#### University of Alberta Students' Union

# STUDENTS' COUNCIL

### Tuesday February 4, 2003 – 6:00 PM Council Chambers 2-1 University Hall

### AGENDA (SC 2002-20)

2002-20/1	CALL TO ORDER
2002-20/2	NATIONAL ANTHEM "O Canada:"
2002-20/3	University of Alberta CHEER SONG "Ring Out a Cheer"
2002-20/4	SPEAKER'S BUSINESS
2002-20/5	ROLL CALL
2002-20/6	APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA
2002-20/7	PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION
2002-20/8	APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES
2002-20/9	QUESTION PERIOD
2002-20/10	APPROVAL OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT (MINUTES)
	Please see document SC 02-20.01.
2002-20/11	OLD BUSINESS
2002-20/12	LEGISLATION

Agenda SC 2002-20 2002-20/12a Article XII	February 4, 2003 - 6:00 PM Page 2 SMITH/SAMUEL MOVED THAT Students' Council, upon the recommendation of the Internal Review Board, approve the proposed changes to Article XII of the Constitution (THIRD Reading).
	Please bring supporting documentation from the January 21, 2003 meeting.
2002-20/12b Bylaw 2100	SMITH MOVED THAT Students' Council, upon the recommendation of the Internal Review Board, approve the proposed amendments to Bylaw 2100 (SECOND Reading).
	Please see document SC 02-20.02.
2002-20/12c	SMITH/SAMUEL MOVED THAT Students' Council, upon the recommendation of the Internal Review Board, approve the proposed changes to Bylaw 2200 (SECOND Reading).
	Please see document Sc 02-20.03.
2002-20/12d Bylaw 7550	ROSS/SMITH MOVED THAT Students' Council, upon the recommendation of the Student Life Board, adopt the proposed Bylaw 7550 relating to the Student Development Centre (SECOND Reading).
	Please bring supporting documentation from the January 21, 2003 meeting.
2002-20/12e Bylaw 5200	SMITH/SAMUEL MOVED THAT Students' Council, upon the recommendation of the Internal Review Board, repeal Bylaw 5200 (FIRST Reading).
	Please see document SC 02-20.04.
2002-20/13	NEW BUSINESS

Referendum

SMITH/WEPPLER MOVED THAT Students' Council, upon the recommendation of the Internal Review Board, approve the following referendum question to appear on the ballot of the Students' Union general election, March 5 and 6 2003:

#### "Do you support:

- a) the elimination of Article VIII, Section 3e of the Students' Union constitution, which reads: "Pursuant to a referendum passed on 6 and 7 March 1991, the sum of One Dollar and Fifty-Eight Cents (\$1.58) per Fall, Winter, Spring or Summer Term, from each full-time and part-time student's Students' Union fees will be allocated to the Student Financial Aid and Information Centre Fund." And the cessation by the Students' Union of the collection of this fee, which totals approximately \$110 000 per year;
- b) an amendment to Article VIII, Section 2 to increase the Students' Union fees of each full-time and part-time student's Students' Union fees of \$1.58 per Fall, Winter, Spring or Summer Term, which would offset the loss of the \$110 000 in (a); and
- c) a transfer of those funds currently in the Student Financial Aid and Information Centre reserve to the Students' Union's general reserves?"

#### 2002-20/13b Referendum

SMITH/WEPPLER MOVED THAT Students' Council, upon the recommendation of the Internal Review Board, approve the following referendum question to run during the Students' Union General election, March 5 and 6 2003:

"Do you support an increase in funding to the Sexual Assualt Centre, funded through an increase in the University Students' Services Fee of \$1.00 per full-time student per Fall and Winter Term, \$0.50 per part-time student per Fall and Winter Term, and \$0.50 per student per Spring and Summer Term (approximately \$60,000 per year)? The University Student Services Fee cannot be reduced by referendum, only by the University Board of Governors.

At present, \$1.00 per full-time student per Fall and Winter Term, \$0.50 per part-time student per Fall and Winter Term, and \$0.50 per student per Spring and Summer Term is dedicated to the Sexual Assault Centre, pursuant to a 1993 referendum."

#### 2002-20/13c Referendum

JONES/VIGEANT MOVED THAT Students' Council approve a referendum question dealing with the zero-rating of off campus fees during the Spring and Summer Terms to appear on the ballot of the Students' Union general election of March 5 and 6 2003, and that, upon the recommendation of the Internal Review Board, the wording of such question be:

"This question will determine if off campus students will pay Students' Union fees during the Spring and Summer Terms. Vote YES for them not to pay. Vote NO for them to pay

Do you support the insertion into Article VIII, Section 2, a point (e) to read "Pursuant to a referendum passed on 5 and 6 March 2003, notwithstanding Section 2 (c) and Section 2 (d), no student not attending courses on the University of Alberta Campus shall pay a membership fee during the Spring or Summer Term."

#### 2002-20/13d APIRG

SMITH/REIKIE MOVED THAT Students' Council, upon the recommendation of the Financial Affairs Board, approve the disbursement of \$56 272 from the APIRG Fund to the Alberta Public Interest Research Group.

Please see document SC 02-20.05.

2002-20/13e

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SMITH MOVED THAT Students' Council select:

- One councilor to serve on the Director of Information Services nominating committee;
- One councilor to serve on the Student Distress Centre Director nominating committee;
- One councilor to serve on the Ombuds nominating committee;
- One councilor to serve on the Safewalk Director nominating committee;
- One councilor to serve on the Student Groups Director nominating committee;
- One councilor to serve on the CRO nominating committee;
- One councilor to serve on the Academic Affairs Coordinator nominating committee;
- One councilor to serve on the Community Relations Coordinator nominating committee;
- One councilor to serve on the Student Activities Coordinator nominating committee;
- One councilor to serve on the Athletic Campus Events Coordinator nominating committee;
- One councilor to serve on the Environmental Conservation Office of Students Director nominating committee;
- One councilor to serve on the Speaker of Students' Council and Recording Secretary nominating committee;
- One councilor to serve on the President's Boards nominating committee;
- One councilor to serve on the Vice President Academic Boards nominating committee;
- One councilor to serve on the Vice President External Boards nominating committee;
- One councilor to serve on the Vice President Operations & Finance boards nominating committee; and
- One councilor to serve on the Vice President Student Life Boards nominating committee.

Please see document SC 02-20.06. for meeting times and locations.

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IRB Report

Please see document SC 02-20.07.

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#### **INFORMATION ITEMS**

All councilors who volunteer to serve on a nominating committee are asked to attend an interview workshop that will be held on Tuesday March 18, 2003 from 4:30PM-5:30PM on the third floor of SUB.

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS** 

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Next Council Meeting

**UPCOMING** 

• February 25, 2003

COUNCIL

• March 11, 2003

**MEETINGS** 

2002-20/16b

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UPCOMING FACULTY

Rehabilitation Medicine

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**ADJOURNMENT** 

# STUDENTS' COUNCIL

#### Tuesday January 21, 2003 – 6:00PM Council Chambers 2-1 University Hall

#### ATTENDANCE (SC 2002-19)

Faculty	Name	6:00	9:00	Roll Call	Roll Call Vote
				Vote #1	#2
				(Agenda)	(Referendum)
President	Mike	✓	✓	Against	Abstain
	Hudema				
VP Academic	Mat Brechtel	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	For	Against
VP External	Anand	✓	✓	Against	Against
	Sharma				
VP Finance	Steve Smith	✓	<b>✓</b>	For	For
VP Student	Kail Ross	✓	✓	For	Against
Life					
BoG Rep.	Mike Reid	✓	✓	For	For
RHA	George	✓	✓	Against	For
	Slomp				
Athletics					
Ag/For	Teodora	✓	✓	Against	Abstain
	Alampi				

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Ag/For	Paul Reikie	✓	<b>√</b>	Against	Abstain
Arts	Chris Bolivar	✓	✓	For	For
		(6:10)	(6:10)		
Arts	Kyle	✓	✓	For	Against
	Kawanami				
Arts	James Knull	*	*		
Arts	Matt	✓	✓	For	For
	Oberhoffner	(6:10)	(6:10)		
Arts	Alexis Pepin	✓	✓	For	For
Arts	Laura	✓	✓	Against	Against
	Roberts	(6:10)	(6:10)		
Arts	Vivek	✓	✓	For	Against
	Sharma				
Arts	Paul Welke	✓	✓	For	For
		(6:10)	(6:10)		
Business	Jamie	✓	✓	For	For
	Kidston				
	(Adam Cook)				
Business	Meena Rajulu	✓	✓	Against	Against
Business	Holly Tomte	✓	✓	For	For
Education	Charles	✓	✓	For	Against
	Beamish				
Education	Daljeet	✓	✓	For	Against
	Chhina				

Education	Allison	✓	<b>~</b>	For	Against
	Ekdahl				
Education	Mandeep Gill	<b>√</b>	<b>✓</b>	For	For
Education	Janet Lo	✓	✓	For	Against
Engineering	Chris Jones	✓	✓	For	For
Engineering	Margaret Laffin	✓	✓	For	For
Engineering	Paige Smith	✓	✓	For	For
Engineering	Michelle Vigeant	✓	✓	For	For
Engineering	David Weppler	×	✓	Abstain	Abstain
Law	Paul Varga	×	*		
Med/Dent	Miranda Richardson	*	×		
Med/Dent	Jeffrey Cao	✓ (6:10)	✓ (6:10)	Abstain	Abstain
Native Studies	Valerie Knaga	✓	✓	Against	Against
Nursing	Leta Fuhrman	×	*		
Open Studies					
Open Studies					
Pharmacy	Kurt Greene	✓	✓	For	Against

Rehab Med	Adelaine	✓	✓	Against	Against
	Wong	(6:10)	(6:10)		
Fac. Saint-	Lisa Clyburn	✓	✓	For	Against
Jean					
Science	Chamila	✓	✓	For	For
	Adhihetty				
	(Roman				
	Kotovych)				
Science	Kimberly	✓	✓	For	For
	Dary				
Science	Katie Grant	✓	✓	For	Against
Science	Aisha Khatib	×	✓	Abstain	Against
Science	Tereza Elyas	✓	✓	For	Against
Science	Chris Samuel	✓	✓	Against	For
Science	Steven	✓	✓	For	For
	Schendel				
Science	Kimmy	✓	✓	Abstain	Against
	Williams				
Gen.	Bill Smith	×	×		
Manager					
Speaker	Gregory	✓	✓		
	Harlow				
Rec.	Helen	✓	✓		
Secretary	McGraw				

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**Observers:** Tyler Botten, Alex Taylor

#### MINUTES (SC 2002-19)

**2002-19/1 CALL TO ORDER** 6:00

2002-19/4 SPEAKER'S BUSINESS

Tyler Botten and Alex Taylor were named guests of council

2002-19/5 ROLL CALL

2002-19/6 APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

ROSS/GILL MOVED TO approve the agenda

The order of business of the proposed agenda was changed to reflect the standing orders adopted at the last meeting.

SMITH MOVED TO add the Late Additions

12k was not added as its postponement is unlikely to pose immediate detrimental consequences to the SU

HUDEMA/SLOMP challenged the chair

Roll Call (Reikie, Roberts, Sharma, Slomp, Hudema)

Defeated (28/10)

Carried

2002-19/8 APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

SLOMP/GREENE MOVED TO APPROVE the minutes of the

January 7 meeting

Carried

2002-19/9 OUESTION PERIOD

Roberts: What is the next step on the tuition issue? How

many people signed postcards and petition?

**Hudema:** We're mailing all of the letters to the President (about 500). A message will be placed on the SU page asking the president to write back to students so they feel their concerns have been addressed. A whirlwind tour through high schools planned Feb. 17-25 and CAUS is organizing an MLA tour. The university has finally agreed to join us in a joint lobbying effort directed at the province: The Newfoundland Proposal, asks for Alberta to fund PSE to the level of 4<sup>th</sup> highest

in the country (where Newfoundland currently is). We hope to begin negotiations in March or April. We don't know the actual numbers for the petitions and postcards yet.

Kawanami: What's up with all of the Styrofoam plates at the tuition rally? Do we have a policy on the pending human rights challenge on differential tuition? Hudema: The Styrofoam was Anand's doing. Based on a similar case in Ontario, a student has challenged that the differential tuition policy is discriminatory based on race an income. The case is currently before the Office of Human Rights on campus and the Alberta Human Rights commission. They will rule, appoint a commissioner to look into it for about a year, and then there will be a decision. The SU does not have a policy on the issue.

Lo: Why were CFS bumper stickers handed out at the tuition table last week considering our political policy opposing CFS? Hudema: Our policy only says that we won't seek membership in CFS, not that we won't distribute their material. We did our best to remove the CFS logo from the signs they gave us and we thought the stickers were a great thing to give out at the tables.

**Sharma (Councilor):** How did **Reid** vote at last week's BoG meeting?

**Reid:** I voted against differential tuition and against the general increase. I voted in favor of removing the BCom differential.

**Rajulu:** What convinced the BoG to take differential off the BCom?

**Hudema:** Student loan limits haven't been approved for business students. As well, the higher income potential is more dubious than for medicine or law.

**Lo:** How did BoG members in general respond to the rally? **Reid:** I'm not at liberty to provide an answer.

Hudema: I got lots of positive comments about the strong student presence and no negative comments suggesting that this hurt our case. Everyone in the room stayed pretty quiet and let the conversation take place but we could hear people outside; they thought that was a good balance.

**Oberhoffner:** Would **Hudema** care to comment on **Welke's** letter in today's Gateway [criticizing **Hudema's** conduct in the tuition debate]

Hudema: I will take it as a compliment to my efforts if Welke

boycotts. From a purely subjective point of view, I would content that the president is, in fact, ugly.

Sharma: While Welke may find Hudema's language to be ugly, would he not also agree that his own comments in the past, particularly derogatory comments towards African Canadians, to be ugly? Perhaps it is the politics of the tuition debate, not Hudema's language, that is ugly.

Welke: I have used colorful language in the past but my comments are being taken out of context. My friends and I refer to each other with racial slurs all the time; I call my girlfriend "my ho" in her presence all the time and that's just fine.

**Khatib:** Has there been a provincial response to the tuition decision.

**Hudema**: They're increasing loan limits for law and medicine (to \$70,000 and \$90,000 respectively, which doesn't even cover the full cost). We're hoping to have a meeting soon.

**Kawanami:** Is there any way for the ONECard to indicate whether a person is currently a student?

**Brechtel**: All the information on the ONECard is stored on a server, not on the card itself, so a swipe system is necessary to access the information. If you need a sticker indicating your student status, you can get one from the ONECard office free of charge.

**Ross:** At the last CRAP meeting, **Oberhoffner** opposed the amalgamation of the Programming and Student Life boards; could he please clarify his opposition?

**Oberhoffner:** I opposed the abolishment of the Student Life Board because I think it is important for the university; thanks for proving my point.

**Beamish:** Will any SU merchandise be available for purchase? When will we be taking a council photo?

**Ross:** We'll take a photo when the weather is nicer; swag is no longer in my budget (it's in marketing now.)

**Smith:** If you want to order SU merchandise, talk to me. We don't stock it any more as it was distributed rather too liberally in the past.

**Bolivar:** Is there an operating policy governing the use of the SUB stage? The International Center's discussion of female ejaculation and subsequent harassment of audience members

yesterday was inappropriate.

**Smith**: An operating policy is in the works but does not exist yet as the stage is still very new. International week organizers were granted permission to use the stage but didn't mention anything about female ejaculation; indeed it was one of the few exec meetings at which the subject did not arise.

**Taylor:** Was there an operating policy for the ad hoc stage?

Smith: No.

**Rajulu:** Isn't international week next week?

Hudema: Pre-International Week activities going on this week

to generate awareness.

Clyburn: When investigating the possibility of an environmental audit, were any organizations that do environmental assessments for free (e.g. ASA) contacted? Hudema: We have been very active building partnerships with non-profit groups, especially the Sierra Youth coalition. I wasn't aware of ASA but I'd be interested in learning more.

**Smith (Councilor):** How was Engineering Week? **Jones**; It was super. We had over 175 active participants (i.e. those who signed waivers) and more than 400 passive participants (those who didn't); that's >20% of our faculty. We have a >\$3000 donation to the food bank and collected 76 units of blood. All this despite having been driven off campus for many of our events; Eng week will survive!

**Pepin:** How did the undergrad business games go last weekend?

**Cook:** This was our first year participating in this event, which was held in Ottawa, and we placed 3<sup>rd</sup> overall. 21 schools participated, each sending 36 students, making this the largest gathering of students in the country.

Jones: How was South Africa?

McGraw: It was tons of fun; ask Kyle about riding an ostrich.

JONES/SLOMP MOVED TO GO *in camera* to discuss the lawsuits pending against the SU **Carried** 

In Camera Business

HUDEMA/SAMUEL MOVED TO go ex camera Carried

**Reikie:** Of course Lyle Oberg is unimpressed with students rallying at the legislature but it is pure scare tactics for the government to suggest that access would be denied to U of A students because of this.

**Brechtel: Sharma** did this because there has been no movement on PSE funding; it was a rational decision, not a rash one.

#### 2002-19/10

#### APPROVAL OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Please see document SC 02-19.01.

SMITH MOVED TO strike 1c and 1d. Carried (Unanimous)

#### 2002-19/11

#### OLD BUSINESS

### 2002-19/11a

**Energy Audit** 

HUDEMA/SMITH MOVED THAT Students' Council, upon the recommendation of the Executive Committee, approve an expenditure not to exceed \$8000.00 (eight thousand dollars) plus GST to conduct an energy audit. *Please see document SC 02-19.12.* 

Hudema: We've secured funding from the university so we will actually need less than \$8,000. We will hire someone to assess energy use in SUB and provide suggestions for how we can be more energy efficient. The university has almost committed to pay for the audit and has indicated that anything with a 5-8 year payback time will be implemented immediately. The ECOS office is waiting for a \$27,000 grant that could help cover many of the costs of retrofitting.

SMITH MOVED TO reduce the amount from "8,000 plus GST" to "\$5,000" Friendly

Smith: The University pays most of SUB's utility costs, so this is more advantageous to them than to us. The payback period will likely be about 3 years. The university's utility costs are astronomical; this will provide a case study for energy efficiency. Anything that shrinks the university budget would be a good thing for those of us contributing an ever larger share of it.

Welke: What will compliance cost and how much money will it

save?

**Smith:** It shouldn't cost anything because the university will pay for retrofitting with a short-term payback and federal government will hopefully cover the longer-term ones. We won't know payback time until the audit is complete, but preliminary estimates suggest about 3 years.

**Pepin:** Was any research done prior to the commencement of SUB expansion when much of the retrofitting could easily have been incorporated?

**Vigeant:** Have we received quotes from any other consultants?

Clyburn: Wasn't the walking tour of SUB during the Eco Conference an energy audit? Have we explored whether any non-profit groups could provide this service at a lower cost? Hudema: This company was the cheapest of the several from which the received quotes. They were also recommended by Destination Conservation, an Edmonton company that does a energy audits in schools. This will be much more in depth than the SUB walking tour (it will take about a month and a half). The information will be placed before council before decisions are made. Most of the problems are in the older portions of SUB.

Carried (32/1/0)

#### 2002-19/12

#### **LEGISLATION**

#### 2002-19/12a Article XII

SMITH/SAMUEL MOVED THAT Students' Council, upon the recommendation of the Internal Review Board, approve the proposed changes to Article XII of the Constitution (SECOND Reading).

Please see document LA 02-19.04.

