

# STUDENTS' COUNCIL

# Tuesday, January 25, 2022 6:00PM Zoom

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

# LATE ADDITIONS (SC-2021-21)

2021-21/1	SPEAKERS BUSINESS
2021-21/2	CONSENT AGENDA
2021-21/3	PRESENTATIONS
2021-21/4	EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT
2021-21/5	BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORT
2021-21/6	OPEN FORUM
2021-21/8	BOARD AND COMMITTEE BUSINESS
2021-21/8c	<b>BRANDWEIN MOVES TO</b> approve the Education Students' Association's FAMF referendum question
	See SC-2021-21.14
2021-21/8d	<b>MONTEIRO/KAUR MOVETO</b> approve the International Students' Association Fee (ISAF) Referendum Question.
	See SC-2021-21.15
2021-21/8e	<b>KIMANI MOVES TO</b> approve the Interdepartmental Science Students' Society (ISSS) Referendum Question
	See SC-2021-21.16

2021-21/8f LEY MOVES TO go in camera to begin the Undergraduate Board of Governors Representative replenishment selection process

See SC-2021-21.17

2021-21/8g BARAZESH/BRANDWEIN MOVE TO approve Augustana Students' Association Referendum Question

See SC-2021-21.18

2021-21/9 GENERAL ORDER

2021-21/10 INFORMATION ITEMS

2021-21/10e Council Submissions

See SC-2021-21.12-18

# UASU Students' Council Agenda Submission

This form is intended to be used by members of Students' Council to submit items for Council meetings.

Council Meeting Date Tuesday, January 25, 2022

**Mover** batycki

Email batycki@ualberta.ca

Action Requested Information Items

# **Information Items**

### **Abstract**

Sustainability committee fall trimester report

**Attachments** 



Chair Trimesterly Report Sustainability.docx



# **Committee Report**

# Sustainability Committee

Date: January 25 2022 To: Students' Council

From: Andrew Batycki, Chair of the Sustainability Committee

September 2021 - December 2021

# 1. Committee Activities

1. Draft social sustainability recommendations

2. Began work on economic sustainability recommendations

### 2. Committee Schedule

For the next trimester, the Sustainability Committee will meet Friday at 4pm.

# 3. Summary of Motions

- **Note:** Due to the nature of the committee's work, no formal motions were made in the previous trimester. If you would like to know more about the committee's work, please email me at batycki@ualberta.ca

Meeting Number	Motion	Result

# UASU Students' Council Agenda Submission

This form is intended to be used by members of Students' Council to submit items for Council meetings.

Council Meeting Date Tuesday, January 25, 2022

Mover Beaulieu-Mercredi

Email vbeaulie@ualberta.ca

Action Requested Information Items

# **Information Items**

### **Abstract**

tân'si nitôtemak! Hello friends, here is the trimesterly report for ARRC.

**Attachments** 



ARRC Trimesterly Report (Sept-Dec).pdf



# **Committee Report**

# Aboriginal Relations and Reconciliation Committee (ARRC)

**Date:** January25, 2022 **To:** Students' Council

From: Vaughn Beaulieu-Mercredi, Chair of the Aboriginal Relations and Reconciliation

Committee

### 1. Committee Activities

Meeting #0

#### **Chair Selection**

- o **DHILLON** nominated **NORTHWEST**: accepted.
- **DIXON** nominated **PEACOCK**: accepted.
- o **NORTHWEST** is declared Chair.

# **Work Planning**

- MOYAN identified that, last year, the Committee prioritised ARRC Recommendation fulfillment and worked on revising the SU Land Acknowledgement. Suggested working on advocating for the implementation of a Native Studies course requirement.
   Proposed that the Committee plan its work better and meet more regularly.
- **DIXON** proposed that another priority for the Committee be ensuring that the Executive is accountable in fulfilling ARRC Recommendations.
- NORTHWEST determined to approve Standing Orders at the next Committee meeting.

