

Tuesday, August 25, 2020 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.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS (SC-2020-09)

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 6:00PM

- 2020-09/I SPEAKERS BUSINESS
- 2020-09/1a Announcements The next meeting of Students' Council will take place on **Tuesday**, **September**, 8 2020 at 6:00PM via Zoom.

Registered Guests

Steve Dew - Provost, University of Alberta Chanpreet Singh - ISA President Adam Lachaz - President, The Gateway Rebeca Avila- visitor, Cllr. Villoso's Mentee Mitchell Pawluk - Opinion Editor, The Gateway

2020-09/2 PRESENTATIONS

2020-09/2a AGARWAL/MONTEIRO MOVED TO allow Steve Dew, Provost and Vice-President (Academic) present on "UofA for Tomorrow, Academic Restructuring."

See SC-2020-09.19

DEW delivered the presentation.

AGARWAL/EINARSON MOVED TO extend the presentation by 30 minutes.

CARRIED

DIXON inquired about how student consultation will be measured and taken seriously.

DEW responded by explaining the structure responsible for the decision making and the steps that would be taken to recognize students that have been consulted with.

BOSE inquired about how the academic restructuring will impact the representation of students on the General Faculties Council.

DEW explained the formula that would be considered to examine proportion changes on the General Faculties Council.

EINARSON inquired about the potential undermining of Campus Saint Jean through academic restructuring.

DEW provided some context about what is being considered regarding Campus Saint Jean in the restructuring process.

BRANDWEIN inquired about budgeting changes that would occur in the restructuring process.

DEW clarified the relationship between the budgeting and the academic functions that would need to be delivered under a restructuring.

LEY inquired about how frontline services would be protected in areas such as academic advising, maintaining the level of service quality while following through with these changes.

DEW shared information on the processes and priorities being considered in the restructuring process.

BUCHANAN inquired about whether three viable alternative options will be considered versus a single option prioritized versus two nonviable options.

DEW explained how decisions will be weighed in to understand the needs of the community in this process.

DIXON followed up on the previous question shared by inquiring about the ways that students with diverse needs will be included in this process.

DEW provided context for the mediums that will be utilized to engage thoroughly with students and explained that new ideas for this engagement are being considered.

FOTANG inquired about whether the University of Alberta has also considered case studies of universities that have not been very successful in their academic restructuring and whether the lessons learned from those cases have been addressed by the University of Alberta in its current redesign plans.

DEW explained how the university engaged with these previous examples and what

the processes taken by the University of Alberta have done to commit themselves to support the university given these possibilities and changes.

EINARSON inquired about the nature of discussions regarding Campus Saint Jean in the academic restructuring process.

DEW responded with information describing the facilities concern with Campus Saint Jean.

DIXON inquired about how proposals will address concerns of student representation on GFC given the academic restructuring changes being considered.

DEW responded by stating that being open to new ways of maintaining the quality versus quantity of representation would need to be considered in this process in a way that is equitable and effective.

2020-09/3 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Rowan LEY, Vice President (External) - Report. Alana KRAHN, Vice President (Operations and Finance) - Report. Katie KIDD, Vice President (Student Life) - Report. Joel AGARWAL, President - Report.

2020-09/4 BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORT

DHILLON, ARRC - Report BADESHA, Audit Committee - Report FOTANG, Bylaw Committee - Report BID, CAC - Report AGARWAL, Executive Committee - Report KRAHN, Finance Committee - Report YABUT, Nominating Committee - Report MONTEIRO, Policy Committee Report DIXON, Sustainability Committee Report KRAHN, Sustainability and Capital Fund Committee EINARSON, Translation Committee - Report KONRAD, Undergraduate Board of Governors Representative - Report KIDD, Student Group Committee

2020-09/5 <u>OPEN FORUM</u>

LACHAZ to AGARWAL: Inquired about whether the UASU had any insight into the rates of students taking gap years at the University of Alberta.

