# University of Alberta Students' Union STUDENTS' COUNCIL VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

# Tuesday December 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2013 ETLC 1-018

# VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS (SC 2013-15)

# 2013-15/1 SPEAKER'S BUSINESS

Meeting called to order at 6:06pm

2013-15/1a Announcements – The next meeting of Students' Council will take place on Tuesday, December 10<sup>th</sup>, 2013

Speaker special ordered item 2013-15/7c to be moved to the main agenda.

**CHELEN/LAU MOVED TO** suspend the relevant standing orders to allow for presentations and motions on the same topic.

#### Motion: CARRIED

**CHELEN/LAU MOVED TO** special order item 2013-15/2c to be moved to the main agenda.

#### Motion: CARRIED

HODGSON/BORDEN MOVED TO special order item 2013-15/7d to be moved to the main agenda

#### Motion: CARRIED

#### 2013-15/2 PRESENTATIONS

**2013-15/2b** Lister Hall Students' Association (LHSA) Update to Students' Council presented by Samuel Wright (LHSA President) and sponsored by President Petros Kusmu and Vice-President Student Life William Lau.

This presentation is meant to brief Students' Council on thee things. First, a history on the LHSA and the investigations levied against from last year. Second, an update as to where these investigations are. Third, how the LHSA will be moving forward beyond these investigations.

2013-15/2a North Campus Long Range Development Plan Amendment by Anastasia Lim and Bart Becker, sponsored by William Lau

The LRDP is the overall organizing framework for land use and is approved by the Board of Governors as the guiding document of physical planning and TUESDAY DECEMBER 3<sup>RD</sup>, 2013

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growth, following the guiding principles of smart growth and planned communities. This presentation is primarily informational, as focus groups have been held on September 10th and November 5th, and open houses on September 25th and November 19th for two rounds of consultation.

**MOHAMED/CHANPAGNE MOVED** to recess for 10 minutes.

# Motion: CARRIED

**2013-15/2C** International Student Tuition Advocacy Efforts, Presented by Petros Kusmu, Dustin Chelen, and William Lau. Sponsored by Dustin Chelen.

The Students' Union found out about a proposed increase of 5% to undergraduate international student tuition on Thursday November 7. This presentation will cover a summary of our advocacy efforts since then, including engaging a student volunteer base, discussions at the Tuition Budget Advisory Committee, Academic Planning Committee, and Board Finance and Property Committee, and an SU submission on our concerns with the increase. We will briefly touch on the legislative framework surrounding international student tuition before explaining the advocacy efforts leading up to the December 13 Board of Governors meeting where the increase will be voted on.

#### 2013-15/7 GENERAL ORDERS

2013-15/7a WOODS/NGUYEN MOVES TO appoint one (1) member of Students' Council to the Post Secondary Learning Act Task Force

Nominations: Corbett

Nominations Closed

Appointed: Corbett

**2013-15/7d** HODGSON/NGUYEN MOVES TO appoint one (1) member of Students Council to the Audit Committee.

Nominations: Malik

Nominations Closed

Appointed: Malik

#### 2013-15/3 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Dustin Chelen, VP Academic- Report

William Lau, VP Student Life- Report

Adam Woods, VP External- Report

Petros Kusmu, President- Report

2013-15/4 BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

Erin Borden, CAC Chair- Report

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#### 2013-15/5 QUESTION PERIOD

Question Period extended 15 mnutes

#### 2013-15/6 BOARD AND COMMITTEE BUSINESS

2013-15/6a LE/KUSMU MOVES THAT Students' Council, on the recommendation of the DIE Board Tribune Selection Committee, appoint Robert (Ryan) Berget, Nicholas Trofimuk, Nakul Bhatia, and Zafir Kanji as DIE Board Tribunes.

#### Motion: CARRIED

2013-15/6b GREHAN/SPEAKMAN MOVE THAT Students' Council, on the recommendation of the Bylaw Committee, approve Bill #3 in second reading based on the following principle:

1. The deadline for the nomination of candidates in any by-election shall occur not less than 9 days prior to the election.

