Tuesday, July 14, 2015
NREF 1 001

Votes and Proceedings (SC 2015-06)

Call to Order at 6:14PM.

2015-06/1  SPEAKERS BUSINESS

2015-06/1a  Announcements - The next meeting of the Students’ Council will take place on Tuesday July 28, 2015 at 6.00pm in NREF 1-001.

2015-06/2  PRESENTATIONS

2015-06/3  EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

2015-06/4  BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORT

Councillor Dejong – The Landing Board of Directors
Governor Khan – Board of Governors
Councillor Zhang – Council Administration Committee

2015-06/5  QUESTION PERIOD

2015-06/6  BOARD AND COMMITTEE BUSINESS

2015-06/6a  CHRISTENSEN/DUAN MOVE to adopt the second reading of Bill #2, the Candidate Registration Meeting Amendment Act, and amend Bylaw 2200, section 15 and Bylaw 2300, section 10, regarding the candidate registration meeting as listed:

Motion Carried.

Please see SC 15-06.01

Please see SC 15-06.02

2015-06/6b  BURTON/RAHMAN MOVE TO appoint one member of Students' Council to the Policy Committee.

Councillor Flaman nominated. Councillor Flaman appointed.

2015-06/6c  RAHMAN/KHAN move to appoint two (2) students to the Governance Review Task Force, Shauna Regan and David Woodruff.
ZHANG/DUAN MOVE TO, upon the recommendation of Bylaw Committee, approve the Students’ Council Attendance Bylaw Bill in first reading based on the following principles:

1) The Students’ Union has a significant impact on the student experience at the University of Alberta

2) Student Councillor attendance is essential for undergraduate student perspectives and concerns to be represented at the highest governing body of the SU

3) Students’ Council should work to ensure students are properly represented

4) Within reason, it is expected that Student Councillors attend every meeting that is scheduled

5) Students’ Council shall implement mechanisms to ensure sufficient councillor attendance

KHINDA/HANWELL MOVE TO amend the motion as follows:

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5) Students’ Council shall implement mechanisms that prioritize proactive over punitive measures to ensure sufficient councillor attendance.

Amendment Carried.

Motion Carried.
BONDARCHUK/CHRISTENSEN MOVE TO, upon recommendation of Bylaw Committee, approve Bill 1: Gendered Pronoun Elimination in Students’ Union Bylaw in second reading based on the following first principles:

1) The Students' Union strives to operate inclusively and openly, respecting all gender identities.

2) Current Students’ Union Bylaws discriminate against gender non-binary and genderless members of the Students’ Union by using "her/him" and "she/he" pronouns when referring to members and staff of the Students’ Union.

3) Bylaw shall be changed to reflect our inclusive policies by replacing all gendered pronouns with gender-neutral terms.

Please see SC 15-06.03

Motion Carried.

BONDARCHUK/KWAN MOVE TO, upon recommendation of Bylaw Committee, approve Bill 4: Amendments to Dedicated Fee Unit Reporting Timelines in Students’ Union Bylaw in first reading based on the following first principles:

1) Many Dedicated Fee Unit Boards have a fiscal year of May 1 to April 30.

2) To make Annual General Meetings of each Dedicated Fee Unit Board more accessible to their membership, bylaw shall allow six months from the end of the Board’s fiscal year to submit financial statements for review.

Motion Carried.

BONDARCHUK/FLAMAN MOVE TO, upon recommendation of Bylaw Committee, approve Bill 5: Amendments to Fee Schedule Maintenance in Students’ Union Bylaw in first reading based on the following first principles:

1) Dedicated Fee Units are overseen by Finance Committee.

2) Students’ Union membership and dedicated fees are overseen by Finance Committee.

3) Bylaw shall reflect this by mandating Schedules 3000 and 6000 be maintained by the chair of Finance Committee.

Motion Carried.

INFORMATION ITEMS

PRESIDENT Report.

Please see SC 15-06.04
2015-06/8b  VICE PRESIDENT EXTERNAL Report.
Please see SC 15-06.05

2015-06/8c  VICE PRESIDENT STUDENT LIFE Report.
Please see SC 15-06.06

2015-06/8d  VICE PRESIDENT ACADEMIC Report.
Please see SC 15-06.07

2015-06/8d  VICE PRESIDENT OPERATIONS & FINANCE Report.
Please see SC 15-06.08

2015-06/8e  Executive Committee Motion Tracking.
Please see SC 15-06.09

2015-06/8f  Students’ Council Motion Tracking.
Please see SC 15-06.10

2015-06/8g  Committee Motion Tracking.
Please see SC 15-06.11

2015-06/8h  The Discovering Students in Governance report is a long-term research project first undertaken by Discover Governance in 2011, aimed at documenting where student representative seats exist at the U of A, and understanding how we can best connect with and support the students that fill them. Every year, DG tackles a new area of student governance to add to the report, and publishes an updated version to reflect the information we find. The latest version of DSiG is now online, and we wanted to share it with Council. We did not include the whole report in the Order Paper, as it is quite long, but have attached the executive summary and some vacancy statistics to give you a glimpse of what info DSiG has to offer. The complete report can be found here:

Please see SC 15-06.12
Please see:
and

Meeting adjourned at 7:19PM.