#### Meeting #1

# **ARRC Recommendation Fulfillment Tasking**

- NORTHWEST inquired as to what ARRC Recommendations the Committee intends to prioritise.
- DIXON clarified that ARRC Recommendation fulfilment can also be tracked on the SU website portal.
- BEAULIEU-MERCREDI proposed prioritising advocacy for implementing a Native Studies course.
- MOYAN proposed prioritising advocacy for constructing Maskwa House of Learning.
- NORTHWEST proposed prioritising adding informational plaques narrating colonial art on Campus.
- DIXON cautioned that the University struggles with advisor shortages in general.
   Considered that the SU could hire an FNMI specialist to review the organisation.
- **KIMANI** proposed prioritising renaming rooms in SUB for FNMI recognition.
- **DIXON** proposed prioritising updating the SU Land Acknowledgement.
- LAPATAK inquired as to what can be done for National Truth and Reconciliation Day.
- **DIXON** responded that the SU will be distributing educational resources in place of holding an event and will also donate the profits of the Daily Grind.
- PEACOCK suggested that emphasis needs to be placed on the diversity of unmarked



graves at the sites of residential schools.

# Meeting #2

### **Chair's Business**

• **NORTHWEST** resigned as chair.

### **ARRC Recommendation Updates**

- LAPATACK noted that she hung orange t-shirts around Campus for National Day for Truth and Reconciliation. Clarified that she used her own funds for the purchase of shirts.
- DIXON updated that CAC will address the SU Land Acknowledgement at its next meeting. Noted that the SU also produced ads for the Day and attended the Indigenous Law Student run.

#### Meeting #3

- o **GRAHAM MOVED TO** elect a new ARRC Chair.
- **BEAULIEU-MERCREDIi** nominated himself; accepted.
- **BEAULIEU-MERCREDI** is declared the new chair of ARRC via acclamation.

#### Meeting #4

# **ARRC Recommendations Delegation**

• **BEAULIEU-MERCREDI** requested that the Committee identify the recommendations they want to work on in the WhatsApp chat in advance of the next meeting.

# Residential Memorial Victims Display Quad

- VILLOSO proposed purchasing materials to replicate the Augustana Memorial in Main
   Quad. Noted that she is in the process of planning arrangements.
- BEAULIEU-MERCREDI noted that it will be the responsibility of ARRC to determine
  when the event occurs. Recognised that the flags can be reused in future years. Noted
  that the Committee will have to consult an Elder to determine the most appropriate
  location of the installation.

### **Infographic Project Event**

- **BEAULIEU-MERCREDI** noted that, in the past, there was an ARRC-ASC pathfinding document created but its content remains to be turned into an infographic.
- o MOYAN proposed that the Committee make the graphics via Canva.
- BEAULIEU-MERCREDI suggested that it will be most appropriate for Marketing to handle the infographic creation.
- BEASLEY noted that the Committee needs to confirm with Marketing. Clarified that the infographic could also promote engagement in ASC elections.

### Meeting #5

### **SU Land Acknowledgement**

 DIXON updated that she is unsure as to which Committee of Council is taking responsibility for the amendment of the Land Acknowledgment.

### **Residential Memorial Victims Display Quad**



 BEAULIEU-MERCREDI updated that University Administration is in support of the Display and the Committee is awaiting to hear back from the Department of Facilities and Operations.

### **ARRC Recommendations Tasking**

- BEAULIEU-MERCREDI reminded the Committee to identify the Recommendations they intend to champion during the term.
- **KIMANI** is determined to work on the Recommendation "The SU shall name a portion of rooms in SUB to acknowledge the ancestral space on which it sits."
- **BEASLEY** is determined to work on the Recommendation's call for increased presence at FNMI events.
- **DIXON** is determined to work on the Recommendation's call for more affordable childcare services for students who parent.
- **BEAULIEU-MERCREDI** is determined to review ARRC Standing Orders for changes.

### Meeting #6

#### **Discussion on the Residential School Memorial**

- **BEAULIEU-MERCREDI** there's been a lot of interest in the memorial, which will remain in the main quad until Sunday, November 28th.
- **KIMANI** guestions what will happen to the flags after the memorial is taken down.
- **BEAULIEU-MERCREDI** states that the flags will be put in storage and saved for future memorial events.