LACHAZ to AGARWAL: Inquired about how the students union is going to push for the value of education if a large number of students are feeling that they are not receiving an equitable student experience for the tuition that they are paying. LACHAZ to KIDD: Inquired about how the Students' Union will communicate the various health and dental plan coverage tiers to students who may have no access to the plan or not be on campus to access certain aspects of the plan.

2020-09/6 QUESTION PERIOD

DIXON to LEY: Inquired about whether the Executive Committee will be working on meeting student needs more comprehensively with the UPass.

BUCHANAN to AGARWAL: Asked for clarification on whether the Executive was looking to pursue certain changes regarding governance policy in the Post Secondary Learning Act.

KONRAD to LEY: Inquired about how CAUS came to the decision of moving their office into the Students' Union Building.

DIXON to LEY: Inquired about what has changed from the previous Students' Council meeting in terms of the goals of the Executive Committee working on issues of the current arrangement for students through working with the ETS.

MONTEIRO to LEY: Inquired about whether there was any intent by the Executive to address the concerns of students living outside of the Edmonton municipality and the costs for them with transportation surcharges

KONRAD/BUCHANAN MOVED TO extend the question period by ten minutes.

BUCHANAN to KRAHN: Inquired about when certain information regarding committee minutes and finances information could be made available.

YABUT to KIDD: Inquired about the level of initiative for LGBTQ+ students through The Landing and other services available to them at this time.

BUCHANAN to KRAHN: Inquired about the level of progress that has been made reaching out to transit authorities regarding the upcoming Fall 2020 semester.

2020-09/7 BOARD AND COMMITTEE BUSINESS

2020-09/7a **KRAHN/VILLOSO MOVED TO** approve the release of funds from the Sustainability & Capital Fund for the planning of the Myer Horowitz Theatre renovation, up to \$195,000.

See SC-2020-09.20

KRAHN introduced the motion.

BUCHANAN shared concerns with the timeline with this measure and with the financial situation of the Students' Union with this funding.

BOSE shared concerns with student consultation at this time with these proposed changes and whether there could be a feedback collection process at this time.

EINARSON made a Point of Information on a discrepancy in the motion and the attached information.

DUMOUCHEL addressed the concerns that have been raised by ClIrs. Buchanan and Bose regarding the funding that has been allocated for SCF and also provided context behind this motion.

BUCHANAN made a Point of Information regarding clarification on certain deadlines with this project.

DUMOUCHEL responded with context on the potential timelines that could be considered for this project.

DIXON shared concerns with the short amount of time to review this motion and also shared support for the tenets that have been shared regarding what the SCF Committee would like to explore with this project.

BATYCKI shared sentiments in support of the motion and provided more context for the decision that was brought forward from the Sustainability and Capital Fund Committee.

LEY shared sentiments in support of the motion and highlighted the thorough consultation processes that have been engaged with.

AGARWAL acknowledged the concerns that have been raised and asked for councillors to consider the long term implications of the current proposal.

BOSE/KIDD MOVED TO extend the discussion by ten minutes.

KIDD spoke on the optics of the motion and the benefits of pursuing this planning now.

BUCHANAN shared concerns of the political nature of this decision and the tough optics of this motion being made given multiple factors currently present.

BID asked for clarification on certain points regarding the financial processes of the motion brought forward.

KRAHN responded to some of the concerns that have been brought forward in this discussion and shared sentiment in favour of this motion.

DUMOUCHEL responded to concerns with optics that have been raised and the concerns with consultation and transparency.

BUCHANAN/BOSE MOVED TO table this motion for the September 22, 2020 Students' Council meeting.

BATYCKI shared sentiments opposing this motion and shared information regarding the ballot motion.

BUCHANAN/KONRAD MOVED TO Call for Division on the voting of the motion to table 2020-09/7a.

