

University Students' Council Agenda

May 13th, 2007

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University Students' Council

Minutes for Thursday, April 5th, 2007

Present

Ryan Allan, President
Brad Flavell, VP Academic Affairs
Alice Collins, VP External Affairs
Cody Lang, VP Operations & Finance
Ashlee Smith, VP Student Issues
Tyler Olson, Arts & Science
Josie Steeves, Arts & Science
Cameron Ewen, Associated Residence
Ana Carolina Melendez, Commerce
Vogeson Paley, Commerce
Jess Chhokar, Dentistry
Kristina Rabyj, Education
Katie Kirkness, Indigenous Students
Itemobong Umoh, International Students
Lane Buswell, Kinesiology
Neil Karkut, Law
Megan Harder, Nursing
Karla Horvey, Physical Therapy
Stephanie Parker, St. Thomas More
Ellyse Schultz, St. Thomas More

Also Present

Matt Leisle, Chair
Caroline Cottrell, USSU GM
Jade Buchanan, Arts
Jeff Galbraith, Arts
Tony ???, Arts
Jeremy Ring, Arts
Satoshi Shibata, Arts
Chris Gallaway, Commerce
Scott Epp, Engineering
Keith Kuspira, Engineering

Regrets

Ben David, Engineering
James Mantyka, Engineering
Rachana Bodani, Medicine

Absent

Steven Leibel, Agriculture
Jocelyn Grismer, Education
Cathryn Abrametz, Pharmacy
Matt Flintoft, WCV

Meeting was called to order at 6:18 p.m.

1. Adoption of an Agenda

Move to amend the agenda to read April 5th, 2007 instead of April 7th, 2007 and to include Operations & Finance Board minutes dated March 29th, 2007.

Move to amend the Agenda to move Student Fee increase from 7.1 New Business to 6.4 Business.

USC Motion260: Allan/Buswell Carried.

Move to adopt the agenda as amended.

USC Motion261: Parker/Lang Carried.

2. Introductions & Announcements

VP Lang introduced Member Ring who will be the new VP Operations & Finance. He congratulated him on his victory.

Councilor Umoh introduced Satoshi Shibata who will be the MSC for International Students next year.

Councilor Steeves introduced Jade William Rutherford Buchanan and noted that he is cool.

VP Collins stated that the government is holding a Post Secondary Education conference on affordability and accessibility on April 19th and 20th at the Radisson. She asked council to contact her if anyone was interested in attending.

President Allan stated that the General Manager has found a way for the USC social to take place tonight in Louis'. He invited all councilors to attend.

Councilor Schultz noted Tamra Knaus and she would be MSCs for St. Thomas More next year.

Member Kuspira noted that Councilor David and Councilor Mantyka sent their regrets.

Chair Leisle noted Councilor Bodani sent her regrets.

4. Minutes and Reports for Information

4.6 Code of Ethics & Disciplinary Committee Minutes & Report

Councilor Harder stated that the CEDC met prior to the USC meeting. A complaint was brought forward regarding a councilor using inappropriate language to a student by email. The councilor involved apologized verbally; however, the committee felt a public apology at USC and a written apology would be in order.

Councilor Olson stated he wrote the email and he is not making any excuses because what he did was wrong. He apologized to council and everyone involved. He noted that this behaviour reflects badly on the organization and USC. He apologized again.

5. Motions Arising from the Minutes & Reports

Move that USC accept the CEDC report.

USC Motion262: Harder/Flavell Carried.

President Allan noted that the EB received a complaint that VP Collins and President Allan were campaigning in residence while VP Lang was present. He feels that this complaint should have been thrown out because the EB Policy states that under no circumstances shall candidates campaign during classes, but may do so in residence buildings. He noted the EB Policy states campaigning in residence is not disallowed and referred to an email from ACRO Galbraith reminding candidate of some. He referred to EB minutes dated March 29th, which state that the USSU has no jurisdiction over campaigning in residence. He noted that he, VP Collins and VP Lang spoke to Residence Manager, Sylvia Cholodniuk regarding campaigning in residence and offered that she could send a

Residence Assistant (RA) with them. She advised them she didn't want to send an RA with them. President Allan contacted ACRO Galbraith to confirm that campaigning was not disallowed and to ask if they would get in trouble for it. ACRO Galbraith advised President Allan that the USSU policy does not prevent it; however the Residence Manager may be able to punish them for campaigning. Then VP Collins was denied her campaigning deposit because the EB reprimanded her apparently for campaigning in residence. The EB Policy also states that candidates would receive reimbursement if they receive 5 percent of votes, which she did. She received 26 percent of the votes.

Chair Leisle noted that under Section VII of the EB Policy it states that in the event of any discrepancies the EB is considered the be the ultimate decision making body and all complaints must be received in writing and no member outside this body is permitted to enforce policy or procedure. However, the USSU Constitution and Bylaws states the EB is considered a standing committee of USC; therefore, USC is the apparent authority. This is a grey territory. He noted he would not make a decision on this ruling; however, would allow council to debate it.

Move that VP Collins be returned her \$100 deposit.

USC Motion263: Allan/Lang

Carried.

VP Smith stated council gave USC jurisdiction over all issues during the CFS referendum last year, which is a different situation. She does not feel this is a grey area.

Councilor Paley noted that USC has authority over every board so why would it be different for the Elections Board.

Councilor Steeves asked if a member of the EB was present to speak on the issue. She noted council has only heard one side of the story.

Member Galbraith noted that he is a member of the EB. He stated he couldn't remember details of all debate on any particular complaint during the election because over 100 complaints were received. He stated even if he could remember he is probably not allowed to speak on the issue. There seems to be confusion over campaigning in residence and conduct as a candidate in general. His understanding of the policy is the EB has authority to discipline candidates. President Allan fairly stated the policy, the conversation and emails between himself and President Allan. He did take many steps to try and avoid the situation but certain things are not appropriate for candidates.

VP Lang noted that it is extremely unfortunate the EB informed President Allan that campaigning in residence was all right but then disciplined them for it. He was in residence more than VP Collins was and his \$100 wasn't taken away. It seems arbitrary, as do a lot of the decisions made by the EB this year.

President Allan noted that VP Collins was referred to in the minutes was accused of “actively campaigning.” He asked what that meant.

Member Galbraith stated that he personally looked into why VP Collins was singled out because he was surprised. The EB recollection was that the complaint was about VP Collins and not VP Lang and there is nothing arbitrary about it. He does not recall telling President Allan go ahead and campaign or saying that he wouldn't get in trouble. The people who run and live in residence hate campaigning there. If Campus Security and President MacKinnon have to get involved that becomes a pretty serious situation.

Councilor Kirkness noted that she is a paid employee of Residence, a former MSC for residence, has sat on the Residence Council and has lived in Residence for four years. She knows the person that made the complaint against VP Collins, and that the person is a paid employee of residence as a Residence Assistant, not just a random student. At the Residence Assistants' meeting, the complaint came up, and they were going to take it to the non-academic complaints board of the University. She stated that that was silly and it should be taken to the Elections Board if campaigning in Residence is a problem. The Residence Administration stated it was considered solicitation, but then she asked why it is not a problem when city councilor' or MLAs or MPs campaign there? They said it was different. She stated that a complaint from the Residence Administration is not the same as students making complaints, especially when the administration is telling their employees to make complaints. The person that contacted campus security, which led to Peter MacKinnon hearing about it, was also an employee of Residence, and that is different than a student especially given that the residence assistants were directed by the Residence Administration to file complaints as part of their job. She hoped she would never have to talk about this at USC, but residence is very unfriendly to the USSU and student councils in general, and the current Residence management is not friendly to anything like this. She advised that USC make decisions based on students, not based on Residence management. It was not students calling to complain about the campaigning, it was paid employees of the administration. Her floor of students did not have any problem with the campaigning, and the conduct of the candidates was not unbecoming of a candidate. It is sad that only VP Collins was discussed, since there were actually over eight candidates campaigning in Residence and Marquis Hall. Given all of these facts, she supports reimbursement of VP Collins. She is very glad that her comments will be in the minutes.

VP Flavell would like his abstention noted.

Councilor Karkut would like his abstention noted.

Councilor Schultz would like her abstention noted.

President Allan noted that a number of candidates turned in elections receipts late including himself and Eddie Rooke. The policy states receipts must be turned in no later than 4 p.m. on the final day of voting. However, the USSU's reason for reimbursement is because money is tight for students and elected executives are in office to better student life on campus. He spoke to ACRO Galbraith regarding the reimbursement and discovered that the old policy was based on fair market value. The new policy states that receipts will be totaled and paid to the candidates. He would be recommending to the ACRO that the deadline to submit receipts be extended because campaigning takes a lot out of candidates. Eddie Rooke also requested to have his money reimbursed. If a student sells a book at Browsers and forgets to pick up their money by the deadline they still get reimbursed for it. He spoke with Amanda Mitchell, USSU Accountant, and she noted that a student just picked up his money from a book that was sold in 2001.

Move that Eddie Rooke and President Allan and any other candidates be reimbursed for receipts that were submitted late from elections.

USC Motion 264: Allan/Lang

Carried.

VP Flavell noted that he has been through this process three times. He has been told to follow the rules every time. Keep receipts together and hand them into the GMD prior to the deadline. He asked why President Allan did not follow the rules. He was also campaigning by himself because he didn't have a big campaign team and his receipts were still submitted on time. He did things by the book and respected the rules and wondered why other candidates didn't do that.

President Allan noted that he has also been through this process three times. In the past he submitted receipts prior to the deadline; however, this campaign was different, particularly for members of his slate. They received negative attention and forums turned into "beak sessions," which gets stressful. He stated this was a trying time for them and they would like some forgiveness.

Councilor Harder stated that the EB policy has a violation process. She asked why in the EB minutes they did not follow the punishment process.

ACRO Galbraith stated that disciplines are up to the discretion of the EB. There was a deadline in place and all candidates were aware of it. The candidates that missed the deadline are just asking for sympathy. There are at least two good reasons why the deadline is early. The GMD, Jason Ventnor, needs time to do his job. He needs time to check receipts because all receipts need to be checked for accuracy, which is time consuming. The second reason is fraud. Once results are known the incentive to turn in extra receipts or larger receipts goes up dramatically, which is why the 4 p.m. deadline on the final day of voting is necessary. The EB felt it didn't have the authority to overrule a policy, which USC passed two months ago.

VP Smith noted that last year she submitted late receipts and was fully reimbursed.

VP Lang congratulated VP Flavell on his heroic efforts.

Chair Leisle reminded councilors to remain professional at this table.

Councilor Steeves stated Kent Lindgreen didn't submit his receipts on time but he was aware of the deadline and didn't expect to be reimbursed because it was an error on his part. She noted that policies are in place for a reason. She was out campaigning until 4 p.m. and her receipts were submitted by noon. She doesn't feel that because it was a difficult election late receipts should be accepted.

Councilor Paley noted that rules are rules. He was late for a WestJet flight but he got rushed through security and still ended up on the plane. He feels the rules could be bent in this situation.

Councilor Steeves asked when the receipts were handed in.

President Allan noted that it was on Monday following elections.

VP Collins stated rules are rules and there should be punishment for violations. It is possible a couple hundred dollars to some candidates is nothing but to some it is a lot. She asked if a different form of punishment could be taken instead of financial punishment.

VP Smith asked for clarification of the motion.

Councilor Umoh asked would be considered future ramifications.

Chair Leisle stated that could lead to USC continuously overruling EB decisions.

President Allan would like all candidates who have legitimate receipts that were submitted late be reimbursed.

Member Gallaway noted that he ran last year and he was not reimbursed for late receipts.

VP Smith reminded councilors that this money was budgeted for. Candidates gave a lot to the union and reimbursing them is the least that could be done.

VP Lang echoed what VP Collins stated. He would accept another form of punishment but not financial.

Councilor Schultz asked why there are policies if they don't get followed. She noted that if this rule gets broken several others would.

VP Flavell stated that students are being deprived of this money. He ran on a campaign of accountability and just because he didn't get re-elected doesn't mean he is not going to be accountable to the students who voted for him last year. Yes this money was budgeted for but it was budgeted for with the intent of following the rules. He is not going to stand by and watch rules be overturned. There will be a ton of pissed off people tomorrow wondering why this happened. He is completely opposed to this motion.

VP Collins stated she was blown away by that last comment. The deadline is a problem and should be extended. President Allan is the president of the USSU and he was the leader of the slate. The president of the USSU has a lot more duties to do than VP Flavell. That is the truth. For those of you who have handed in a late essay it is not marks you are losing now it is money. There are a lot of students who are pissed off other candidates did not receive their money. She asked how the union would spend the money? How would that better the USSU? There should be a different punishment.

Move to call the question.

USC Motion 265: Buswell/Flavell

Carried.

Councilor Steeves asked if the President Allan and VP Collins are allowed to vote on this motion since it is regarding them.

Chair Leisle noted that President Allan is not allowed to vote.

Councilor Kirkness stated that the residence decision should be overturned because there are several students that live in residence who are able to vote.

Chair Leisle stated that USC should finish voting on the current motion then would discuss the previous motion.

Councilor Kirkness stated this would affect several other members wanting a refund.

Chair Leisle noted that candidates would not be able to vote.

Councilor's Schultz, Parker, Kirkness, Steeves and Harder abstained.

VP's Flavell, Collins and Lang abstained.

President Allan abstained.

President Allan noted that he received a letter from the CRO stating he had been disqualified on the basis of a list of complaints before he was given a chance to refute them. The complaints are listed in the EB minutes. He stated a complaint

was about him campaigning in computer labs and was told about having leaflets in the lab. He checked this with the ACRO and he was surprised about having received complaints about this after checking with him. Another complaint was regarding credentials on the website. The senate meets twice a year and he attends those meetings because it falls under the President's portfolio. At the start of the meeting President MacKinnon presents and then President Allan presents and the confusion was that he is not an elected member of senate. He apologized for any confusion. The fact that it was on the Student First Party Website means the ACRO did approve it. The Student First Party constantly wanted to update the website so they checked with the ACRO regarding changes. The ACRO stated he didn't have time to approve every change so just be careful with what was put on the website. However, the ACRO would check the website periodically and would contact President Allan if something needed to be changed or removed. President Allan was not contacted regarding the credentials on the website. There was also a complaint about campaigning in residence, which was already discussed. The complaint regarding using USSU office materials and equipment during campaigning was addressed. He was informed he couldn't use his USSU email account which he did rectify after he was notified. He did use the USSU photocopier; however, used his personal copy account, which meant he would personally be billed for any copying. He received a complaint, which stated that he tried to influence and intimidate members of the EB. This stems from a couple of decisions the EB made earlier that he disagreed with. He sent a letter to the EB stating they had made a mistake and urging that they reconsider their decision. There was no swearing in the letter; however the letter was stern. The result from the EB was that they would not overturn their decision and he had been formally reprimanded for the tone of the letter and trying to influence the EB decision. When he asked what that meant he was told the letter was his reprimand and that was that. The fact that he is being punished twice for the same thing is in violation of fundamental principles of justice. The final complaint was regarding slandering of the staff. He has a different outlook on this. At the LPR forum a former VP stated the staff was to blame for the CFS debacle; however, he complimented the staff on their hard work and explained that the CFS mess was not the staff's fault. The staff does carry out the day-to-day operations of the USSU. It would have been nice to meet with the EB and state his side before receiving a letter that stated he had been disqualified. The process that the EB works under is the same process the CEDC worked under prior to being changed this year. The reason it was redone was to get away from this kind of guilty until proven innocent. He would like to see the policy changed before the next election so no one else has to go through that process.

Chair Leisle noted it is not in order for this year's USC to tie the hands of next year's USC members.

President Allan asked how it works with U-Pass.

Chair Leisle noted the U-Pass is something that is already done. It is not proper for this council to require it from next year's council.

Move that this USC urges next year's council rewrite the Elections & Referenda Policy and Procedures as it pertains to handling complaints, with an eye towards the CEDC complaints procedures and to have this motion delivered to them the first meeting in September.

USC Motion 266: Allan/Schultz Carried.

Councilor Kirkness confirmed that this would be on record but council has the option to make the change to the Elections Policy.

