Students’ Council, and Executive Committee Operating
      Policy
   c. To liaise with other members of Executive Committee and the senior staff
      to enhance the financial and operational efficiency of the Students’ Union
   d. To provide financial and operational advice to other Executive members in
      relation to the areas under their control or within their field of
      responsibility or involvement
   e. To have signing authority in respect of significant legal and other
      agreements entered into by the Students’ Union
   f. To carry out the duties of the President in their absence.
15. The Mandate of the General Manager is:
   a. To provide support to the Executive Committee and officers in fulfilling
      their mandate.
   b. To direct those staff of the Students’ Union who report directly or
      indirectly to the General Manager, in accordance with Executive direction,
      operating policy, Council legislation and prudent business and/or legal
      practice.
16. The Executive Committee may delegate any of its authority and has the
    power of sub-delegation.

Speaker’s List (mm): Lettner

JOHNSON/CROSSMAN MOVED TO amend the main motion by adding
principles #17 “Eligibility Criteria; every voting member must be a student”

Point of Parliamentary Inquiry: Lewis – “Isn’t there already a provision like this
in Bylaw 100, which includes all Councillors and the Executive Committee?”

Speaker: This provision is aimed at the General Manager.

KIRKHAM OBJECTS TO THE AMENDMENT

Speaker’s List (am): Johnson

Amendment: WITHDRAWN

KIRKHAM/BLAIS MOVED TO amend the main motion by adding point 17 that
states “Any voting member of the Executive Committee must also be a member
of the Students’ Union”

Amendment to the Main Motion: CARRIED

CHAPMAN MOVED TO amend point 17 by adding “Must be an elected member”.
Amendment to the Main Motion: WITHDRAWN

Speaker’s List (mm): Berghoff, Kehoe

LEWIS MOVED TO amend the main motion by removing point 17 because it’ already in the Bylaw.

Amendment dies for want of seconder.

Speaker’s List (mm): Khanna, Lettner

Main Motion: CARRIED, unanimous consent

Speaker: All of the written Board and Committee reports are in the order paper. We will carry on to the first item of business.

Point of Order: Councillor – “Questions Period?”

Speaker: Point of order well taken.

2005-25/7 QUESTION PERIOD

2005-25/8 BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

2005-25/8d (i) LETTNER/KEHOE MOVED THAT Students’ Council adopt the amended “Budget Principles”, as recommended by the Budget and Finance Committee

Speaker’s List (mm): Lettner

YUSUF/APEROCHO MOVED TO amend section 7(d) by striking out the words “main campus” and replace with the words “University of Alberta Campuses”.

Speaker’s List (mm): Yusuf

Amendment to the Main Motion: CARRIED, unanimous consent

CHAPMAN/KELLY MOVED TO amend the main motion to strike existing section 8(b) and replace it with the words “The staff support available to the marketing department will be increased marginally by increasing the part-time marketing assistant position to a full-time for the year 2006-2007 as a pilot project”

Speaker’s List (am): Chapman, Berghoff, Anita Kuper, Crossman

LETTNER/CROSSMAN MOVED TO amend the amendment by striking the words “2006-2007 as a pilot project”

Speaker’s List (am/am): Lettner, Lewis, Crossman, Chapman

Amendment to the Amendment: CARRIED, 15/10

Amendment to the Main Motion: CARRIED, unanimous consent

KIRKHAM/TRAYNER MOVED TO amend the main motion by adding Budget Principle 6 (d), which reads, “The Students’ Union shall not make a profit off of the sale of Tobacco Products”.
Speaker’s List (am): Kirkham, Johnson

**CHAPMAN/HUSSEIN MOVED TO** amend the amendment to the main motion by replacing the words “make a profit off of” with “sell”.

Speaker’s List (am/am): Chapman, Berghoff, Schneider

**Amendment to the Amendment: CARRIED, 12/11**

Speaker’s List (am): Crossman, Kawanami

Point of Parliamentary Inquiry: KIRKHAM – Mr. Speaker I’m wondering if you could read the text of the plebiscite question that was passed with respect to the campus-wide tobacco ban, so everyone in chambers can be assured that they are referring to and now exactly when they’re talking about?

**SUMAR:** Do you support a campus-wide tobacco ban at the University of Alberta, subject to the following conditions?
1. A ban on the sale of all tobacco products in any University owned or leased building or on University property, effective July 1, 2006.
2. A ban on the use of all Tobacco products in any University owned or leased building or on University property, except properties surrounding residences, effective July 1, 2006.
3. A ban on the use of all Tobacco Products on all University property effective July 1, 2008.
4. Exceptions may be made to accommodate the use of Tobacco or related substances in connection with culturally significant celebrations.