### **SU Land Acknowledgement 1st Draft**

- **BEASLEY** presents the 1st draft of the SU Land Acknowledgement. There is no current timeline for approval.
- o **DIXON** states the SU Land Acknowledgement takes two minutes to speak. The land acknowledgment is meant to be thorough but short. While there is no timeline for approval, the acknowledgement should be completed by the end of the academic year so next year's ARRC committee does not have to re-examine it.

### **UASU Governance Restructuring Task Force Recommendations**

o TABLED

# Meeting #7

#### **Indigenous Celebration Week**

- Description Search of the Indigenous Celebration Week is happening in January. ARRC would like to provide some guidance to a few events at Indigenous Celebration Week, such as the Indian Taco Lunch, particularly because there have been concerns raised about how the fry bread tacos will be made.
- DIXON notes that Jeremy, the head chef at the Students' Union, is willing to make the
  fry bread tacos. However, Jeremy is a white man, which may cause some concerns
  about the authenticity around the preparation for the fry bread tacos.
- Questions if, to rectify this situation, should someone of Indigenous descent supervise
   Jeremy while he is cooking the fry bread tacos? Or should someone teach him how to
   authentically make fry bread before the event?
- BEAULIEU-MERCREDI states that the main issue surrounding the fry bread taco event is authenticity. If Indigenous students find out that the fry bread was made without some input from an Indigenous student or group, there could be some upset.



- Reiterates that there are a couple of viable options available to ARRC regarding the fry bread taco event. **DIXON** and himself could take over the SU Kitchen and personally cook the fry bread tacos or an Indigenous representative could supervise Jeremy to make sure that the fry bread tacos are authentically made.
- DHILLON questions if the best option would be having an Indigenous individual walk through crafting an authentic fry bread recipe with the SU kitchen staff the day before the event.
- **KIMANI** likes the instructional approach suggested by **DHILLON**.
- **BEAULIEU-MERCREDI** suggests that the Indigenous representative, instructing the SU kitchen staff, could be an Indigenous student or potentially an elder.
- **DHILLON** wonders if there are any liability risks in having an instructional person in the SU kitchen while staff members are cooking.
- **DIXON** will talk to Jeremy about the liability risks.

# **UASU Governance Restructuring Task Force (GRTF) Recommendations**

- BEASLEY notes that Students' Council is under consideration for restructuring and re-sizing. ARRC needs a strong voice in restructuring efforts to help ensure greater indigenous representation on Students' Council.
- DIXON questions what the objective of this conversation is and wonders if this committee item was put forward at the behest of MONTEIRO or LEY.
- BEAULIEU-MERCREDI answers in the negative regarding whether this committee item
  was put forward by MONTEIRO or LEY. Suggests that GRTF as a way to decolonize
  Students' Council by increasing indigenous student representation, which makes it a
  meaningful discussion item.
- DIXON agrees that council restructuring is a good step towards decolonizing Students'
   Council.
- KIMANI states that herself and DIXON will work on completing recommendations
  regarding what Students' Council should like after restructuring, particularly in regards
  to EDI. The focus will be on creating a greater diversity of voices and opinions, beyond
  just race and gender.
- DIXON furthers that diversity is about quality and not quantity. Questions if consultation in regards to GRTF included ASC.
- **BEAULIEU-MERCREDI** is not aware of any ASC consultation.
- **BEAULIEU-MERCREDI** questions how ARRC can play a role in GRTF moving forward.
- Suggests, because so many committee members are missing from this meeting, that discussion continues in the winter semester.
- **DHILLON** states that it would be valuable to bring **MONTEIRO** to the conversation when the committee next meets in January.

### 2. Committee Schedule

For the next trimester, ARRC meets Thursdays at 3:00-4:00PM.



