

STUDENTS' COUNCIL

Tuesday, February 8th, 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.

CALL TO ORDER AT 6:08 P.M.

ORDER PAPER (SC-2021-22)

2021-22/5

2021-22/1	SPEAKERS BUSINESS
2021-22/2	CONSENT AGENDA
2021-22/2a	Students' Council, Votes and Proceedings (SC-2021-21) Tuesday, January 25th, 2022
	See SC-2021-22.19
2021-22/3	PRESENTATIONS
2021-22/3a	lem:lem:lem:lem:lem:lem:lem:lem:lem:lem:
	See SC-2021-22.21 & 24
	CARRIED
2021-22/4	EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT Talia DIXON, Vice-President, (Student Life) - Report. Emily KIMANI, Vice-President, (Operation and Finance) - Report. Christian FOTANG, Vice-President, (External) - Report.
	Abner MONTEIRO, Vice-President (Academic) - Report. Rowan LEY, President - Report.

BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORT

WATTAMANIUK - Board of Governors - Report.

BEAULIEU-MERCREDI - Aboriginal Relations & Reconciliation Committee - Report.

DHILLON - Audit Committee - Report.

BARAZESH - Bylaw Committee - Report.

VILLOSO - Council Administration Committee - Report.

LEY - Executive Committee - Report.

KIMANI - Fee Governance Committee - Report.

KIMANI - Finance Committee - Report.

MOTASKA - Policy Committee - Report.

KIMANI - Sustainability & Capital Fund Committee - Report.

MONTEIRO - Student Group Committee - Report.

MONTEIRO - Nominating Committee - Report.

BATYCKI - Sustainability Committee - Report.

LEY - Translation Committee - Report.

OPEN FORUM

2021-22/6

SINGH (ISA President): Inquired if Audit is going to do financial literacy workshops outside CoFA and if they would do more workshops for SRA's such as the ISA.

DHILLON: Claims that this is the first time doing the literacy workshop. If the audit goes through this year. Hoping to reach out to SRA's this year and hoping to include everyone wanting to submit an audit. Happy to address any further concerns over email

2021-22/7 QUESTION PERIOD

ALI: Inquired if the SU will commit to continue to push for a hybrid learning option for those who cannot be present in Edmonton

LEY: SU is currently advocating for improved hybrid options for students who are unable to return to Edmonton. University has heard concerns and currently communicating with them. Will continue to push for further accommodations. Claims university has not been feasible at enforcing these decisions in the past. There is currently advocacy in progress for those who happen to fall ill and cannot be present on campus. SU is also advocating for as many hybrid options as possible.

MONTEIRO: Last semester, there was an 80/20 split for delivering course content in-person vs. online. Students are informed that in-person options are open and hope to deliver hybrid options.

BRANDWEIN: Was at FA council meeting and was first informed about the released student budget and was concerned about regarding faculty associations exec team. Inquired on where exactly the protest will be held. Also inquired on how students will come out and attend the protest if school remains virtual. Another point FA

executive teams want to be answered is if the protest is being held after the budget is released as details are not released until then

DIXON: Inquired to who was inquiring about the protest. Emailed all of the FA's and SRA's. The idea of it was to do a litmus test and just give out a general idea on who wanted to participate and will send more information in the future. Finalized all details today and RSVP will be sent out tomorrow. The current plan is to start at noon on the 17th and a very quick and brief meeting, mainly about safety before departing for the legislature. The current plan is to walk from Quad to the legislature. Wants to try to make a plan to make the protest accessible for everyone, have various speeches, and disperse from the legislature grounds. Turnout will include everyone in FA's, SRA's. Cannot confirm how many people will attend. The only way to combat is to mobilize everyone in circles as mobilizing has been an issue in the past. Province will most likely not listen to students' concerns due to budgeting but does not indicate that there will be no impact as it gives many students and students executives to voice their concerns. SU also has a lot of various advocacy activities coming up like class talks, postering, social media posts.