**Smith:** Since first reading, we've cleared up term dates and indicated that only voting members of council have 1-year terms. Pass this puppy.

Wong: When would this come into effect?

**Harlow:** This constitution will come into effect in May. If faculty association rules do not abide by the SU constitution, they will need to change.

Carried (25/5/6)

#### 2002-19/12b

Bylaw 2400

SMITH MOVED THAT Students' Council approve the proposed amendments to Bylaw 2400 to take effect May 1, 2003, which the Executive Committee considers to be representative of the recommendations of the Committee for the Finding And

Realization of Changes to Elections (FIRST Reading). *Please see document SC 02-19.05.* 

**Smith**: This bylaw makes coherent and explicit the rules that will govern referenda.

**Jones:** We shouldn't restrict campaigns to only two sides; there are issues on which more than two sides exist and should be represented.

**Taylor:** Section 66,, is not consistent with the spoiled ballots section of Bylaw 2100 although we are presumably dealing with only one ballot?

**Smith**: This is consistent with how all real elections are run. **Taylor**: Will there be a "none of the above" option on the referendum ballot?

**Sharma:** Is it necessary to wait until 1AM to announce the results? This is fairly draconian.

Smith: I guess we could have a none of the above, but it's not immediately obvious to me what it would mean (anarchy?). The committee will discuss the rules on releasing results. Carried (29/6/2) (To IRB)

2002-19/12e Bylaw 2500 SMITH/ROSS MOVED THAT Students' Council, upon the recommendation of the Executive Committee, approve the proposed amendments to Bylaw 2500 (FIRST Reading). *Please see document SC 02-19.06.* 

**Smith**: This clarifies many aspects of the CRO's job: it allows the CRO to determine the number of DROs, requires CRO to be a member of the SU during their term, and makes them responsible to council rather than the exec (which makes more democratic sense.)

2002-19/12f Bylaw 6400 ROSS/SMITH MOVED THAT Students' Council, upon the recommendation of the WUSC Refugee Student Sponsorship Board, accept the proposed changes to Bylaw 6400 (FIRST Reading).

Please see document SC 02-19.07.

Carried (31/4/0) (To IRB)

Ross: Funds allotted to WUSC students will now be tied to enrollment (i.e. the number of students paying SU fees). Students registered in the Faculty of Extension (e.g. for ESL classes) will be inadmissible; currently their fees are coming out of the general WUSC fund, as their tuition vouchers are invalid. The revised board will make recommendations to the

Student Life Board, rather than making the funding decisions it did in the past. WUSC students support this; hopefully Council will too.

Roberts: The local refugee committee has met but the general WUSC board has not had an opportunity to discuss this. There is no need to discriminate against students in the Faculty of Extension; many students don't speak English and this change will prohibit many of the students most in need.

**Bolivar:** What is the difference between the WUSC board that has met and the one that hasn't?

**Kawanami:** The number of SALs should be in a single clause. **Samuel:** Why are the VPSL and Councilor exempt from the board's dismissal provisions?

**Smith:** The VPSL and Councilor serve on the board by virtue of their positions and at the pleasure of students, not by the pleasure of the WUSC board.

**Hudema:** Refugees should be allowed to take ESL in the Faculty of Extension to. Will Ross please assure us that the approval of the general WUSC board should be obtained?

**Sharma**: It is important that we follow the proper process; I need assurances that this will go back to WUSC before I can support it. I don't think participation in WUSC should be based on ones ability to speak English.

**Ross:** The University gives us tuition waivers for WUSC students but these don't apply to the Faculty of Extension; ESL tuition payments come out of WUSC's general revenue fund. I assure you that I will take this to the WUSC board.

**Smith (Councilor):** Does WUSC have any alternate sources of funding?

**Dary:** Why can't tuition vouchers to apply to the Faculty of Extension?

**Roberts:** The WUSC local refugee committee is continuously working on fundraising to cover the expenses of refugee students. The line between Faculty of Extension and U of A students is sketchy.

Carried (27/5/4) (to IRB)

2002-19/12g Bylaw 6550

SMITH/HUDEMA MOVED THAT Students' Council, upon the recommendation of the Executive Committee, approve the proposed changes to Bylaw 6550 relating to APIRG (FIRST Reading).

Please see document SC 02-19.08.

**Smith**: This brings APIRG into line with other dedicated fee bylaws (e.g. CJSR, Gateway). The frequency and length at

which the APIRG board meets makes it impossible for the VPOF to meet his obligations, so the exec member will now be non-voting (the Councilor retains full voting privileges.) Non-voting members can still access all of the information that voting members can, which is my main concern. APIRG is predictably cool with this.

**Kawanami**: It is important for accountability to have an SU presence on the board; if the VPOF can't make the meetings, perhaps we should have two Councilors on the board instead.

**Reikie:** APIRG is the only PIRG with SU representatives as voting board members. The actions of the board this year have been in accordance with their obligations.

**Hudema**: We still have all our rights, we just can't vote. This also helps to ensure the autonomy of the organization.

**Sharma**: The APIRG board works; it is a credit to them that they allow an SU presence on their board.

Smith: It's not relevant whether other PIRGs have voting SU members on their boards; we need to be concerned with our students. Whether APIRG has remained true to their mandate is debatable. Gateway and CJSR have two voting members on their boards (a councilor and an exec member). If I have a question about how the gateway is running, I'll raise it at the meeting but my vote on that committee isn't the way to address this. Oversight is accomplished via three mechanisms: a presence on the board (even as a non-voting member to have access to information), FAB (disbursement of funds) and an audit by a professional accountant (to ensure the accuracy of budgets and annual statements). I would object to the removal of the exec member but not necessarily their voting privileges. Gateway and CJSR meet monthly for about an hour; APIRG meets weekly for about 3 hours.

**Roberts**; There still is considerable SU control over APIRG as all funds must be approved by FAB in order to be released. There are 3 or 4 other non-voting members on the board who have full access to information.

Samuel: The percentage of funds actually going to working groups is quite small; have we considered requiring a certain minimum amount to go to actually fulfilling APIRG's mandate? Smith: It would be a good practice for APIRG to commit to spend a certain portion of their funds for working group funding, but I don't believe that this should be included in the bylaw.

**Samuel**: If you don't believe that council is the proper place to decide this, what is?

Smith: Personally, I think APIRG should be subject to a second

referendum to evaluate how well they have been using their funds. Council has the power to change the APIRG budget if it believes that FAB has been in error.

**Bolivar:** <25% of APIRG funds actually go to funding student projects (and that's being generous); this is clearly in contravention of the spirit of the referendum even if it doesn't violate any actual bylaws.

Roberts: APIRG spent \$5000 for speakers to student groups and associations; \$4000 went to a conference fund for students; we've sponsored several campus events (e.g. Parkland Conference, International Week, Ralph Nader, David Suzuki). A board retreat was an essential expense (the SU exec has a retreat) and was well under budgeted cost. Working group funding has increased (to \$30,000) because there is more money in the budget. As this is the group's first year, there are a number of start-up costs. The two staff members are moderately paid and not full time (20 and 30 hours a week) and are there to support working groups. Reikie: Since the APIRG staff is there to help working groups, their salaries should count as money being spent on working groups.

Carried (24/7/4) (to IRB)

2002-19/12h Bylaw 7200 ROSS/SMITH MOVED THAT Students' Council, upon the recommendation of the Student Life Board, approve the proposed changes to Bylaw 7200 relating to the Students' Union Orientation Program (FIRST Reading). *Please see document SC 02-19.09.* 

**Ross:** Changes to Orientation Manager position (current OM is cool with changes)

**Kawanami:** Why can OMs only hold the position for 3 years? **Ross:** 3 years is about the half-life of OMs before their creativity is sapped.

**Vigeant:** Why were the work hours eliminated? **Williams:** What about hiring committees?

**Ross:** Hours per week were eliminated because that shouldn't be stated in bylaw for a term employee.

Carried (34/4/0) (to Exec)

2002-19/12i Bylaw 7550 ROSS/SMITH MOVED THAT Students' Council, upon the recommendation of the Student Life Board, adopt the proposed Bylaw 7550 relating to the Student Development Centre (FIRST Reading). *Please see document SC 02-19.10.* 

**Ross:** This bylaw was drafted by the Manager of Student Services to govern our newest student service. It is necessarily vague.

Carried (32/1/1/) (not referred)

#### 2002-19/12j

#### Political Policy – Faculty Weeks

SMITH/VIGEANT MOVED THAT STUDENTS' COUNCIL approve the proposed Political Policy regarding Faculty Weeks. *Please see document SC 02-19.11*.

**Smith**: Faculty weeks are good. At least one is under attack for allegedly projecting an insufficiently professional image; we should have a political policy saying that we do, in fact, like faculty weeks.

**Sharma (Councilor):** Are there any limitations to our endorsement of faculty weeks?

Jones: For the record, the "strippers" at last year's Eng week were fully clothed. This policy does provide limitations to our endorsement: it doesn't support anything that is illegal, immoral, or bad.

**Kawanami:** Do these prohibitions on poor taste mean that the engineering movies won't be shown in Horowitz anymore? **Sharma:** It is important to support faculty associations. I don't want to be responsible for engineering week, though.

OBERHOFFNER/LO MOVED the previous question Carried

Carried (31/1/7)

#### 2002-19/13

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### 2002-19/13a Referendum

JONES /WELKEMOVED THAT a referendum be held with respect to zero-rating Students' Union fees for off-campus students in the spring and summer terms, and that the Internal Review Board be directed to develop a referendum question consistent with that topic.

Jones: Off-campus students must pay fees in the summer months when they are only nominally taking courses. Other students don't pay fees then, although they have the same (or indeed greater) access to SU services. It is unfortunate that a referendum is necessary to rectify this inequity.

SMITH MOVED TO amend the motion to read: "JONES/WELKE

MOVED THAT Students' Council direct the Internal Review Board to develop a referendum question with respect to zerorating Students' Union fees for off-campus students in the spring and summer terms"

Friendly

Sharma: Clearly there needs to be discussion about how fees are assessed (wrt RDC and off-campus students, etc.) but a referendum is not the best place for it. The Feb. 15 deadline for referenda makes for too short of a timeline. More information is necessary, particularly wrt revenue implications.

**Kawanami:** Last time we changed the fee scheme for offcampus students it resulted in a net increase for other students.

**Lo:** This proposition is confusing, particularly wrt its implications for fees collected from off-campus students during the rest of the year.

**Kotovych:** There are limitations in Peoplesoft that are currently impeding implementing the current rules; will we be able to put this into practice?

Jones: This is a complex issue and a board should look into it. To delay justice is to deny justice, as Sharma should well know. We have an inequity at the moment and the longer we delay the more money that will be taken unjustly from co-op students not just in engineering but also in science, business, arts and other faculties. Peoplesoft is capable of identifying these students. There is no harm in asking IRB to draft this question as we will have an opportunity to consider the question itself later.

Defeated (15/18/3)
Roll call (Vigeant, Welke, Smith, Jones, Laffin)
Defeated (18/19/5)

#### KAWANAMI/BOLIVAR MOVED to reconsider

Kawanami: Many people were out in the hallway during the vote; this may have been significant for the one-vote margin. Bolivar: Many people haven't been paying attention (I'm talking to you, education). Please make sure you're informed because this isn't that complicated of an issue and there is no practical reason to be abstaining on it.

Hudema (point of privilege): Bolivar is insulting the intelligence of councilors, particularly those in certain faculties.

Bolivar: Precedent allows naming certain faculties. We've

reconsidered questions in the past when people weren't paying attention.

**Kotovych:** Reconsidering the vote doesn't address people not knowing what's going on; there is no sound basis to reconsider this decision.

**Samuel:** If a councilor on the prevailing side changes his mind for any reason, a motion to reconsider is in order.

Carried (21/20/0)

ALAMPI/LO MOVED TO strike the words "in the spring and summer terms"

**Hudema**; Off-campus students should be paying SU fees because they can access many SU services (e.g. online services, advocacy).

Smith (Councilor): This isn't really very hard: if you're not here, you shouldn't be paying fees when nobody else is here either but they don't have to pay fees. The question isn't whether off-campus students should pay fees at all, but rather whether they should be treated the same as other students during the summer months.

Laffin: On a co-op term you only have very retarded contacts on campus (e.g. a co-op coordinator.) We have to pay fees when other people don't; that's the injustice we're trying to address here.

**Reid:** The point of a referendum is to address a particular injustice. This amendment makes the question overbroad.

Brechtel: The registrar's office won't handle this; the entire debate is moot.

Jones: As a co-op student I have no problem paying fall and winter fees; it is only the summer fees that are an injustice. As a summer co-op student I am only nominally a student and therefore shouldn't have to pay fees. If this amendment were sent to referendum it would no doubt fail.

Withdrawn

**Reid:** There is no harm in merely asking IRB to draft a question.

**Beamish:** How much are these SU fees over the summer? KOTOVYCH/SLOMP MOVED the previous question.

Carried

Carried (22/12/2)

2002-19/13b

SMITH/HUDEMA MOVED THAT Students' Council approve an expenditure from the Student Financial Aid and Information

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Center Reserve, not to exceed \$8110.05, for the purchase of furniture in the Student Financial Aid and Information Center. Smith: SFAIC needs furniture. They have a reserve built up from years of collecting more money than they dispersed. This would be an excellent source of money for them. Carried (23/7/2)

2002-19/13c

SMITH/SLOMP MOVED THAT Students' Council ratify the appointment of Parbeer S. Grewal as an alternate member of the Discipline, Interpretation, and Enforcement Board, to serve until October 31, 2003.

Carried (30/0/2)

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2002-19/14a

Mike Hudema - President

President

Thanks to everyone who helped out with the tuition campaign; I love you all. We're working on a provincial lobby campaign and looking to start up a civics course as suggested at the Ralph Nader talk. Watch for it!

2002-19/14b

Anand Sharma - Vice President (External)

Vice-President (External) Thanks to all the people who helped out with the tuition campaign that **Hudema** didn't have time to mention; I love you all. One of the board members said that this was the most articulate campaign he had seen in a while.

2002-19/14c

Mat Brechtel - Vice President (Academic)

Vice-President (Academic) If you know people on the CASS subcommittee of GFC, talk to them ASAP; they will decide whether the changes to the add drop deadline pass.

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Steve Smith - Vice President (Operations and Finance) Written Report Provided

Vice-President (Operations and Finance)

2002-19/14e

Kail Ross - Vice President (Student Life)

Vice-President (Student Life)

Antifreeze was an amazing time; we had about 24 teams.

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Mike Reid - Undergraduate Board of Governors Representative

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Board of Governors Written report provided Representative

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Internal Review Board

**IRB** 

Please see document LA 02-19.01

Carried

2002-19/14h **FAB** 

Financial Affairs Board

Please see document LA 02-19.02.

**Smith:** Approving this report approves the disbursement of funds to APIRG. APIRG has a significant cash flow problem and they need this money ASAP.

REID/BOLIVAR MOVED TO table the question to the next meeting.

**Reid:** Everyone needs to take a long hard look at the budget provided today. There are a number of important questions to ask before more funds are disbursed and this late hour is not the time to be asking them.

**Bolivar:** These numbers are quite problematic; at FAB there were a number of questions that the APIRG representative was unable to answer.

**Hudema**; This would have a significant impact on APIRG's cash flow. The only question for council is whether APIRG is fulfilling their mandate from the referendum question, not the intricacies of the numbers themselves. If there are questions we need to answer them tonight.

Schendel: As long as there are members of the APIRG board present tonight, we should hash this out.

Reikie: Considering the timelines at play, we should consider this tonight or grant the group a cash advance to allow them to continue operating until a budget can be approved.

Kawanami: We are not capable of the necessary due diligence right now; councilors have had inadequate time to consider the relevant documentation.

Welke: Dedicated fees are taxes that we levy on students; we are responsible for how that money is spent.

OBERHOFFNER/PEPIN MOVED the previous question Defeated

**Smith:** APIRG requested these funds in early Dec but FAB was unable to convene until today. It is not fair to APIRG to delay this decision due to our negligence.

**Roberts:** APIRG has been trying since Dec to get this passed. A cash flow grant would be difficult as we are not certain of the group's immediate financial needs.

**Sharma:** We need to do justice to this organization; to defer is a disservice to students.

#### Defeated

BRECHTEL/SCHENDEL MOVED TO amend the motion to replace "all of the remaining funds" with "\$5000 of the remaining funds"

**Brechtel:** This would allow APIRG to continue to operate while we consider their budget with due diligence.

**Kawanami:** What if we allocate this money and then decide that APIRG is not meeting its mandate under the referendum? **Smith:** This motion is an acknowledgement that APIRG is meeting enough of its mandate to be granted \$5000.

**Kawanami**: I question how well equipped we are to make this decision right now.

**Schendel**: Everyone else left of their own will; it's our prerogative to do as we wish.

Carried (18/6/0)

Carried (21/3/0)

**2002-19/17 ADJOURNMENT** (10:00)

#### **Executive Committee Report to Students' Council February 4, 2003**

- 1. The following motions were passed at the January 20, 2003 Executive Committee Meeting
  - a. SMITH/HUDEMA MOVED that the Executive Committee approve the instillation of sinks in the lower level..

**VOTE ON MOTION** 

5/0/0 CARRIED

- 2. The following motions were passed at the January 22, 2003 Executive Committee Meeting
  - a. SMITH/BRECHTEL MOVED that the Executive Committee approve the proposed agreement between the Students' Union and the Gateway Student Journalism Society.

VOTE ON MOTION

3/0/1 (HUDEMA) CARRIED

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#### **Bylaw 2100**

#### A Bylaw Respecting the Nominations and Elections of the Students' Union

#### **Short Title**

1. This Bylaw may be referred to as the "Nominations and Elections Bylaw".

#### **Definitions**

2. For the purpose of this Bylaw:

"candidate" means any individual whose nomination is accepted under this bylaw;

"campaign" means any planned or organized act by or on behalf of any individual candidate or slate which is calculated to gain support for their election;

"campaign expense" means any and all expenditures by or on a candidate's behalf for election advertising, equipment, or other expenditures associated with the campaign;

"campaign manager" means any individual identified by a campaign as their campaign manager for the purposes of this bylaw;

"C.R.O." means the Chief Returning Officer of the Students' Union as set out in Bylaw 2500;

"D.I.E. Board" or "Board" means the Discipline, Interpretation and Enforcement Board of the Students' Union;

"D.R.O." means a Deputy Returning Officer of the Students' Union as set out in Bylaw 2500;

"member" means member of the Students' Union as set out in Article VIII of the Constitution;

"slate" means two or more candidates who are members of a single campaign;

"joke slate" refers to a candidate or a slate who choose not to use their given name, or a reasonable derivative of their given name.

"volunteer" means any individual who engages in campaigning;

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"banner" is any sheet of paper or other material, of a total area between four (4) square feet and two hundred (200) square feet, which is displayed as part of a campaign;

#### **General Election**

#### **General Election**

3.

- a. There shall be an annual general election for the Students' Union on the succeeding Wednesday and Thursday during the second week following the second term Reading Week, notwithstanding Section 3.b. of this Bylaw.
- b. The CRO of the Students' Union shall have the discretion to change the dates and time guidelines of the Students' Union general election and general meeting. These dates must fall between the second Wednesday of February and the third Thursday of March.
- c. There shall be a General Meeting of the Students' Union. This date and time will normally be at 12:00 Noon on the second Monday after the second term Reading Week.
- d. At these meeting(s) the Chief Returning Officer shall establish and enforce the following criteria;
  - i. each candidate shall have the opportunity to speak;
  - ii. no water will be allowed in the facility where the forum will be held;
  - iii. no object(s) may be thrown;
  - iv. no heckling will be permitted;
  - v. any person(s) in violation shall be removed from the facility, and/or the offending objects be confiscated.
- e. Security must be provided by the Chief Returning Officer to ensure a safe and fair election.