Speaker’s List (am): Kawanami (cont’d), Sumar, Cook, Shamanna, Schneider, Lewis, Ceelen, Crossman, Lettner, Berghoff

**COOK/KAWANAMI MOVED TO** amend the amendment to the main motion by adding the words “and to increase SU Operating Fees to make up for lost revenues”

Speaker’s List (am/am): Cook

Point of Order: KHANNA – The objective of this bill is Budget Principles and we’re talking about numbers now I don’t understand why we’re getting there, we don’t have numbers in front of us so let’s not talk about them. I want to proposed to the house that this particular motion is out of order because we’re talking about numbers when we don’t have numbers.

Speaker: The Chair does not find your point of order well taken. The reason is that there actually is not a number being proposed here, what’s being proposed is that in principle, Students’ Council agrees that in order to off set the additional costs is the off set in this particular manner. While I would agree with you that if there were actual numbers being proposed in front of us, that that would be out of order. But that is not the case, so the amendment to the amendment in order.

**KIRKHAM/CROSSMAN CHALLENGE THE CHAIR.**
KIRKHAM: on every single budget principle before us, there is nowhere stating where this money is coming from. So unless we’re going to attach or say it’s a requirement to attach to every single one of these, where the funds are going to come from when we’re either decreasing or increasing funds it makes sense that because this is a principle standpoint, as the councillor rose upon it would be out of order to say where these funds are coming from. Otherwise, if we’re having extra money we should say where it’s going or if we need more money we need to say where it’s coming from such as the part-time to full-time position we made earlier, it doesn’t say where that money is coming from.

Speaker: I agree that it doesn’t say where it’s coming from, but there is no rule that defines what must be or what must not be in a budget principle at the moment all it says is that we have to have them. So the form that the Budget Principles take is totally open, well it is true that in the rest of this document there hasn’t been an indication to where additional monies or where projects indicated in the budget shall come from there is no reason or law that prohibits the budget principles from stating to that effect. Frankly in the absents of a rule, limiting Council in such a fashion the chair thinks that it’s dangerous to arbitrarily impose a limitation to Council on that effect. The chair agrees that this isn’t necessary, it could be left to the Budget and Finance Committee to decide where to get the money but I think this is an equally legitimate option.

KIRKHAM WITHDRAWS HIS CHALLENGE OF THE CHAIR.

Speaker’s List (am/am): Kelly, Cook, Lettner, Kelly, Lewis, Chapman, Hussein, Lewis

Amendment to the Amendment: DEFEATED

BERGHOFF/SCHNEIDER MOVED TO recess.

Motion to recess: CARRIED


Speaker’s List (am): Chapman

Point of Order: Lewis – “Can we please direct all points of information to the Chair?”

Speaker: Point of order not well taken, I believe the Councillor did direct the question to the chair.

Speaker’s List (am): Chapman (cont’d), Hussein, Sumar, Lettner, Kirkham

BERGHOFF/LEWIS MOVED THE previous question.

Motion to move the previous question: CARRIED

Amendment to the Main Motion: CARRIED

COOK/KAWANAMI MOVED TO amend the main motion by striking the words “6.4%” and replace with “0” in section 3 (a).
Speaker’s List (am): Cook, Lettner, Cook

Amendment to the Main Motion: WITHDRAWN

BERGHOFF/KIRKHAM MOVED TO amend the main motion by adding new section 4 (c) “Councillors will be paid a trimesterly stipend subject to minimum performance standards”.

Speaker’s List (am): Berghoff, Kawanami, Patz, Lettner

Point of Order: Berghoff – “As the motion currently stands, calculating something per meeting is actually not about the motion”

Speaker: Point of order not well taken. The Chair will not allow monetary amendments, but will allow speculation.

Speaker’s List (am): Lettner (cont’d), Crossman, Shamanna, Berghoff

PATZ/BLAIS MOVED THE previous question

Motion to move the previous question: DEFEATED

Speaker’s List (am): Cook, Power

KIRKHAM/BLAIS MOVED TO suspend Standing Order number 47.

Motion to suspend Standing Orders: CARRIED

Speaker’s List (am): Khanna

CHAPMAN MOVED TO amend the amendment by striking the words “a trimesterly stipend, subject to the minimum performance standards”

Amendment to the Amendment: FRIENDLY

Amendment to the Main Motion: CARRIED, 14/11

JOHNSON/KEHOE MOVED TO amend the main motion by striking “1.5%” and replacing it with “2.1%” in section 3 (a).

Speaker’s List (am): Johnson

Amendment to the Main Motion: FRIENDLY

CROSSMAN/KELLY MOVED TO amend the main motion by striking section 6 (c) and replacing it with “Funds shall be allocated for the purpose of revitalizing the PowerPlant”

Speaker’s List (am): Crossman, Lettner

Amendment to the Main Motion: DEFEATED

MAIN MOTION: CARRIED

LETTNER/CHANDLER MOVED TO adjourn.
Motion to Adjourn: CARRIED

The meeting was adjourned at 10:14 pm.

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