Speakers List: Grehan, Speakman

#### Motion: CARRIED

2013-15/6C WOODS/BATAL MOVE THAT upon the recommendation of the Policy Committee Students' Council approve the policy Scholarships and Bursaries in first reading, based on the following principles:

The Students' Union will advocate on the following principles:

The University of Alberta should increase the number and value of awards to undergraduates in order to be consistent with the number and value of entrance awards.

The University of Alberta should increase the relative and absolute amounts of scholarships and bursaries based on students financial need and involvement on campus.

The University of Alberta should disclose annually the ratio of need to merit based aid, and distribution of awards between years of study.

That donors support students from diverse backgrounds and with diverse skills via scholarship and bursary funding.

That the University of Alberta centralizes information and applications relevant to scholarships and bursaries.

That the government of Alberta recognizes the importance of non repayable student aid compared to scholarships

That the government of Alberta fund bursaries at an equal or higher level than merit based scholarships.

Speakers List: Woods, Mills, Champagne, Grehan, Lau

#### Motion: CARRIED

2013-15/7b MOHAMED/KELLY MOVE THAT the Students Council direct the Executive to get a lawyers opinion on a potential charter challenge section 15 against the PSLA relating to the 5% international student tuition increase before December 13<sup>th</sup>.

Speakers List: Mohamed, Woods, Hodgson, Mills, Speakman, Hansra, Kusmu, Banister, Sande, Champagne

**MOHAMED MOVES TO** suspend the relevant standing orders to allow for a straw poll

#### Motion: CARRIED

MOHAMED/GREHAN MOVED TO amend the motion to read: MOHAMED/KELLY MOVE THAT the Students Council direct the Executive to get a lawyers opinion on a potential charter challenge section 15 against the PSLA relating to the 5% international student tuition increase.

#### Motion: CARRIED

**MOHAMED/HANSRA MOVED TO** suspend standing orders to allow for speaking turns to stay at 6 minutes.

#### Motion: FAILED

**MOHAMED/GREHAN MOVED TO** postpone item 2013-15/7c to the December 10<sup>th</sup> meeting of Students' Council.

HANSRA/MILLS MOVED TO amend the motion to read: MOHAMED/GREHAN MOVED TO postpone item 2013-15/7c to the January 7<sup>th</sup> meeting of Students' Council.

#### HODGSON/HANSRA Called to question

#### Motion: CARRIED

#### Mohamed called for division on the amendment Kusmu-Y Chelen-Y Woods-Y Le- Y Lau-A Kelly- N Batal- Y Borden-Y Mills- Y Hanwell-Y Banister-Y Sande- A Mohamed- N Grulke- Y Hansra-Y Champagne- Y Hodason-Y Grehan-Y

Douglas- Y

# Motion: CARRIED

# /GREHAN Called to question

# Motion: CARRIED

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#### Motion: CARRIED

Hodgson- Y Grehan- Y

**2013-15/7C MOHAMED/LAU MOVES THAT** Students' Council approve Bill #5 in first reading, based on the following principle:

1. The Student Refugee Program Board may choose to allocate, from the total Student Refugee Fund fee collected, an amount up to the total annual application cost required to be submitted to WUSC Ottawa, to be used to fund the application cost.

Speakers List: Mohamed, Chelen, Hodgson, Woods, Le

**LE/HODGSON MOVED TO** amend the motion to read: **MOHAMED/LAU MOVES THAT** Students' Council approve Bill #5 in first reading, based on the following principle:

1. The Student Refugee Program Board shall allocate, from the total Student Refugee Fund fee collected, the total annual application cost required to be submitted to WUSC Ottawa, to be used to fund the application cost.

#### Motion: CARRIED

Main Motion: CARRIED

BANISTER/DOUGLAS MOVED TO adjourn

Motion: CARRIED

Meeting adjourned at 9:50pm