#### Offices Contested 4.

- 4. Offices contested in the General Election are:
  - a. those which constitute the Executive Committee;
  - b. the Undergraduate Student Member of the Board of Governors.

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#### **Eligible Voters**

5. Every Member of the Students' Union shall be eligible to vote for each of these positions except the Chief Returning Officer, who shall vote to break a tie in the event that two (2) or more candidates receive an equality of votes.

#### **Opening of Nominations and Qualifications**

#### **Nomination Day**

6. Subject to Section 3, the deadline for nominations shall be at 1700 hours on the Friday before Reading Week, or thirteen (13) days before the campaign begins.

### Requirement to Advertise

7. The Chief Returning Officer shall advertise the opening of nominations for those positions to be contested in the General Election.

#### Method and Period of Advertisement

8. Advertising shall begin thirty-two (32) days prior to the first day of voting, and shall include during that period advertising in each and every issue of the Official Student Newspaper.

### Breach of Section 9. Eight

9. Where the requirements of Section 8 have not or can not be met, the C.R.O. shall first determine if other forms of advertising can reasonably inform Members of the opening of nominations, and where the answer is affirmative shall use those other forms of advertising.

### Rescheduling of Nominations

10. Where Section 8 has been breached and no reasonable remedy is available under Section 9, the C.R.O. may change the dates of the Students' Union general election. These dates must fall between the second Wednesday of February and the third Thursday of March.

#### **Qualifications**

- 11. a. A person who is nominated for a position must be a Students' Union member and comply with the General Faculties Council policies relating to Students' Union elections to run for that position.
  - b. Any person who has an outstanding debt owing to the Students' Union at the time nominations close and does not have a repayment plan approved by the C.R.O. shall not be eligible to be nominated for any position.

#### **Nomination Procedures**

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### Nomination Information

- 12. The C.R.O. shall prepare a package of written information which shall be available to any Member of the Students' Union no later than February 1, and shall include in the package:
  - a. current copies of Bylaws 2500, 2100, 2400;
  - b. nomination forms which include information regarding the proposed nominee, the position they intend to contest, and the names, faculties, years, signatures and student identification numbers of at least fifty (50) Students' Union members as nominators;
  - c. a list of all nomination requirements and deadlines, including instructions on obtaining a letter confirming the nominee's academic standing;
  - d. any other forms required of nominees, including forms used to verify a candidate's qualification under Section 11 (b), and a signed acknowledgment and acceptance of nomination by the nominee:
  - e. contact information for CRO and DRO's
  - f. copies of any regulations which currently exist regarding elections and referenda.
  - g. a restatement of the rules regarding keys and leaves of absence.

### Nomination Papers

- 13. Nomination of candidates shall be in writing, and shall contain:
  - a. the signature, faculty, year and student identification number of at least fifty (50) nominators who shall each be members of the Students' Union;
  - b. a signed acknowledgment of acceptance of the nomination by the nominee:
  - c a letter from the nominee's faculty verifying that the nominee is eligible for nomination under GFC policy, Section 108.9.
  - d. a fifty (\$50.00) dollar deposit in the form of a certified cheque or money order only payable to "Students' Union, University of Alberta";

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- e. a signed statement from the Students' Union verifying their eligibility under Section 11 (b);
- f. a signed document indicating the name which they wish to appear on the ballot.

### Restriction on Nominators

14. No individual may nominate more than one (1) candidate for a single position, and where a nominator has done so all of their nominations for that position shall be declared void.

### Restriction on Nominees

15. No individual may simultaneously contest more than one (1) of the positions listed in Section 4.

### Deadline for Nomination

16. Complete nominations, containing all material described in Section 13, must be received no later than 1700 hours on Nomination Day at the Office of the Chief Returning Officer. It is the sole responsibility of nominees to ensure the completeness and accuracy of their nominations.

### **Incomplete Nominations**

17. Where, at the deadline for nominations, a nomination fails to fully comply with any part of Section 13, the nomination shall be summarily rejected.

#### Deficiency of Eligible Nominators

18. Where, within seventy-two (72) hours of the deadline for nominations, a nomination is found by the C.R.O. to fail to comply with Section 13 (a), the nomination of that individual shall be summarily rejected.

#### Re-opening Nominations

19. Where no nominations for a position have been received by the deadline for nominations, nominations shall be re-opened until 1700 Hours on the third weekday following the Nomination Day, and the C.R.O. shall advertise and post this information.

#### No nominations

20. If no nomination is received by the second deadline for nominations, the vacant office shall be filled by Students' Council.

#### **Nomination Day**

# C.R.O. to convene 21. candidate's meeting

21. Following the closing of nominations, the C.R.O. shall convene a meeting for candidates and campaign managers.

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#### Mandatory Attendance

22. All candidates and campaign managers are required to attend the candidate's meeting in its entirety. The C.R.O. may exempt individuals from attendance under extenuating circumstances, but only if:

- (a) the individual requesting an exemption does so in writing at least forty-eight hours prior to the meeting, or
- (b) informs the C.R.O. of an emergency for which no notice could be given.

### Penalty for Absence

23. Where a campaign fails to comply with Section 22, that campaign shall be disqualified by the C.R.O.

### **Keys Must Be Turned In**

24. At the candidates meeting, all candidates and campaign managers shall be required to deposit with the C.R.O. any and all keys, cards, or other methods of access to any building or room on the University of Alberta campus, excepting only their residence.

#### Leave of Absence Required

- 25. All candidates and campaign managers shall be required to submit a leave of absence beginning at 1700 Hours on Nomination Day and ending at the close of balloting where they hold a position as
  - (a) a member of the Executive Committee;
  - (b) the Undergraduate Board of Governors representative;
  - (c) an employee of the Students' Union;
  - (d) a volunteer or employee of a Campus Media source;
  - (e) an executive member of a student group, club, student association, faculty association, residence association or any other similar campus-based organization.

#### Board of Governors Representative Exempted for Meeting

26. Where a meeting of the Board of Governors is held during the leave of absence period, and no proxy is permitted, the Undergraduate Board of Governors representative shall be exempted from Section 25 when preparing for or attending the meeting. The representative shall make no public comment, including to media, and shall not discuss the meeting while campaigning.

#### Candidate in Breach of Key Rule

27. Where a candidate is in breach of Section 24 they shall be disqualified.

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#### Manager in Breach of Key Rule

28. Where a campaign manager is in breach of Section 24 they shall be disqualified from serving as a campaign manager or volunteer for that campaign, and their campaign shall not be permitted to engage in any campaign activity for 24 hours.

### Required content of meeting

29. At the candidates meeting the C.R.O. shall:

- (a) review elections bylaws, rules and regulations, and respond to questions about the same;
- (b) announce the time and date of the General Meeting and forum;
- (c) announce the time and date of any other election forums which have been scheduled;
- (d) conduct a random draw to determine the order of names on the ballot for each position;
- (e) review specific bylaws and procedures relating to leaves of absence, keys, campaign material, purchase orders, the allocation of limited resources including table bookings, pre-campaigning, and complaints and appeals;
- (f) announce the times and dates of daily meetings during the campaign, and announce any other methods that will be regularly used to communicate with campaigns.
- (g) take attendance for the purposes of verifying compliance with Section 22

#### **Immediately Following Nomination Day**

### Formation of Slates

30. Candidates may run together as a slate by informing the C.R.O. of their intention to do so no later than noon of the day following the close of nominations.

#### Slate Name

31. Slates shall be permitted to identify themselves using a Slate Name, which may appear on campaign materials.

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#### Slate Name Appears on Ballot

32. An abbreviation of the Slate Name shall appear on the ballot following the candidate's name. Slates may request a particular abbreviation, but the C.R.O. shall choose what name appears on the ballot.

### Restriction on Name Content

33. No slate shall choose a name which is the same as that of a registered federal or provincial political party. Where two (2) or more similar names are submitted to appear on the ballot for a candidate or slate, the C.R.O. shall choose which names appear on the ballot.

### Posting of Nominations

34. Within 36 hours of the closing of nominations, the C.R.O. shall post both the legal names of all candidates and the names which will appear on the ballot, and shall publish the same in the next issue of the Official Student Newspaper.

#### **Pre-Campaigning**

#### **Prohibition**

35. No Member shall campaign prior to the opening of campaigning. Precampaigning rules shall come into effect the day nomination packages are released

#### **Exemption**

- 36. Notwithstanding Section 35, an individual seeking nomination, or a candidate, may:
  - (a) solicit nominations from no more than 100 students;
  - (b) consult privately with other Members regarding their campaign;
  - (c) consult with the C.R.O. or D.R.O.s;
  - (d) consult with any official, employee or executive member of the Students' Union or the University;
  - (e) privately prepare draft campaign materials.

# Exemption following Nomination Day

- 37. Notwithstanding Section 35, following Nomination Day a candidate or campaign manager may:
  - (a) prepare campaign materials and review them with volunteers;
  - (b) make any booking or arrangement approved by the C.R.O.

#### Campaigning

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### **Duration of Campaign**

38. Campaigning shall last for eight (8) consecutive days, starting at 1800 Hours on the first Monday, continuing through the next weekend, and ending at 1800 hours on the Tuesday before voting begins. All campaign materials must be removed, in a manner to be determined by the Chief Returning Officer, by 2100 hours on the day before voting begins.

## Daily Mandatory Meeting with C.R.O.

39. On every week-day during the campaign period, the C.R.O. shall chair a meeting of campaign representatives to review complaints, rulings, regulations, procedures and announcements. All campaigns are required to send at least one (1) representative from their campaign, or an official proxy appointed, in writing, by the campaign manager or a candidate.

### Penalty for Absence

40. Where a campaign fails to send a representative to the daily meeting, they shall be fined ten (\$10.00) dollars per candidate for each incident.

### General Rules of Campaigning

- 41. Each campaign is required to act reasonably, responsibly and in good faith, and specifically is required to:
  - (a) ensure that all candidates, managers and volunteers are aware of all bylaws, rules, regulations and orders;
  - (b) ensure that all candidates, managers and volunteers comply with all bylaws, rules, regulations and orders;
  - (c) be responsible to the C.R.O. for the conduct of its volunteers;
  - (d) report any breach of a bylaw, rule, regulation or order immediately;
  - (e) comply with all University regulations, including those of Physical Plant and University residences or residence associations.
  - (f) communicate with University officials only through, or with the approval of, the C.R.O.

### **Student Groups May Not**

42. No student group shall provide any campaign with the resources of their association. Where a student group violates this Section, the campaign which benefits from their violation shall be penalized.

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# Executive and Board of

43. No member of the Executive Committee or the Board of Governors, shall

# **Governors May Not Campaign**

- (a) campaign for or endorse a campaign without taking a leave of absence for the duration of the campaign period;
- (b) provide any campaign with the resources of the Students' Union.

### Allowance for Referendum and Plebiscite

44. In the event of a plebiscite or referendum during the election, members of the Executive Committee or the Board of Governors Representative may speak to and/or endorse a side.

## **Rule Against Collusion**

- 45. No campaign shall collude with another campaign, either prior to, during or following the campaign period. Specifically, no campaign, campaign manager, or candidate shall
  - (a) appear jointly in any campaign material;
  - (b) publicly endorse another candidate or campaign;
  - (c) jointly use resources, including campaign tables;
  - (d) produce campaign materials whose appearance could cause a reasonable person to associate that campaign with another.

# Exemption to Rule

46. In the event of a plebiscite or referendum during the election, a candidate and/or a campaign may speak to and/or endorse a side.

# Freedom of Members

47. Any member with the exception of the Executive Committee, the Board of Governors Representative, a candidate or campaign manager, shall be permitted to volunteer for or endorse multiple campaigns.

# Liability for Property Damage

48. Where property belonging to the University of Alberta, the Students' Union or any third party is damaged by any candidate, manager or volunteer, the candidate(s) from that campaign shall be personally liable for that damage.

# Restrictions on Campaigning

- 49. No individual may campaign:
  - (a) in a business or service owned or operated by the Students' Union;
  - (b) off-campus;

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- (c) in a University library;
- (d) in a classroom during a class period without first obtaining permission.

### Media

50. All candidates are free to pursue campus-based media as determined by the CRO; however, are restricted from contacting external media sources. All external media must be directed through the CRO office.

### **General Meeting**

51. There shall be a General Meeting of the Students' Union.-This date and time will normally be at 12:00 Noon on the second Monday after the second term Reading Week. The C.R.O. shall Chair the meeting, and shall provide each candidate with an opportunity to speak.

## Restriction on Conduct

- 52. All individuals, including candidates, managers and volunteers, attending the General Meeting are required to act in a reasonable and responsible manner, and specifically no one shall:
  - (a) prevent a candidate from speaking during their allotted time;
  - (b) threaten the safety of another individual, including a candidate, at the forum;
  - (c) make any public statement which deliberately misrepresents facts, or is libelous, slanderous, obscene, or patently unfair to a campaign;
  - (d) distribute any campaign material during the meeting or within the room where the meeting occurs.

# C.R.O. to enforce 53. conduct

- 53. While serving as Chair, the C.R.O. shall enforce Section 52. If an individual or candidate breaches Section 52, the C.R.O. may:
  - (a) prevent the individual or candidate from continuing to make their statement or action;
  - (b) require a candidate to apologize for a statement or action;
  - (c) order the individual or candidate removed from the General Meeting.

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# No further recourse

54. Notwithstanding the appeal procedures later provided for, no further appeal or penalty is available for a breach of Section 52 other than that provided by Section 53.

### **Other Forums**

55. Campaigns may participate in forums organized by other campus organizations, but no candidate shall participate in a forum unless all candidate's for a given position have received an invitation to attend and participate.

### Section 50 Does Not Apply

56. All other forums are encouraged to follow the rules and principles set out in Section 52, but the C.R.O. shall not apply the rules of Section 52 to those forums unless serving as Chair or present at the forum, in which case the C.R.O. may intervene.

### **Campaign Materials (General)**

# Requirement for C.R.O. Approval

57. All campaign materials must be approved in form, content and cost by the C.R.O. before they may be used in a campaign.

### Standard Materials

58. The C.R.O. shall normally approve campaign material in the form of posters, pamphlets, newspapers, ribbons, buttons and banners.

### Request for Non-Standard Materials

59. The C.R.O. shall consider written requests from campaigns to use campaign material not outlined in Section 58, and shall respond in confidence to the campaign within 24 hours of the request.

# Restriction on Form of Materials

60. The C.R.O. shall not approve campaign materials which:

- (a) have more than a nominal value when distributed;
- (b) primarily benefit individual members of a slate;
- (c) are displayed but not distributed, and can not be removed at the end of the campaign period;
- (d) are likely to damage property, including stickers and paint applied to building surfaces;
- (e) can not be monitored for compliance with all election bylaws, rules and regulations, including all electronic campaigning excepting only any World Wide Web space maintained and monitored by the Students' Union.

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### Restriction on Content of Materials

61. The C.R.O. shall not approve campaign materials which:

- (a) contain libel or slander;
- (b) are factually incorrect;
- (c) violate any federal or provincial statute or regulation;

# Request for Approval

62. Campaigns shall provide the C.R.O. with:

- a) a written description of the proposed campaign material;
- b) an written estimate of the cost of the proposed campaign material, and the source of that cost;
- c) the complete contents of the proposed campaign material, including text, images and its appearance on final presentation.
- d) It is the sole responsibility of each campaign to ensure that the C.R.O. receives all requests for approval of materials and that these requests fully comply with Section 62.

# C.R.O. Required to Reply

63. The C.R.O. shall provide in confidence a written approval or refusal of campaign materials, and shall respond within four (4) working hours of receiving a complete request.

### Purchase Procedure

64. Any purchase of campaign materials that exceeds one hundred (\$100.00) dollars must be paid for using a Purchase Order obtained from the C.R.O. and the Students' Union. No invoice for materials exceeding one hundred (\$100.00) dollars shall be paid by the Students' Union without a Purchase Order.

# **Early Approval of Purchase Orders**

65. Where a nominee has submitted complete nomination papers prior to the deadline, and those papers have been reviewed and approved in their entirety, the candidate may apply for a Purchase Order in advance of Nomination Day, providing that the work approved by the Purchase Order does not begin prior to 1700 Hours on Nomination Day.

## Unauthorized Materials

66. Where the C.R.O. determines that campaign material which has not been approved under Section 62 is being distributed, displayed or used by a campaign, then:

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(a) the C.R.O. shall order the material immediately withdrawn or removed and shall confiscate the material from the campaign for a period of not less than 24 hours;

(b) the C.R.O. shall assign an additional penalty, which may include destruction of the material, a fine or a restriction on campaigning, providing that the penalty is balanced against the volume of material distributed or its effect, and that no destruction take place until the appeal period expires.

# Campaign Materials (Posters, Banners and Photocopies)

### Number of Banners Permitted

- 67. a) Each campaign shall be limited to a maximum of one (1) banner per building, and five (5) banners in total.
  - b) Banners shall be constructed and placed according to University building regulations.
  - c) Where a banner is in violation of Section 67 (b), it may be removed by the C.R.O. or D.R.O.'s, or they may order another individual or campaign to make the removal.

### Size of Banners Permitted

68. Banners, whether made from paper or any other material, shall be restricted to a minimum total area of four (4) square feet and a maximum total area of two hundred (200) square feet.

### Number of Posters Permitted, Distribution and Identification

69. Each campaign shall have an unlimited amount of posters on display at any one time, and distribution shall occur through the C.R.O. who shall communicate in advance the rules, regulations or procedures to be followed. The C.R.O. shall use a unique mark, punch or means of identification to verify that only posters distributed by the C.R.O. have been used. All posters must be printed on recyclable paper.

# Placement of Posters

- 70. Each campaign must comply with building regulations set out by the University of Alberta, and the additional limitations that:
  - (a) no more than one (1) poster per campaign may be affixed to any one (1) bulletin board;
  - (b) no more than one (1) poster per campaign may be affixed on the same plane within ten (10) feet of another;

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- (c) no more than two (2) posters per campaign may be affixed to the same pillar, and these posters must face in opposite directions;
- (d) no poster may be affixed so as to obscure or cover campaign materials.

# Posters in Violation

71 Where a poster is in violation of Section 70, it may be removed by the C.R.O. or the D.R.O.'s, or they may order another individual or campaign to make the removal.

## Damage to Materials

72. No individual may remove, deface, damage or destroy campaign material without the authorization of the C.R.O. or the D.R.O.'s.

# Removal of Materials

73. All campaign materials must be removed, in a manner to be determined by the Chief Returning Officer, by 2100 Hours on the day before voting begins. The C.R.O. may require a reasonable number of representatives from each campaign to participate in the removal.

# **Purchase of Printed Materials**

74. All printed campaign materials must be purchased at official list price costs from one (1) or more of at least five (5) printing companies to be stipulated by the C.R.O.

# **Exemption Limited**

75. No exemption shall be provided for Section 74, unless it can be demonstrated in writing by the campaign that none of the five (5) printing companies stipulated have the facilities or equipment required to produce the materials.

### Purchase of Photocopied Materials

All photocopied campaign materials must be purchased from the Students' Union Print Centre at official list prices. No exemption shall be provided to any campaign while the Print Centre or another similar Students' Union business remains operating and providing these services.