Member Galbraith stated he would like to speak regarding President Allan's complaints. There were two to three dozen leaflets found in more than one computer lab on campus. Not that it matters, but there is video taped evidence and the EB knows who put the leaflets in the lab. He did not find out until after voting began that the credentials were incorrect on the Students First Website. It took a while to look into it and the EB did look into it at their next meeting. He apologized to President Allan regarding the delay in receiving the letter, which stated he had been disqualified. The CRO is a practicing lawyer and it takes time to write the letter and then the EB must approve it and agree with the wording and context of the letter. He was also ill last week and he has to sign the letters. Those were the reasons for the delay in the letter. The President is not a member of Senate and that is clear. The issue regarding Residence has been dealt with. It does not matter if President Allan pays for the USSU office supplies that were used during the election it is where the USSU is located. Place Riel is to be a neutral site during elections and that rule applies to all candidates and staff. He was very disappointed at the number of times candidates and staff had to be reminded about that. It doesn't matter if it is after hours that is not appropriate. The majority of the Board felt that threatening to lodge a complaint about the CRO was a mechanism to get complaints heard by USC. Those types of threats continued after the reprimand had been issued and that was felt by members of the EB. He can't count the number of times he had complaints regarding slandering of the staff. Ultimately the Board decided that slandering had occurred and a reprimand was issued. He agrees the Elections Policy is not perfect and would like to see changes made. Asking the EB to review its decision is unusual but it has occurred in the past. All the ideas regarding changing the policy are great; however, it applies to the future and not the past. He asked council to be very careful in noting abstentions and objections on record when voting to overrule the Elections Board because of the CFS ruling. Most appeals fail; however, in his opinion anyone who chooses to violate the laws of Saskatchewan including case law you could easily be held liable. He is not saying that would happen but it is his duty to inform councilors that could happen.

President Allan thanked Member Galbraith for the extra information provided regarding complaints. He would like to see some of the evidence and the fact that he has not heard this information reinforces the need for the policy to be changed.

President Allan noticed in the EB minutes a bunch of motions were tabled and were never discussed again. He asked what happened to those motions.

Member Galbraith asked for specifics.

President Allan noted that in the March 19th minutes the following motions were tabled: VP Flavell's leaked letter, Jeremy Ring's online profile, articles written in the Sheaf by candidates, and Evan Cole's complaint. When tabling motions the idea is to revisit at a later date.

Member Galbraith noted the EB ran out of time on March 26th because over 100 complaints were received. The EB simply forgot to include those issues in the minutes. He explained that they had all been revisited. No further evidence came forward regarding the leaked letter; therefore, no reprimand could be issued. The leaked letter disgusted the EB. He asked each member of the EB to review the online profile of Jeremy Ring. He approved the profile but warned Jeremy Ring about the tone and the board agreed the tone was borderline but the content was fine. He recommended to Jeremy Ring that he change the profile but the recommendation was not binding. The EB felt that no harm had been done when two candidates wrote articles in the Sheaf because those candidates were not campaigning. The complaint from Evan Cole regarding comments made by President Allan was dismissed on the basis that the comments were not totally beyond the realm of what was acceptable. He personally notified every complainant regarding the outcome of their complaint. All complaints have been dealt with

Move to reimburse Members Quaroni and Rooke for the campaigning expenses.
USC Motion267: Steeves/??? Not seconded.

Councilor Kirkness stated the EB does have a job to do and they have done it. Some of the decisions were questionable because of the Elections Policy. She asked the point of having an EB if council is just going to overturn results. She asked the Chair if this could be concluded and where the line with this is.

Move to grant GM Cottrell speaking rights.
USC Motion268: Flavell/Parker Carried.

GM Cottrell apologized because she made an inappropriate comment. As a GM of this organization she is deeply disturbed by what council has done. Policies are in place for a reason. If USC would like to see policies changed please do so but through the proper channels. She is sorry for the people who are losing money but there is a reason policies are there. USC voted in favour of this policy a few

months back. To expect this kind of behaviour to go on in a multi-million dollar organization is crippling. She apologized for her comment but she can't even begin to say how distressed she is.

VP Lang stated that council is within its jurisdiction to overturn EB results based on the USSU Constitution. He agrees with Councilor Kirkness that USC should not go through their decisions line by line.

Councilor Paley stated the USSU is run by USC. Everyone at this board should be able to make a decision and if a rule needs to be bent USC has the authority to do so. USC is the top of the tree and they have the power to make any and every decision.

Councilor Harder stated USC is not breaking any rules.

Councilor Schultz stated USC does run the USSU but she agrees with GM Cottrell that if USC is just going to break rules every time someone is unhappy with them; there is no point in having boards in place.

Chair Leisle stated he expressed the issue before council. Overturning EB decisions is within USC's jurisdiction; however, it is not advised.

Councilor Kirkness reminded councilors that USC has overruled several decisions that have been made by boards in the past. For example, the Operations & Finance Board was overruled with the budget.

GM Cottrell stated her previous point wasn't whether or not USC has the authority to do so. Her issue is the problems, which occur when USC changes policy on the fly to meet people's special needs. To change policy retroactively never happens in law, constitution, or in government. The policy is being rewritten to suit a particular need.

Move to adopt the minutes and reports.

USC Motion269: Smith/Parker Carried.

VP Flavell wanted his opposition noted to everything.

Councilor Karkut wanted his opposition noted to refunding receipts.

6. Business

6.1 Studentcare Contract

Move that the USSU keep the Health and Dental plan fee of \$243.25 with the extra \$10.42 going toward the contingency fund with the goal of self-insurance.

USC Motion270: Smith/Harder Carried.

Councilor Parker stated that Councilor Schultz and she didn't want any fee increases. The students they spoke to would like to see the fee lowered due to all the fee increases this year. She would vote against this motion and vote in favour of option 4.

Councilor Karkut asked what issues might arise because of this.

VP Smith noted that the USSU pays Studentcare to look after their operation. The Executive has to look at the premiums. If premiums are too low and claims are higher then money has to come out of the contingency fund to cover that. If premiums are too high it is money they get to put into the bank to increase benefits. With a contingency fund money can be kept in the union. For a fully self-insured model the USSU would need to set 20 percent aside of the current annual premium. She strongly recommend council vote in favour of this. No extra employees would be needed.

Councilor Kirkness stated she thinks the VP Student Issues has done a wonderful job this year. She does not think you can trust future VP Student Issues to set premiums. She is in support of a contingency fund but she does not think the USSU should never move towards a self-insured model.

Councilor Steeves stated fees have been increased twice this year. She thinks the contingency fund is a great idea but thinks students need a break.

VP Lang stated the intent of this is to better students in the future and save them a lot of money in the future.

President Allan noted he is speaking in favour of option 1. USC has to look at it as an investment for future years. He thinks this is a great year to do this.

Councilor Karkut stated that if this was rare how would the USSU continue to build the contingency fund.

President Allan noted that the USSU had a jump start by securing the rate in January.

VP Smith stated she would like to address some of Councilor Kirkness comments. USC and the Executive have a role in the health and dental plan decisions. The USSU does not have to go with a fully self-insured model but does need a contingency fund. She is just proposing USC start a contingency fund.

Chair Leisle noted that there are only 15 councilors present so if two councilors leave the meeting must end.

Councilor Buswell stated 7,100 people were enrolled which is almost half of the money needed for the contingency fund. If premiums stay the same for four years

the USSU could be a self-insured model by that time. Fees are being increased for reasons that would benefit the students.

VP Smith noted that this reserve fund is different than what is in the bank for investments. This reserve fund would be strictly for the health and dental plan users.

Councilor Schultz stated she doesn't think councilors feel the contingency fund is a bad idea. Students have just been hit hard with fee increases and it would be nice to give them a tiny break. She would vote against this money.

Member Gallaway asked if it would be Studentcare or the USSU looking after that money.

VP Smith stated a separate fund would have been set up. The USSU has access to it.

Move to call the question.

USC Motion271: Paley/Lang Carried.

6.2 Campus Groups Policy

VP Lang stated that some of the major changes are increasing club funding from \$300 to \$1,000 and creating a different process for accessing it.

Move to approve the proposed Campus Club Policy.

USC Motion272: Lang/Harder Carried.

Councilor Kirkness stated she has some real budgeting concerns. The majority of clubs would not use their \$1,000 funding. A lot of students look at \$300 as not a lot of money. She asked what if this money runs dry by Welcome Week.

VP Lang stated those concerns were addressed. If clubs are applying for more than \$300 they must make a presentation to the Operations & Finance Board and they have discretion to approve funding requests. There is a monthly budget in place for the club funding.

Councilor Kirkness agrees that VP Lang has gone over this. She does not feel comfortable with the board making that big of a decision. She has faith in the board but \$1,000 per club out of the budget is huge.

VP Smith asked how much is in the budget for funding.

VP Lang noted the total is \$18,500 in cash and \$2,500 in coke funding. The grand total is about \$20,000.

President Allan noted he is on the Operations & Finance Board. Typically, every year that budget line is under budget. He has faith in the Operations & Finance Board. If this money is used up by the end of the year that is a great thing because the events are to better the students.

Councilor Paley noted that if a group wants to apply for a large amount of money they have to make a presentation. A lot of money was given to the Centres and the majority of funding would not be used. That money is for the students to make student life better.

Councilor Steeves stated it is not fair to compare the Centres to campus clubs.

VP Lang noted the Centres did start as campus clubs. If USC ever sees something that the Operations & Finance Board did and are not satisfied with the decision, USC could overturn the decision.

Councilor Kirkness wanted her opposition noted.

6.3 Centres Policy

VP Smith stated this was brought up last week. The Centres have updated their policies.

Move to adopt the Victim Advocate Policy, Women's Centre Policy, SafeWalk Policy, Help Centre Policy, Food Centre Policy and Pride Centre Policy as amended.

USC Motion273: Smith/Parker Carried.

Councilor Paley stated he is fine with the policies except the fundraising aspect. He would like to see the fundraising kept within the organization and not given away.

President Allan asked if there is anything prohibiting the Centres from doing so. If the Centres wanted to do so they could.

GM Cottrell stated she does not know if it is necessary to put that as a policy. Her concern with this is that there are times when the Women's Centre holds a bake sale, which is done by volunteers, and do so to provide coffee and tea after events they put on such as Take Back the Night. The Human Resource Manager and Accountant have that in place as a procedure.

Chair Leisle suggested going with GM Cottrell's suggestion.

Councilor Kirkness stated that it would have been nice to have been given these policies earlier because there is so much reading involved and it is the last week of classes.

President Allan noted he agrees. He would have loved to give them to USC a long time ago. The Centre Directors were asked to provide the policies many months ago and then the Executive didn't hear back from them. As soon as they were received from the directors there were mistakes that had to be changed. They were given to USC as soon as the directors provided them. He requested to leave all funding decisions out of the policies.

Move to amend the policy to strike the second sentence of the second paragraph from every policy.

USC Motion274: Allan/Buswell Carried.

6.4 Student Fee Increase

VP Lang noted that when the new budget was adopted a student fee increase was passed and a separate motion must be made by USC. Student fees are increased by 5 percent every year to cover the cost of inflation and rising expenditures.

Move to increase student fees by 5 percent.

USC Motion275: Lang/Smith Carried.

8. Questions & Comments

VP Lang thanked Jason Ventnor, Marketing Services Manager and the ACRO, Jeff Galbraith, for their hard work with the elections.

Councilor Parker has received a lot of emails from Krishna Datla. She would like clarity on his email regarding Louis'. She asked if Louis' is making or losing money. She is getting the impression from students that they don't want Louis' to make money.

GM Cottrell stated that Louis' will be proceeding with its study and the results will be available to all students.

VP Lang noted since the renovation Louis' has lost money. Louis' has become more profitable over time. The managers deserve credit as do the Executive for pushing it towards the goal of becoming profitable in say the year 2030. This year Louis' is expecting a loss, but a smaller one than last year. It is going in the right direction.

Councilor Steeves stated the campus club space is paid for by campus clubs. Last week Young NDP walked into their space and all there stuff had been thrown out and the room was full of chairs. She asked what had happened. They also received the key four months late after having paid for a full year.

GM Cottrell noted that their items are in her office. The U of S owns the space, and had to use it for storage for the 100th Birthday supplies. Secondly, the Facilities Manager made numerous attempts to contact them and have them

remove their items. There are myths around the club space and once the new building is completed those issues would be resolved.

President Allan noted he disagrees with GM Cottrell's comments that changing the EB decisions is crippling to the organization. He thinks USC has made the correct decisions this year. He wanted to thank USC for all their hard work this year. This USC has accomplished a lot this year.

Councilor Parker thanked everyone who has been involved with USC and the USSU. She loves student politics and is really going to miss everyone.

VP Lang echoed President Allan's comments. He was talking to Scott Henderson, USSU IT Support Staff, who was a former Executive for three years. Scott Henderson stated that his Executive didn't get as much accomplished in his three years in office as they did in one year.

Councilor Schultz stated that on Friday Councilor Parker and she attended the Juno Cup and it was a great time.

VP Smith stated that after the elections councilors received an email from the ACRO asking councilors what they did to promote elections in their colleges. Fifteen MSCs didn't even bother to respond to that email, which means they didn't do their job. She stated it is pretty ironic considering this council never fails to criticize Executive for accountability. She encouraged council to respond. She thanked Kendra Wilkie, USSU Confidential Secretary, and Terri-Lyn Lenz, USSU Receptionist for typing and preparing USC packages.

Councilor Parker asked who the ACRO was.

Councilor Buswell thanked the Executive for their hard work. USC wouldn't have been able to pass things if it wasn't for the Executive doing their homework. He wished the Executive and USC the best of luck for next year.

VP Flavell stated his thunder has been stolen. He has enjoyed his Thursday evenings with USC. Everyone did what they thought was best. He thanked USC, Staff, Kendra Wilkie, USSU Confidential Secretary, and Terri-lyn Lenz, USSU Receptionist for their work on USC. He thanked everyone.

Councilor Paley thanked Chair Leisle for his work.

Councilor Steeves stated she would like to thank GM Cottrell for her work. She did an amazing job under an amazing amount of stress.

Member Galbraith stated that a lawsuit is a possibility for the USSU because of what has transpired here tonight. In order reduce legal fees for the union he asked that council provide an address of where they would be located this summer in the

event that councilors be served this summer. He asked council to provide that to the USSU because that could seriously reduce the union's legal fees.

Chair Leisle thanked this year's council. It has been a rare year regarding discussions of the USSU. He thanked the CEDC members. It was great to see so much accomplished this year. He enjoyed being present on Thursday evenings. He hopes council has a great time at Louis'.

9. Any Other Business

9.1 Confirmation of Restoration of Centres Funding

GM Cottrell stated the USSU Accountant wants confirmation of the restoration of Centres funding. She asked if council wants the hours restored or the entire budget restored. She needs more direction from council.

Councilor Parker and Councilor Schultz wanted the centres to function the same way they did last year. She would like the salaries increased.

GM Cottrell noted that there are some very significant differences between 2006 and 2007. She wondered if they want every line matched.

VP Lang stated there are other lines such as volunteer expenses and conference expenses. He thinks salaries and CPI should be increased. He directs council to approve with the CPI increase to the salaries but not the other changes.

Councilor Parker asked the difference from last year to this year.

VP Lang stated he did not know the specifics but it was less this year.

VP Smith stated last year was \$2,000 and this year is \$1,000. There are a few more other things, such as subscriptions and condoms. She asked if council wanted to go through the budget line by line.

President Allan stated he is sure students at the USC budget meeting wanted last year's budget cloned for the Centres.

Move that the Centres would be at 2006-2007 levels of funding plus CPI increase to wages, and accompanying fixed expenses, such as janitorial costs.

USC Motion276: Allan/Parker Carried.

Councilor Kirkness asked what USC did tonight that may cause a lawsuit.

VP Flavell reminded councilors to submit their MSC Ratification forms.

10. Adjournment

Move to adjourn.

USC Motion277: Buswell/Schultz Carried.

Executive Committee

Minutes for March 19, 2007

Present: Ryan Allan, Cody Lang, Alice Collins, Ashlee Smith, Brad Flavell, Caroline Cottrell

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 p.m.

2. Call for Quorum

Quorum was present

3. Roundtables

GM Cottrell

Week of February 27 – March 5

- Operating budget meetings x7
- Communications meeting
- Meeting with the ACRO
- Retreat for Strategic Planning – Alumni Association – Sat. March 3, 2007
- USSU's Managers' Meeting
- Election Orientation

Week of March 6 – March 12

- U-Pass Meeting
- Admin Team Meeting
- Accounting Meeting
- Speed-Networking (employee) for DisOrientation
- Meetings with several students
- Review of budget with Operations/Finance Board – Sat, March 10, 2007

Week of March 13 – 19

- Place Riel Steering Committee Meeting
- Managers' Meeting
- Human Resources Meeting
- Attended Family-Work Balance Conference
- Executive Elections Forums and issues
- Emceed the Experience in Excellence Awards, Sun, March 18, 2007

4. Spring Fling

The Executive were provided with information about Spring Fling, the volunteer recognition and awards evening for the Centres to be held on Monday, April 2,

2007 at Louis. Cocktails are at 5:00; dinner is at 6:00. All Executive members indicated their desire to attend.