# **Meeting Schedule for ARRC**

- January 27, 2022
- February 10, 2022
- February 24, 2022
- March 10, 2022
- March, 24, 2022
- April 7, 2022

# 3. Summary of Motions

Meeting Number	Motion	Result
3	GRAHAM MOVES TO elect a new ARRC chair.	VAUGHN BEAULIEU-MERCEDI acclaimed as chair.
N/A	<b>BEAULIEU-MERCREDI MOVES TO</b> release \$500.00 for the use of the Residential School Memorial	Motion/E-Vote <u>passed</u> <u>unanimously</u> .
8	<b>BEAULIEU-MERCREDI</b> moves to adopt Standing Orders	Carried

# UASU Students' Council Agenda Submission

Council Meeting Date Tuesday, January 25, 2022

Mover Brandwein

Email nbrandwe@ualberta.ca

Action Requested Approval

# **Approval**

Motion BRANDWEIN MOVES TO approve the Education Students'

Association's FAMF referendum question

### **Abstract**

Bylaw Committee is seeking approval of the drafted ESA referendum question by Students' Council.

### **Attachments**



Education Students' Association (ESA) Refer...

### **ESA Referendum Question:**

The Education Students' Association (ESA) is the student Faculty Association for the Faculty of Education, as well as a member of Student Local No.1 of the Alberta Teachers' Association (ATA). Undergraduate education students enrolled prior to August 31, 2021 have been assessed an annual Faculty Association Membership Fee of \$8.00. This fee has since expired.

The ESA's proposed budget is consistent with those of previous years, including (but is not limited to) the following services:

- Professional development events
- Conferences
- Administration and elections
- Emergency funding
- Graduation
- Social events

#### The conditions of the fee shall include:

- It shall be distributed according to the framework approved by the University of Alberta Students' Union Students' Council and is subject to the oversight of the Audit Committee.
- 2. This fee will be applied to all undergraduate Education students, except those enrolled in off-campus collaborative programs.
- 3. The same fee will be applied to full-time and part-time students.
- 4. The fee shall only be charged in the Fall semester.
- 5. Students joining the Faculty of Education after the fee is collected in the Fall term may request a membership by contacting the ESA.
- 6. Students may opt out of this fee by contacting the ESA before October 31st of the year it is charged.
- 7. The fee will have a three (3) year lifetime with an expiry of August 31, 2025.

Do you support a Faculty Association Membership Fee for the Education Students' Association to be assessed at a rate of \$8.00 per academic year effective September 1, 2022?

# UASU Students' Council Agenda Submission

Council Meeting Date Tuesday, January 25, 2022

**Mover** Monteiro

Email abner.monteiro@uasu.ca

Action Requested Approval

# **Approval**

Motion Monteiro/Kaur Move to approve the International

Students' Association Fee (ISAF) Referendum Question.

### **Abstract**

This referendum question was drafted in collaboration with two members of the Bylaw Committee and the ISA.

### **Attachments**



# International Students' Association ISAF Referendum Question

The International Students' Association (ISA) is a Student Representative Association representing all undergraduate international students at the University of Alberta. The ISA advocates for interests such as hybrid lecture delivery, recording lectures, Ride Transit Program inclusion, anti-racism, campus safety, etc. and provides programs/services to its members. The ISA is proposing a fee of \$3.50 per semester per international student. Students who are not on campus (co-op/internship or study term) will not be charged this fee.

The ISA seeks to create an International Students' Association Fee (ISAF) to do the following:

- Expand the I-Card (Discount Card) Program to help international students get discounts and save money at restaurants, stores, retailers, etc.
- Provide events and programs year-round such as International Students' Day (I-Day), bonfires, and social nights.
- Fund student groups, including BIPOC and regional groups (CSSA, INDSA, etc.) to subsidize events and programs planned by international students.
- Provide welcome services to new international students with customized orientation programs and welcome booklets.
- Host mental health workshops and professional development activities such as career fair, alumni nights, and time management/burnout prevention workshops.
- Support ISA operations and the creation of an International Students' Hub on campus.
- Provide dedicated awards for international students.

#### **Conditions:**

- The fee will have a two (2) year lifetime, Starting September 1, 2022, and expiring on August 31, 2024.
- ISAF is an optional fee, thus students may opt-out of paying the fee by filling out an online form found on the ISA website.
- Accountability, transparency and administration: The fee shall be under the the supervision of the University of Alberta Students' Union Audit Committee, and ISA shall release annual audited statements on the usage of the fee to all its members. The ISA Board/Council members shall administer the fee and be directly elected by international students.