LEY: The goal is to frame the budget since the government projects a \$4 billion surplus due to growing oil prices. By getting the advocacy in the news, the government can frame it. Framing does help a lot as the province is going into an election next year. Alberta's Business Plan has projected cuts to universities as the government has been cutting university funds in recent years. They are predicting approximately a \$53 million budget cut for this year

BATYCKI: Inquires the update regarding the EDI committee's recent work

KIMANI: Haven't met for a few weeks. Everyone in the committee has been working on EDI recommendations on their own time and will finalize everything before it is presented to Council

ALI: Inquires if the SU reached out to different people beyond the campus regarding Public Interest Alberta

FOTANG: Has been talking to Public Interest Alberta in supporting messaging. The biggest plan is to put students' concerns first following university staff members. Has been talking to Public Interest Alberta and other schools in Edmonton as well for their thoughts. Also currently talking to K-12 schools in supporting the need for primary education along with secondary education

LEY: Is aware that some of the unions they're working with is going to talk to other institutions in the city along with Talia

BATYCKI: Was informed that EDI committee hasn't met since October and wants to confirm if they're meeting or not in the time coming

KIMANI: Confirms they haven't met for a few weeks. Giving honorariums due to

tough conversations. However, will continue to work on recommendations.

BRANDWEIN: For students in some programs that are required to meet for a minimum amount of hours of learning and for students going off to work after. Expresses the strike will affect many students that require an in-person learning environment. Inquires what should be told to students if the strike would occur in the coming weeks.

LEY: Very conscious of this issue as this is a problem for students and the union representing faculty. Have set up meetings with CoFA and ISA and will go over various issues with them. For the time being, expresses that they should talk to their dean as soon as possible and crediting body as soon as possible. Another option is leaving individual students to consult with their student faculty.

ALI: Inquires if the SU has met with the History Classic and Religion Student Society on how they will best support students regarding the recent sexual assault case dating back to 2018

DIXON: Expresses that Katie has worked with various individuals impacted by this incident. Expresses that Katie dealt with the case very well. Have only met with those impacted by this case once or twice. Hasn't been too much to support because things are well underway. Claims Katie did a lot of work on this case last year.

2021-22/8 BOARD AND COMMITTEE BUSINESS

2021-22/8a **DIXON/TAHA MOVED TO** appoint two members of Council to Health and Dental Plan Committee

See SC-2021-22.10

CARRIED

MIKAYLA METHE and SIMRAN DHILLON are elected as the two new members of Council to the Health and Dental Plan Committee via secret ballot

2021-21/8b **LEY/ALI MOVED TO** discuss an incident recently regarding a DIE Board Hearing

CARRIED

2021-21/8c **YEOLA/ALI MOVED TO** approve the First Principles of the International Student Policy

See SC-2021.22.11

CARRIED

2021-21/8d

KIMANI/BARAZESH MOVED TO approve Student Legal Services (SLS)

Referendum Question

See SC-2021-22.12

CARRIED

2021-21/8e KIMANI/BARAZESH MOVED TO approve the World University Service of

Canada (WUSC) Referendum Question

See SC-2021-22.13

CARRIED

2021-21/8f KIMANI/TAHA MOVED TO approve the 2022/23 Budget Principles

See SC-2021.22.15

CARRIED

2021-21/8g **DHILLON/VILLOSO MOVED TO** approve the 2020/21 Audit Report

See SC-2021.22.16

CARRIED

2021-21/9 <u>GENERAL ORDER</u>

2021-21/9a **LEY/OULLETTE MOVED TO** discuss labour negotiations between the

University, AASUA, NASA, and the GSA

See SC-2021-22.16

CARRIED

2021-21/9b MONTEIRO/LEY MOVED TO discuss the Student Group Committee

Recommendation on improving the relationship between the UASU and ISA.

See SC-2021-22.17

CARRIED

2021-21/9c **DIXON/BARAZESH MOVED TO** recognize the Augustana Residence

Association under Bylaw 8100

See SC-2021-22.22

CARRIED

2021-21/9d **LEY/BATYCKI MOVED TO** nominate one Councilor to the Visiting Lectureship

on Human Rights Selection Committee

See SC-2021-22.23

TABLED

2021-21/10	INFORMATION ITEMS
2021-22/10d	Students' Council, Votes and Proceedings (SC-2021-21) Tuesday, January 25th, 2022
	See SC-2021-22.19
2021-22/10e	Board of Governors' report
	See SC-2021-22.20
2021-22/10f	Council Submissions
	See SC-2021-22.20-23
2021-22/10g	Labour Negotiations Briefing Slides
	See SC -2021-22.24

MIHESO ADJOURNS MEETING at 10 P.M.