5. Juno Cup

The university has 30 tickets to Juno Cup, to be held in Prince Albert on March 30th, to give out to students. They will provide a bus to and from Prince Albert. Executive members were offered tickets and Marketing Services Manager, Jason Ventnor indicated that he would put out the information to USC and BOCP.

6. On-Line Books

GM Cottrell reported that Mr. Krishna Datla approached her to provide more detail about his idea for on-line books. We will continue to investigate his suggestions if we are able to obtain E-Commerce.

7. Student Handbook Project

Communications Manager Rob Martz discussed the Survival Guide project with the executive who had asked why we had made the decision not to go with the CFS version. There are two issues. One is that the USSU is still waiting for the court appeal on their CFS membership. The other is that we prefer to keep our guide uniquely USSU.

8. VP Lang was asked to leave the meeting so that the other members of Executive Committee could discuss whether or not to send his letter of reprimand to *the Sheaf* and to USC on a formal basis in light of the leak that occurred earlier. VP Flavell felt that since the letter had already been leaked the Executive should authorize publication of the full letter. He put forward a motion to this effect, it was not seconded. There was then considerable discussion about the nature of the Executive Protocol Policy and that revisions should be effected in order to prevent this kind of occurrence in the future. One suggestion was to refer all issues of reprimand to CEDC. Discussions regarding policy changes will be on-going.

Academic Affairs Board

Minutes for Friday, February 23rd, 2007

Present: Brad Flavell, Tina Yang, Caitlin Cottrell, Drew Dwernychuk, Stephanie Parker, James Mantyka, Ashlee Smith
Absent: Rachana Bodani (Regrets), Jeremy Ring (Regrets)

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 11:34 AM

2. Call for Quorum

Quorum was Present

3. Adoption of Agenda

Motioned by A.S./Seconded by T.Y.

Motion carried

4. Business Arising

Nothing at this Time

5. New Business

5.1 DISorientation

See attached information.

6. Other Business

Nothing at this time

7. Next Meeting

B.F. will inform the board when the next meeting will be

8. Adjournment

Motioned by J.M./Seconded by C.C

Motion Passed

DISorientation:

Monday March 5:

Traveling Abroad - 4:00 – 5:00 in Arts 241 Helpful tips, safety advice and important cultural guidelines to be aware of before you leave the country. *Everyone Welcome*

Presenters: Wendy Chupik, Manager Travelcuts Paula Ostapowich, Public Health Nurses from the International Travel Centre

International Internship - 5:00 – 6:00 in Arts 241

Learn about working abroad with a variety of types of organizations and what to expect while living outside of Canadian culture. *Everyone Welcome*

Presenters: Aileen Gust, DFAIT internship participant Representative from AISEC

Teaching English Overseas - 6:00 – 7:00 in Arts 241

This presentation will explore opportunities and challenges for people interested in expanding their understanding of the world while teaching English overseas. *Everyone Welcome*

Presenter: Shannon Storey, Academic Coordinator for English Language Teacher Development; CERTESL & Summer TEFL

Tuesday March 6 :

Personal Finance - 4:30 – 5:30 in Arts 241

Learn about financial issues that can save you money – from credit cards to RRSPs. Come ask questions about making those big purchases, like buying a home or a car.

Everyone Welcome

Presenter: Paul Jaspar, Thomson, Jaspar & Associates

Canada-Saskatchewan Student Loan Repayment: What You Need to Know Now! -

5:30 – 6:30 in Arts 241

A Representative from the Canada-Saskatchewan Integrated Student Loans Office will discuss the steps you need to take to set up a repayment plan and answer any questions you have concerning the repayment process. *Everyone Welcome*

Presenter: Kathleen Plews, Student Aid Consultant

Wednesday March 7 :

Surviving the Job Hunt: etiquette for interviews and wine & cheese socials - 5:00 – 7:00 at the Exeter Room, Marquis Hall

Learn the finer points of networking in a social setting while enjoying free wine and hors d'oeuvres.

Presenter: Marg Forbes, Director of the Master of Professional Accounting Program <http://www.forbessolution.com/>

100 SPOTS ONLY! Please email brandi.gazdewich@usask.ca

Thursday March 8:

Networking – A Guide to Marketing Yourself! 4:30 – 6:00 in STM Room 344A and 344B

In addition to what you say, what you do and/or choose to say communicates volumes of information about who you are. In this workshop, discover the every day things that people judge you on and learn how to position yourself amongst the elite net workers with these fundamental marketing tools. *Everyone Welcome*

Presenter: John Ault, Director, SECC

Speed Networking - 6:30 – 8:00 in STM Room 344A and 344B

This is your chance to put your networking skills to work. Make new contacts and expand your network. Come experience a new twist on an old concept. Meet 20 successful alumni and friends who are employed in a variety of fields.

20 SPOTS ONLY! Please email brandi.gazdewich@usask.ca before noon on Friday, March 2 to reserve your place.

Appointments Board Meeting

Minutes for Monday, September 25th, 2006

Present: Cody Lang, James Mantyka, Cameron Ewen, Ryan Allan, Karla Horvey,
Alice Collins (ex-officio)

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:00p.m.

2. Call for Quorum

Quorum was present.

3. Appointments

Move to open nominations for the External Affairs Board.

APPT05: Lang/Mantyka Carried.

President Lang nominated Jimmy Vu, Caitlin Cottrell and Jeremy Ring as the Student-at-Large's for the External Affairs Board.

Move to close nominations for the External Affairs Board.

APPT06: Mantyka/Ewen Carried.

Move to open nominations for the Operations & Finance Board.

APPT07: Lang/Mantyka Carried.

President Lang nominated Katie Kirkness and Jeremy Ring as the Student-at-Large's for the Operations & Finance Board.

Move to close nominations for the Operations & Finance Board.

APPT08: Lang/Allan Carried.

Move to open nominations for the Academic Affairs Board.

APPT09: Lang/Mantyka Carried.

President Lang nominated Caitlin Cottrell, Tina Yang and Jeremy Ring as the Student-at-Large's for the Academic Affairs Board.

Move to close nominations for the Academic Affairs Board.

APPT10: Lang/Allan Carried.

Move to open nominations for the Student Issues Board.

APPT11: Lang/Mantyka Carried.

President Lang nominated Suzanne Johnston, Jimmy Vu and Taryn Goff as the Student-at-Large's for the Student Issues Board.

Move to close nominations for the Student Issues Board.

APPT12: Lang/Horvey Carried.

Move to open nominations for the Sustainability Board.

APPT13: Lang/Mantyka Carried.

President Lang nominated Camille Dreaver, Yujing Gu and Jeh Custer as the Student-at-Large's for the Sustainability Board.

Move to close nominations for the Sustainability Board.

APPT14: Lang/Ewen Carried.

4. Adjournment

Move to adjourn.

APPT15: Lang/Horvey Carried.

Board of College Presidents
Minutes from Sunday February 25, 2007

1. Introductions

2. Adoption of the Agenda

Move to adopt the agenda.

Bone/Perrot

Carried.

3. September Jan 22/07 Minutes

Move to adopt minutes from September Jann 22/07.

Gonzalez/Hayes

Carried.

4. Business

a) USSU Elections

Vice-Chair Dwernychuk spoke on behalf of President Allan on the upcoming USSU elections. The schedule is as follows:

March 5, 2007 – All Executive candidates mandatory orientation meeting in Room 77, Lower Sask Hall at 4:30 p.m.

March 6-7, 2007 – Nomination forms for Executive/Senate available at the USSU office. Nominees shall be responsible for paying a non-refundable fee of \$100.00.

March 7, 2007 – Nominations must be turned in at the USSU office by 4 p.m.

March 13, 2007 – Campaigning begins at 12:01 a.m.

March 21-22. 1007 – General voting.

March 22, 2007 – All campaigning shall cease at 4 p.m. Election results announced at Browsers' at 5:30 p.m.

b) College Elections

Vice-Chair Dwernychuk needs information from all colleges when their elections area to be held. Those presidents who could not attend the meeting, e-mail Drew with their dates.

c) DISorientation

VP Flavell spoke about DISorientation, which will occur from March 5-8. It's a week long event for students who are getting ready to leave university.

d) University Centennial

VP Smith asked the Board for suggestions on how to get students involved in the University's 100th birthday party on April 3rd. Suggestions are to be emailed to VP Smith.

e) Charity Information

Vice Chair Dwernychuk needs information on how much money was raised from charity events held by colleges throughout this past year. The college that raised the most for charity will be receiving an award at DeceptiCon.

5. DeceptiCon

a) Date

The date of DeceptiCon is tentatively booked for March 31. The legendary pubcrawl and the meeting may have to be split up due to Juno Weekend.

b) Sessions

The Board was asked if they wanted to see any new sessions at DeceptiCon. There was a suggestion for a session to discuss liquor licenses and the Huskie Challenge.

c) Pubcrawl

The Ledgendarly BOCP Pubcrawl may take place the weekend of the 23rd due to Juno Weekend. VP Smith is planning the pubcrawl so she will keep presidents and their socials informed.

d) Golden Ticket

Colleges are supposed to start thinking of days they want to reserve for their large events. Golden ticket days will be picked at DeceptiCon.

6. Roundtable

Nursing is working on a referendum for mandatory student fees through the NEPS program at SIAST. They are hoping to have the referendum sometime in March.

International Students are having an event to celebrate Africa n March 3rd at the Covenant church on Acadia at 6 p.m. Different food from different areas of Africa will be served.

Pharmacy is having a fashion show and speakers for Eating Disorder Awareness Week on March 1 at 7p.m. in STM 140

Agriculture's Cumoniwannalaya is on Friday March 9th at TCU Place

Physical Therapy is having an information sessions for the new Masters program.

They are also having a St. Patty's event on March 16.

Campus Rec wants colleges to start thinking about the College Challenge for next year.

Kinesiology is having a sports pubcrawl on March 3 at Ryly's. The Real Irish Riot is also planned for St. Patrick's Day.

Dentistry is planning a scrimmage tournament for the end of March

Law brought a speaker to talk to students about the anti-terrorism act.

Commerce is having their annual Pay me to Peddle charity event. All profits are going to cerebral palsy. It will take place on March 6 in the tunnel. Commerce is also looking into putting up plasmas in their college.

STMSU is having their Medieval feast on March 30-31st in the STM Cafeteria

ASSU updated the Board on the poster policy that was discovered by the USSU.

7. Questions and Comments

8. Adjournment

Move to adjourn.

Horvath/Deneschuk

Carried.

Code of Ethics and Disciplinary Committee

Report to Council

April 5, 2007

On April 5, 2007 a complaint from Krishna Datla was forwarded to the Code of Ethics and Disciplinary Committee regarding two emails he had received from Councillor Tyler Olson. Mr. Datla felt the emails were very offensive and even threatening and asked that Councillor Olson be reprimanded. The Code of Ethics and Disciplinary Committee met and determined that the emails were offensive in nature and met with Councillor Olson and Mr. Datla.

Mr. Datla explained that he had received the email that morning and met with USSU General Manager Caroline Cottrell. Ms. Cottrell suggested that if Mr. Datla wanted to seek action he should file a complaint. He did so that morning, and felt that the emails should warrant some sort of punishment. Councillor Olson quickly admitted he wrote the emails and apologized to Mr. Datla for writing them.

The Code of Ethics and Disciplinary Committee feels that Councillor Olson was in breach of the Code of Ethics and recommends to University Students' Council that Councillor Olson apologize verbally to USC, to Mr. Datla (which has already been done) and also give Mr. Datla a written apology.

USSU Elections Board Minutes Thursday April 12, 2007

Attendance: Ben David, Drew Dwernychuk, Jeff Galbraith, Jennifer Houser, (Jason Ventnor, Caroline Cottrell)

- I. Meeting called to order at 4:05 PM by the CRO

- II. The Board addresses the overturning of its decisions at the University Students' Council meet on April 5th, 2007.
 - EB was informed that the EB does not constitutionally fall under the jurisdiction of USC.
 - ARCO moves to send a letter to Mr. Allan regarding his conduct at USC and the position of the EB. The letter will be sent to USC, BOCP, and the Sheaf.
 - Seconded by Ben David.
 - **CARRIED**

- III. The Board addresses any tabled items
 - No tabled issues were unaddressed either directly or indirectly
 - Ben David moves to dismiss all tabled items.
 - Seconded by Drew Dwernychuk
 - **CARRIED**

- IV. Adjournment
 - Ben David moves to adjourn
 - Seconded by ACRO
 - **CARRIED**

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April 25, 2007

Ryan Allan
President, USSU
Sent Via Facsimile: 966-6978

Dear Mr. Allan

Re: 2007 USSU General Election

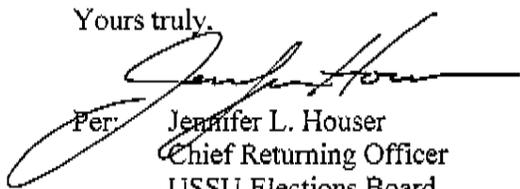
I have signed this letter on behalf of the Elections Board which met on April 12, 2007 to discuss the outcome of the USC meeting of April 5th, 2007.

The Elections Board wishes you to know that they are deeply concerned about your actions at USC and to censure you for those actions. The Elections Policy, which you so flagrantly disregarded, was a policy which was put forward by you to USC a mere three months ago. By championing it and by voting for it, there was a reasonable assumption that you would follow its dictates. However, not only did you disregard your own policy to the point where the Elections Board felt it was necessary to fully disqualify you as a candidate (something that was done prior to the elections results being downloaded from PAWS), but you then exacerbated your shameful conduct by persuading USC to overturn the policy and refund money to which you were not entitled.

Your actions are reprehensible and morally questionable, so much so that the Elections Board will be making recommendations to your successors and to the new USC to ensure that this kind of travesty cannot happen again. Moreover, please be advised that the some members of the Elections Board are considering legal action against you. As you may recall, the USSU is currently in litigation because the findings of another Elections Board were overturned by USC.

Finally, your insistence on blaming the Elections Board, most of whom are unpaid student volunteers, for the consequences of your actions is unconscionable. The Elections Board was inundated with complaints about your campaign and your behaviour. The Board did its job investigating and taking appropriate action and if you had or have issue with your inability to "face your accusers", you should have made adequate provision for this when you took a revised policy forward. In the current policy such a provision does not exist. To assign blame as you did, rather than taking responsibility for your own actions, is hardly the hallmark of a leader.

Yours truly,


Per: Jennifer L. Houser
Chief Returning Officer
USSU Elections Board

cc: 2006-07 USC, 2007-08 USC

External Affairs Board Minutes

Thursday, November 30, 2006

Present: Caitlin Cottrell, Jeremy Ring, Alison Forbes, Blair Pisio, Alice Collins,
Cathryn Abrametz, Caroline Cottrell

Regrets: Itemobong Umoh, Jimmy Vu

1. Call to Order

Meeting called to order 3:31 PM.

2. Call for Quorum

Quorum was present

3. Adoption of Agenda

Move to adopt the agenda

EAB Motion 6: Member Ring/Member Abrametz Carried.

4. Business

4.1 Student Survey

VP Collins asked what ways could we advertise the student survey to create a buzz on campus

Some ideas were: an announcement on paws, help from student crew, help from v-team, posting the survey on the Internet, and tables in the tunnel.

Councillor Forbes asked if the survey needed to be compiled for the Day of Action.

VP Collins said that it would.

Councillor Forbes suggested that we should have the information ready before the Day of Action so that we can do a press release before the end of the McCall Review.

Councillor Forbes asked what the date was for the final phase of the review.

VP Collins said that the final report is due for spring 2007.

The board decided that questions would need to be compiled as soon as possible so that the survey can go up very shortly and then we can analyze it very quickly.

VP Collins asked that all board members submit possible questions to her by Wednesday so that the lay out of the survey can be figured out on Thursday's board meeting.

VP Collins stated that the URSU is doing their own but we can share information and resources. Both the USSU's survey and the URSU's will be submitted to the provincial government after the Day of Action.

4.2 Day of Action Planning

The board decided to model the Day of Action on the French Revolution. The Slogan and theme will be 'Education shouldn't be a debt sentence.' The board discussed the use of the drama department to create the revolution/rebellion atmosphere. A guillotine will be used (dramatically) to depict the crippling effects that debt has on students. Three themed colours will also be chosen.