Do you support the creation of the ISAF for the International Students' Association to be assessed at a rate of \$3.50 per semester effective September 1, 2022 with an option to opt-out at the start of every semester?

# UASU Students' Council Agenda Submission

Council Meeting Date Tuesday, January 25, 2022

**Mover** KIMANI

**Email** emily.kimani@su.ualberta.ca

Action Requested Approval

**Approval** 

Motion KIMANI MOVES TO approve the Interdepartmental Science

Students' Society (ISSS) Referendum Question

**Abstract** 

N/A

Attachments



Interdepartmental Science Students' Society ...

# Interdepartmental Science Students' Society (ISSS) Referendum Question:

The Interdepartmental Science Students' Society (ISSS) is a Faculty Association representing undergraduate Science Students. ISSS currently collects a \$5.00 fee from part- and full-time students in Fall and Winter semesters enrolled in the Faculty of Science to support science-specific initiatives and advocacy efforts.

#### Initiatives and services include:

- Locker rentals
- Scholarships
- Handbooks
- Free tutoring and professional development events
- Orientation
- Funding to science faculty clubs
- Graduation banquet
- Science Week and much more

#### Conditions of the Fee:

- It shall be distributed according to the framework approved by the University of Alberta Undergraduate Students' Union and Students' Council and is subject to the oversight of the Audit Committee.
- 2. The same fee will be applied to full-time and part-time students enrolled in the Faculty of Science.
- 3. The fee will be charged in the Fall and Winter semesters.
- 4. Students may opt out of this fee by contacting ISSS.
- 5. This fee will expire on August 31, 2026.

Do you support the renewal of the Sci5 Faculty Association Membership Fee, assessed at \$5.00 for each of the Fall and Winter semesters, effective September 1, 2022?

# UASU Students' Council Agenda Submission

This form is intended to be used by members of Students' Council to submit items for Council meetings.

Council Meeting Date Tuesday, January 25, 2022

**Mover** LEY

Email rowan.ley@su.ualberta.ca

Action Requested Approval

**Approval** 

**Motion** LEY moves to go in camera to begin the Undergraduate

Board of Governors Representative replenishment selection

process

### **Abstract**

Bylaw 100(6) subsections 5 and 6 establish the procedure for replacing the role of Undergraduate Board of Governors Representative once nominations have been received. The successful candidate will be chosen by secret ballot. Bylaw offers no further specific guidance.

It is established best practice to go in-camera when personnel decisions of this significance are being made, with the most important precedent being the process of selecting the Speaker. Like the secret ballot, this is intended to ensure members are free to speak and vote their conscience without worrying about repercussions from unsuccessful candidates.

# **Consultation and Stakeholder Engagement**

Established process outlined in Bylaw 100(6).

# UASU Students' Council Agenda Submission

Council Meeting Date Tuesday, January 25, 2022

Mover Barazesh

Email barazesh@ualberta.ca

Action Requested Approval

**Approval** 

Motion BARAZESH/BRANDWEIN MOVE TO approve Augustana

Students' Association Referendum Question

**Abstract** 

Attached to this motion is a PDF containing the Referendum Question

**Attachments** 



Augustana Students Association (ASA) Refer...

### 2021 Proposed Referendum Question:

The Augustana Students' Association (ASA) is the student representative association for the Augustana Campus. As a student at Augustana, you are currently charged a faculty association membership fee of \$65.00 in each of the fall and winter semesters. You are voting in this referendum because the fee must be renewed every 5 years.

### The conditions of the fee shall include:

- 1. It shall be distributed according to the framework approved by the University of Alberta Students' Union and Students' Council and is subject to the oversight of the Audit Committee.
- 2. The same fee will be applied to full-time and part-time students.
- 3. Students may opt-out of this fee by contacting the ASA.
- 4. This fee will expire on August 31, 2027.

Do you support the renewal of the Faculty Association Membership Fee for the Augustana Students' Association to be assessed at a rate of \$65.00 per term for each of the Fall and Winter semesters, effective September 1, 2022?