### C.R.O. Must Mark All Photocopies and Record Quantities

77. The C.R.O. shall receive all campaign materials in advance of their distribution, and shall create a unique mark, punch or means of identification on every individual piece of authorized material that verifies it as having been approved. The C.R.O. shall tabulate the volume of material received, approved and returned for distribution, and compare those volumes with receipts included in the campaign expense accounts.

# Time Limit on Material Return

78. The C.R.O. shall return materials to campaigns within a reasonable time period of twelve (12) posted work hours.

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### **Campaign Expense Limits and Expense Review**

### **Individual Expense** Limit

No campaign may spend more than the following amount:

(a) one (1) candidate

\$ 600.00 (b) two (2) candidates \$ 750.00

(c) three (3) candidates \$ 900.00

(d) four (4) candidates \$1050.00

(e) five (5) candidates \$1200.00

(f) six (6) candidates \$1350.00

### "Joke Slate" **Expense Limits**

A candidate choosing not to use their given name, or a reasonable 80. derivative of their given name, shall not spend more than fifty (50%) per cent of the limit provided under Section 79.

### Responsibility for **Record Keeping**

Each campaign shall keep an up-to-date and accurate account of all campaign expenses, and the candidate(s) shall be responsible for answering any inquiry from the C.R.O. regarding expenses.

### Deadline for **Expense Account Submission**

82. Each campaign must submit to the C.R.O. by 1800 Hours on the Monday before voting begins their campaign expense account, listing and totaling all expenses, and including all original receipts and bills.

### No Expenses on **Monday before** Voting

No campaign expenses may be made after 1800 Hours on the Monday before voting, save those already included in the campaign expense account.

### Fair Market Value Requirement

84. Where a product or service is provided to a campaign without invoice, or at an invoiced rate less than official list prices, the expense account shall record the fair market value of the product or service as the expense amount.

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### Specific Value for Donated Creative Services

- 85. Where any of the following services are provided including but not limited to:
  - (a) writing or graphic design;
  - (b) photography; or
  - (c) web-page writing, design or programming,

and no amount or a nominal amount is paid for the creative service, the amount charged will be established by the CRO prior to Nomination Day. All services should be brought to the CRO so that a nominal fee will be established and then declared on the campaign expense account.

# All Materials Costs to be Declared

86. Where a service has been provided under Section 85, any materials or costs other than labor shall be recorded on the campaign expense account, including film, developing, printing, scanning, pmt generation, and computer discs.

# Fair Market Value Assessment

- 87. Fair market value shall be determined by the C.R.O. using the following factors:
  - (a) the price another campaign would have to pay for the same product or service provided by that supplier, or another similar supplier, in which case that amount shall be assessed; or,
  - (b) whether the product or service is available to campaigns at no charge, in which case no charge shall be assessed.

### Procedure to Request a Fair Market Value Assessment

- 88. For certainty in budgeting purposes, a campaign may request in writing a declaration from the C.R.O. of a product or service's fair market value, but must include in that request:
  - (a) a full and accurate description of the product or service;
  - (b) the supplier of the product or service, and their address, phone, fax and e-mail where possible;
  - (c) the campaign's estimate of fair market value, and their method of deriving that value;
  - (d) at least three (3) other suppliers of the same product or service;

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(e) where a product or service is to be claimed as free, reasonable evidence of that fact and reasonable evidence that the information is available to other campaigns;

(f) a signed declaration indicating the presence or absence of any relationships, whether by blood, marriage or acquaintance, between the supplier and any member of the campaign.

# C.R.O. Required to Respond

89. The C.R.O. shall provide a written response to any complete request made under Section 87 within 36 hours of the request being received.

# Only C.R.O. may challenge

90. Only the C.R.O. may review or challenge the contents of the campaign expense accounts.

# C.R.O. to review and post

91. The C.R.O. shall review all expense accounts, and shall post summaries of all campaign's expenses by 1600 Hours on the Tuesday before voting begins.

### Mandatory Disqualification

92. Where the C.R.O. determines that a campaign has exceeded their expense limit or has falsified documents, the campaign shall be disqualified, and notice to this effect shall be posted with the budgets, and communicated directly to the campaign in question.

### D.I.E. Board Meeting

93. The C.R.O. shall request the D.I.E. Board to convene a meeting at 1900 Hours on the Tuesday before voting in the event that there is an appeal of a ruling made under Section 92.

## Limit to Appeal Period

94. Where a campaign has been disqualified under Section 91, they may only appeal by presenting notice and appearing before a D.I.E. Board meeting that same day.

### D.I.E. Board Must Rule

95. Notwithstanding normal procedures, where the D.I.E. Board hears an appeal under Section 94, they shall make a verbal or written ruling prior to the commencement of voting at 0800 Hours the following day, or make an order to postpone the commencement of voting.

### Voting

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### **Balloting**

96. Each member of the Students' Union shall be allowed to cast one (1) secret, non-transferable ballot, and the ballot will entitle each voter to make one (1) choice for each position.

# Multiple votes in one category

97. Every member of the Students' Union shall be eligible to vote for only one candidate in the positions outlined in Section 4. In the event that a member votes for more than one candidate in any category that ballot will be declared void.

### Multiple ballots cast

98. Every member of the Students' Union shall be eligible to vote only once. In the event that the C.R.O. determines that a member has voted more than once, all that members' ballots will be declared void.

# C.R.O. Determines Location

99. Voting shall be conducted at locations and times determined by the C.R.O., and the C.R.O. shall advertise the same, however no voting, other than one advance poll, shall be conducted until all campaign expenses have been approved, or until all appeals of disqualification's have been ruled on by D.I.E. Board.

# C.R.O. Determines how ballots are cast

100. The C.R.O. may conduct balloting by any means that provides precise, accurate, and confidential results. These means may include but not be limited to; mail-in ballots, on-campus balloting, electronic balloting or telephone balloting. The C.R.O. may use any of the aforementioned means of balloting in any combination.

### **Poll Clerks**

101. At each poll there shall be two (2) Poll Clerks in attendance at all times. When, for any reason, only one (1) Poll Clerk is in attendance, balloting shall cease.

### **Notice to Voters**

102. At each poll there shall be a notice to voters that candidates are elected individually to positions, and that they are not required to vote for every position.

### **Ballot Handling**

103. The C.R.O. shall provide for the secure handling and transportation of ballots.

# Restriction on Candidates

104. During voting candidates may encourage voting, but may not campaign. Candidates are not permitted within twenty (20) feet of a polling station or booth except for the purposes of voting.

### **Ballot Counting and Recounts**

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105. Each campaign is permitted to have one (1) agent present at the counting of ballots, provided that once they have entered the count room, they may not leave the facility until the completion of counting.

### C.R.O. Obligations

- 106. The C.R.O. or at least one designated (1) Deputy Returning Officer shall supervise the ballot counting process, and shall:
  - a) post final election results at both offices of the C.R.O. and Students' Union Executive within forty-eight (48) hours of all complaints and appeals having been resolved;
  - b) notify Speaker of Students' Council and Outgoing President of the Students' Union in writing of the final results:
  - c) advertise final election results in the first edition of the Official Student Newspaper after the posting of final election results as outlined in Section 104(a);
  - d) unofficial results may be posted at any time at the discretion of the C R O
  - e) seal ballot boxes until all complaints and appeals have been resolved;
  - f) store the ballots in a locked container or room for a period of at least two (2) weeks after the last recount has been completed.

- **Request for Recount** 107. A request for a recount shall be granted where:
  - a. the request is in writing and signed by a candidate who is contesting the particular position; and,
  - b. the request is submitted to the C.R.O. within forty-eight (48) hours of the posting of the election results; and,
  - c. the difference between the candidates for any one position is less than one half (1/2) of one percent (1%) of the total votes cast for the position.

### C.R.O. may Initiate

108. The C.R.O. may initiate a recount independently.

### Post Recount Results

109. The C.R.O. shall post the results of a recount within forty-eight (48) hours of the recount being completed.

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### **Expense and Deposit Reimbursement**

### **Refund of Deposit**

110. The Students' Union shall refund a candidate their deposit only if they receive ten (10%) per cent or more of the total votes cast for the position they seek.

# Restriction on Refund

111. The Students' Union shall not refund a candidate their deposit if they withdraw from the election after 1700 Hours on the third day immediately after the Nomination Day, unless, in the opinion of the Chief Returning Officer, extenuating personal reasons have forced the candidate to withdraw.

# Purchase Order Expenses

112. The Students' Union shall directly pay any invoice over a one hundred (\$100.00) dollar value, as evidenced by their campaign expense account, provided that the candidate has complied with all provisions of this Bylaw.

# Reimbursement of Expenses

113. The Students' Union shall reimburse a candidate the remaining full value of their campaign expenses as evidenced by their campaign expense account, provided that the candidate has complied with all provisions of this Bylaw.

### Restriction on Reimbursement and Disqualification

114. The Students' Union shall not reimburse a candidate the value of their campaign expenses nor refund their deposit if a candidate has been disqualified from running for office.

### **Violations and Complaints**

### C.R.O. Jurisdiction Affirmed

115. The C.R.O. is empowered to investigate and rule upon any breach of this bylaw, or any other bylaw, rule, regulation or order related to elections.

### **Any Member May Allege Breach**

116. Any Member may allege a breach of this bylaw, or any other bylaw, rule, regulation or order related to elections except where otherwise stated.

### C.R.O. to Prepare All Forms

117. The C.R.O. shall be responsible for preparing and making available any forms or information required in this part of the bylaw.

# **Contents of Complaint Form**

118. The C.R.O. shall prepare and provide a complaint form which requires complainants to indicate:

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- (a) the name and student identification number of the complainant;
- (b) the specific bylaw number and Section, rule, regulation or order that has been breached:
- (c) the specific campaign or individual, including the C.R.O., that is alleged to be in breach;
- (d) the specific facts which constitute the alleged breach;
- (e) the evidence for these facts.

### **Limiting Clause**

119. No complaint shall be considered by the C.R.O. unless it is in writing and is received within twenty-four (24) hours of the alleged breach.

### Limitation

120. If a complaint involving pre-campaigning is brought to the attention of the C.R.O. within 24 hours of the discovery of an alleged breach then it will be considered.

### Notice of **Complaint**

121. The original complaint form shall be provided to the C.R.O.. The complainant must also provide a copy of the form to any individual named in the complaint.

# Rule in 24 Hours

**C.R.O.** Required to 122. Where a complaint is received and found to be complete, the C.R.O. shall investigate the facts, and shall rule on the complaint in writing within twenty-four (24) hours of receiving the complaint.

- Contents of Ruling 123. Any ruling of the C.R.O. shall be posted at both the offices of the C.R.O. and the Students' Union Executive, and shall contain:
  - (a) a summary of the allegation;
  - (b) a summary of the parties to the complaint;
  - (c) where the C.R.O. fails to possess jurisdiction, a summary of the reasons for this finding;
  - (d) a listing of all applicable bylaws, rules, regulations or orders that apply;
  - (e) a finding regarding the facts;
  - (f) a ruling regarding the alleged breach;

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- (g) the penalty assigned;
- (h) the time the ruling was posted;
- (i) the time limit on any appeal.

### Result, Not Intent, Relates to Penalty

- 124. Where a breach has occurred, regardless of cause or the intent of the parties involved, and that breach has provided an unfair advantage to a campaign, the C.R.O. shall assign a penalty that
  - (a) fully counter-balances any unfair advantage gained;
  - (b) penalizes the campaign for committing a violation.
  - (c) is of the same type or character as the advantage which was gained.

### Penalties Available

- 125. Penalties available to the C.R.O. include, but are not limited to:
  - (a) a fine, to be included in campaign expenses;
  - (b) the confiscation or destruction of campaign materials;
  - (c) limits, restrictions and prohibitions on any type of campaigning, for any period of time;
  - (d) disqualification.

### **Series of Breaches**

126. A penalty may be assessed for an individual breach, or for a series of repeated violations that in aggregate constitute a greater breach.

# Causes for Disqualification

- 127. A campaign or candidate shall be disqualified where they commit a serious breach that
  - (a) cannot be counter-balanced by a lesser penalty;
  - (b) is malicious or substantially prejudicial to another campaign;
  - (c) involves tampering with ballots, balloting, voting or counting procedures; or,
  - (d) involves repeated violations.

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# Available

Further Discipline 128. Where a Member commits a serious breach, the C.R.O. may recommend to D.I.E. Board that further penalties be brought under Bylaw 1200 (The Discipline, Interpretation and Enforcement Board Bylaw).

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Voiding of Election 129. Where a serious contravention of this Bylaw occurs, such that the results of the election could not reasonably be deemed to indicate the actual preference of the electors, that election or that part related to the contravention, may be declared void by the C.R.O. or D.I.E. Board upon appeal of the C.R.O.'s actions.

### "Joke Slate" cannot win

- If a candidate, contesting on election as a joke slate, is a) elected, another election will be held to elect a candidate for that position.
  - b) In the event of (a), only the position(s) that is (are) won by a joke slate, will be contested.

### Second Election

- 131. If another election is required by virtue of the operation of Section 129 and 130 the C.R.O. shall establish new nomination and election dates except that:
  - (a) neither date shall fall on a Saturday, Sunday, or statutory holiday; and
  - (b) the Nomination Day shall precede the Election Day by not less than nine (9) days and not more than seventeen (17) days, and
  - (c) the Chief Returning Officer shall post not less than five (5) days prior to the Nomination Day notice of the election and of the Nomination Day and shall advertise them in the Official Student Newspaper to the maximum extent practicable.

### **Initiating an Appeal**

### **Parties Entitled to Appeal**

132. Any party to a complaint is entitled to appeal the ruling of the C.R.O. to the D.I.E. Board.

### Contents of **Complaint Form**

- 133. The C.R.O. shall prepare and provide an appeal form which requires appellants to indicate:
  - (a) the name and student identification number of the appellant;

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- (b) the ruling being appealed;
- (c) the reason for the appeal, including specifically any errors in interpretation or application found in the ruling;
- (d) the ruling sought from D.I.E. Board.

### **Limiting Clause**

134. No appeal shall be considered by the D.I.E. Board unless it is in writing and is received within twenty-four (24) hours of the C.R.O.'s ruling being posted.

### Notice of **Complaint**

135. The original appeal form shall be provided to the Chair of D.I.E. Board. The appellant must also provide a copy of the form to the C.R.O. and any individual named in the complaint.

### D.I.E. Board Required to Hear in 24 Hours

136. Where an appeal is received and found to be complete, the D.I.E. Board shall convene a hearing within twenty-four (24) hours of receiving the appeal.

### **Appeal Hearing Procedures**

### **First Ruling**

- 137. The Board shall first convene privately and determine:
  - (a) if it has jurisdiction over the appeal;
  - (b) if a prima facie case has been made in the appeal.

# Hearing

Dismissal Without 138. If either condition in Section 131 has not been met, the Board shall dismiss the appeal or the affected parts of the appeal.

### **Conflicts of Interest**

- 139. At the opening of the appeal hearing, the Chair shall
  - (a) ask Board members if a conflict of interest exists between them and any party to the appeal;
  - (b) ask the parties to the appeal if they challenge any Board member based on a conflict of interest.

### **Board Determines Membership**

140. Having heard the statements made under Section 136, the Board alone shall determine who shall sit on the appeal.

### Procedures to be **Explained**

141. The Chair shall then explain any procedures to be followed to the parties involved, including any time limits to presentations or examinations.

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### 142. Any party to an appeal may choose to be represented for all or part **Parties Entitled to** of the hearing. Representation 143. The appellant shall be presented with the opportunity to Appellant's Presentation (a) make any oral or written presentations; (b) call and examine witnesses: (c) present any evidence. 144. During the appellant presentations and examinations, the Board may **Board May** intervene with questions. **Ouestion** 145. Following the examination of a witness, the respondent shall have Respondent's the opportunity to cross-examine. Cross-Examination 146. The respondent shall follow the same procedure at the completion Respondent's of the appellants presentations. Presentation 147. The Board shall offer first the appellant, then the respondent, the Closing opportunity to make a closing statement. **Statements** 148. The Board shall retire for deliberations in camera, and shall rule in **Board Decides In** writing within twenty-four (24) hours of the hearing. Camera 149. All rulings shall be posted outside the offices of the C.R.O. and the **Ruling Posted and** Students' Union Executive, and published in the Official Student **Published** Newspaper. 150. The Board may uphold, modify or overturn any ruling made or **Board's Powers to** penalty assigned by the C.R.O., and additionally may overturn all or Rule part of the election results and apply penalties under Bylaw 1200.

151. No appeal exists from a ruling of the Board on an election matter.

**No Appeal Exists** 

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### **Bylaw 2100**

### A Bylaw Respecting the Campus Wide Election of the Students' Union

### **Short Title**

1. This Bylaw may be referred to as the "Campus Wide Election Bylaw."

### **Definitions**

- 2. For the purpose of this bylaw:
  - (a) <u>a "member" shall be a member of the Students' Union, as</u> set out in Article I of the Students' Union Constitution;
  - (b) a "slate" shall be two (2) or more candidates who choose to run as members of a single slate for the purposes of this bylaw;
  - (c) the "Election" shall be the election of the Students' Union
    Executive Committee and of the Undergraduate Board of
    Governors Representative;
  - (d) the "General Meeting" shall be the annual General Meeting of the Students' Union, as set out in Article X of the Students' Union Constitution;
  - (e) a "campaign activity" shall be any act, planned or organized by or on behalf of any candidate or slate, that is calculated to draw attention to that candidate or slate's canidacy;

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(f) the "Campaign" shall be the period of time during which campaign activities are permitted;

- (g) a "campaign expense" shall be any expenditures incurred in engaging in campaign activities;
- (h) the "C.R.O." shall be the Chief Returning Officer of the Students' Union, as set out in the Chief Returning Officer and Elections Staff Bylaw;
- (i) the "D.I.E. Board" shall be the Discipline, Interpretation, and Enforcement Board of the Students' Union, as set out in Article XV of the Students' Union Constitution and in the Discipline, Interpretation, and Enforcement Board Bylaw;
- (j) a "D.R.O." shall be a Deputy Returning Officer of the Students' Union, as set out in the Chief Returning Officer and Elections Staff Bylaw;
- (k) a "candidate" shall be any member whose nomination is accepted under this bylaw;
- (l) the "Official Student Newspaper" shall be the Official Student Newspaper designated by Students' Council as set out in the Official Student Newspaper Bylaw;
- (m) a "joke candidate" shall be any candidate running either individually or as a member of a slate, who chooses not to use his/her given name or a reasonable derivative of his/her given name when appearing on the ballot;

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(n) <u>a "volunteer" shall be any individual who is not a candidate but assists in campaign activities;</u>

- (o) "campaign materials" shall be any physical or electronic media produced or distributed as part of campaign activities;
- (p) a "banner" shall be any campaign material composed of paper, cloth, or similar material of a total area greater than four (4) square feet;
- (q) a "poster" shall be any campaign material composed of paper, cloth, or similar material, of a total area of under four
   (4) square feet that is designed to be posted on a wall or similar place;
- (r) <u>a "voter" shall be any member who exercises his/her</u> entitlement to vote under Section 86;
- (s) a "forum" shall be any event organized by an entity other that the Students' Union, a candidate, or a volunteer acting on behalf of a candidate at which campaign activities are facilitated;
- (t) the "University" shall be the University of Alberta; and
- (u) "working hours" shall be any and all hours occurring between 0900 and 1700.

### Mandate

3. This bylaw shall govern the conduct of the Election.

### **Dates of Election**

4. The Election shall be held annually on the Wednesday and Thursday during the second week following the Winter Term Reading Week.