VP Collins stated that delegates at the CFS meeting really liked the idea.

VP Collins suggested that we use a video montage of the Day of Action shown at the CFS conference. It features all of the provinces on Days of Action in the past.

Councillor Forbes asked if the campaign is addressed to the federal or provincial government, because she is concerned that the provincial government has already been responsive enough with our demands.

VP Collins said that we've commended the provincial government on their cooperation thus far, however we don't want to lighten up on the pressure or they'll believe that we are content with the remaining high tuition fees and high student debt.

Councillor Forbes said that we must be cognizant of the message for the Day of Action, and that it should stay relevant. We should be focusing on student debt

VP Collins stated that we are staying relevant; the theme of the Day of Action is "Education shouldn't be a debt sentence." We are focusing on student debt while still pressuring the government to move beyond just freezing tuition, but reducing them as well.

VP Collins said that planning is still necessary. We want to build coalition partners on campus and off campus as well. The drama students society have already been spoken to and we also want to think about contacting some of the high school SRCs, the citizens advisory committee, city councilors, and other relevant groups.

On that subject VP Collins stated that she recently sent out information to all MLAs regarding our campaign this year

VP Collins stated that we also need to get the faculty association on board as well as the sessional lecturers.

4.3 Consultation Hearing

VP Collins stated that we will be going to the FNUC hearing and Swift Current.

VP Collins stated that the presentation in Saskatoon went well.

4.4 Open Mike Event – Canada’s responsibility in the face of international terrorism

VP Collins along with Professor Frank Van Hesteren have been planning this event. The purpose is to create an on campus dialogue for discussion on the war in Afghanistan. The event will take place in the third week of January. It will be a panel discussion with specialists from academic, religious, and first hand perspectives (recently returned vet).

VP Collins said she is looking for assistance from other campus groups.

5. Any other business

6. Questions and comments

7. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn

EAB Motion 7: Member Cottrell/ Member Ring

Carried.

Operations and Finance Board Minutes

March 9/2007

Present: Cody Lang, Jeremy Ring, Vogeson Paley, Ryan Allan, Tyler Olson,
Ashlee Smith

Regrets: Carolina Melendez, Caroline Cottrell, Councilor Leibel

1. **Call to order**
Meeting Called to order at 2:07pm
2. **Call for quorum**
Quorum was present
3. **Adoption of Agenda**
Move to adopt the agenda
OFB motion 38: VP Lang/ Councilor Paley Carried.
4. **Business**
Move to approve \$300 in funding for Punjabi Students Society
OFB motion 39: VP Lang/ councilor Olson Carried.

Move to approve funding for Rez Idol to the ARC
OFB motion 40: VP Lang/ VP Smith Carried.
5. **Any Other Business**
None.
6. **Adjournment**
OFB motion 41: VP Smith/ councilor Olson

Meeting adjourned at 2:25

Student Issues Board
Minutes for Tuesday Nov. 21, 2006

1. **Call to Order**
Meeting called to order at 4:06 p.m.

Present: VP Smith, VP Flavell, SAL Goff, Member Parker, Member Rabyj

Absent: SAL Vu, Member Ewen

2. **Call for Quorum**
Quorum is present.

3. **Business**

- 3.1 **Better World Books**
SAL Vu was not present to give an update on the book drive. VP Smith will follow up.

- 3.2 **Residential Tenancy Act**
SAL Goff stated that both Alberta and NB are not covered under provincial tenancy legislation, however residence students in Quebec sign a lease with the province, not the university.
VP Smith would follow up with Terry Chinn, Chairman of the Office of the Rentalsman.
The Board discussed other avenues we could take in lobbying the government to get residence students protected under the Act.

- 3.3 **UPASS**
The Board discussed the UPASS and when a referendum could take place. It was decided that part time students should be assessed the UPASS fee because a bus pass could be used not just for coming to school. VP Smith will set up a meeting with university administration and is meeting with the city next week. Board members are welcome to attend.

4. **Any other Business**
5. **Questions and Comments**
6. **Adjournment**
Motion to Adjourn.

SIB Motion7: Parker/Goff

Carried.

Sustainability Board Meeting

Minutes from February 28, 2007

The Board had an informal discussion about the Board and the USSU Sustainability Audit and the direction it was going:

Member David resigned from the Sustainability Board due to his heavy class load. The Board decided that it was too late in the year to catch another Member of Students' Council up on the work the Board is currently working on.

SAL Custer began a conversation about the audit and his vision of seeing the Sustainability Board in an advisory and review role rather than writing the report themselves. SAL Custer, as the USSU Sustainability Coordinator, will draft the report and the Board will give feedback. The draft will be ready before the end of March.

The Board discussed the possible recommendations that may come out of the report. Recommendations that were suggested included:

1. Long-term integration within the USSU by hiring a new staff member. That position would work on the audit as well as educating the current staff of the organization.
2. The Sustainability policy needs to be reviewed. Some of the items are not working well within the organization.
3. Green Building – the newly renovated and expanded Place Riel has the potential to become LEED certified.
4. Louis menu – starting to look at organic options.

There was a discussion surrounding USSU administration and how there needs to be more consultations with these positions. How do we implement all of these recommendations cost effectively?

The next Sustainability Board meeting will take place late March or early April.



UNIVERSITY OF SASKATCHEWAN STUDENTS' UNION
THE CONSTITUTION

CONFIRMED the 6th day of February 2007, by the members in accordance with the Act.

Chairperson, Special General Meeting

Article 1
Name

The Organization responsible for the governing of undergraduate student affairs at the University of Saskatchewan shall be known as the University of Saskatchewan Students' Union.

Article 2
Vision

The University of Saskatchewan Students' Union strives to be the recognized leader in enhancing the student experience.

Article 3
Mission

The University of Saskatchewan Students' Union exists to represent, serve and support the academic and non-academic needs of undergraduate students of the University of Saskatchewan through accountable, dynamic and unified leadership. It also serves to protect and maintain the integrity of quality, accessible public education.

Article 4
Values

The following principles shall guide the University of Saskatchewan Students' Union in all of its endeavors: innovation, integrity, mutual respect, professionalism, service, teamwork, and trust as well as social, economic and environmental responsibility.

Article 5
Membership

Membership in the University of Saskatchewan Students' Union shall consist of all registered undergraduate students who have been assessed, voluntarily or otherwise, student union fees.

Article 6
Powers, Rights and Privileges

All Members of the University of Saskatchewan Students' Union shall have the following powers, rights and privileges:

- (i) Subject to this Constitution, to be eligible for positions with and to cast a ballot in any election for the Executive of the University of Saskatchewan Students' Union.
- (ii) Subject to this Constitution, to be eligible for positions and to cast a ballot in any election within their respective college, school or group as set out in this Constitution for members of the University Students' Council.
- (iii) To cast a ballot in any referendum held in accordance with this Constitution.
- (iv) To attend, submit motions for, and have speaking and voting privileges at any meeting of members of the University of Saskatchewan Students' Union.
- (v) To attend and have speaking privileges at any meeting of the University Students' Council, subject to procedures of the University Students' Council.
- (vi) To exercise any other powers, rights and privileges inherent in this Constitution.

Article 7
Organization

The affairs of the University of Saskatchewan Students' Union shall be governed by the Executive Committee and the Legislature.

Part 1 - Composition:

- A. The Executive Committee shall be composed of the following:
- (i) The Executive:
- The President, responsible for overseeing all affairs of the University of Saskatchewan Students Union.
 - The Vice-President (Student Issues), responsible for all non-academic, non-government issues for the University of Saskatchewan Students' Union
 - The Vice-President (Academic Affairs), responsible for all academic issues for the University of Saskatchewan Students' Union
 - The Vice-President (Operations and Finance), responsible for the operations and services for the University of Saskatchewan Students' Union.
 - The Vice-President (External Affairs) responsible for federal, provincial, and municipal government issues pertinent to the University of Saskatchewan Students' Union
- (ii) The General Manager of the University of Saskatchewan Students' Union, ex officio (non-voting)
- B. The Legislature (hereinafter referred to as the "University Students' Council) shall be composed of the following positions:
- The Executive Committee
 - One councillor from each undergraduate college, school or group (listed below) having an enrollment of less than 1000 students as established by the enrollment in that college, school or group on the last student census conducted by the University of Saskatchewan.
 - Two councillors from each undergraduate college, school or group (listed below) having an enrollment of 1000 students or more as established by the enrollment in that college, school or group on the last student census conducted by the University of Saskatchewan.
 - One councillor representing the Indigenous Students' Council
 - One councillor representing the international students at the University of Saskatchewan campus

The undergraduate colleges, schools or groups referred to above shall include and be restricted to the following:

- College of Agriculture and Bioresources
- College of Arts and Science
- College of Commerce
- College of Dentistry
- College of Education
- College of Engineering
- College of Kinesiology
- College of Law
- College of Medicine
- College of Nursing

- College of Pharmacy and Nutrition
- School of Physical Therapy
- St. Thomas More College
- Indigenous Students' Council
- International Students' Association
- Associated Residence Committee
- Students in Open Studies
- Western College of Veterinary Medicine

Part 2 - Powers and Duties:

- A. The Executive Committee shall have the following powers and duties:
- (i) to administer the affairs, manage the activities and formulate policies for the University of Saskatchewan Students' Union and to be accountable to University Students' Council with respect to the same.
 - (ii) to promote, in cooperation with the University Students' Council, the general welfare of undergraduate students at the University of Saskatchewan.
 - (iii) to administer all monies received by the University of Saskatchewan Students' Union and to be accountable to University Students' Council with respect to the same.
 - (iv) to maintain proper books of account and have the same audited when required.
 - (v) the Executive Committee shall insure that all motions appearing under the heading of business are emailed to councilors or are available at the USSU office in hard copy no later than 48 hours preceding the USC at which they will be heard
- B. The University Students' Council shall have the following powers and duties:
- (i) to establish and pass an annual budget for the University of Saskatchewan Students' Union.
 - (ii) to establish standing committees, boards, other committees and commissions from time to time at its discretion to make recommendations to the University Students' Council.
 - (iii) to establish policies and direction for the University of Saskatchewan Students' Union in areas affecting student affairs and to give direction to the Executive Committee with respect to same.
 - (iv) to promote, in cooperation with the Executive, the general welfare of undergraduate students at the University of Saskatchewan.
 - (v) to report back, on a regular basis, to the constituency group from which they were elected.
 - (vi) to have final authority over the interpretation of the University of Saskatchewan Students' Union Constitution and Bylaws.

Part 3 – Meetings:

University Students' Council shall meet not less than once in each calendar month. Additional meetings may be called at the request of the President and shall be called when one-third of councilors of the University Students' Council submit a written request to the Executive and General Manager for such a meeting.

Article 8 Elections

Part 1 – Timing of Election:

There shall be an election in each year between the first day of February and the thirty-first day of March for all positions on the Executive and the University Students' Council. Voting for the elections may not occur on any day coinciding with the University of Saskatchewan Spring Break (Reading Week).

Part 2 – Eligibility for Office:

All members of the University of Saskatchewan Students' Union shall be eligible for election to all positions on the Executive Committee and the University of Saskatchewan Students' Council save for the following restrictions:

- A. The Executive Committee:
 - (i) At the time of the election, the candidate must be in good academic standing according to college-specific requirements and maintain it throughout their term in office.
 - (ii) All members of the Executive must qualify as directors in accordance with the *Non-Profit Corporations Act* for Saskatchewan or any successor legislation.
- B. The University Students' Council:
 - (i) Candidates for the position of councillor must be registered in no fewer than six credit units during the regular session of their term of office in the college, school or group for which they filed their nomination on the last day of the election in which they are a candidate and must remain registered as such in that college, school or group for the remainder of their term of office.

Part 3 – Eligibility for Voting:

All members of the University of Saskatchewan Students' Union, whose membership is defined in Article 5, may cast a vote for candidates for the Executive. All members of the University of Saskatchewan Students' Union may cast a vote in their college, school or group for candidates for positions from that college, school or group as councillors of the University Students' Council provided they are registered in that college or school or are a member of that designated group at the time that they cast a vote.

Part 4 – General;

The University Students' Council may pass a bylaw that governs the administration of elections, election voting procedures, and rules respecting by-elections and the terms of office for elected members of the Executive and the University Students' Council.

Article 9 Removal

Members of the Executive or councillors of the University Students' Council may be removed involuntarily from office only in the following circumstances:

- A. Executive:

Elected Members of the Executive may be removed from office following a motion of non-confidence passed by both a vote of at least two-thirds of the councillors present at a meeting which represents at least 50% of the University Students' Council in favour of the removal from office and majority vote at a special general meeting for that purpose.
- B. Councillors on the University Students' Council:

Councillors may be removed from office following a motion of non-confidence passed by a vote of at least two-thirds of councillors present at a meeting which represents at least 50% of the University Students' Council in favour of the removal from office.

Article 10
General Meetings

There shall be an Annual General Meeting of members of the University of Saskatchewan Students' Union held between the first day of the winter term and the thirty-first day of January. Members shall receive at least fifteen days notice of the Annual General Meeting.

Special General Meetings shall be held following a motion passed for that purpose by a simple majority of councillors present at a meeting of the University Students' Council. Members shall receive at least fifteen days notice of a Special General Meeting.

Article 11
Referendum

Subject to the criteria set out below, a referendum must be held for the purposes of establishing or eliminating a dedicated student fee, and shall be binding upon the Executive and USC. All referenda shall be held in the following circumstances:

- A. If proposed by the Executive, upon receiving approval of two-thirds of councillors present at meeting of the University Students' Council when the proposal is presented.
- B. If proposed by a member of the University of Saskatchewan Students' Union, upon presentation of a petition containing the signatures of not less than five percent of the members of the University of Saskatchewan Students' Union and upon approval of two-thirds of councillors present at a meeting of the University Students' Council when the petition is presented.

Such a referendum shall pass if, and only if a ten (10) percent voter turn out of the membership is recorded and there is a fifty (50) percent plus one (1) majority.

Article 12
Amendment of the Constitution

This Constitution may only be amended by a vote of at least two-thirds of the membership of the University of Saskatchewan Students' Union in favor of the amendment(s) present at an Annual General Meeting or Special General Meeting called by the University Students' Council.

Members of the USSU must submit written notice to the General Manager or designate ten days prior to the General Meeting at which the amendment will be considered. The General Manager or designate shall publish the proposed changes at least eight days before the General Meeting considering the amendments. Subject to this Constitution, the University Students' Council shall have the power to pass, amend or repeal any bylaws providing for the operation and better functioning of the University of Saskatchewan Students' Union. Any bylaw passed by the University Students' Council shall be subject to approval and ratification by the membership at the next Annual General Meeting.

Article 14
Dissolution of the Union

Upon dissolution of the University of Saskatchewan Students' Union, all assets of the Students' Union shall be put into the trust of the Board of Governors of the University of Saskatchewan who shall pass

them on to a democratic organization of student representatives of all undergraduate students on campus, whose main responsibility shall be the governing of undergraduate student affairs at the University of Saskatchewan, as soon as such an organization comes into existence.

Article 15 Student Fees

Increasing Student Fees

- A. The University of Saskatchewan Students' Union shall hold a referendum if they wish to increase student fees by more than two (2) dollars (\$CAD) above the Consumer Price Index. (Excluding the Health and Dental Plan)
- B. reasonable effort will be made to get information concerning the change out to members of the University of Saskatchewan Students' Union, outlining the pros and cons of the idea so as to foster adequate debate on campus.
- C. Any fee changes that have been approved by either referendum after this amendment, or by the University Students' Council prior to the amendment, must have a second reading before the University Students' Council once the Board of Governor's has scrutinized the application, before it is applied to students.
- D. Upon second reading the University Students' Council must either:
 - i) Vote unanimously to pass the increase or
 - ii) Vote by a majority to pass the increase providing that majority includes a "yes" vote from the representative from the College of Law and one of the representatives from the College of Arts and Science.In order to finalize the increase and apply the charge to members.
- E. If the fee increase does not pass the second reading, then the increase is of no force and effect and cannot be applied to students.



UNIVERSITY OF SASKATCHEWAN STUDENTS' UNION

BYLAW NO. 1: GOVERNANCE PROCEDURES

IT IS HEREBY ENACTED as a by-law of

University of Saskatchewan Students' Union

(hereinafter called the "Students' Union") as follows:

CONFIRMED the 6th day of February 2007, by the members in accordance with the Act.