AGARWAL - N LEY - N KRAHN - N KIDD - N KONRAD - N CARBAJAL - N MARQUES - N OLIVERIA - N VILLOSO - N YABUT - N **BURHANI - N** SARETZKY - N AKKERMAN - N BATYCKI - N BID - N BOSE - N HARIHARAN - N MONTEIRO - N **BUCHANAN - Y** FILIPOVIC - N **BRANDWEIN - N EINARSON - N** BADESHA - N **BARAZESH - N** DHILLON - N FOTANG - N KIMANI - N KORDE - N

1/27/0 - FAILED

BUCHANAN made a Point of Information on the need for a secondary on a Call for Division.

BUCHANAN MOVED TO Call for Division on the original motion of 2020-09/7a.

AGARWAL - Y LEY - Y KRAHN - Y KIDD - Y KONRAD - Y CARBAJAL - Y DIXON - Y MARQUES - Y **OLIVERIA - Y** VILLOSO - Y YABUT - Y **BURHANI - Y** SARETZKY -Y AKKERMAN - Y BATYCKI - Y BID -Y BOSE - N HARIHARAN - N MONTERIO - Y **BUCHANAN - N** FILIPOVIC - Y **BRANDWEIN - Y** EINARSON - Y BADESHA - Y BARAZESH - Y DHILLON - Y FOTANG - Y KIMANI - Y KORDE - Y

26/4/0 - CARRIED

2020-09/7b **BID/BOSE MOVED TO** discuss and seek council's approval to changes in the election budget.

See SC-2020-09.06

BID introduced the motion.

AGARWAL asked for clarification with details on Council Election Candidate allocation.

BUCHANAN stated that he will abstain from this motion.

BID restated that the funding amount has not changed, only the allocation has changed.

AGARWAL shared that he will be voting in favour of the motion.

20/0/3 - CARRIED (noted abstention from Cllr. Buchanan)

2020-09/7c **BOSE/EINARSON MOVED TO** approve the Engineering Students' Society 2020/2021 FAMF Reallocation Proposal.

See SC-2020-09.07

BOSE introduced the motion.

19/0/1 - CARRIED

2020-09/7d **DRAPER/MONTEIRO MOVED TO** ratify the appointment of David Ren and Adrian Wattamaniuk.

See SC-2020-09.08

MONTEIRO introduced the motion.

BOSE opened the floor to ask if there were any concerns with the procedure.

BUCHANAN thanked the Nominating Committee for the transparent process with this motion.

23/0/0 - CARRIED

2020-09/7e **BID/BOSE MOVED TO** approve the changes to Students' Council Standing Orders.

See SC-2020-09.09

BID introduced the motion.

AGARWAL commended the motion and communicated minor changes.

20/0/0 - CARRIED

2020-09/7f **LEY/BRANDWEIN MOVED TO** approve the Second Principles of the Student Financial Aid Policy.

See SC-2020-09.10

LEY introduced the motion.

AGARWAL shared support for the motion.

21/0/0 - CARRIED

- 2020-09/8 <u>GENERAL ORDERS</u>
- 2020-09/8a AGARWAL/BUCHANAN MOVED TO an in-camera session.
- 2020-09/9 INFORMATION ITEMS
- 2020-09/9a Executive Committee Reports

See SC-2020-09.01-05

2020-09/9b Council Submissions.

See SC-2020-09.06-10.20

2020-09/9c Brief Bios for ESS Seats

See SC-2020-09.21

2020-09/9d Committee Trimesterly Chair Reports

See SC-2020-09.11-15.22-23

2020-09/9e Students' Council - Motion Tracking

See SC-2020-09.16

2020-09/9f Students' Council - Attendance

See SC-2020-09.17

- 2020-09/9g Students' Council, Votes and Proceedings (SC-2020-08) Tuesday, August 11, 2020 See SC-2020-09.18
- 2020-09/9h Presentations

See SC-2020-09.19.(24)

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 9:53PM