**PROPOSED** 2100 (4)

# C.R.O. Shall Determine the Commencement of Campaing Activities

5.

The C.R.O. shall determine and announce the time and date of the commencement of campaign activities, to occur no fewer than seven (7) days before the date of the Election as set out in Section 4, prior to the end of November each year.

### C.R.O. Shall Set Nomination Deadline

6. The C.R.O. shall determine and announce the deadline for the nomination of candidates, to occur not fewer than thirteen (13) days before the date of the Election as set out in Section 4, prior to the end of November each year.

### C.R.O. Shall Call

### General Meeting 7.

7. The C.R.O. shall determine and announce the date and location of the General Meeting, to occur after the commencement of campaign activities as set out in Section 4, prior to the end of November of each year.

### C.R.O. Shall Make Nomination Packages Available

8. The C.R.O. shall make available to every member nomination packages not fewer than twenty (20) days before the nomination deadline as set out in Section 6, and shall advertise the availability of these in not fewer than three (3) edition of the Official Student Newspaper before the nomination deadline.

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# Content of Nomination Packages

- 9. The nomination packages shall contain, at minimum:
  - (a) complete and current copies of this bylaw, the Chief Returning Officer and Elections Staff Bylaw, and the Discipline, Interpretation, and Enforcement Board Bylaw;
  - (b) nomination papers soliciting the name, contact information, and student identification number of the proposed nominee, the position the nominee whishes to contest, and the names, faculties, years, signatures, and student identification numbers of at least fifty (50) and at most one hundred (100) members as nominators;
  - (c) contact information for the C.R.O. and D.R.O.s;
  - (d) the time, date, and location for the candidates meeting, as set out in Section 15.

### **Valid Nomination**

### **Papers**

- 10. Valid nomination papers shall include:
  - (a) the names, faculties, years, signatures, and student identification numbers of at least fifty (50) members identifying themselves as nominators;
  - (b) a signed acceptance of the nomination by the proposed nominee;
  - (c) a signed letter from the proposed nominee's faculty confirming that he/she is in good academic standing under University regulations;
  - (d) a fifty dollar (\$50.00) deposit in the form of cash or a certified cheque or money order payable to the Students' Union;
  - (e) a statement, signed by the proposed nominee, identifying the name under which he/she wishes to appear on the ballot.

## Restriction on Nominees

11. No member shall be nominated for more than one (1) of the positions contested in the Election.

**PROPOSED** 2100 (6)

## **Consequence of Contravention**

12.

Where a member contravenes Section 13, all of the member's nominations shall be declared null and void.

# Acceptance of Nominations

13. Where a member submits valid nomination papers, as set out in Section 10 through 12, prior to the nomination deadline, as set out in Section 6, that member's nomination shall be accepted by the C.R.O. within seventy-two (72) hours of the nomination deadline.

### No Nominations Received

14. Where no nominations for a given position have been received by the nomination deadline, the C.R.O. shall extend nominations for that position by up to three (3) working days.

# **Candidates Meeting**

15. The C.R.O. shall hold a candidates meeting following the nomination deadline but prior to the commencement of the Campaign.

### **Mandatory Attendance**

16. <u>All candidates shall either attend the candidates meeting in its</u> entirety or designate, in writing, an agent who will do so.

## Consequence of Contravention

17. Where a candidate contravenes Section 16, that candidate shall be disqualified.

# Exemptions to Mandatory Attendance

18. The C.R.O. may, at his/her discretion, grant exemptions to Section 16, but shall do so only where:

- (a) the candidate requesting the exemption does so in writing at least forty-eight (48) hours prior to the commencement of the candidates meeting; or
- (b) the candidate informs and provides satisfactory evidence to the C.R.O. of an emergency for which no notice could be given.

**PROPOSED** 2100 (7)

# Content of Candidates Meeting

- 19. At the candidates meeting, the C.R.O. shall, at minimum:
  - (a) review all relevant bylaws, rules, and regulations, including this bylaw, and respond to questions about same;
  - (b) announce the time, date, and location of the General Meeting;
  - (c) announce the time and date of any forums scheduled;
  - (d) conduct a random draw to determine the order of appearance of candidates' names on the ballot;
  - (e) determine and announce which candidates are joke candidates as set out in Section 2 (m);
  - (f) where two (2) or more candidates have asked to appear on the ballot under names that are either identical or so similar as to be effectively indistinguishable, determine and announce under what names each of the two (2) or more candidates shall appear on the ballot.
  - (g) announce the times, dates, and locations of daily meetings during the Campaign, as set out in Section 32, and announce any other methods that will be regularly used to communicate with candidates; and
  - (h) Take attendance for the purpose of verifying compliance with Section 16.

# Requirement to Report Keys

20. All candidates shall, within twenty-four (24) hours of the nomination deadline, report to the C.R.O. any keys, cards, and other means of access to any building or room on the University of Alberta campus.

**PROPOSED** 2100 (8)

### C.R.O. Shall Confiscate Relevant Keys

21. The C.R.O. shall confiscate, until the commencement of voting, any keys, cards, and other means of access to any building or room on the University of Alberta campus where:

- (a) the key, card, or other means of access in question would provide an unfair advantage to the candidate; and
- (b) the candidate is not academically, occupationally, or otherwise required to retain the key, card, or other means of access in question for the duration of the Campaign.

# C.R.O. Shall Make Arrangements

22. The C.R.O. shall make arrangements for space to be available on the University campus to all candidates for the purpose of the storage of campaign materials.

## **Consequence of Contravention**

23. Where a candidate contravenes Section 22, he/she shall be disqualified.

# Prohibition on Pre-Campaigning 24.

24. <u>No Candidate shall, between the nomination deadline and the commencement of the Campaign, engage in any campaign activity.</u>

# Formation of Slates

25. Candidates wishing to run as a slate shall notify the C.R.O. in writing of their desire within twenty-four (24) hours of the nomination deadline.

# Restrictions on Slate Name

26. Candidates providing written notification to the C.R.O under Section 25 shall include a slate name, which shall not be the same as or a reasonable derivation of the name of any registered federal or provincial political party.

# C.R.O. Shall Authorize the Slate Formation

27. Where candidates requesting to run as a slate are in compliance with Sections 25 and 26, the C.R.O. shall grant their request.

**PROPOSED** 2100 (9)

# Joke Candidates May Submit New 28.

### Name

Where a candidate has been designated as a joke candidate, as set out in Section 19 (e), that candidate may provide to the C.R.O. a new signed statement indicating the name under which he/she wishes to appear on the ballot, provided that this is done prior to the commencement of the Campaign.

# **Designation** 29. Shall be Reversed

Where a candidate who has been designated a joke candidate exercises his/her right, as set out in Section 28, to submit a new name under which he/she wishes to appear on the ballot, and where the new name is, at the discretion of the C.R.O., a reasonable derivative of that candidate's legal name, that candidate's designation as a joke candidate shall be reversed.

### Candidates with Same or Similar Names

30.

Where two (2) or more slates submit names that are either identical or so similar as to be effectively indistinguishable, the C.R.O. shall determine and announce within forty-eight (48) hours of the nomination deadline what name each of the two (2) or more slates shall use.

### C.R.O. Shall List

### Candidates

31. Within thirty-six (36) hours of nomination deadline, the C.R.O. shall post both the legal name of each of the candidates, the name under which each shall appear on the ballot, the name of each slate, and the abbreviation of each slate as it will appear on the ballot, and shall publish the same in the next available issue of the Official Student Newsaper.

### C.R.O. Shall Hold Daily Meetings

32. On every weekday during the Campaign, the C.R.O. shall hold a daily meeting, at which he/she shall review complaints, rulings, regulations, procedures, and announcements.

# **Mandatory Attendance**

33. Each candidate shall either attend each daily meeting himself/herself or designate, in writing, a representative who will attend.

**PROPOSED** 2100 (10)

## **Consequence of Contravention**

34. Where a candidate contravenes Section 33, he/she shall be fined ten dollars (\$10.00) for each meeting at which he/she is in contravention, and he/she shall not be assessed any further penalty.

# Requirements of Candidates

- 35. Each candidate and slate shall act reasonably and in good faith, and specifically shall:
  - (a) ensure that each volunteer engaging in campaign activities on his/her/its behalf is aware of all bylaws, rules, regulations, and orders;
  - (b) ensure that each volunteer is in compliance with all bylaws, rules, regulations, and orders while engaging in campaign activities on his/her/its behalf; and
  - (c) report any contravention of a bylaw, rule, regulation, or order to the C.R.O. immediately.

### No Use of Non-Universal Resources

- 36. No candidate or slate shall make use of any resource that is not:
  - (a) available to all candidates and slates:
  - (b) general volunteer labour or expertise; or
  - (c) accounted for as part of that candidate's or slate's campaign expenses.

# No Joint Use of Resources

37. No two (2) or more candidates or slates shall jointly use any resources, including tables, posters, banners, and budgets but excluding volunteers, except that a candidate may jointly use tables with a slate of which he/she is a member.

## Freedom of Members

38. Any member with the exceptions of the C.R.O. and the D.R.O.s shall be free to act as a volunteer for or endorse multiple candidates.

**PROPOSED** 2100 (11)

# Restrictions on Campaign Activities

39. No candidate shall, without the permission of the C.R.O. during a daily candidates meeting, engage in any campaign activity:

- (a) in any business or service operated by the Students' Union;
- (b) in a University library;
- (c) in a classroom during a class unless he/she first obtains the permission or the professor responsible for that class;
- (d) in any residence; or
- (e) in any building or on any land not owned or operated by the University or the Students' Union.

## Requirement for Forums

40. No candidate shall participate in any forum unless each candidate in his/her race has received at least forty-eight (48) hours notification of the forum and will be afforded an equal chance to speak at it.

# Rules at the General Meeting 41.

- 41. The C.R.O. shall chair the General Meeting and shall enforce the following rules:
  - (a) each candidate shall be afforded an opportunity to speak that is equal to the opportunity afforded to each candidate in his/her race;
  - (b) no objects shall be thrown;
  - (c) no heckling shall occur;
  - (d) no campaign materials shall be distributed during the General Meeting in the room in which the General Meeting is held.

### C.R.O. Shall Remove Offenders

42. Where an individual contravenes Section 41, the C.R.O. shall remove that individual from the General Meeting.

**PROPOSED** 2100 (12)

### C.R.O. Shall

### Punish Offending 43. **Candidates**

Where a candidate contravenes Section 41, the C.R.O., in addition to the remedies prescribed under Section 42, shall have the authority to enforce further disciplinary action, as prescribed under Section 127.

### C.R.O. Must

### Approve **Materials**

44. All campaign materials shall be approved in form, content, and cost by the C.R.O. before they may be used in campaign activities.

### Requirements to **Request Approval** 45. of Materials

### Candidates and slates wishing to have campaign materials approved shall provided the C.R.O. with:

- (a) a written estimate of the cost of the proposed campaign material, including the source of that cost; and
- (b) the complete contents of the proposed campaign material, including text, images and layout.

### C.R.O. Must Respond

46. The C.R.O. shall provide in confidence a written approval or refusal of campaign materials within twelve (12) working hours of receiving a request as set out in Section 45.

### Forbidden Materials

- 47. The C.R.O. shall not approve campaign materials that:
  - (a) have more than a nominal value when distributed;
  - (b) cannot be removed at the end of the Campaign; or
  - (c) are likely to permanently damage or alter property.

### Consequence of Contravention

48. Where a candidate or slate contravenes Section 44, the offending campaign materials shall be destroyed and the C.R.O. may assess an additional penalty to that candidate or slate, as set out in Section 127.

**PROPOSED** 2100 (13)

# Restrictions on Banners

49. No candidate or slate shall have more than one (1) banner on display in any given building at any given time.

# **Consequences of Contravention**

50. Where a candidate contravenes Section 49, the offending banners shall be destroyed and the C.R.O. may assess an additional penalty to that candidate, as set out in Section 127.

### Restriction on

Posters 51. No candidate shall have more than sixteen (16) posters on display in any given building at any given time.

# Restriction on Placement

52. No poster shall be displayed in such a way as to obscure another candidate's or slate's campaign materials.

## **Consequence of Contravention**

53. Where a candidate contravenes Section 51 or Section 52, the offending posters shall be destroyed, and the C.R.O. may assess an additional penalty to that candidate, as set out in Section 127.

### Only C.R.O May Authorize Destruction

54. No candidate or volunteer shall damage or destroy any other candidate's campaign materials unless specifically authorized to do so by the C.R.O.

### Materials Must Be Removed

55. All campaign materials shall be removed by 21h00 the day before the commencement of voting.

# Designated Printers

56. All printed campaign materials shall be purchased at official list price costs from one (1) or more of the printing companies designated by the C.R.O.

**PROPOSED** 2100 (14)

### Minimum Designated Printers

57. The C.R.O. shall designate at least five (5) printers from which candidates may purchase materials to be in compliance with Section 56.

### **Exemption**

58. Where a candidate demonstrates that a desired campaign material could not be produced by any of the five (5) or more printers designated by the C.R.O. as set out in Section 57, the C.R.O. shall grant a limited exemption from Section 56 to that candidate.

# Must Use S.U. Business Where Possible

59. Where campaign materials can be produced by a Students' Union operated business, candidates shall purchase those campaign materials from that business.

# **Consequence of Contravention**

60. Where a candidate contravenes Section 56 or Section 59, the offending campaign materials shall be destroyed, and the C.R.O. may assess an additional penalty to that candidate, as set out in Section 127.

### <u>Campaign</u> <u>Expense Limits</u> (<u>Individuals</u>)

61. No candidate shall accrue more than seven hundred dollars (\$700.00) in campaign expenses, all of which shall be paid by the Students' Union.

### <u>Campaign</u> <u>Expense Limits</u> (Slates)

62. No slate shall accrue more than five hundred and twenty-five dollars (\$525.00) in campaign expenses, all of which shall be paid by the Students' Union.

# Campaign Expense Limits (Members of Slates)

63. No candidate who is running as part of a slate shall accrue more than one hundred and seventy-five dollars (\$175.00) in campaign expenses, all of which shall be paid by the Students' Union.

### Joke Candidate Expense Limits

64. No joke candidate shall accrue more than one half (1/2) of the expenses set out in Sections 61 and 63.

**PROPOSED** 2100 (15)

# Allowance for Recycled Materials

65. Where a candidate or slate chooses to print campaign materials on recycled paper containing one hundred per cent (100%) post consumer content, and where that candidate or slate demonstrates, to the satisfaction of the C.R.O., that this choice resulted in an increased cost being incurred to it, then the amount of this increased cost shall not count against the limits set out in Sections 61 through 64.

# Responsibility for Record Keeping

66. Each candidate and slate shall keep an up to date and accurate record of all campaign expenses he/she/it incurs, and shall be responsible to the C.R.O. for all such campaign expenses.

## Requirements to **Submit Records**

67. Each candidate and slate shall submit to the C.R.O. the record, as set out in Section 66, no less than sixteen (16) working hours prior to the commencement of voting.

# Deadline for Incurring Expenses

68. No candidate or slate shall incur and campaign expenses within sixteen (16) working hours of the commencement of voting, except where those campaign expenses have been reported in the record submitted to the C.R.O. as set out in Section 67.

### Candidates Shall Be Assessed Fair Market Value

69. Where a product or service has been provided to a candidate or slate for no consideration or for consideration that is less than the official list price of the service provider, that candidate or slate shall be considered to have incurred a campaign expense at the fair market value of that product or service, as determined by the C.R.O.

# Reverse Does Not Apply

70. Where a candidate or slate receives a product or service for consideration that is greater than the fair market value, then that candidate or slate shall be considered to have incurred a campaign expense equal to the actual consideration.

**PROPOSED** 2100 (16)

### Valueless Items

71. For purposes of Section 69, general labour and any expertise had by a significant portion of the population, including, but not limited to, poster design, web page design, and web page programming, shall be considered to have a fair market value of zero.

### C.R.O. Shall Determine Market Value

72. The fair market value shall be determined by the C.R.O. using the price that any other candidate or slate would have to pay for a comparable product or service as a guideline.

# Advance Assessment of Market Value

73. Candidates and slates shall have the right, but not the obligation, to receive an assessment of a product or service's fair market value in advance.

# Procedure for Advance Assessment

- 74. A candidate or slate wishing to receive a fair market value assessment in advance shall make a written request to the C.R.O, which shall include:
  - a. a full and accurate description of the product or service;
  - b. the supplier of the service, along with contact information for the same; and
  - c. the candidate or slate's estimation of the product or service's fair market value, and a rationale for same.

### C.R.O. Must Respond

75. Where a complete request under Section 74 has been submitted to the C.R.O., the C.R.O. shall respond with a decision within twelve (12) working hours.

### C.R.O. Must Post Record

76. The C.R.O. shall review all campaign expense records, and shall post summaries of same more than twelve (12) working hours prior to the commencement of voting.

**PROPOSED** 2100 (17)

# C.R.O. Shall Disqualify

**Violators** 

77. Where the C.R.O. determines that a candidate or slate has exceeded or falsified its campaign expense limit, that candidate or slate shall be disqualified, and notice of this shall be posted with the campaign expense records, and communicated directly to the candidate or slate in question.

### **D.I.E. Board Must**

Meet

78. The D.I.E. Board shall convene a meeting less than twelve (12) working hours prior to the commencement of voting for the purpose of hearing and ruling on all appeals of the C.R.O.'s rulings.

### Limitation on

**Appeal Times** 

79. All appeals of the C.R.O's rulings, with the exception of those arising out of voting and Election results, shall be heard and ruled upon by the D.I.E. Board prior to the commencement of voting.

### **D.I.E. Board Must**

Rule

- 80. The D.I.E. Board shall, at the meeting set out in Section 78, either:
  - (a) rule on all appeals; or
  - (b) order a delay to the Election.

### **All Members**

Save C.R.O. Have 81. the Right to vote

Each member shall be entitled to cast one (1) ballot, except the C.R.O. who shall be entitled to cast a ballot only under the circumstances set out in Section 94.

### **Multiple Ballots**

82. Where a member is found to have a cast more than one (1) ballot, all of that member's ballots shall be considered spoiled.

### **Ballots Will List**

**Candidates** 

83. <u>Ballots shall list each candidate running for each position, followed by, in each position, the voting selection "None of the Above."</u>

**PROPOSED** 2100 (18)

### "None of the

Above" Counts

84. For the purposes of Sections 85 through 95, "None of the Above" shall be considered a candidate.

# **Preferential Balloting**

85. Balloting shall be conducted by preferential balloting, in which each voter shall rank his/her choices for each position using natural numbers with one (1) representing the first choice, and increasing numbers representing less desirable choices.

# Victors Require a Majority

86. A candidate shall require a majority of voters to indicate him/her as their first choice in order to be elected.

# Freedom of Voters

87. Voters shall be entitled to mark as few as zero candidates for any given position or as many as all of them.

### **Spoiled Ballots**

- 88. A section of a voter's ballot shall be considered spoiled where:
  - (a) that voter has indicated the same number for more than one (1) candidate;
  - (b) that voter has not included the number one (1) next to any candidate;
  - (c) <u>that voter has indicated more than one (1) number next to the same candidate; or</u>
  - (d) <u>that voter has used non-consecutive numbers.</u>
- 89. <u>Notwithstanding Section 88, where a voter's intention is clear, that voter's ballot shall be counted.</u>

**PROPOSED** 2100 (19)

# Second and Subsequent Counts

90. In the event that no candidate receives a majority of first place votes in a given race, the candidate with the fewest first place votes shall be eliminated.