Chairperson, Special General Meeting

Article 1
General

1.01 Unless specifically defined herein or unless the context otherwise specifies or requires, definitions in this by-law should have the meanings given to such terms in the Act, and in particular:

- (i) "Act" means The Non-Profit Corporations Act, S.S. 1979, c. N-4.1, as may from time to time be amended, and every statute that may be substituted therefor and, in the case of such amendment or substitution, any references in the by-laws shall be read as referring to the amended or substituted provisions therefor;
- (ii) "Articles" means the Articles of Continuance or the Articles of the Students' Union from time to time in force and effect; and
- (iii) "By-laws" means all by-laws, save for the Constitution, of the Students' Union from time to time in force and effect.
- (iv) "Sustainability" means the demonstration of socially, economically, and environmentally responsible behaviour that strives to meet the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs.

Article 2
Registered Office

2.01 The Students' Union may from time to time:

- (i) by resolution of the Executive committee change the location of the registered office of the Students' Union within the municipality designated as such by the Articles; and
- (ii) by special resolution amend its Articles to change the municipality in which its registered office is located to another municipality located in the Province of Saskatchewan.

Article 3
Corporate Seal

3.01 The corporate seal of the Students' Union shall be such as the Executive committee may by resolution from time to time adopt.

Article 4
Execution of Contracts and Negotiable Instruments

4.01 Contracts or documents requiring execution by the Students' Union may be signed by:

- (i) the General Manager of the Students' Union, or in his/her absence, his or her designate, or;
- (ii) the President, or in his/her absence, his or her designate.

4.02 Cheques and negotiable instruments issued by the Students' Union shall be signed by:

- (i) The Vice President (Operations and Finance), or his/her designate;

- (ii) The General Manager or his/her designate provided that all cheques and negotiable instruments must be executed by at least the Vice President (Operations and Finance) or the General Manager of the Students' Union.

Article 5 Meetings

5.01 Executive Committee:

- (i) Meetings of the Executive Committee shall be held at such time and such places as the Executive Committee may, by ordinary resolution, decide upon.

5.02 University Students' Council:

- (i) Procedure: Except for otherwise provided for in these Bylaws, the meetings of the University Students' Council shall be conducted according to Robert's Rules of Order (Revised);
- (ii) Order of Business: All items appearing under the heading of "new business" will be tabled automatically until the next University Students' Council meeting, except in a case where two-thirds of the councilors present at a meeting of University Students' Council consider the item to be urgent, in which case it will be considered immediately;
- (iii) Items on the Agenda for the University Students' Council meetings must be conveyed to the President of the Students' Union by at least 12 noon, forty-eight hours prior to the meeting in order to be included on the agenda of that meeting.
- (iv) The Executive Committee shall ensure that items included on the agenda are emailed to councilors or are available in hard copy at the USSU Office no later than noon twenty-four hours preceding the USC meeting.
- (v) Chairperson Pro Tem: The President shall appoint a chairperson Pro Tem who will assume all the responsibilities and duties of an impartial chairperson of the University Students' Council. The chairperson Pro Tem shall hold office at the pleasure of two-thirds of the councillors present at any University Students' Council meeting;
- (vi) A quorum of any meeting of the University Students' Council shall consist of the attendance of 50% plus one of all voting members of the University Students' Council.
- (vii) Proxies: Subject to Constitution, The Non-Profit Corporations Act or the Articles, no member is entitled to appoint a proxy holder.

5.03 Members:

- (i) The Executive Committee shall be responsible to ensure that members receive at least fifteen days notice of the Annual General Meeting. Notice shall be given by posting the information conspicuously throughout the University of Saskatchewan;
- (ii) A quorum for any meeting of members shall be at least fifty (50) members. Of these members present, at least fifteen (15) members must be members of the University Students' Council.

- (iii) Adjournment: The Chairperson of the meeting may, with the consent of a simple majority of councilors present at a meeting of the University Students' Council, adjourn any meeting to a fixed time and place.
- (v) Votes to govern: At any meeting of the members, unless a special resolution or some other special majority is required by the Constitution, The Non-Profit Corporations Act or the Articles, all questions shall be decided by the majority of votes cast on the question.
- (vi) Proxies: Subject to Constitution, The Non-Profit Corporations Act or the Articles, no member is entitled to appoint a proxy holder.

<p>Article 6 Standing Boards and Committees</p>

6.01 The University Students' Council shall establish the following standing boards and committees:

a) Operations and Finance Board

The Operations and Finance Board shall be composed of the following members:

- (i) Vice-President (Operations and Finance) as chair;
- (ii) Vice-President (Student Issues) as vice-chair;
- (iii) Four (4) councillors elected by University Students' Council;
- (iv) Two (2) students-at-large appointed by the University Students' Council Appointments Board;
- (v) President, as ex-officio member; and,
- (vi) General Manager of the University of Saskatchewan Students' Union or designate, as ex-officio.

The Operations and Finance Board shall be responsible for:

- (i) considering all financial matters referred to it by the University Students' Council or the Executive Committee and making recommendations to the University Students' Council;
- (ii) seeking to ensure that members of the University of Saskatchewan Students' Union, are, as much as possible, made aware of the financial activities of the University of Saskatchewan Students' Union; and,
- (iii) reviewing University of Saskatchewan Students' Union originating student fees, in order to assess their value and impact on the members of the University of Saskatchewan Students' Union and developing long term strategies for the administration of student fees that exhibit the guiding mission of the University of Saskatchewan Students' Union.
- (iv) all issues and communications arising from or to student groups including funding, ratification, insurance and event coordination.

b) Appointments Board

The Appointments Board shall be composed of the following members:

- (i) President as chair;
- (ii) Four (4) councillors elected by University Students' Council; and,
- (iii) Vice-Presidents, as ex-officio members.

The Appointments Board shall be responsible for:

- (i) making those appointments mentioned in these Bylaws or those requested by the University Students' Council;
- (ii) ensuring that all positions filled by the committee are open for nominations or applications for a period of at least two weeks and that the openings are adequately publicized;

After October fourteenth the President shall hold the power and responsibility of the Appointments Board, except in the case of appointing members ~~of~~ *to* the Elections Board.

c) Academic Affairs Board

The Academic Affairs Board shall be composed of the following members:

- (i) Vice-President (Academic Affairs) as chair;
- (ii) Vice-President (Student Issues) as vice-chair;
- (iii) Three (3) councillors elected by University Students' Council;
- (iv) Three (3) students-at-large appointed by the University Students' Council Appointments Board;
- (v) Academic Affairs Officer; and,
- (vi) President, as ex-officio member.

The Academic Affairs Board shall be responsible for:

- (i) determining all academic policies and programs of the University of Saskatchewan Students' Union, subject to ratification by the University Students' Council;
- (ii) the implementation of those academic policies as requested by University Students' Council; and,
- (iii) issues pertaining to access to education.

d) Student Issues Board

The Student Issues Board shall be composed of the following members:

- (i) Vice-President (Student Issues) as chair;
- (ii) Vice-President (Academic Affairs) as vice-chair;
- (iii) Three (3) councillors elected by University Students' Council;
- (iv) Three (3) students-at-large appointed by the University Students' Council Appointments Board; and,
- (v) President, as ex-officio member.

The Student Issues Board shall be responsible for:

- (i) the analysis of non-academic, non-governmental issues of the University and shall make recommendations to University Students' Council with regard to these affairs when deemed appropriate.

e) Code of Ethics Disciplinary Committee

The Code of Ethics Disciplinary Committee shall be composed of the following members:

- (i) University Students' Council Chair, as chair;
- (ii) Three (3) councillors elected by University Students' Council and who each must represent a separate college or group; and,
- (iii) President, or his/her designate.

In the case that a member of the Code of Ethics Disciplinary Committee is involved in a complaint brought forward by University Students' Council, the member shall excuse himself/herself from participation in the discussion and shall abstain from voting on the particular issue. A replacement shall be elected from University Students' Council for this discussion and vote.

The Code of Ethics Disciplinary Committee shall be responsible for:

- (i) hearing all complaints filed regarding the University Students' Council Code of Ethics;
- (ii) recommending either disciplinary measures for members to University Students' Council or dismissing any allegations.

f) External Affairs Board

The External Affairs Board shall be composed of the following members:

- (i) The Vice-President (External Affairs) as chair;
- (ii) The President, as vice-chair;
- (iii) Three (3) councillors elected by University Students' Council;
- (iv) Three (3) students-at-large appointed by the University Students' Council Appointments Board; and,
- (v) The USSU Communication Manager as ex-officio member.

The External Affairs Board shall be responsible for:

- (i) Improving communication between students, the USSU, and national and provincial lobbying organizations to which the USSU belongs;
- (ii) Developing, organizing, and implementing the distribution of lobbying campaign information to the USSU membership;
- (iii) Performing annual assessments of USSU membership in national and provincial lobbying organizations; and,
- (iv) Assisting the USSU Executive and University Students' Council in other lobbying campaigns undertaken by the USSU.

g) Sustainability Board

The Sustainability Board shall be composed of the following members:

- (i) Vice-President (Student Issues) as chair;
- (ii) Vice-President (Operations and Finance) as vice-chair;
- (iii) Three (3) councillors elected by University Students' Council;
- (iv) Three (3) students-at-large appointed by the University Students' Council Appointments Board; and
- (v) President, as ex-officio member

The Sustainability Board shall be responsible for:

- (i) Ensuring the sustainability of USSU operations through analysis of current and potential business practices and partners;
- (ii) The implementation of operational policies as requested by University Students' Council.

h) Board of College Presidents

- (i) The Board of College Presidents shall be composed of the following members:

- President of the University of Saskatchewan Students' Union (USSU) as Chair
- President(s) of the Agricultural Students Association (ASA)
- President(s) of the Arts and Science Students' Union (ASSU)
- President(s) of the Campus Recreation Boards (MRB and WRB)
- President(s) of the Education Students' Society (ESS)
- President(s) of the Indigenous Students' Council (ISC)
- President(s) of the International Students' Association (ISA)
- President(s) of the Kinesiology Student Society (KiSS)
- President(s) of the Law Students' Association (LSA)
- President(s) of the Saskatoon Nursing Students' Society (SNSS)
- President(s) of the Physical Therapy Students' Society (PTSS)
- President(s) of the Saskatchewan Pharmacy and Nutrition Students' Society (SPNSS)
- President(s) of the Saskatoon Commerce Students' Society (SCSS)
- President(s) of the Saskatoon Engineering Students' Society (SESS)
- President(s) of the St. Thomas More Students' Union (STMSU)
- President(s) of the Saskatchewan Dental Students' Society (SDSS)
- President(s) of the Student Medical Society of Saskatchewan (SMSS)
- President(s) of the Associated Residence Committee (ARC)
- President(s) of Students in Open Studies (SOS)
- President(s) of the Western Canadian Veterinary Students' Association (WCVSA)
- Vice President Academic Affairs (ex-officio)
- Vice President External Affairs (ex-officio)
- Vice President Operations & Finance (ex-officio)
- Vice President Student Issues (ex-officio)

(ii) Any student group founded in and for an academic college unit of the University of Saskatchewan shall be automatically entitled to membership;

(iii) Membership in the Board of College Presidents shall be open to any other student organization approved by a majority vote of the Board of College Presidents;

(iv) Each member association is entitled to one vote through its respective President(s). Other officers of a member association may be temporarily designated voting members in the absence of the President with two days notice to the Chair;

(v) The Board of College Presidents shall have no less than one meeting per month from September to April inclusive;

(vi) Additional meetings shall be called if one-third of the members submit a written request to the Chair and/or Vice-Chair for such a meeting;

(vii) Meetings are open to all officers of the member associations. In all other cases an invitation from BOCP members is required to attend. Invited guests sit at the pleasure of a simple majority of BOCP; and,

(viii) In addition to monthly meetings the Board of College Presidents shall host a minimum of two conferences over the year

- Orientation Conference (SummerCon) and,
- Transition Conference (DeceptiCon).

SummerCon shall be the initial meeting of Board of College Presidents for the academic year. Delegates shall be the Presidents of the member associations and the Vice-Presidents of the USSU. The purpose of the conference is to:

- i) Orientate delegates to the responsibilities of the Board of College Presidents and the vision, mission and values of the USSU;
- ii) Set goals for the year and plan their implementation;
- iii) Discuss annual activities and student issues (academic, social and financial) in each college;
- iv) Introduce delegates to the resources and opportunities that exist for them on campus; and,
- v) Host a social activity so that all officers of the member associations may become familiar with one another.

2.6 DeceptiCon shall be the final meeting of BOCP for the academic year. Delegates shall be both the incoming and outgoing Presidents, other invited officers of the member associations and the Vice-Presidents of the USSU. The purpose of the conference is to:

- i) Introduce incoming delegates to the responsibilities of the Board of College Presidents and the vision, mission and values of the USSU;
- ii) Host transition sessions to provide continuity by passing knowledge from the outgoing to the incoming association officers; and,
- iii) Host a social activity to celebrate the end of the year and to bid farewell to the outgoing representatives.

Responsibilities

The Board of College Presidents shall be responsible for:

- i) Providing monthly reports to the Chair on all activities and student issues (academic, social, and financial) in each college;
- ii) Increasing communication and cooperation amongst its member associations and furthering the interests of its member associations to the campus community and beyond;
- iii) Increasing student awareness, participation and involvement; and,
- iv) Promoting the positive reputation of College Societies and students in general by highlighting their achievements.

6.02 Operations and Procedures.

- (i) A quorum of any standing board or committee shall constitute at least a majority of the sitting members of that standing board or committee;
- (ii) All members of every standing boards and committees shall receive at least 24 hours of notice of all meetings;
- (iii) All standing boards and committees do not have constituted power and any motion or action requires the ratification by the University Students' Council.
- (iv) All fiscal matters shall be referred to the Operations and Finance Board, with the exception of those matters that are directly related to the budget for which the standing board or committee concerned is responsible.

Article 7 Auditor

- 7.01 Dispensing with an auditor: The members of the Students' Union, may by the unanimous resolution of those present at the meeting, resolve not to appoint the auditor recommended by the General Manager of the USSU. This resolution shall be valid only until the next Annual General Meeting of members. Notice of such resolution

must be given to the members prior to the meeting as required by The Non-Profit Corporations Act.

Article 8
Borrowing Powers

8.01 For the purpose of carrying out the objects of the Constitution, these By-laws and the business and affairs of the Students' Union, the Executive committee may:

- (i) borrow money on the credit of the Students' Union;
- (ii) limit or increase any amount to be borrowed; and,
- (iii) secure the payment of monies borrowed in such manner as it thinks fit.

Article 9
Notice

9.01 Manner of notice: Any notice to be given pursuant to The Non-Profit Corporations Act, the Articles, the Constitution, the Bylaws, or otherwise to a member, executive member, councillor, or member of a standing board or committee shall be sufficiently given if delivered in the manner required by The Non-Profit Corporations Act.

Article 10
Elections

10.01 Elections for positions on the Executive and for positions as councillors for the University Students' Council shall be administered by an Elections Board chosen by the University Students' Council and shall be comprised of the following positions:

- i) Chief Returning Officer, as chair;
- ii) Assistant Chief Returning Officer, as vice-chair;
- iii) Two (2) councillors elected by University Students' Council;
- iv) Two (2) students-at-large appointed by the University Students' Council Appointments Board; and,
- v) General Manager of the University of Saskatchewan Students' Union or designate, as ex-officio.

10.02 Elections for the elected Executive and councillors with the University Students' Council shall be conducted by secret ballot. The candidate shall be declared elected if they receive the largest number of those votes cast for that position.

For those elected Executive positions where one candidate only has submitted a nomination form, the candidate will be declared elected if they receive a larger number of yes than no votes cast for that position.

10.03 All elected members of the Executive must be registered in no fewer than six and no more than twelve credit units during their term in office. All elected members of the Executive and of the University Students' Council shall commence their term on the first day of May next ensuing and lasting until the thirtieth day of April following.

10.04 Should the position of President become vacant for any reason throughout the term of office, the Vice-President (Operations and Finance) shall assume the office of President. While continuing to serve in the capacity of Vice-President (Operations and Finance) he or she will, as soon as possible, resign one of these positions and hold a by-election to fill the vacant position. If the position of President becomes vacant after October 31 he or she will resign the office of Vice-President (Operations and Finance) and retain solely the office of President.

Should any other position on the Executive become vacant for any reason prior to, or on October 31 in any year, the Elections Board shall hold a by-election to fill that position. After October 31, a vacancy on the Executive will not be filled. At any time any vacant Member of University Students' Council position shall be filled according to the mandate of the individual college and ratified by the Elections Board.



