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**Tuesday, July 25, 2017  
Council Chambers, University Hall**

We would like to respectfully acknowledge that our University and our Students' Union are located on Treaty 6 Territory. We are grateful to be on Cree, Dene, Saulteaux, Métis, Blackfoot, and Nakota Sioux territory; specifically the ancestral space of the Papaschase Cree. These Nations are our family, friends, faculty, staff, students, and peers. As members of the University of Alberta Students' Union we honour the nation-to-nation treaty relationship. We aspire for our learning, research, teaching, and governance to acknowledge and work towards the decolonization of Indigenous knowledges and traditions.

**VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS (SC 2017-06)**

**MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 6:00PM.**

**2017-06/1 SPEAKERS BUSINESS**

**2017-06/1a** Announcements - The next meeting of the Students' Council will take place on Tuesday, August 22, 2017 at 6:00pm in the Council Chambers.

Item *2017-06/7a* will be struck from the *Late Additions* as it is out of order and must come back for a first and second reading.

**2017-06/2 PRESENTATIONS**

**2017-06/3 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT**

Shane Scott, Vice President (Academic) - Report.  
Ilya Ushakov, Vice President (Student Life) - Report.

**2017-06/4 BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORT**

Audit Committee, Report.  
Bylaw Committee, Report.  
Council Administration Committee (CAC), Report.  
Finance Committee - Report.  
Nominating Committee (NomCom) - Report.  
Policy Committee - Report.  
Board of Governors, Vice President PACHES for Governor SANDARE - Report.  
First Alberta Campus Radio Association (FACRA) - Report.  
Aboriginal Relations and Reconciliation Ad Hoc Committee (ARRC) - Report.

**2017-06/5 OPEN FORUM**

**2017-06/6 QUESTION PERIOD**

**Councillor SUNDAY to Vice President USHAKOV:** *Do you believe the current hours of the Students' Union bars is counterintuitive to the notion of bringing students back to Campus?*

*Question was redirected to Vice President PACHES.*

**Vice President PACHES to Councillor Sunday:**

*Thank you for the question, Councillor Sunday.*

*One of the Students' Union's highest priority is sustainable operations and fiscal responsibility, during the summer we see a distinct drop in sales at both Room at the Top and Dewey's simply because there are a fraction of the students on campus.*

*In order to remain profitable, we close Dewey's and reduce the hours of Room at the Top. Bringing students back to campus is a goal that stretches across all facets of the Students' Union and ensuring our operations are sustainable; however, it takes priority to a growth focussed goal.*

**2017-06/7 BOARD AND COMMITTEE BUSINESS**

**2017-06/7a Bill #2 - Joke Candidates - *First Reading***

**CHRISTENSEN/BROPHY MOVE** to approve the first reading of Bill #2 - Joke Candidates, on the recommendation of Bylaw Committee, based on the following first principles.

**First Principles**

1. A joke candidates is currently defined as "any candidate who chooses not to use their given name or a reasonable derivative of their given name when appearing on the ballot."
2. A joke candidate will be redefined as "any candidate who chooses not to use their given name, a reasonable derivative of their given name, or their preferred name, as defined in Bylaw 2200 and Bylaw 2300, when appearing on the ballot."
3. In 2015, a protocol was created and entrenched in Bylaw 2200 and Bylaw 2300 which outlined a process for preferred names. The protocol will be updated to modernize the process further.
4. In the context of Bylaw 2400, it is unclear what happens if a joke candidate were to achieve more votes than a candidate in a race.

5. Bylaw 2400 shall be amended to clarify that, if a joke candidate does receive more votes than any other candidate, the joke candidate shall be dropped from the ballot and counting shall continue, with the joke candidates' ballots being redistributed in accordance with normal conventions for SU elections.
6. In the context of Bylaw 2200 and 2300, a joke candidate may become a real candidate within 48 hours of being designated a joke candidate.
7. Bylaw does not currently stipulate when a person is designated a candidate.
8. Bylaw 2200 and Bylaw 2300 shall be amended to state that a person becomes a candidate at the nomination deadline.
9. Bylaw 2200 and Bylaw 2300 shall be amended to state a joke candidate may become a real candidate within 48 hours of the nomination deadline.

**No debate.**

**24/1/0. CARRIED.**

**2017-06/7b Bill #3 - Universal Materials - *First Reading***

**CHRISTENSEN/JONES MOVE** to approve the first reading of Bill #3, on the recommendation of Bylaw Committee, based on the following first principles.

**First Principles**

1. The regulation of Universal Materials for elections has been a point of confusion for a number of years.
2. In 2016, a new framework was created, which attempted to simplify the process of Universal Materials, although this process was largely unfollowed.
3. Universal Materials legislation shall be updated and simplified in the following ways:
  - a. The Universal Materials budget for each candidate, as defined in bylaw, will be abolished. Each candidate will have one and only one "main" budget for their expenses totalling the amount prescribed in Bylaw 2200 and 2300 respectively.
  - b. The C.R.O. shall provide only basic materials, herein "Universal Materials," within the candidate workroom. The funding for these supplies shall be derived from the Elections Office budget. Candidates shall be permitted to use these supplies in the creation, dissemination, and/or distribution of their campaign materials. These supplies shall not be counted against the candidates' budget.

- c. The C.R.O. shall purchase or supply whatever basic materials they deem appropriate.
  - d. The C.R.O. shall provide a list of Universal Materials in the candidate nomination package.
  - e. The elections staff shall replenish the Universal Materials as they become depleted during the elections period, where feasible.
  - f. Excluding Universal Materials physically provided by the elections office, all other materials must be included in the candidate's budget with costs, receipts and/or fair market assessment included.
4. Bylaw 2200 and 2300 shall be amended to implement these changes.

**No debate.**

**21/2/2. CARRIED.**

**2017-06/8 GENERAL ORDERS**

**2017-06/8a CHRISTENSEN/HOWIE MOVE** to change Students' Council practice, precedent and custom by allowing students-at-larges and other non-Students' Councillors/Executives/Proxies/Designates to serve as voting members of Students' Council's standing committees.

**Points of Debate:**

- Students' Council committees are an extension of Council and as such, should be comprised of elected representatives.
- The ARRC includes members of the Aboriginal Students' Council (and other non-Students' Council groups). These individuals will become non-voting members of the group.
  - Voting against this bill would be detrimental to *reconciliation* as it would allow non-Aboriginal representatives to determine decisions on Aboriginal Student Affairs.
- To allow members-at-large to sit on Standing Committees would nullify the purpose of Councillor elections.
- Allowing non-Student's Council members the opportunity to join a Standing Committee would allow stakeholders an equal voice and increased engagement.
- Should the motion not pass, there is a need for a larger discussion around a formal policy for Students' Council engagement, as that is currently limited.

- In 2015, there was a commission struck up called the Governance Review Task Force, which explored this issue and proposed that one method of engaging students was to allow them an opportunity to sit on Standing Committees. This proposal was struck down, as the Task Force determined that it would not align with the principles of a representative democracy.

**PIASECKI/GIDDA MOVE** to postpone this motion to the next meeting of Students' Council on August 22, 2017.

**14/11/2. CARRIED.**

**2017-06/9 INFORMATION ITEMS**

**MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:17PM.**