# Adjustment for Eliminated Candidates

91. Any voter who has indicated an eliminated candidate with a number shall have the candidate marked with the next highest number following the number by which the eliminated candidate has been indicated take the place of the eliminated candidate, and so on, in such a way that all candidates indicated by that voter as less desirable than the eliminated candidate are registered as being one (1) step more desirable that than originally indicated.

### Ballots with No First Place Selection

92. Where a ballot is left with no first place vote for a given race, the section of that ballot in question shall be considered spoiled.

# **Primary Provision** for a Tie

93. Where all remaining candidates have an equal number of first place votes, or where the remaining candidate with the fewest first place votes is tied with another remaining candidate, the candidate that had the fewest first place votes on the first count in which a differential existed shall be eliminated.

# Secondary Provision for a Tie

94. Where all remaining candidates have an equal number of first places votes, or where the remaining candidate with the fewest first place votes is tied with another remaining candidate, and where this tie has existed on every count, then the C.R.O. shall cast a ballot.

# Requirement to Win

95. The process set out in Sections 90 through 94 shall continue for each position until such a time as a candidate receives a majority of first place votes for that position at which point that candidate shall be declared the victor for the position.

2100 (20) **PROPOSED** 

# When "None of

Where "None of the Above" is declared the victor, the C.R.O. shall 96. the Above" Wins call a new Election for that position.

## C.R.O. Shall

**Determine Times** 97. Voting shall be conducted at times determined and advertised by the <u>C.R.O.</u>

# **D.I.E. Board Must**

98. Be Done Ruling

No voting, other than a maximum of one (1) advance poll, shall be conducted prior to the D.I.E. Board ruling on all appeals covered by Section 79.

## C.R.O. Shall

**Determine** Method(s)

99. The C.R.O. shall conduct balloting by any means that provide precise, accurate results, and may use multiple methods in any combination.

# Minimum of 2

**Poll Clerks** 

100. At each physical polling station, there shall be at least two (2) poll clerks, hired by the Students' Union for that purpose, at all times.

## **Balloting Shall** Cease

101. Where there are fewer than two (2) poll clerks at any given polling station at any given time, polling at that polling station shall cease until such time as there are at least two (2) poll clerks at that polling station.

#### **Notice to Voters**

At each physical polling station, there shall be a notice to voters that 102. candidates are elected individually to each position, which shall also explain the balloting procedures.

**PROPOSED** 2100 (21)

# Explanation on Ballot

103. On each ballot, there shall be an explanation of the balloting procedures, which shall include, at minimum, the following:

- a. that "None of the Above" shall be considered a candidate;
- b. that voters shall rank each candidate according to their preferences;
- c. that a portion of the ballot shall be considered spoiled where any of the conditions set out in Section 88 are met; and
- d. that voters shall be permitted to rank as many as all or as few as zero of the candidates for each position.

# C.R.O. Shall Provide for Secure Handling

104. The C.R.O. shall provide for the secure handling of ballots, and shall ensure that at all times ballots are either under the direct supervision of the C.R.O. or in a secure location.

# **Limitations to Candidates**

105. <u>During voting, candidates shall not encourage members to vote or engage in any campaign activities.</u>

# Candidates Must Stay Away

106. During voting, candidates shall not be within twenty (20) feet of any polling station except to vote themselves.

# Right to a Scrutineer

107. Each candidate shall be permitted to have one (1) person, designated in writing by the candidate, acting as scrutineer and being present at the counting of ballots.

**PROPOSED** 2100 (22)

# Requirements of the C.R.O.

108. The C.R.O. or at least one (1) D.R.O. shall:

- a. supervise the counting of ballots;
- b. post final Election results within twenty four (24) working hours of all complaints and appeals being resolved;
- c. notify the Speaker of Students' Council and the President of the Students' Union of the final results in writing;
- d. post unofficial Election results at any time, including during counting;
- e. advertise final Election results in the first available edition of the Official Student Newspaper after the posting of final results as set out in Section 108 (b); and
- f. store the ballots in a secure location for at least two (2) weeks after the last recount has been completed.

# C.R.O. Shall Authorize Recounts

- 109. A request for a recount shall be granted by the C.R.O. where:
  - a. the request is in writing and signed by a member;
  - b. the request is submitted to the C.R.O. within forty-eight (48) hours of the posting of Election results as set out in Section 108 (b); and
  - c. the difference between the first place votes of the victor and those of the second place candidate on the final count is less than two percent (2%) of the total votes cast for that position.

## C.R.O. May Initiate Recount

110. The C.R.O. may initiate a recount independently for any reason.

#### C.R.O. Shall Post

Results of Recount

111. The C.R.O. shall post the results of any recount within twenty-four (24) working hours of the recount being completed.

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# Requirements to

**Receive Deposit** 

112. Where a candidate receives, on the first count, a number of first place votes totaling at least five percent (5%) of the total votes cast for his/her position, that candidate's deposit shall be refunded.

# Forfeiture of **Deposit**

113. Where a candidate withdraws from contention more than forty-eight (48) hours after the nomination deadline, that candidate's deposit shall not be refunded.

# No Deposit to **Disqualified Candidates**

114. Where a candidate has been disqualified from running for office, that candidate's deposit shall not be refunded.

## Joke Candidate **Cannot Win**

115. Where a joke candidate is elected to any position, the C.R.O. shall call a new Election for that position.

# **New Election Bylaw**

Shall Follow this 116. Where another Election is required by virtue of Section 96 or Section 115, the new Election shall be governed by this bylaw with the exception of Sections 4 through 7 and Sections 41 through 43, which shall not apply.

# Minimum Length of Campaign

The Campaign for the new Election shall begin a minimum of seven 117. (7) days prior to the commencement of voting as set out in Section 119.

# Minimum

The nomination deadline for the new Election shall occur a minimum **Preparation Time** 118. of thirteen (13) days prior to the commencement of voting as set out in Section 119.

**PROPOSED** 2100 (24)

#### **Election Date**

119. The voting for the new Election shall occur on two (2) consecutive weekdays to be determined and announced by the C.R.O. at least twenty-one (21) days in advance.

# **Powers of the** C.R.O.

120. The C.R.O. shall be empowered to investigate and rule upon every contravention of this bylaw or any other bylaw, rule, or regulation related to the Election.

# C.R.O. Shall Prepare Form

- 121. The C.R.O. shall prepare and provide a complaint form which shall require complaints to indicate:
  - a. their names and student identification numbers;
  - b. the specific bylaw and section, rule, or regulation that has allegedly been contravened;
  - c. the specific individual or group that is alleged to be in contravention;
  - d. the specific facts which constitute the alleged contravention; and
  - e. the evidence for these facts.

# C.R.O. Required to Rule

122. Where a complaint is received within twelve (12) working hours of the alleged contravention, and where the original complaint form is provided to the C.R.O., the C.R.O. shall rule on that complaint.

# **Copies to Respondents**

123. The C.R.O. shall provide a copy of the complaint form, with the complainant's student identification number blacked out, to each respondent.

**PROPOSED** 2100 (25)

# C.R.O. Must Rule Within 12

Within 12 Working Hours 124. Where a complaint is received and is found to be complete as set out in Section 121, the C.R.O. shall rule on the complaint within twelve (12) working hours of receiving the complaint.

## C.R.O. Shall Post

## **Rulings**

- 125. The C.R.O. shall post all of his/her rulings, including:
  - a. a summary of the complaint;
  - b. a list of parties to the complaint;
  - c. where the C.R.O. fails to possess jurisdiction as set out in Section 120, a summary of the reasons for this finding;
  - d. a listing of all bylaws, rules, and regulations that apply;
  - e. <u>a finding regarding the facts</u>;
  - f. a ruling regarding the alleged contravention;
  - g. the penalty assigned, if any;
  - h. the time the ruling was posted; and
  - i. the time limit for appeal.

# Criteria for Determining Penalty

- 126. Where a candidate or volunteer has contravened a bylaw, rule, or regulation, regardless of the cause or the intent of the parties involved, and that contravention has provided an unfair advantage to a candidate, the C.R.O. shall assign a penalty that:
  - a. <u>fully counter-balances any advantage gained; and</u>
  - b. where the contravention was intentional, penalizes the candidate who was or whose volunteer was guilty of the contravention.

**PROPOSED** 2100 (26)

## <u>Available</u> Penalties

- 127. Penalties available to the C.R.O. shall include:
  - a. a fine, to be counted against the candidate's campaign expenses;
  - b. the confiscation or destruction of campaign materials;
  - c. <u>limits, restrictions, and prohibitions on any type of campaign activities for any period of time up to the commencement of voting; and</u>
  - d. disqualification.

## **Disqualification**

- 128. A candidate or slate shall be disqualified where he/she/it is guilty of a contravention that:
  - a. cannot be counter-balanced by a lesser penalty;
  - b. <u>is malicious or substantially prejudicial to another candidate or slate; or</u>
  - c. <u>involves tampering with ballots, voting procedures, or counting procedures.</u>
- 129. Where a slate is disqualified, all candidates running as a part of that slate shall also be disqualified.

# C.R.O. May Refer

to D.I.E. Board

130. Where a member is guilty of a serious contravention, the C.R.O. may recommend to the D.I.E. Board that further penalties be brought under the Discipline, Interpretation, and Enforcement Board bylaw.

# **Right of Members**

131. Any member shall be entitled to appeal a ruling of the C.R.O. to the D.I.E. Board.

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## **Limiting Clause**

132. No appeal shall be considered by the D.I.E. Board unless it is received within twelve (12) working hours of the C.R.O.'s ruling being posted.

# **D.I.E. Board Must**

Rule

133. Where a complete appeal is received, the D.I.E. Board shall convene a hearing within twelve (12) working hours of the appeal being submitted.

# **No Appeal Exists**

134. No appeal shall exist from a ruling of the D.I.E. Board on an appeal of a ruling by the C.R.O.

# **Bylaw 2200**

# A Bylaw Respecting the Elections to Students' Council

**Short Title** 

1. This Bylaw may be referred to as the Elections Bylaw".

**Definitions** 

- 2. For the purpose of this Bylaw:
  - a. a member of the Students' Union shall be a full or associate member as defined in Article VIII of the Constitution.
  - b. "faculty" shall be interpreted to mean faculty, school or institution.
  - c. "faculty association" shall be interpreted to mean any student association recognized as representing all students in a faculty, school or institution, as delineated in Bylaw 8300.
  - d. "F.A.D.R.O." shall mean the Faculty Association Deputy Returning Officer.
  - e. "C.R.O." or "Chief Returning Officer" shall mean the Students' Union Chief Returning Officer, as defined by Bylaw 2500.
  - f. two (2) or more candidates shall constitute a "slate" if their names appear jointly on any piece of their advertising, or if on any pieces of their advertising their names are presented as being members of the same organization. The names of slates may not include federally or provincially registered political parties or their affiliate organizations.
  - g. "D.I.E. Board" means the Discipline, Interpretation and Enforcement Board.
  - h. "campaign" means any planned or organized act by or on behalf of any person which is calculated to gain support for the election of that person to any position.
  - i. "Campaign expense" means any and all expenditures by or on a candidate's behalf for election advertising, equipment or other expenditures associated with the campaign.
  - j. "banner" is any sheet of paper or other material of a total area between four (4) square feet and two hundred (200) square feet which is displayed as part of a campaign.

#### PART I

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#### **Date of Election** 3.

a. Subject to Section 25 and notwithstanding Section 8, there shall be an election for faculty representatives to Students' Council annually at some time between February 1 and March 31. However, the election shall not be held simultaneously, in whole or in part, with the Students' Union General Election.

# Selection of Returning Officer

- b. A Deputy Returning Officer for each faculty representative election shall be chosen by the faculty students' association at least four (4) weeks before the election of faculty representatives.
  - i. If there is no faculty students' association, the F.A.D.R.O. may be appointed by the Students' Union C.R.O.

# General Meeting

- c. The Faculty Association Deputy Returning Officer shall also reserve a location for a faculty general meeting or forum to present candidates for office. The meeting:
  - i. will be chaired by the F.A.D.R.O. or their designee;
  - ii. will provide each candidate the opportunity to speak;
  - iii. will be open to every Students' Union member to attend;
  - iv. will occur not more than seventy-two (72) hours before polls open or less than eighteen (18) hours before a poll opens, or at least twenty-four (24) hours after the day that the campaign begins.

#### **Offices**

4. a. Office(s) contested in the faculty elections are the faculty student representative(s) to the Students' Union Council.

#### **Eligibility Vote**

b. Every member of the Students' Union who is a student in the faculty for which representatives are being elected shall be eligible to vote for these positions, except for the F.A.D.R.O. The F.A.D.R.O. shall vote only to determine the outcome when two (2) or more candidates receive an equality of votes.

#### **PART II - Nominations**

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### Advertising

5. a. Subject to Section 16(b), the opening of nominations, the position to be contested, the location of where nomination forms may be obtained and the rules will be adequately publicized at least during the period of not less than seventy-two (72) hours or greater than one hundred twenty (120) hours before nominations open. The publicity will include the date of Nomination Day (i.e., closing of nominations).

# Nomination Day

b. Subject to Section 8, Nomination Day shall be three (3) regular working days before the campaign begins.

#### **Eligibility**

- 6. a. Subject to University academic requirements, a person who is nominated for a position must be a full Students' Union member and a member of the faculty for which the representative position is being contested.
  - b. A person who is nominated for a position must fulfill the requirements established by Section 9 of Bylaw 100, the Students' Council Bylaw.

# Nomination Forms

- 7. a. Nomination forms shall be made available the day nominations open.
  - i. Rules and regulations for the faculty representative elections shall be made available the day nominations open and must include but are not limited to this Bylaw.
  - b. Nominations of candidates for position(s) specified in Section 4(a) shall:
    - i. be in writing; and,
    - ii. contain the
      - (1) printed name;
      - (2) signature;
      - (3) faculty;
      - (4) year, and
      - (5) student identification number of each of at least ten (10) nominators who shall each be a member of the Students' Union and of the faculty for which representative positions are being contested.

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c. A nominator should not nominate more than one (1) candidate for each seat.

#### **Slates**

- d. Candidates who intend to run on a slate shall be responsible for informing the Faculty Association Deputy Returning Officer of their intention to run as a slate prior to the appearance of the slate's advertising.
- e. No candidate may contest more than one (1) position.
- 8. a. Nominations of candidates for those positions specified in Section 4(1) shall be submitted by 1700 Hours on Nominations Day at the faculty students association office, or at a place to be designated by the F.A.D.R.O.
  - b. i. Nominations for positions for which no nominations have been received shall be re-opened until 1700 Hours of the second weekday following the Nomination Day, and adequate notice to this effect shall be advertised and posted.
    - ii. If no nomination is received by this time and date, the position(s) may be filled by volunteers, provided such volunteers demonstrate the commitment and fulfill the functions of a regularly elected representative.
- 9. The F.A.D.R.O. shall post the names of all candidates for each position within twenty-four (24) hours of the closing of nominations.

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### **PART III - Campaigning**

# Campaigning

- 10. Campaigning shall last for five (5) consecutive working days. All campaign materials must be removed in a manner to be determined by the F.A.D.R.O. by 0730 Hours on the first day of voting.
- 11. Each candidate shall campaign in a reasonable and responsible manner, including:
  - a. being personally responsible and liable for any damages resulting from their campaign;
  - b. being responsible for obtaining permission from the proper authorities to campaign in public places or in classrooms;
  - c. being responsible for ensuring that practices that are unfair to other campaigns are not followed;
  - d. being responsible for complying with the provisions of this Bylaw and other regulations, orders, bylaws or laws which pertain.

# Campaign Manager

- 12. a. A candidate or slate may choose to have a campaign manager. The campaign manager is responsible to the candidate or slate and is subject to the same restrictions as the candidate(s) themselves, as outlined in Section 11 above. A campaign manager's failure to comply with this Bylaw may result in the candidate(s) being disqualified for election
  - b. Any candidate(s) must inform the F.A.D.R.O. of their intention to designate an individual as campaign manager, and provide to the F.A.D.R.O. the designated individual's name, student identification number and telephone number.
  - c. A campaign manager must be a member of the faculty for which the representative position is being contested.

## Campaign Materials

13. a. Campaign materials shall be limited to posters, pamphlets, newspapers, ribbons, buttons, loud hailers and banners, and such other materials as are approved by the F.A.D.R.O. All materials mass produced by candidates (photocopies, posters, pamphlets, etcetera) shall bear the name of the printer.

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- b. Each independent candidate and each slate shall be limited to a maximum of one (1) banner.
- c. Stickers of any kind shall not be used as campaign material, and paint shall not be used on anything except posters and banners.
- 14. A sample of all campaign materials and their estimated or actual cost must be given to and approved by the F.A.D.R.O. before the materials may be used in a campaign.

# Campaign Funds

- 15. a. The Students' Union shall allocate funds to a maximum of one hundred fifty (\$150.00) dollars per representative position to Students' Council.
  - i. This funding will be divided among candidates in the following manner:
    - (1) twenty-five (\$25.00) dollars for one (1) candidate;
    - (2) forty-five (\$45.00) dollars per slate of two (2) candidates:
    - (3) sixty-five (\$65.00) dollars per slate of three (3) candidates:
    - (4) eighty (\$80.00) dollars per slate of four (4) candidates;
    - (5) one hundred (\$100.00) dollars per slate of five (5) or more candidates.
  - ii. Subject to Bylaw 100 Section 4, additional funding shall be allocated for faculties which have the maximum allowable number of representatives and have more than four thousand (4,000) students. Recognizing the increased cost of notifying all faculty student members of their candidacy, for each full one thousand (1,000) students over three thousand (3,000), the Students' Union will allocate five dollars (\$5.00) per individual candidate or slate.
  - iii. Each candidate shall keep, or ensure that their campaign manager keeps, an up-date and accurate account of all campaign expenses.
  - b. The Students' Union shall allocate funds to each faculty for the purpose of publicizing the election. Such funding shall be dependent on the number of full-time students in the faculty, but shall be sufficient to cover costs for:

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i. one (1) 8-1/2 x 11" poster for each fifty (50) students in any faculty having more than one thousand (1,000) full-time students;

- ii. twenty (20) 8-1/2" x 11" posters for all faculties having less than one thousand (1,000) students;
- iii. Posters must be produced and prominently displayed in order to notify students of:
  - (1) the opening and closing of faculty representative nominations;
  - (2) the date, time and location of a faculty representatives candidates' meeting:
  - (3) the date, time and location of a faculty representatives candidates' forum;
  - (4) the date, time and location of polls for the election of faculty representatives to Students' Council.
- iv. The quantities of posters as stipulated above in 15.b.i. and 15.b.ii. shall apply for each of 15.c(1), 15.c(2), 15.c(3), and 15.c(4).
- v. Faculty associations may spend their own money for extra advertising.
- vi. The Faculty Association Deputy Returning Officer shall keep an accurate and up-to-date account of all expenditures incurred in publicizing the election.

Voting

- 16. Subject to Section 4.b, each member of the Students' Union who is also a student in the faculty for which representative positions are being contested shall be allowed to cast one (1) secret non-transferable ballot.
  - a. The ballot will entitle each voter to make a single choice for each seat contested.
  - b. Voting shall be conducted at the times and place(s) determined by the F.A.D.R.O., with the proviso that the locations are readily accessible and in open areas commonly used by students in that faculty. The hours shall total a minimum of ten (10) hours over two consecutive week days and be between 0-900 Hours and 1500 Hours and, in faculties having more than two thousand (2,000) full-time students there shall be at least a minimum of two (2) polling locations.
  - c. At the discretion of the F.A.D.R.O. there may be an advance poll.