UNIVERSITY OF SASKATCHEWAN STUDENTS' UNION

BYLAW NO. 2: EXECUTIVE PORTFOLIOS

IT IS HEREBY ENACTED as a by-law of
University of Saskatchewan Students' Union
(hereinafter called the "Students' Union") as follows:

CONFIRMED the 6th day of February 2007, by the members in accordance with the Act.

Chairperson, Special General Meeting

1. President

1.01 The President shall:

- (i) Oversee all affairs of the University of Saskatchewan Students' Union;
- (ii) Coordinate the Executive;
- (iii) Be the chief spokesperson for the Students' Union;
- (iv) Act as Chairperson of the Executive Committee and of University Students' Council;
- (v) Become familiar with the operations of the office of the University's senior administration and report on student related activities from those offices;
- (vi) Serve as a member of the Board of Governors of the University of Saskatchewan accordingly with the one-year term of office as passed by the Board of Governors;
- (vii) Serve as Chair of the Board of College Presidents;
- (viii) Be the liaison with other student associations, unions and organizations in Canada;
- (ix) Be responsible for sitting on the provincial and federal student loans committees as well as working with individual student appeals; and,
- (x) Ensure that all governance policy documents are up to date and relevant.

2. Vice-President (Student Issues)

2.01 The Vice-President (Student Issues) shall:

- (i) Be responsible for all non-academic issues, including but not restricted to:
 - On and off campus parking;
 - On and off campus housing;
 - Transit and transportation;
 - Security, safety, health, and sexual violence;
 - Equity;
 - Disabilities; and,
 - Liaise with University of Saskatchewan Students' Union Centres.

3. Vice-President (Academic Affairs)

3.01 The Vice-President (Academic Affairs) shall:

- (i) Be responsible for all academic issues, including computing;
- (ii) Be responsible for all activities involving University Council; and,
- (iii) Be responsible for the Academic Affairs Officer(s).

4. Vice-President (Operations and Finance)

4.01 The Vice-President (Operations and Finance) shall:

- (i) Be responsible for the operations and services of the Students' Union;
- (ii) Be responsible for preparation of the annual Students' Union budget;
- (iii) Be responsible for all issues with regards to campus groups;
- (iv) Be responsible for overseeing the annual audit in conjunction with the Students' Union General Manager; and,
- (v) Ensure that all operational policy documents are up to date and relevant.

5. Vice-President (External Affairs)

5.01 The Vice-President (External Affairs) shall:

- (i) Be the official liaison with the federal, provincial, and municipal governments for the Students' Union;
- (ii) Become familiar with the activities of the City of Saskatoon and report on those issues affecting students;
- (iii) Liaise and meet regularly with government officials involved with post-secondary education;
- (iv) Work with post-secondary lobby groups as directed by University Students' Council;
- (v) Ensure that all lobbying and external interest documents are up to date and relevant; and,
- (vi) Be responsible for working with the University on matters of international activities.



UNIVERSITY OF SASKATCHEWAN STUDENTS' UNION

BYLAW NO. 3: CODE OF ETHICS

IT IS HEREBY ENACTED as a by-law of

University of Saskatchewan Students' Union

(hereinafter called the "Students' Union") as follows:

CONFIRMED the 6th day of February 2007, by members in accordance with the Act.

Chairperson, Special General Meeting

Article 1
Preamble

1.01 The Code of Ethics is a set of guidelines that provide a standard of good behaviour for Members of University Students' Council (USC) and members of the boards and committees associated with USC. Through the commitment to these principles, USC and its boards and committees are able to operate ethically and with integrity.

1.02 The Code shall apply to:

- (i) All Members of USC, including the Chair pro tem;
- (ii) All Members of:
 - The Executive Committee
 - The Appointments Board
 - The Academic Affairs Board
 - The Operations and Finance Board
 - The Student Issues Board
 - The Elections Board
 - The External Affairs Board
 - The Code of Ethics Disciplinary Committee
 - Board of College Presidents
 - Sustainability Board

1.03 For the purposes of this document, the word "members" shall apply to all of the above members of USC and members of all standing boards and committees, unless otherwise indicated.

Article 2
Code of Ethics

2.01 Decorum

All Members shall maintain the integrity, confidence, and the dignity of the office they fill. Courtesy, professionalism and good faith must characterize the conduct of all Members toward one another.

- (i) Members shall make no disparaging remarks about other Members or those Members' opinions, save honest and respectful criticism.
- (ii) All Members shall be respectful of any racial, religious, gender, physical and/or mental disability, sexual orientation, or any other differences pertaining to the cultural or individual diversity of Members.
- (iii) All Members shall use appropriate language when speaking at meetings. The definition of appropriate language is at the discretion of the Chair.
- (iv) No Member shall attend meetings intoxicated or engage in or use crude behaviour.
- (v) All Members should always abide by majority decisions of University Student Council, or of the board or committee to which they belong, once those decisions are made.

2.02 Acting Honestly and Observing All Laws With Integrity

Members must never conduct themselves in a dishonest or fraudulent manner in dealing with the public, USC, or any standing board or committee.

- (i) Members shall not convert nor use to their benefit any property belonging to the University of Saskatchewan Students' Union (USSU) nor shall they commit an act amounting to fraud in relation to the USSU.
- (ii) Any Member who uses USSU property in contravention of this subsection shall be required to remit to the USSU any profits or benefits raised by the use of the property.

2.03 Conflict of Interest

Members shall not permit any personal activities or interests to conflict with their duties and responsibilities to the USSU. In addition, Members shall avoid any perception that their personal interests may conflict with such duties and responsibilities.

- (i) Any Member with a potential conflict of interest shall disclose it forthwith to the Chair of the USC, the committee, or board, and shall excuse herself/himself from participation in the discussion and abstain from voting on that particular issue. Current Executive members or Members of Students' Council who have been ratified as candidates for a current USSU election shall be considered in a conflict of interest in any discussion regarding the election and shall be excused from it.
- (ii) Members owe a positive duty to disclose to the Chair any potential conflict of interest of other Members, should they become aware of such.
- (iii) In the case that the Chair is in conflict of interest, disclosure shall be made to the USC, the board or committee, and the Chair shall step down to the vice-Chair or other appointee, decided by a vote of 50% plus one, and abstain from participation in the discussion and voting for that particular issue.

2.04 Confidentiality

Members have a positive duty to hold, in strict confidence, all information acquired in the course of their term of office that is declared confidential or in camera by the Executive, USC, or any standing board or committee.

- (i) Except where expressly authorized, no Member shall divulge to any person, or use in any way not directly related to the activities of USC, or of any standing board or committee, any information designated as confidential.
- (ii) No Member shall discuss any information obtained during a confidential meeting or from reading any minutes of a confidential meeting of the Executive, USC, or a Committee or Board of Council with any other Member while outside of that meeting.

2.05 Attendance

Members are required to attend all meetings of USC, or of the standing board or committee to which they belong, unless otherwise excused by USC, the board, or the committee.

Any member shall face a vote for removal from office upon absence without permission from the President or Chair from two consecutive meetings, or three out of five consecutive meetings regardless of permission. Summer meetings are exempt. Sending regrets does not constitute obtaining permission.

2.06 Fulfilling Duties as Required by the Constitution (for MSCs only)

All Members shall be responsible for representing the views of their constituency group and USC without personal bias as a result of conflict of interest and shall perform any and all duties as required by the Constitution or imposed from time-to-time by USC, and in spirit of the same.

- (i) While in session, Members of USC shall be responsible for sitting, voting, and speaking on behalf of their constituency group.
- (ii) Members shall be responsible for preparing in advance for each meeting.
- (iii) Members shall be responsible for acting as liaison between the USC and the constituency represent and between the USC and the student body in general.

Article 3
Violations Protocol

The following procedures outline the Violations Protocol to be followed in instances where potential breaches of the Code of Ethics have occurred:

- 3.01 All complaints should be forwarded in writing to the USSU office via the General Manager (GM) or the General Manager Designate (GMD). Anonymous complaints will not be accepted.
- 3.02 Upon receipt of the formal complaint, the GM or GMD shall verify that the complaint meets formal (not Substantive) requirements and, once these requirements are met, issue the complaint.
- 3.03 Once issued, the complaint shall cause the defendant to be served (in person or by registered mail or electronic mail) with a copy of the complaint within seventy-two (72) hours. The complainant shall then provide written proof of service to the GM or GMD (forthwith)
- 3.04 Within Seventy-two (72) hours of service upon the defendant, barring extenuating circumstances, a CEDC hearing shall be called for both the complainant and the defendant to attend. The defendant may submit their statement of defence for consideration by the CEDC.
- 3.05 The CEDC may, at its discretion, hold additional meetings and conduct additional interviews in the absence of both the complainant and the defendant for the purpose of gathering information. However, if the CEDC wishes to use information gleaned from the additional investigation, it must have sources of the information, attend and present such information at the hearing attended by both the complainant and the defendant and both parties must be given a chance to respond.
- 3.06 The CEDC shall then make a decision to sustain or dismiss the complaint, based on the information presented at the hearing. Should the complaint be sustained, the CEDC must formulate a recommendation for appropriate sanctions and/or course of action.
- 3.07 Both parties must be notified of the CEDC's decision and any recommendation by noon, twenty-four (24) hours prior to the USC meeting where the decision and recommendation are to be reported.
- 3.08 The decision and recommendation of the CEDC must be submitted in written form to USC for final approval. USC may ratify, or reject the recommendation of the CEDC in whole or in part (even if this amounts to substituting its own judgment)

University Students' Council Agenda

Sunday, June 17th, 2007

- 1. Adoption of an Agenda**
- 2. Introductions and Announcements**
- 3. Council Address**
- 4. Minutes and Reports for Information**
 - 4.1 USC Minutes –**
 - 4.2 Executive Committee Minutes – May 16th & 30th, June 7th & 14th, 2007**
 - 4.3 Academic Affairs Board Minutes and Report –**
 - 4.4 Appointments Board Minutes and Report –**
 - 4.5 Board of College Presidents –**
 - 4.6 Code of Ethics Disciplinary Committee Minutes and Report –**
 - 4.7 Elections Board Minutes and Report –**
 - 4.8 External Affairs Board Minutes and Report –**
 - 4.9 Operations & Finance Board Minutes and Report –**
 - 4.10 Student Issues Board Minutes and Report –**
 - 4.11 Sustainability Board Minutes and Report –**
- 5. Motions Arising from the Minutes and Reports**
- 6. Business**
- 7. New Business**
 - 7.1 Universal Declaration of Student Rights**
 - 7.2 Campus Sexual Assault Survivor's Bill of Rights**
- 8. Questions and Comments (30 minutes)**
- 9. Any Other Business**
- 10. Adjournment**

Executive Committee

Minutes for Thursday, May 30th, 2007

Present: James Pepler, Jeremy Ring, Josie Steeves, Nicole Kenney, Lindsey Levesque, Caroline Cottrell

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 10:05 a.m.

2. Call for Quorum

Quorum was present.

3. Roundtable

President Pepler

- CFS Orientation
- Attended CFS Conference
- Attended Classes
- Campus Safety Meeting
- Meeting with Executive to revise portfolios and organize “personnel” for University committees
- University Council
- Open Studies Faculty Council
- Student Advocacy
- Janelle Hutchinson re: Student Loans

VP Levesque

- Studentcare
- Meeting with Executive to revise portfolios and organize “personnel” for University committees
- Bereavement Leave following the death of Grandfather
- CFS Conference – Chair for Saskatchewan
- Researching provincial campaign strategies
- Admin Team

VP Kenney

- CFS Orientation
- Attended CFS conference in Ottawa
- Attended Classes
- Meeting with Executive to revise portfolios and organize “personnel” for University committees
- Communications Orientation

- Campus Safety Meeting
- Two sick days because of a car accident
- Deloitte & Touche breakfast

VP Steeves

- CFS Orientation
- Attended CFS conference in Ottawa
- Academic Programs Committee meeting
- Academic Support Committee meeting
- Sub-committee on public policy masters degree
- University Council
- Open Studies faculty council
- Student Care Orientation and dinner
- Campus Safety meeting
- Student Advocacy Network
- 2 student issues
- Meeting with Susan Bens
- Meeting with Executive to revise portfolios and organize “personnel” for University committees
- Orientation with Rob Martz
- Deloitte & Touche Breakfast

VP Ring

- CFS Orientaion
- Attended CFS meeting in Ottawa
- Place Riel
- E-Commerce
- Student care orientation dinner
- Meeting with Executive to revise portfolios and organize “personnel” for University committees
- Campus Safety Meeting
- Admin. Team meeting
- Sports Insurance
- SERM
- UPass meeting
- Deloitte & Touche Breakfast

GM Cottrell

- Student Care meeting
- Sheaf meeting
- Brad Campbell’s farewell
- UPass meeting x2
- Manager’s Meeting x2
- Campus Safety meeting
- Insurance review
- Admin team

- Policy review

4. Reunion Dinner

The Executive reunion dinner will be held September 14, 2007. There will be roughly 65-70 former executives in attendance. The dinner will be buffet style. This is also the night of the Book Launch. James Pepler will be the Master of Ceremonies and Roy Romanow will be the guest speaker. There will also be a Jazz band playing that night.

5. CFS Survival Calendar

Jason Ventnor suggested that as prospective CFS members we continue the same survival guide presence for CFS as in 2006/07.

6. Habitat for Humanity

We are once again helping with this worthwhile project. The build time is Tuesday, June 5th. Noon-5pm. The Executive and the Centre Coordinators are attending for sure.

7. Executive Budgets

There was discussion about the way in which the Executive budget for governance and grants is dealt with. The budget is passed by the outgoing Executive and binds the incoming. VP Ring canvassed other schools. About half provide the aggregate for the incoming Executive to decide on while the other half have their budget prepared for them by the outgoing members. This needs to be discussed further but for now VP Ring requests preliminary project budgets for the year from all Executive members.

8. Ratification

EXEC05 Move to ratify Muslim Students' Association, SPNSS, UofS New
Ring/
Pepler Democrats

Carried

9. Campus Club Space

EXEC06 Move to grant Campus Club Space to Muslim Students Association
Ring/
Steeves (rm 45), U of S New Democrats (rm 43), Campus Crusade for Christ and
InterVarsity Christian Fellowship (rm 22)

Carried

10. Student Edge Conference

There is not yet enough information to make a final decision on this conference, but most Executive members were not interested in attending.

Meeting adjourned

Executive Committee

Minutes for May 16,2007

Present: James Pepler, Nicole Kenney, Lindsey Levesque, Jeremy Ring, Josie Steeves, Caroline Cottrell

1. Call to order

The meeting was called to order at 3:05pm

2. Call for Quorum

Quorum was present

3. Roundtables

President Pepler

- Orientation – USC, Budget, Communications, Marketing and Sustainability
- Student Enhancement Fund Meeting
- CFS Training
- Attended classes
- Preparation for meetings
- Meeting with AVP David Hannah

VP Kenney

- Orientation – USC, Budget, Communications, Marketing and Sustainability
- Training Session at CFCR
- Attended WILL Conference
- Attended classes
- Researched federal student intern programs
- Discussed renovation with Engineering group – Footprint Design
- Meeting with AVP David Hannah

VP Levesque

- Orientation – USC, Budget, Communications, Marketing and Sustainability
- Meeting with Kurt Tischler from Global Commons
- Attended WILL Conference
- Meeting with AVP David Hannah

VP Ring

- Bar contract for student groups
- Requested wholesale evictions from club space to create fairness for all
- On line ratification research
- Orientation – USC, Budget, Communications, Marketing, Sustainability, etc.
- Meeting with AVP David Hannah

- Day to day Financial Duties

VP Steeves

- Orientation – USC, Marketing, Communications, Budget, Sustainability
- Meeting with AVP David Hannah
- WILL Conference
- Academic Programs Committee meeting
- Met with two students and a group of six students
- Met with Bill Wallace from Student Computing
- Reading through files and organizing
- BOCP – to get councilors for University Council

GM Cottrell

- WILL Conference
- Meeting with AVP David Hannah
- Meeting with Student Treasury
- Working on Head Lease
- Working on Louis' study
- Working on policy revisions
- Library/ Photocopier agreement

4. Campus Clubs

Intervarsity Christian Fellowship

EXEC02 Move to ratify Intervarsity Christian Fellowship

Ring/Pepler

Carried

Compensation Policy

GM Cottrell introduced changes to the HR policies. The Executive will review them and discuss later.

5. Surviving US

Student Recruitment has requested prizes.

EXEC03 Move to sponsor Surviving US with USSU Merchandise

Steeves/Levesque

Carried

6. Shinerama

Shinerama has asked for assistance eg. Bus pulling, plasma ads, etc. We will assist as we can.

Sports Insurance

We need a list of sports related events in order to get appropriate sports coverage.

7. CFS Options

The Executive will raise the timing of another referendum; assuming the court appeal is lost. Jason Ventnor raised the issue of the Election Policy and how it pertains to another referendum.

8. CRO/ACRO

EXEC04 Move to hire Jennifer Houser and Jeff Galbraith as CRO
Ring/Levesque and ACRO respectively.

Carried

9. Committee Revisions

VP Levesque will set up a meeting for portfolio and committee revisions.

10. Student Computing

VP Steeves met with Student Computing. Bill Wallace would like to present to Council. He is interested in assisting with the Film Festival.

11. Employee of the Month

Drew Dwernychuk suggested Employee of the Month be instituted. He will be asked to present a concrete proposal.

12. Student Leadership Conferences

The Executive will examine various possibilities for their educational conference.

Meeting Adjourned

Executive Committee

Minutes for Thursday, June 7th, 2007

Present: James Pepler, Jeremy Ring, Josie Steeves, Nicole Kenney, Lindsey Levesque

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m.

2. Call for Quorum

Quorum was present

3. Roundtable

President Pepler

- Coca Cola steering committee
- Renovation meeting with Alumni Association
- EDO on Friday for my birthday
- Met with the Muslim group for campus club room change
- Convocation Monday through Wednesday'
- Elections policy review
- Attended classes
- Centre Orientation

VP Levesque

- Bereavement leave
- International Activities committee meeting
- Meeting with Kurt Tischler
- Meeting with Richard Florizone
- Elections policy review
- Centre Orientation

VP Steeves

- Meeting with Drew Dwernychuk
- Meeting with professor over student concerns
- Meeting with Associate Dean, professor and student over student concerns
- Election policy review
- Research, Scholarly and Artistic Work Committee
- Habitat for Humanity
- Volunteered for DSS
- Prepared for University Council
- Centre Orientation

VP Ring

- Human Resources and Centres orientation
- Space discussion with Alumni
- Cold Beverage committee meeting
- Meeting with Muslim Students Association
- Financial Accountabilities for April, 2007
- Coke inventory
- EDO
- Meeting with Elemental Designs
- Meeting with Catholic Christian Outreach
- Habitat for Humanity
- Convocation
- Elections policy meeting

4. Ratification

EXEC07 Move to ratify Chemistry Students Society
Ring/
Pepler

Carried

5. Sustainability Ideas

VP Kenney presented several ideas about sustainability in the USSU office. VP Kenney met with Facilities Management regarding sustainability; as well she is looking at having information included in the Survival Guide regarding recycling and sustainability. VP Kenney presented several ideas to implement in the office including in office composting. The other executive members agreed this would be fine as long as there is no odor.

It was suggested that ergonomically correct exercise balls for the executive.

An in-office recycling project was discussed. VP Ring suggested that this would be appropriate for an executive project. It would need to be discussed with Freda Salikin.

6. Coke Sponsorship

There was discussion about Coca Cola's sponsorship for Welcome Week. There is \$584.53 in funding to be used for product. There is key chains, Lip Balm, etc. This all has the coke label on it. VP Ring suggested that we should stay autonomous and that perhaps we should be handing out USSU products.

7. Computer Access in the Centres

There was discussion about placing computers in the Centres that are publicly accessible. VP Ring agreed to look into this.

8. Campus Club Policy

VP Ring is proposing some changes to the policy regarding club space. The VP OP Fin Board used a lottery to grant space. VP Ring doesn't want to grant space to a club that won't use the space much. He feels that it should be granted to clubs that will use the space throughout the entire year. There is also discussion of changing the fee to \$100 instead of \$105 but also requiring a \$50 damage deposit. Currently clubs pay \$15 per month or \$105 for the year. There will be more in depth discussion in a few weeks.

9. Craik Conference & Scholarships

VP Kenney will be attending on June 23&24. If anyone is interested in applying for the scholarships there are 2x\$200.

VP Kenney will also be attending a conference in Montreal on ???International Sustainability. President Pepler wanted to ensure that she provides an accountability report upon her return.

10. CBC

CBC Radio is interested in having a radio station in Saskatoon. President Pepler wanted to know why they are looking for the USSU's support? Would the USSU have a program? This would be something that would probably be handled by the Communications Manger.

11. Road Map 2020 AGM

VP Kenney will send an email to the other exec regarding this. The AGM is to be held on June12th.

12. Terms of Reference for the Place Riel Student Advisory Board

GM Cottrell has asked that the executive discuss the formation of this board. How will it be set up? Who will chair? Who will be the representatives? Will there be members on the board as well as other students?

VP Ring suggested that the executive take the summer to develop an idea of what this steering committee will be. This will allow them to present a concise idea to USC.

13. Residence

VP Kenney has a request from the managers of residence to meet with the executive.

14. Daycare

VP Kenney and VP Levesque will be attending the first meeting of the Daycare Board today. They are needing/looking for funding.

Meeting Adjourned

Executive Committee

Minutes for Thursday, June 14th, 2007

Present: James Pepler, Jeremy Ring, Josie Steeves

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 9:08 a.m.

2. Call for Quorum

Quorum was present

3. Roundtable

President Pepler

- Meeting with Margaret Asmuss about Administration and Sustainability Initiatives
- Meeting with Jim Greer about the ULC renovations and amenities
- Went to Regina for the CFS court appeal
- Meeting with Charlie Clark
- AVP FMD Interviews
- Met with the Victim's Advocate director
- Attended classes

VP Levesque

- Met with Rob Norris from Global Commons
- Met with Jim Greer From ULC
- Attended CFS appeal in Regina
- Met with Charlie Clark, city councilor for Ward 6
- Attended the Price of Knowledge, relating to the Canada Millennium Scholarship Fund

VP Steeves

- Sexual Assault Protocol/Sexual Assault Survivor's Bill of Rights
- Meeting with Charlie Clark
- Meeting With Jim Greer (ULC)
- Meeting with Margaret Asmuss (Campus Sustainability)
- Meeting with Nathan Rissling
- Attended CFS appeal in Regina
- National CFS Chairperson – Amanda Aziz
- Student
- Classes

The executive has been debating which two movies to show for welcome week, they need to be comedies that are not too offensive. Some of the suggestions were Borat, Super Troopers, Blades of Glory, and Bambi.

Meeting Adjourned

Campus Sexual Assault Survivor's Bill of Rights

The University of Saskatchewan Students' Union (USSU) is committed to creating and maintaining a community in which its members are free from all forms of exploitation, harassment, and violence. As such, the USSU requires that survivors of sexual assault and all other forms of sexualized violence and/or harassment be afforded certain basic rights.

All survivors have the right to be informed of procedures to follow if a sex offense occurs, including who should be contacted, to whom the offense may be reported, and what services are available. Specifically:

- (i) All survivors have the right to be informed of their options to notify the proper law enforcement authorities, including the Department of Campus Safety and the Saskatoon City Police; and the option to be assisted in this action, if they so choose.
- (ii) All survivors have the right to be informed of their options to seek medical attention, including the types of procedures available and the places where said procedures can be performed.
- (iii) All survivors have the right to be notified of existing counselling, mental health and/or student services, both on-campus and in the community.
- (iv) All survivors have the right to be informed of their options for, and available assistance in, changing academic and living situations after an incident, if so requested by the survivor and if such changes are reasonably available.
- (v) All survivors have the right to decide which course of action (or non-action) is best for them and, if so chosen, all survivors have the right to seek assistance when deciding their preferred course of action. All survivors contacting the University of Saskatchewan Students' Union shall be provided with the contact information for the USSU Victim Advocate, a free and confidential support service designed to help guide survivors through the processes listed above.
- (vi) All survivors have the right to confidentiality consistent with applicable legal requirements.
- (vii) All survivors have the right to have all allegations of sexual assault, violence and/or harassment treated seriously, and are entitled to the rights listed above regardless of the circumstances surrounding the incident, the amount of time that has passed since the incident, their race, ethnicity, sexual orientation, gender identity, ability, age, class or creed, and whether or not the incident was reported to law enforcement.

This Bill of Rights is based upon the *Campus Sexual Assault Victim's Bill of Rights* (1992)

DECLARATION OF STUDENT RIGHTS



The University of Saskatchewan Students' Union recognizes the following as fundamental rights of all undergraduate students.

PREAMBLE

Whereas recognition of the inherent dignity and of the equal and inalienable rights of all members of the University family is the foundation of freedom, justice and peace on this campus,

Whereas the advent of a campus in which all students shall enjoy freedom of speech and belief and freedom from fear has been established as the highest aspiration of the University family,

Whereas it is essential to promote the development of friendly relations between students, faculty, administration, and within those divisions themselves,

Whereas the students at the University of Saskatchewan have expressed their faith in fundamental human rights, in the dignity and worth of the human person and in the equal rights of men and women, and have determined to promote social progress and better standards.

Article 1.

All students are free and equal in dignity and rights. They are endowed with reason and conscience and should act towards one another in a spirit of togetherness.

Article 2.

All students are entitled to all the rights and freedoms set forth in this Declaration, without distinction of any kind, based on age, ability, class, creed, race, ethnicity, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, language, religion, political or other opinion, national or social origin, property, birth, status, student status, or any other characteristic.

Article 3.

All students have the right to life, liberty and security of person.

Article 4.

All students shall be free from an individual in a position of power using offers of academic or non-academic advantage to obtain sexual or other favours

Students shall be free from reprisals should they refuse offers of academic or non-academic advantage in exchange for sexual or other favours

Article 5.

No one shall be subjected to humiliating, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment.

Article 6.

Every student has the right to recognition everywhere on campus as a person before the law.

Article 7.

All students are equal before the law and are entitled without any discrimination to equal protection under the law. All are entitled to equal protection against any discrimination in violation of this Declaration and against any incitement to such discrimination.

Article 8.

Every student has the right to an effective remedy by the competent organizations for acts violating the fundamental rights granted them by the constitution or by law.

Article 9.

No student shall be subjected to arbitrary arrest, detention, suspension, expulsion or failure.

Article 10.

Every student is entitled in full equality to a fair and public hearing by an independent and impartial committee, in the determination of his/her rights and obligations and of any criminal charge against them.

Article 11.

(1) Everyone charged with an academic offence has the right to be presumed innocent until

proven guilty according to bylaws in a public trial at which they have had all the guarantees necessary for his/her defence.

- (2) Everyone charged with a non-academic offence has the right to be presumed innocent until proved guilty according to bylaws in a public trial at which they have had all the guarantees necessary for his/her defence.

Article 12.

No student shall be subjected to arbitrary interference with his or her privacy, family, home or correspondence, or to attacks upon his or her honour and reputation. Everyone has the right to the protection under the law against such interference or attacks.

Article 13.

- (1) Every student has the right to freedom of movement and access within the confines of the campus.
- (2) Every student has the right to attend any other institution, and to still be eligible to return to this institution.

Article 14.

Every student has the right to access all public areas, libraries, and computer labs at any time during the hours of operation

Article 15.

Every student has the right to a nationality and a heritage, and to not be deprived of it or have it ridiculed for any reason.

Article 16.

- (1) Men and women of university entrance age, without any limitation due to ethnicity, class ability, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, nationality or religion, have the right to attend this institution.
- (2) The institution shall only be entered if academic standards are met, and if tuition has been paid.
- (3) The student is one of and the largest of the natural and fundamental groups of campus society and is entitled to protection by the institution.

Article 17.

Every student has the right to not be arbitrarily deprived of his/her property.

Article 18.

Every student has the right to freedom of thought, conscience and religion; this right includes freedom to change his/her religion or belief, and freedom, either alone or in community with others and in public or private, to manifest his/her religion or belief in teaching, practice, worship and observance.

Article 19.

Every student has the right to freedom of opinion and expression; this right includes freedom to hold opinions without interference and to seek, receive and impart information and ideas through any media and regardless of frontiers.

Article 20.

Every student has the right to freedom of peaceful assembly and association.

Article 21.

- (1) Every student has the right to take part in the student government of this institution, directly or through freely elected representatives.
- (2) Every student has the right of equal access to public service in this institution.

Article 22.

Every student, as a member of campus society, has the right to services essential to the full realization of an individual's potential.

Article 23.

- (1) Every student has the right to attend, to learn and to receive just and appropriate marks in any class they are registered in.
- (2) Every student, without any discrimination, has the right to equal marks for equal work.
- (3) Every student has the right to appeal any mark they find unfair, biased or inexplicable.

Article 24.

Every student has the right to rest and leisure, including reasonable rest periods and time to prepare for midterm and final examinations.

Article 25.

- (1) Every student has the right to education. Technical and professional education shall be made generally available and higher education shall be equally accessible to all on the basis of merit.
- (2) Education shall be directed to the full development of the human personality and to the strengthening of respect for human rights and fundamental freedoms. It shall promote understanding, tolerance and friendship among all social groups.

Article 27.

- (1) Every student has the right to freely participate in the cultural life of the campus community, to enjoy the arts and to share in scientific advancement and its benefits.
- (2) Every student has the right to the protection of the moral and material interests resulting from any scientific, literary or artistic production of which they are the author.

Article 28.

- (1) Every student has responsibilities to the campus community in which alone the free and full development of his/her personality is possible.
- (2) In the exercise of his/her rights and freedoms, every student shall be subject only to such limitations as are determined by law solely for the purpose of securing due recognition and respect for the rights and freedoms of others and of meeting the just requirements of morality, public order and the general welfare in a democratic society.

Article 30.

International students shall have the same rights as other students at this institution, including: the right to run for student political office in the universities student union or in any organization within their respective college, the right to seek employment off of campus, and the right to freedom from discrimination and cultural insensitivity.

Article 31.

Mature students shall have the same rights as other students at this institution, including: the right to run for student political office in the universities student union or in any organization within their respective college, the right to be treated the same as any other student at this institution, and the right to seek help if their rights are being violated.

Article 32.

Transgender and gender neutral individuals shall have the same rights as other students at this institution, including: the right to run for student political office in the universities student union or in any organization within their respective college, the right to be treated the same as any other student at this institution, and the right to seek help if their rights are being violated.

Article 33.

Nothing in this Declaration may be interpreted as implying the right to engage in any activity or to perform any act aimed at the destruction of any of the rights and freedoms set forth herein.

This Declaration is based upon the United Nations Universal Declaration of Human Rights (1948)

University of Saskatchewan Students' Union Sexual Assault Protocol

Preamble

The University of Saskatchewan Students' Union (USSU) is committed to creating and maintaining a community in which its members are free from all forms of exploitation, harassment, and violence. This protocol is intended to provide guidelines for USSU members as to what constitutes sexual misconduct and what procedures may be followed after an offense takes place.

Definitions:

Abuse: A pattern of behaviour used to intimidate, isolate, and dominate another person. There are many types of abuse, including emotional abuse, economic/financial abuse, physical abuse, psychological abuse, sexual abuse, and spiritual abuse.

Coercion: When an individual uses pressure, threats or intimidation to force another to act a certain way.

Consent: A voluntary agreement to engage in sexual activity. Consent is not given in situations where: a) the individual has expressed a lack of agreement to engage in the activity, either by words or actions; b) the individual has expressed a lack of agreement to continue engaging in the activity, either by words or actions, regardless of whether or not they initially consented or have consented to the activity in the past; c) the individual is incapable of providing informed consent because they are sleeping, unconscious, mentally impaired, or intoxicated; d) the individual is coerced or threatened into consenting; or e) the perpetrator induces the individual to engage in sexual activity by abusing a position of trust, power, or authority.

Criminal Harassment: Harassing conduct that causes the other person to fear for their safety or the safety of someone known to them.

Sexual Assault: Any form of sexual contact committed without voluntary consent, including kissing, sexualized touching, oral sex, and vaginal/anal intercourse.

Sexual Harassment: Any unwanted comment, gesture, action, or otherwise unwelcome conduct of a sexual nature.

Stalking: A form of criminal harassment.

Procedure:

All survivors have the right to be informed of procedures to follow if a sex offense occurs, including who should be contacted, to whom the offense may be reported, and what services are available. As such, all University of Saskatchewan Students' Union (USSU) members should provide survivors of sexual assault, violence and/or harassment

with the contact information for the USSU Victim Advocate, a free and confidential service that offers support, information, referrals, and advocacy to survivors and/or their friends and family. The USSU Victim Advocate can help inform survivors of their rights, ensure that these rights are protected, and guide individuals through their recovery process.