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d. At each poll established by the F.A.D.R.O. there shall be two (2) Assistant Deputy Returning Officers in attendance. Each Faculty Association Assistant Returning Officer shall be appointed by the F.A.D.R.O.

- e. i. Each candidate shall be permitted to be present themselves or to have their agent at the counting of the ballots.
  - ii. Each slate shall be permitted to appoint one (1) of its members to be present at the counting of the ballots or to have its agent be present at the counting of the ballots.
- 17. Any candidate may take the option of contesting a position as part of a slate and be allowed an appropriate designation of the slate of which they are a member on the ballot, but the candidates are to be elected individually and not as a slate.
- 18. A request for a recount must:
  - a. be in writing;
  - b. be given to the F.A.D.R.O. within one (1) working day of the posting of the election results;
  - c. contain a duly signed request for a recount by the candidate who is contesting the particular position.

#### 19. The F.A.D.R.O. shall:

- a. seal all ballot boxes until all questions of election irregularities have been dealt with;
- b. keep the ballots in a locked container for a period of at least two (2) weeks after the last recount has been completed;
- c. post:
  - election results within one (1) working day of the closing of the polls;
  - election results within two (2) working days of all complaints and appeals having been dealt with;
  - iii. recount results within two (2) working days of the completion of the recount.

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#### PART IV - Accounts and Refunds

## Expense Account Submissions

- 20. a. Each candidate is responsible for submitting to the F.A.D.R.O. their account, or the expense account of the slate with which they ran for election, including all original receipts and bills, before Noon on the first day of voting.
  - i. After this time, no money shall be paid to any person or organization for any reason, unless authorized to do so by Students' Council.
  - ii. The budgets of the candidates shall be posted and copies shall be made available from the F.A.D.R.O. no later than 1800 Hours on the first day of voting.
  - b. Such expenses can be reviewed and/or challenged only by the F.A.D.R.O. or the Students' Union C.R.O. The procedure for such a challenge is outlined in Part V of this Bylaw.

#### **Election Cost**

- 21. a. Each F.A.D.R.O. is responsible for submitting to the Students" Union C.R.O. the expense account for the running of the election which shall include:
  - i. each candidate or slate(s) expense account, as determined by Section 15;
  - ii. costs for publicizing of events, as outlined in Section 15;
  - iii. costs for reserving a location for the faculty general forum, as outlined in Section 3, if applicable.
  - b. The expenses listed above in Section 21.a. can be reviewed or challenged only by the Students' Union C.R.O., following the procedure established in Part V of this Bylaw.

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# Reimbursement 22. a. i. and Refund

The Students' Union shall directly pay any invoice over a fifty (\$50.00) dollar value, as evidenced by any candidate's or slate's expense account, provided that the candidate or slate has complied with all provisions of this Bylaw.

- ii. The Students' Union shall reimburse any candidate or slate the remaining full value of the candidate's or slate's campaign expenses as evidenced by their campaign expense account, provided that the candidate or slate has complied with all provisions of this Bylaw.
- b. i. Under no circumstances may any candidate or slate exceed the spending allowance allocated. Candidates must pay fair market value for any goods or services provided, which includes:
  - (1) all publicity materials;
  - (2) room bookings or rentals;
  - (3) professional layout and setup of publicity materials.
  - ii. The above mentioned services do not include volunteer efforts by members of the Students' Union.
- c. If any candidate withdraws from an election within forty-eight (48) hours prior to the opening of voting on the first day of voting, the campaign expenses of the candidate will not be paid unless in the opinion of the Students' Union C.R.O. extenuating personal reasons have forced the candidate to withdraw.
- d. The Students' Union shall not reimburse any candidate the value of their campaign expenses nor refund their deposit if they have been disqualified from running for office.
- e. Disbursal of funds shall be the responsibility of the F.A.D.R.O., pending approval of expense accounts by the Students' Union C.R.O.

PART V - Discipline Actions

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### Bylaw Infractions

23. a. Any member of the faculty student association for which representative elections are being held may initiate proceedings regarding an alleged infraction of the provisions of this Bylaw. A complaint and information must be submitted in writing within twenty-four (24) hours of the closing of voting to the F.A.D.R.O.

- b. During the campaign, any alleged violation of this Bylaw which could void the election shall be dealt with within twelve (12) hours by the F.A.D.R.O. in the following manner:
  - i. The F.A.D.R.O. will contact each named candidate, slate or the campaign manager and seek to clarify and/or resolve the issue by giving the candidate(s) or campaign manager an opportunity to explain any alleged financial discrepancy, irregularity or infraction of this Bylaw.
  - ii. If either the F.A.D.R.O. or the complainant is not satisfied with an explanation provided by the candidate(s) or campaign manager involved, the F.A.D.R.O. will:
    - (1) inform the Students' Union C.R.O. of the situation and provide them with a copy of the notices given to the candidate(s) involved;
    - (2) inform the candidate(s) in writing that they or the complainant is not satisfied with the explanation and outline the reason(s) for their or the complainant's dissatisfaction;
    - (3) arrange a meeting of the C.R.O., candidate(s) involved, the campaign manager, the complainant (if the complainant is not the F.A.D.R.O.) and themselves, during which meeting the candidate(s) involved, the campaign manager, the complainant and the F.A.D.R.O. will be given the opportunity to present their arguments. This meeting must take place within forty-eight (48) hours of the receipt of the written complaint by the alleged infractions.

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c. The Students' Union C.R.O. will hear all arguments at the meeting provided by Section 23.b.ii(3) above, and will make a judgment regarding the validity of the arguments. Such judgment will be:

- i. based on their understanding and interpretation of this Bylaw:
- ii. posted within twenty-four (24) hours of the adjudication meeting of:
  - (1) the office of the Students' Union C.R.O.;
  - (2) the Students' Union Executive office;
  - (3) the officer of the F.A.D.R.O., or if they have no office, the office of the faculty student association for which they are the Chief Returning Officer;
- iii. subject to appeal only to the Discipline, Interpretation and Enforcement (D.I.E.) Board within twenty-four (24) hours of the decision by the Students' Union C.R.O..
- d. Any action taken by the C.R.O. in accordance with this Bylaw may be appealed in writing to the Discipline, Interpretation and Enforcement (D.I.E.) Board within twenty-four (24) hours of the Chief Returning Officer's decision. An appeal shall be dealt with within twenty-four (24) hours of its receipt by the D.I.E. Board. The action contested will nevertheless remain in force pending a ruling by the D.I.E. Board.
- 24. a. Any candidate or slate found guilty of unfair electioneering practices which would prejudice unfairly the results of an election in their favour shall be:

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- i. disqualified by the Students' Union C.R.O.; and,
- ii. subject to the penalties specified in Bylaw 3500 (The Discipline, Interpretation and Enforcement Board Bylaw) if:
  - (1) a decision made by the Students' Union C.R.O. is appealed to the D.I.E. Board and subsequently upheld;
  - (2) the Students' Union C.R.O. themselves lodges a complaint against any candidate, F.A.D.R.O.(s) and their complaint is deemed justified.
- b. If a candidate running on a slate is found guilty of unfair electioneering practices which would prejudice unfairly the results of an election in their favour, the other members of the slate may be:
  - i. disqualified by the Students' Union C.R.O.; and,
  - ii. subject to the penalties specified in Bylaw 3500 (The Discipline, Interpretation and Enforcement Board Bylaw) if:
    - (1) a decision made by the Students' Union C.R.O. is appealed to the D.I.E. Board and subsequently upheld;
    - (2) the Students' Union C.R.O. themselves lodges a complaint against any candidate, F.A.D.R.O.(s) and their complaint is deemed justified.
- 25. a. If there is found to have been a serious contravention of the Bylaw, such that the results of an election could not reasonably be deemed to indicate actual preference of the electors, that election or that part thereof subject to the contravention, may be declared void by the C.R.O. summarily.
  - b. If another election is required by virtue of the operation of Section 24 of this Bylaw, the F.A.D.R.O. shall establish new nomination and election dates, following the guidelines delineated in Section 3 of this Bylaw.

PART VI - Faculty Representatives

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26. a. Subject to Bylaw 100, each voting member of the Students' Council, other than:

- i. a member of the Executive Committee;
- ii. President of Athletics:
- iii. President-Elect of Athletics;
- iv. Representative of Lister Hall; or
- v. Representative of the University of Alberta Hospital School of Nursing,

shall be elected by members of the Students' Union registered in the respective faculty, school or institution in which they are registered.

- b. A student registered in the Faculty of Graduate Studies and Research who is also a full member of the Students' Union has the right to vote in an election for the representative of the faculty or school containing the teaching department which approves their program form.
- c. i. Nominations and elections for the representative(s) of a faculty or school shall be conducted by the faculty or school association:
  - (1) within the constraints of this Bylaw;
  - (2) the Students' Union C.R.O. will have ultimate jurisdiction over the conduct of elections of faculty representative(s) to Students' Council, barring an appeal of their decision(s).
- 27. Notwithstanding anything else in this Bylaw, elections for the representatives of Lister Hall and the University of Alberta Hospital School of Nursing shall be conducted by the student government of those institutions in accordance with the applicable legislation and customs of that government, but subject to the "Students' Council Bylaw".

PART VII - Report of Result

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28. The person or organization conducting an election pursuant to this Bylaw shall submit within seven (7) days to the Speaker of the Students' Council a report in writing containing the result of the election.

29. Although a faculty or school association may choose to incorporate the position of that faculty's representative to Students' Council with other positions within the faculty or school association, the Students' Union will fund only campaign costs that deal exclusively with the election of a faculty or school association representative to Students' Council. Ballots of such a combined position may, however, include all positions contested by candidate(s) within and/or external to the faculty or school association.

# **Bylaw 2200**

# A Bylaw Respecting the Faculty Councilor Election of the Students' Union

- 1. This Bylaw may be referred to as the "Faculty Councilor Election Bylaw"
- 2. For the purposes of this bylaw:
  - (a) <u>a "member" shall be a member of the Students' Union as defined by Article I of the Students' Union Constitution;</u>
  - (b) a "faculty" shall be any entity defined by the University of Alberta General Faculties Council as either a faculty or a school and in which members are registered and shall include Open Studies;
  - (c) a "faculty association" shall be any organization recognized as a faculty association under the Faculty Association Bylaw;
  - (d) <u>a "candidate" shall be any member whose nomination is accepted under this bylaw;</u>
  - (e) a "slate" shall be two (2) or more candidates from the same faculty who choose to run as members of a single slate for the purposes of this bylaw;
  - (f) a "faculty councilor" shall be any voting member of Students' Council whose seat is allocated on the basis of faculty population under the Students' Council Bylaw;
  - (g) the "Election" shall be the general election of faculty councilors;
  - (h) a "campaign activity" shall be any act, planned or organized by or on behalf of any candidate or slate, that is calculated to draw attention to that candidate or slate's candidacy;
  - (i) the "Campaign" shall be the period of time during which campaign activities are permitted;
  - (j) <u>a "campaign expense" shall be any and all expenditures incurred in engaging in campaign activities;</u>

- (k) the "C.R.O." shall be the Chief Returning Officer of the Students' Union, as set out in the Chief Returning Officer and Elections Staff Bylaw;
- (1) the "D.I.E. Board" shall be the Discipline, Interpretation and Enforcement of the Students' Union, as set out in Article XV of the Students' Union Constitution and in the Discipline, Interpretation, and Enforcement Board Bylaw;
- (m) <u>a "D.R.O."</u> shall be a Deputy Returning Officer of the Students' Union, as set out in the Chief Returning Officer and Elections Staff Bylaw;
- (n) the "Official Student Newspaper" shall be the Official Student Newspaper designated by Students' Council, as set out in the Official Student Newspaper Bylaw;
- (o) a "joke candidate" shall be any candidate running either individually or as a member of a slate who chooses not to use his/her given name or a reasonable derivation thereof when appearing on the ballot;
- (p) <u>a "volunteer" shall be any individual who participates in campaign activities;</u>
- (q) "campaign materials" shall be any physical or electronic media produced or distributed as part of campaign activities;
- (r) <u>a "banner" shall be any campaign material composed of paper, cloth, or similar material, of a total area greater than four (4) square feet;</u>
- (s) a "poster" shall be any campaign material composed of paper, cloth, or similar material, of a total area of under four (4) square feet that is designed to be posted on a wall or similar plane;
- (t) <u>a "voter" shall be any member who exercises his/her</u> entitlement to vote, as set out in Section 70;
- (u) <u>a "forum" shall be any event organized by any entity other than</u> the Students' Union, a candidate, or a volunteer acting on behalf of a candidate at which campaign activities are facilitated;
- (v) the "University" shall be the University of Alberta; and

- (w) "working hours" shall be any and all hours occurring between 0900 and 1700.
- 3. This bylaw shall govern the conduct of the Election.
- 4. The Election shall occur fifteen (15) days after the General Election of the Executive Committee and the Undergraduate Board of Governors

  Representative as set out in the General Election of the Executive

  Committee and the Undergraduate Board of Governors Representative

  Bylaw.
- 5. The C.R.O. shall determine and announce, prior to the end of November each year, the time and date of the commencement of the Campaign, to occur not fewer than seven (7) days prior to the start of the Election as set out in Section 4.
- 6. The C.R.O. shall determine and announce, prior to the end of November each year, the deadline for the nomination of candidates, to occur not fewer than nine (9) days prior to the date of the Election as set out in Section 4.
- 7. The C.R.O. shall make available to every member nomination packages not fewer than twenty (20) days prior to the nomination deadline as set out in Section 6, and shall advertise the availability of these in not fewer than three (3) editions of the Official Student Newspaper prior to the nomination deadline.
- 8. The nomination packages shall contain, at minimum:
  - (a) complete and current copies of this bylaw, the Chief Returning Officer and Elections Staff Bylaw, and the Discipline, Interpretation, and Enforcement Board Bylaw;
  - (b) nomination papers soliciting the name, contact information, and student identification number of the proposed nominee, and the names, years, signatures, and student identification numbers of at least ten (10) and at most twenty (20) members registered in the same faculty as the nominee as nominators;
  - (c) contact information for the C.R.O. and D.R.O.s;
  - (d) the times, date, and location of the candidates meeting, as set out in Section 12.
- 9. Valid nomination papers shall include:

- (a) the names, years, signatures, and student identification numbers of at least ten (10) members registered in the same faculty as the proposed nominee identifying themselves as nominators;
- (b) <u>a signed acceptance of the nomination by the proposed</u> nominee;
- (c) a signed letter from the proposed nominee's faculty confirming his/her registration in that faculty and that he/she is in good academic standing under University regulations;
- (d) a statement, signed by the proposed nominee, identifying the name under which he/she wishes to appear on the ballot.
- 10. Where a member submits valid nomination papers, as set out in Section 9, prior to the nomination deadline, as set out in Section 6, that member's nomination shall be accepted by the C.R.O. within twenty-four (24) hours of the nomination deadline.
- 11. Where the number of nominations received in a given faculty is less than the number of Students' Council seats allocated to that faculty in the Students' Council Bylaw, the C.R.O. shall extend the nomination deadline that faculty by one (1) day.
- 12. The C.R.O. shall hold a candidates meeting following the nomination deadline but prior to the commencement of the Campaign.
- 13. All candidates shall either attend the candidates meeting in its entirety or designate, in writing, an agent who will do so.
- 14. Where a candidate contravenes Section 13, that candidate shall be disqualified.
- 15. The C.R.O. may, at his/her discretion, grant exemptions to Section 14, but shall do so only where:
  - (a) the candidate requesting the exemption does so in writing at least forty-eight (48) hours prior to the commencement of the candidates meeting; or
  - (b) the candidate requesting the exemption informs and provides satisfactory evidence to the C.R.O. of an emergency for which no notice could be given.
- 16. At the candidates meeting, the C.R.O. shall, at minimum:
  - (a) review all relevant bylaws, rules, and regulations, including this bylaw, and respond to questions about same;

- (b) conduct a random draw to determine the order of appearance of candidates' names on the ballot for each faculty;
- (c) <u>determine and announce which candidates are joke candidates</u> as set out in Section 2 (o);
- (d) where two (2) or more candidates from the same faculty have asked to appear on the ballot under names that are either identical or so similar as to be practically indistinguishable, the C.R.O. shall determine and announce under what names each of the two (2) or more candidates shall appear on the ballot; and
- (e) take attendance for the purpose of verifying compliance with Section 13.
- 17. All candidates shall, within twenty-four (24) hours of the nomination deadline, report to the C.R.O. any keys, cards, and other means of access to any building or room on the University of Alberta campus.
- 18. The C.R.O. shall confiscate, until the commencement of voting, any keys, cards, and other means of access to any building or room on the University of Alberta campus where:
  - (a) the key, card, or other means of access in question would provide an unfair advantage to the candidate; and
  - (b) the candidate is not academically, occupationally, or otherwise required to retain the key, card, or other means of access in question for the duration of the Campaign.
- 19. The C.R.O. shall make arrangements for space to be available on the University campus to all candidates for the purpose of the storage of campaign materials.
- 20. Where a candidate contravenes Section 17, he/she shall be disqualified.
- 21. No candidate shall, between the nomination deadline and the commencement of campaign activities, engage in any campaign activity.
- 22. Candidates wishing to run as a slate shall notify the C.R.O. in writing of their desire within twenty-four (24) hours of the nomination deadline.
- 23. Candidates providing written notification to the C.R.O. as set out in Section 22 shall include a slate name, which may not be the same as or

- a reasonable derivation of the name of any registered federal or provincial party.
- 24. Where candidates requesting to run as a slate are in compliance with Sections 22 and 23, the C.R.O. shall grant their request.
- 25. Where a candidate has been designated as a joke candidate as set out in Section 16 (c), that candidate may provide to the C.R.O. a new signed statement indicating the name under which he/she wishes to appear on the ballot, provided that this is done prior to the commencement of campaign activities.
- 26. Where a candidate who has been designated a joke candidate exercises his/her right, as set out in Section 25, to submit a new name under which he/she wishes to appear on the ballot, and where the new name is, at the discretion of the C.R.O., a reasonable derivative of that candidate's legal name, that candidate's designation shall be reversed.
- 27. Where two (2) or more slates in the same faculty submit names that are either identical or so similar as to be effectively indistinguishable, the C.R.O. shall determine and announce within thirty-six (36) hours of the nomination deadline what name each of the two (2) or more slates shall use.
- 28. Within thirty-six (36) hours of the nomination deadline, the C.R.O. shall post the legal name of each of the candidates, the name under which each candidate will appear on the ballot, the name of each slate, and abbreviation of each slate as it will appear on the ballot, and shall publish the same in the next available issue of the Official Student Newspaper.
- 29. Each candidate and slate shall act reasonably and in good faith, and specifically shall:
  - (a) ensure that each volunteer engaging in campaign activities on his/her/its behalf is aware of all bylaws, rules, regulations, and orders;
  - (b) ensure that each volunteer is in compliance with all bylaws, rules, regulations, and orders while engaging in campaign activities on his/her/its behalf; and
  - (c) report any contravention of a bylaw, rule, regulation, or order to the C.R.O. immediately.
- 30. No candidate or slate shall make use of any resource that is not:

- (a) available to all candidates and slates;
- (b) general volunteer labour or expertise; or
- (c) accounted for as part of that candidate's or slate's campaign expenses.
- 31. No two (2) or more candidates or slates shall jointly use resources, including tables, posters, banners, and budgets but excluding volunteers, except that a candidate may jointly use tables with a slate of which he/she is a member.
- 32. Any member with the exceptions of the C.R.O., the D.R.O.s, and an individual within a faculty association to whom the C.R.O. has delegated powers under Section 118 shall be free to act as a volunteer for or endorse multiple candidates.
- 33. No candidate shall, without the permission of the C.R.O., engage in any campaign activity:
  - (a) in any business or service operated by the Students' Union;
  - (b) in a University library;
  - (c) in a classroom during a class unless he/she first obtains the permission of the professor responsible for that class;
  - (d) in any residence; or
  - (e) <u>in any building or on any land not owned or operated by the</u> University or the Students' Union.
- 34. No candidate shall participate in any forum unless each candidate in his/her faculty has received at least twenty-four (24) hours notification of the forum and will be afforded an equal chance to speak at it.
- 35. All campaign materials shall be approved in form, content, and cost by the C.R.O. before they may be used in campaign activities.
- 36. Candidates and slates wishing to have campaign materials approved shall provide the C.R.O. with:
  - (a) a written estimate of the cost of the proposed campaign material, including the source of that estimate; and
  - (b) the complete contents of the proposed campaign material, including text, images, and layout.

- 37. The C.R.O. shall provide in confidence a written approval or refusal of campaign materials within nine (9) working hours of receiving a request as set out in Section 36.
- 38. The C.R.O. shall not approve campaign materials that:
  - (a) have more than a nominal value when distributed;
  - (b) cannot be removed at the end of the Campaign; or
  - (c) are likely to permanently damage or alter property.
- 39. Where a candidate or slate contravenes Section 35, the offending campaign materials shall be destroyed and the C.R.O. may assess an additional penalty to that candidate or slate, as set out in Section 110.
- 40. No candidate or slate shall have more than one (1) banner on display in any given building at any given time.
- 41. Where a candidate or slate contravenes Section 40, the offending banners shall be destroyed and the C.R.O. may assess an additional penalty to that candidate or slate, as set out in Section 110.
- 42. No candidate or slate shall have more than sixteen (16) posters on display in any given building at any given time.
- 43. No poster shall be displayed in such a way as to obscure another candidate or slate's campaign materials.
- 44. Where a candidate or slate contravenes Section 42 or Section 43, the offending posters shall be destroyed, and the C.R.O. may assess an additional penalty to that candidate or slate, as set out in Section 110.
- 45. No candidate or volunteer shall damage or destroy any other candidate or slate's campaign materials unless specifically authorized to do so by the C.R.O.
- 46. All campaign materials shall be removed by 21h00 on the day before the commencement of voting.
- 47. All printed campaign materials shall be purchased at official list price costs from one (1) or more of the printing companies designated by the C.R.O.
- 48. The C.R.O. shall designate at least five (5) printing companies from which candidates may purchase materials to be in compliance with Section 47.

- 49. Where a candidate demonstrates that a desired campaign material could not be produced by any of the five (5) or more printers designated by the C.R.O. as set out in Section 48, the C.R.O. may grant a limited exemption from Section 47 to that candidate.
- 50. Where campaign materials can be produced by any Students' Union operated business, candidates shall purchase those campaign materials from that business.
- 51. Where a candidate contravenes Section 47 or Section 50, the offending campaign materials shall be destroyed, and the C.R.O. may assess an additional penalty to that candidate, as set out in Section 110.
- 52. No candidate shall accrue more than thirty dollars (\$30.00), plus six dollars (\$6.00) for every one thousand (1,000) students in his/her faculty beyond three thousand (3,000) in campaign expenses, all of which shall be paid by the Students' Union.
- 53. No slate shall accrue more than thirty-six dollars (\$36.00), plus six dollars (\$6.00) for every one thousand (1,000) students in its faculty beyond three thousand (3,000) in campaign expenses, all of which shall be paid by the Students' Union.
- 54. No candidate running as part of a slate shall accrue more than eighteen dollars (\$18.00) in campaign expenses, all of which shall be paid by the Students' Union.
- 55. Where the number of students in a faculty beyond three thousand (3,000) is not a multiple of one thousand (1,000), the amount of money in excess of the base amount, as set out in Sections 53 through 55, shall be prorated and rounded to the nearest cent.
- 56. No joke candidate shall accrue more than one half (1/2) of the expenses set out in Sections 52 through 55.
- 57. Where a candidate or slate chooses to print campaign materials on recycled paper containing one hundred per cent (100%) post consumer content, and where that candidate or slate demonstrates, to the satisfaction of the C.R.O., that this choice resulted in an increased cost being incurred to him/her/it, then the amount of this increased cost shall not count against the limits set out in Sections 52 through 56.
- 58. Each candidate and slate shall keep an up to date and accurate account of all campaign expenses he/she/it incurs, and shall be responsible to the C.R.O. for all such campaign expenses.

- 59. Each candidate and slate shall submit to the C.R.O. the record, as set out in Section 58, no less than eight (8) working hours prior to the commencement of voting.
- 60. No candidate or slate shall incur any campaign expense within eight (8) working hours of the commencement of voting, except where that campaign expense has been has been reported in the record submitted to the C.R.O. as set out in Section 59.
- 61. Where a product or service has been provided to a candidate or slate for no consideration or for consideration that is less than the official list price of the service provider, that candidate shall be considered to have incurred a campaign expense equal to the fair market value of that product or service, as determined by the C.R.O.
- 62. Where a candidate or slate receives a product or service for consideration that is greater than the fair market value of that product or service, then that candidate or slate shall be considered to have incurred a campaign expense equal to the actual consideration.
- 63. For the purposes of Section 61, general labour and any expertise had by a significant portion of the population, including, but not limited to, poster design, web page design, and web page programming, shall be considered to have a fair market value of zero.
- 64. The fair market value shall be determined by the C.R.O. using the price that any other candidate or slate would have to pay for a comparable product or service as a guideline.
- 65. Candidates and slates shall have the right, but not the obligation, to receive an assessment of a product or service's fair market value in advance.
- 66. A candidate or slate wishing to receive a fair market value assessment in advance shall make a written request to the C.R.O., which shall include:
  - (a) a full and accurate description of the product or service;
  - (b) the supplier of the product or service, along with contact information for same; and
  - (c) the candidate or slate's estimation of the product or service's fair market value, and a rationale for same.

- 67. Where a complete request, as set out in Section 66, has been submitted to the C.R.O., the C.R.O. shall respond with a decision within nine (9) working hours.
- 68. The C.R.O. shall review all campaign expense records, and shall post summaries of same prior to the posting of official remarks as set out in 98 (b).
- 69. Where the C.R.O. determines that a candidate or slate has exceeded or falsified its campaign expense limit, that candidate or slate shall be disqualified, and notice of this shall be posted with the campaign expense records, and communicated directly to the candidate or slate in question.
- 70. Each member shall be entitled to cast one (1) ballot in the faculty in which he/she is registered only, except the C.R.O. who shall be entitled to cast a ballot only under the circumstances set out in Section 83.
- 71. Where a member is found to have cast more than one (1) ballot, all of that member's ballots shall be considered spoiled.
- 72. <u>Ballots shall list each candidate followed by the voting selection "None of the Above."</u>
- 73. For the purposes of Sections 74 through 87, "None of the Above" shall be considered a candidate.
- 74. <u>Balloting shall be conducted by preferential balloting, in which each voter shall rank his/her choices using natural numbers with one (1) representing the first choice and increasing numbers representing less desirable choices.</u>
- 75. A candidate shall require a majority of voters to indicate him/her as their first choice in order to be elected.
- 76. Voters shall be entitled to mark as few as zero candidates or as many as all of them.
- 77. A voter's ballot shall be considered spoiled where:
  - (a) that voter has indicated the same number for more than one (1) candidate;
  - (b) that voter has not included the number one (1) next to any candidate;
  - (c) that voter has indicated more than one (1) number next to any given candidate; or

- (d) that voter has used non-consecutive numbers.
- 78. Notwithstanding Section 77, where a voter's intention is clear that voter's ballot shall be counted.
- 79. In the event that no candidate receives a majority of first place votes, the candidate with the fewest first place votes shall be eliminated.
- 80. Any voter who has indicated an eliminated candidate with a number shall have the candidate marked with the next lowest number following the number by which the eliminated candidate had been indicated take the place of the eliminated candidate, and so on, in such a way that all candidates indicated by that voter as less desirable than the eliminated candidate are registered as being one (1) step more desirable than originally indicated.
- 81. Where a ballot is left with no first place vote, that ballot shall be considered spoiled.
- 82. Where all remaining candidates have an equal number of first place votes, or where the remaining candidate with the fewest first place votes is tied with another remaining candidate, the candidate that had the fewest first place votes on the first count in which a differential existed shall be eliminated.
- 83. Where all remaining candidates have an equal number of first place votes, or where the remaining candidate with the fewest first place votes is tied with another remaining candidate, where this tie has existed on every count, and where the candidates are running in the same faculty in which the C.R.O. is registered, then the C.R.O. shall cast a ballot.
- 84. Where all remaining candidates have an equal number of first place votes, or where the remaining candidate with the fewest first place votes is tied with another remaining candidate, and where this tie has existed on every count, the candidate to be eliminated shall be selected from those candidates with the fewest first place votes by a random or quasi-random method selected by the C.R.O.
- 85. The process set out in Sections 79 through 84 shall continue until such time as a candidate receives a majority of first place votes, at which point that candidate shall be declared victorious and removed from the ballot, and the process recommenced with the remaining candidates.

- 86. The process set out in Sections 79 through 85 shall continue for each faculty until such time as the number of candidates declared victorious is equal to the number of Council seats allocated to that faculty by the Students' Council Bylaw.
- 87. Where "None of the Above" is declared victorious, no further candidates shall be declared victorious.
- 88. Voting shall be conducted a times determined and advertised by the C.R.O.
- 89. The C.R.O. shall conduct balloting by any means that provide accurate results, and may use multiple methods in any combination.
- 90. At each physical polling station, there shall be at least two (2) poll clerks, hired by the Students' Union for that purpose, at all times.
- 91. Where there are fewer than two (2) poll clerks at any given physical polling station at any given time, polling at that polling station shall cease until such time as there are at least two (2) poll clerks at that polling station.
- 92. At each physical polling station, there shall be a notice to voters that shall explain the balloting procedures.
- 93. On each ballot, there shall be an explanation of the balloting procedures, which shall include, at minimum, the following:
  - (a) that "None of the Above" shall be considered a candidate;
  - (b) that voters shall rank each candidate according to their preferences;
  - (c) that the ballot shall be considered spoiled where any of the conditions set out in Section 77 are met; and
  - (d) that voters shall be permitted to rank as many as all or as few as zero candidates.
- 94. The C.R.O. shall provide for the secure handling of ballots, and shall ensure that at all times ballots are either under the direct supervision of the C.R.O. or a secure location.
- 95. <u>During voting, candidates shall not encourage members to vote, or engage in campaign activities.</u>
- 96. <u>During voting, candidates shall not remain within twenty (20) feet of any polling station except to vote.</u>

- 97. Each candidate shall be permitted to have one (1) person, designated in writing by the candidate, acting as scrutineer and being present at the counting of the ballots.
- 98. The C.R.O. or at least one (1) D.R.O. shall:
  - (a) supervise the counting of ballots;
  - (b) post final Election results within twenty-four (24) working hours of all complaints and appeals being resolved;
  - (c) <u>notify the Speaker of Students' Council and the President of the Students' Union of the final results, in writing:</u>
  - (d) post unofficial Election results at any time, including during counting;
  - (e) advertise final Election results in the first available edition of the Official Student Newspaper after the posting of final results as set out in Section 98 (b); and
  - (f) store the ballots in a locked room or container for at least two (2) weeks after the last recount has been completed.
- 99. A request for a recount shall be granted by the C.R.O. where:
  - (a) the request is in writing and signed by a member;
  - (b) the request is submitted to the C.R.O. within forty-eight (48) hours of the posting of Election results as set out in Section 98 (b); and
  - (c) the difference between the first place votes of the last victor to be declared and any other candidate on the final count is less than two percent (2%) of the total votes cast for that position.
- 100. The C.R.O. may initiate a recount independently for any reason.
- 101. The C.R.O. shall post the results of any recount within twenty-four (24) working hours of the recount being completed.
- 102. Where a joke candidate is elected in any faculty, the seat to which that joke candidate has been elected shall be considered vacant.
- 103. The C.R.O. shall be empowered to investigate and rule upon every contravention of this bylaw or any other bylaw, rule, or regulation related to the Election.
- 104. The C.R.O. shall prepare and provide a complaint form which shall require complainants to indicate:

- (a) their names and student identification numbers;
- (b) the specific bylaw and section, rule, or regulation that is alleged to have been contravened;
- (c) the specific individual or group that is alleged to be in contravention;
- (d) the specific facts which constitute the alleged contravention; and
- (e) the evidence for these facts.
- 105. Where a complaint is received within twelve (12) working hours of the alleged contravention, and where the original complaint form is provided to the C.R.O., the C.R.O. shall rule on that complaint.
- 106. The C.R.O. shall provide a copy of the complaint form, with the complainant's student identification number blacked out, to each respondent.
- 107. Where a complaint is received and is found to be complete as set out in Section 104, the C.R.O. shall rule on the complaint within twelve (12) working hours of receiving the complaint.
- 108. The C.R.O. shall post all of his/her rulings, including:
  - (a) a summary of the complaint;
  - (b) a list of parties to the complaint;
  - (c) where the C.R.O. fails to possess jurisdiction, as set out in Section 103, a summary of reasons for this finding;
  - (d) a listing of all bylaws, rules, and regulations that apply;
  - (e) a finding regarding the facts;
  - (f) a ruling regarding the alleged contravention;
  - (g) the penalty assigned, if any;
  - (h) the time the ruling was posted; and
  - (i) the time limit for appeal.
- 109. Where a candidate or volunteer has contravened a bylaw, rule, or regulation, regardless of the cause or the intent of the parties involved, and that contravention has provided an unfair advantage to a candidate, the C.R.O. shall assign a penalty that:
  - (a) <u>fully counter-balances any advantage gained; and</u>

- (b) where the contravention was intentional, penalizes the candidate who was or whose volunteer was guilty of the contravention.
- 110. Penalties available to the C.R.O. shall include:
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  - (b) the confiscation or destruction of campaign materials;
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  - (d) disqualification.
- 111. A candidate or slate shall be disqualified where he/she/it is guilty of a contravention that:
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  - (b) is malicious or substantially prejudicial to another candidate or slate; or
  - (c) <u>involves tampering with ballots, voting procedures, or counting procedures.</u>
- 112. Where a slate is disqualified, all candidates running as a part of that slate shall also be disqualified.
- 113. Where a member is guilty of a serious contravention, the C.R.O. may recommend to the D.I.E. Board that further penalties be brought under the Discipline, Interpretation, and Enforcement Board Bylaw.
- 114. Any member shall be entitled to appeal a ruling of the C.R.O. to the D.I.E. Board.
- 115. No appeal shall be considered by the D.I.E. Board unless it is received within twelve (12) working hours of the C.R.O.'s ruling being posted.
- 116. Where a complete appeal is received, the D.I.E. Board shall convene a hearing within twelve (12) working hours of the appeal being submitted.
- 117. No appeal shall exist from a ruling of the D.I.E. Board on an appeal of a ruling by the C.R.O.
- 118. The C.R.O. may delegate any of his/her responsibilities under this bylaw to relevant faculty associations.

- 119. <u>Notwithstanding Section 118</u>, <u>ultimate authority for all decisions</u> <u>delegated to faculty associations shall rest with the C.R.O.</u>
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NOMINATING COMMITTEE CHART (2003)								
Student Councilor Information								
Position.	Date	Time	Room	Name and Email	Phone			
Info (s/l)	Wednesday	9:00 am	Pres. off					
	Mar. 19			]				
Info	Monday Mar.	5:00 pm	Pres. off					
(int)	24							
Student Dist.	Wednesday	10:00 am	Pres. off					
(s/l)	Mar. 19							
Student Dist.	Monday Mar.	7:00 pm	Pres. off					
(int)	24							
Ombuds (s/l)	Wednesday Mar. 26	5:00 pm	Pres. off					
Ombuds (int)	Wednesday April 3	5:00 pm	Pres. off					
Safewalk (s/l)	Wednesday	1:00 pm	Pres. off					
	Mar. 19	1						
Safewalk (int)	Thursday Mar. 27	8:00 pm	Pres. off					
<b>Student Grps</b>	Wednesday	2:00 pm	Pres. off					
(s/l)	Mar. 19							
Student	Thursday Mar.	5:00 pm	Pres. off					
Grps(int)	27							
CRO (s/l)	Wednesday Mar. 19	3:00 pm	Pres. off					
CRO (int)	Tuesday Apr. 1	5:00 pm	Pres. off					
AAC (s/l)	Thursday Mar. 20	5:00 pm	2911					
AAC (int)	Wednesday Mar. 26	8:00 pm	2911					
CRC (s/l)	Thursday Mar. 20	5:00 pm	426					
CRC (int)	Thursday Mar. 27	5:00 pm	426					
SAC (s/l)	Thursday Mar. 20	5:00 pm	424					
SAC (int)	Thursday Mar. 27	5:00 pm	424					
ACEC (s/l)	Thursday Mar. 20	7:00 pm	424					
ACEC (int)	Thursday Mar. 27	7:00 pm	424					
ECOS (s/l)	Wednesday Mar. 19	4:00 pm	Pres. off					

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Speaker (s/l)	Wednesday Mar. 19	5:00 pm	Pres. off	
Speaker (int)	Friday Mar. 28	7:00 pm	Pres. off	
Rec Sec(int only)	Thursday Mar. 20	4:00 pm	Pres. off	

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Pres. Boards	Wednesday	5:00 pm	Pres. off					
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The Internal Review Board carried the following motions at its meeting of January 23, 2003:

SMITH/SAMUEL MOVED THAT the Internal Review Board recommend to Students' Council that it approve the following referendum question to appear on the ballot of the March 5 and 6 2003 Students' Union election:

"This question will determine if off campus students will pay Students' Union fees during the Spring and Summer Terms. Vote YES for them not to pay. Vote NO for them to pay. Do you support the insertion into Article VIII, Section 2, a point (e) to read "Pursuant to a referendum passed on 5 and 6 March 2003, notwithstanding Section 2 (c) and Section 2 (d), no student not attending courses on the University of Alberta campus shall pay a membership fee during the Spring or Summer Term"?"

Carried 5/1/0

SMITH/SAMUEL MOVED THAT the Internal Review Board recommend to Students' Council that it approve the proposed amendments to Bylaw 2100.

Carried 5/0/0

The Internal Review Board carried the following motions at its meeting of January 30, 2003:

SMITH/WEPPLER MOVED THAT the Internal Review Board recommend to Students' Council that it approve the following referendum question, to appear on the ballot of the March 5 and 6 2003 Students' Union election:

"Do you support an increase in funding to the Sexual Assault Centre, funded through an increase in the University Student Services Fee of \$1.00 per full-time student per Fall and Winter Term, \$0.50 per part-time student per Fall and Winter Term, and \$0.50 per student per Spring and Summer Term (approximately \$60 000 per year)? The University Student Services Fee cannot be reduced by referendum, only by the University Board of Governors.

At present, \$1.00 per full-time student per Fall and Winter Term, \$0.50 per part-time student per Fall and Winter Term, and \$0.50 per student per Spring and Summer Term is dedicated to the Sexual Assault Centre, pursuant to a 1993 referendum."

Carried 5/0/0

SMITH/GRINNELL MOVED THAT the Internal Review Board recommend to Students' Council that it approve the proposed amendments to Bylaw 2200.

Carried 5/0/0