Specifically, the USSU Victim Advocate will:

- (i) Inform survivors of their options to notify the proper law enforcement authorities, including the Department of Campus Safety and the Saskatoon City Police; and the option to be assisted in this action, if they so choose.
- (ii) Inform survivors of their options to seek medical attention, including the types of procedures available and the places where said procedures can be performed.
- (iii) Inform survivors of existing counselling, mental health and/or student services, both on-campus and in the community.
- (iv) Inform survivors of their options for changing academic and living situations after an incident, and provide assistance and advocacy with these matters, if so requested and if such changes are reasonably available.
- (v) Empower survivors by allowing them to decide which course of action (or non-action) is best for them.
- (vi) Respect and honour the survivor's right to confidentiality, consistent with applicable legal requirements.
- (vii) Ensure that the survivor's allegations of sexual assault, violence and/or harassment are treated seriously and that the above processes are followed regardless of the circumstances surrounding the incident, the amount of time that has passed since the incident, the individual's race, ethnicity, sexual orientation, gender identity, ability, age, class, or creed, and whether or not the incident was reported to law enforcement.

Individuals are encouraged to contact the USSU Victim Advocate directly, either in person (room 114 Memorial Union Building), by telephone (306-966-2984) or via email (victim.advocate@ussu.ca). If immediate or emergency assistance is required, individuals are asked to contact the Saskatoon Sexual Assault & Information Centre's 24-hour Crisis Line at (306) 244-2224.

University Students' Council Agenda

Monday July 23rd, 2007

- 1. Adoption of an Agenda**
- 2. Introductions and Announcements**
- 3. Council Address**
- 4. Minutes and Reports for Information**
 - 4.1 USC Minutes**
 - 4.2 Executive Committee Minutes – June 21st & 27th, July 4th, 2007**
 - 4.3 Academic Affairs Board Minutes and Report**
 - 4.4 Appointments Board Minutes and Report**
 - 4.5 Board of College Presidents**
 - 4.6 Code of Ethics Disciplinary Committee Minutes and Report**
 - 4.7 Elections Board Minutes and Report**
 - 4.8 External Affairs Board Minutes and Report**
 - 4.9 Operations & Finance Board Minutes and Report**
 - 4.10 Student Issues Board Minutes and Report**
 - 4.11 Sustainability Board Minutes and Report**
- 5. Motions Arising from the Minutes and Reports**
 - 5.1 Transformer Payment**
- 6. Business**
- 7. New Business**
 - 7.1 Universal Declaration of Student Rights**
 - 7.2 Campus Sexual Assault Survivor's Bill of Rights**
- 8. Questions and Comments (30 minutes)**
 - 8.1 Report on U-Pass**
 - 8.2 Report on State of Play Renovation**
 - 8.3 Advisory Committee for Renovation**
- 9. Any Other Business**
 - 9.1 Discussion on PAWS Registration**
- 10. Adjournment**

Executive Committee

Minutes for Thursday, June 21st, 2007

Present: Jeremy Ring, Josie Steeves, Lindsey Levesque,

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 1:54 p.m.

2. Call for Quorum

Quorum was present.

3. Roundtables

President Pepler

- Met with Brittany Holderness, President of SIAST Student Union
- Prepared for and attended University Student Council
- Attended summer classes
- Met twice with the AVP FMD Hiring Committee
- Went to Regina for the Saskatchewan Scholarship, Bursary, and Loan Committee
- Attended the Board of Governors meetings for two days
- Attended Admin team meeting
- Sat on the Scholarship and Awards Committee

VP Levesque

- Attended CCOPS Meeting
- Attended meeting with Saskatoon Transit
- Booking meeting with Warren McCall, CFS-SK
- Attended USC meeting
- Attended Ricky Ramdhaney presentation: ISO manager candidate
- Attended Lilliana Dominguez presentation: ISO manager candidate
- Put up posters for National Aboriginal Day of Action
- Luncheon for David Wilkins: US Ambassador for Canada

VP Steeves

- Students Rights Handbook review meeting
- Attended University Council meeting
- Student x2
- Attended Academic Support Committee meeting
- Volunteered for the Pride Centre (preparation for the Pride Festival)
- Marched with the Pride Centre in the Pride Parade on Saturday
- Attended USC meeting
- Met with Pauline Melis – Institutional Planning

- Attended Admin Team meeting
- Class

VP Ring

- Meeting with Jewish Students Association
- UPass Agreement overview
- USC meeting (quorum not present)
- Lower Sask. Hall Rental Policy review and amendments
- Attended Admin Team meeting
- Student Crew/Safewalk supervisor hiring committee meeting
- Coke Merchandise meeting
- Survival Guide review
- Luncheon for US Ambassador to Canada – David Wilkins

4. Film Festival

VP Steeves is setting up a meeting to discuss this

5. Plasma Screens and the University

VP Steeves brought up that the University is discussing putting up plasma screens. Perhaps the USSU would be willing to partner. No motion.

6. Campus Club Space

EXEC10 Move to accept the new Campus Club Space Policy as presented
Ring/Steeves

Carried

There will be some discussion on allowing Campus Clubs to have a website on the USSU server. An example would be www.ussu.ca/campusndp

7. Bio Sponsorship

There will be an International Biology Olympiad to be held July 15-22. They are looking for sponsorship. Currently the smallest sponsorship is \$500. No one moved to sponsor.

8. Kinesiology

EXEC11 Move to send the letter concerning the Kinesiology event at
Ring/Levesque TCU.

Carried

9. Plasma Screen Job Descriptions

If any of the executives would like to update their descriptions they can email Rob with the changes.

10. Student Crew/Safewalk Director

EXEC12 Move to accept the recommendation of the hiring committee. Their
Ring/Levesque recommendation is to hire Blair Pisian to fill this position.
Carried

11. UPass Campaigns

“ Find an Executive Member on the Bus” is one suggestion of a campaign to promote the UPass this fall.

12. Coke Merchandise

Prizing is needed for the golf tournament. There will also need to be some bigger prizes needed for surveys, “Find an Exec Member on the Bus”, etc.

13. Sarah Connor

Sarah Connor called VP Levesque regarding student Housing and the Government. he She also had information about Station 20 West.

Meeting Adjourned
2:28 p.m.

Executive Committee Minutes

Minutes for Wednesday, June 27th, 2007

Present: Lindsey Levesque, Jeremy Ring, Josie Steeves

Absent: James Pepler, Nicole Kenney, Caroline Cottrell

1. Roundtable

President Pepler

- Louis' Planning meeting
- More Board of Governors
- Meeting with the Centre coordinators
- Attended classes
- Met with MLA Brad Trost
- Interview with CBC Radio about housing costs
- Coordinated the details for the Living Artfully Eco Fair

VP Levesque

- Board of Governors Accountability meeting
- IACC meeting
- Lunch with the Honourable Mr. Bambang Cayho Gunawan – Consul General of the Republic of Indonesia
- Meeting with Brad Trost
- Meeting with Asia Pacific Desk

VP Ring

- Board of Governors Accountability and Transparency Luncheon
- Meeting with Nowell Seaman regarding CURIE sponsoring Ian McGregor to attend BOCP
- June Birthday celebration in the office

VP Steeves

- Half a sick day
- Board of Governors Open Accountable Transparent meeting
- Wiseass Future meeting
- Conference prep
- Academic Programs Committee meeting
- Meeting with Brad Trost
- Met with two students
- Class

2. Welcome Week

Jason Ventnor, Marketing Services Manager, needs two games chosen such as dunk tank, sumo wrestling, etc. by next week. He is also making an outline for Wednesday, Thursday and Friday for all Executive presentations and activities.

3. Summercon

Ian McGregor from Student Event Risk Management (SERM) will be presenting on Friday night at 7 p.m. Looking into funding from Curry. Drew Dwernychuk, Academic Affairs Officer, wants to meet with the Executive that Friday morning and have the Executive present Friday night for BOCP. He will talk to Louis' regarding appetizers. There will be a scavenger hunt around campus after the SERM presentation. Saturday's activities will start around 12 p.m. and go until 6 p.m. Looking into the possibility of having supper with Peter MacKinnon.

4. Mental Art Eco Fair

President Pepler is booking a table for the USSU. The event is to be held in August. Jessa Alston-O'Connor is the contact.

5. Blogs

VP Steeves had a Wiseass meeting to see whether or not to keep the current blog. They decided not to keep it but are looking to write a submission for an alternate blog. This would be an opportunity for students to be more interactive with the Executive.

6. Sheptytsky Institute

On March 1, 2007 Sheptytsky Institute sent a letter regarding exemption from the Upass because of their location but the letter was not acknowledged. Another letter was sent on June 20th, 2007 looking for a response to the previous letter. Although we recognize their dilemma, we cannot exempt them due to the legalities of the referendum question.

7. International Forum

VP Levesque is holding an International Forum in the fall and is looking for input. A theme that was brought up was "Globalization and its Effects on the Saskatchewan Economy" which would focus on students and internationalization within the University; also, how to emphasize the global economy and its effect on our generations.

Adjourned.

Executive Committee
Minutes for Wednesday, July 4th, 2007

Present: James Pepler, Jeremy Ring, Josie Steeves, Nicole Kenney, Lindsey Levesque

1. Call to order

The meeting was called to order at 9:35am

2. Call for Quorum

Quorum was present

3. Round Tables

President Pepler

- Two ADOs for my final
- Victoria Day off
- Louis' Planning Meeting
- Helped 2 students with Student Loans
- Troubleshooting with the Online Loans
- Won 10\$ from coming in 2nd at a Beauty Contest
- Attended Classes

VP Levesque

- Hosted a National Aboriginal Day of Action BBQ lunch at Louis
- Attended class
- Half a sick day

VP Steeves

- Student x2
- ADO (wrote final)
- EDO x2

VP Ring

- Louis'/Browsers Planning meeting
- Coke Merchandise for June
- National Aboriginal Day of Action
- Meeting with David Hannah regarding Kinesiology event

VP Kenney

- In Montreal touring other campuses

4. Campus Club Ratification

EXEC13 Move to ratify the U of S Debate Society for the 2007/08 academic year
Ring/Steeves

Carried

5. Kin. Event and TCU Place

VP Ring met with AVP David Hannah, Freda Salikin and Jason Kovitch regarding the Kinesiology event on September 14th. Kin has contracted TCU Place to provide liquor that goes against the U of S alcohol policy. Louis' wants to provide liquor at no risk to the USSU, and profit share 50/50 with Kin. At this point, we are waiting to hear about the decision from AVP Hannah regarding this event.

6. USC Scheduling Idea

President Pepler sent USC an email regarding possibly a different date for USC, however it seems as though the council will not meet quorum this month.

7. Student Loans Online

President Pepler went to Regina to meet regarding Student Loans online and found that it doesn't work well with Mac computers. They are currently working on the problem.

8. Bus Advertisement

VP Levesque stated that we need to have our pictures with Christian done by August 10th to ensure they will be up on the city buses for August 20th.

9. VP Kenney's Conference

VP Kenney gave a briefing about her trip to Quebec. More to come!

Adjourned

REPORT TO STUDENT COUNCIL – KV LOOP PROJECT
PLACE RIEL POWER UPGRADE PROJECT

The Place Riel Student Centre was completed in 1980. Through years of growth in the student population and ever changing student needs, our power sources became maxed out. This meant there was no opportunity for the Students' Union to add new services or retail operations within the Students' Centre space because there was no power to supply them.

In an effort to keep the Students' Union from being viewed as stagnant and never changing, and because we knew we could not renovate or expand without additional power, we pursued the idea of hooking up to the KV Loop that was being installed throughout the campus. We consulted with the University on pricing and options. Additional power for the Student Centre had always been investigated. Although no electrical project had been specified, but knowing it would be a major financial cost, the money to cover this project was included (and approved by Students' Council) as part of the renovation project in 2003/04.

A proposal for additional power for Place Riel was ultimately developed and presented to the Operations/Finance Board who approved it in 2005. The approval was to spend \$661,230 on the KV loop power upgrade in Place Riel. This motion then went to council and was approved as USC Motion 54. Following that motion, the project requirements became specific. Tender documents were sent out, tenders were received and awarded in 2006. A Project Manager was appointed.

By 2006 this project was nearly complete. We had built a new building to house a new transformer on the west side of the Student Centre and had it installed. The cost for this portion of the project was \$383,333 which was remitted 14 months ago.

We are very close to having the project completed, a few more power outages to make sure everything can be switched over and we will be feeding power from the new transformer.

We have now received a 2nd installment invoice in the amount of \$62,953.58.

There will be a 3rd and final installment – and the estimate for that is less than \$35,000.

As a formality and in order to release the funds and make the 2nd payment, the University would like a motion from Student Council approving the expenditure of \$62,953.28 as the 2nd installment of the Place Riel Student Centre Power Upgrade Project.

If you require further information, please feel free to contact me.

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June 20, 2007

University Students' Council

Minutes for Monday, July 23rd, 2007

Present

James Pepler, President
Jeremy Ring, VP Operations & Finance
Keith Kuspira, Engineering
Satoshi Shibata, International

Adam Abdulla, Dentistry
Breanne Gentner, Education
Elvis Kambeitz, Education
Scott Epp, Engineering
Katie Kirkness, ISC
James Lawrence, Kinesiology
Neil Karkut, Law
Rachana Bodani, Medicine
Megan Harder, Nursing
Kimberly Zubot, Pharmacy
Karla Horvey, Physical Therapy
Tamra Knaus, St. Thomas More
Ellyse Schultz, St. Thomas More
Jessica Wales, WCV

Also Present

Caroline Cottrell, USSU GM

Regrets

Matt Leisle, Chair
Josie Steeves, VP Academic
Lindsey Levesque, VP External
Nicole Kenney, VP Student Issues
Jean-Paul Cote, Agriculture
Tyler Olson, Arts
Ashlee Smith, Arts
Katelyn McAuliffie, Commerce

Meeting was called to order at 2:42 p.m.

Quorum was not present.

Meeting was adjourned at 2:42 p.m.

Executive Committee

Minutes for Wednesday, July 18th, 2007

Present: James Pepler, Jeremy Ring, Nicole Kenney, Lindsey Levesque, Caroline Cottrell

Absent: Josie Steeves

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 2:08 p.m.

2. Call for Quorum

Quorum was present.

3. Roundtable

President Pepler

- Met with Vera Pezer
- Met with Nancy Hopkins
- Met with Linda McMullen
- ** All of the above are Board of Governor Members' for transparency issues
- Toured with several architectural firms throughout Place Riel
- Sight inspection for LB5Q
- Met with Carol Skelton and Warren McCall

VP Levesque

- CFS – Saskatchewan meeting
- Met with Carol Skelton – MP Saskatoon-Rosetown-Biggar
- Attended Classes
- Met with Warren McCall
- Vacation Day x2
- ADO
- Met with the UPass Committee

VP Ring

- USSU Survival Guide review
- Griffith's Stadium discussion about plastic cups and beer
- RFP for architects on Place Riel
- Meeting with purchasing and FMD regarding Saunders & Evans drawings being given to interested parties
- Phone meeting with Commerce regarding LB5Q
- Site inspection for LB5Q insurance
- Plastic Cups for beer at Griffith's stadium meeting

GM Cottrell

- Admin Team
- Meeting with Jonathan Moore-Wright (SIS) re: UPass data feed
- Centres meeting
- Executive meeting
- Meeting regarding changes in HR
- Meeting with the Management team regarding the Communications position
- Meeting with architects and tour of the facilities
- Managers meeting
- Meeting regarding the use of plastic cups for games at Griffiths Stadium
- UPass implementation meeting
- UPass advertising meeting
- Communications interview meeting
- Communications telephone interview
- Meeting with Jeff Galbraith regarding Louis' study
- Meeting with Jason Kovitch and Jeff Galbraith regarding the Louis' Study
- Homecoming meetings
- Various other meetings with staff and executive members
- Researching head lease
- Day-to day General Managers activities

4. Huskies Athlete Partnership

Jason Ventnor reported that Shawn Rempel from Huskies Athletics would like to partner with the USSU to sell Dog Bones with the USSU logo on one side and Huskies Athletics on the other. VP Ring wondered if enough could be sold to make it worthwhile. Jason Ventnor believes it can be profitable given the earlier start.

5. Fusion Tour

Jason Ventnor informed the Executive that Gillette wants to bring the Fusion Tour to the USSU again. The most likely date for this event is September 17. They will be giving away free razors. The USSU receives sponsorship money for this event.

6. Welcome Week

We have \$5000 to spend this year on give aways. Last year we gave away lip balm and beer. The executive will look at the catalogues and make some decisions.

7. Affordable Housing Campaign

The intent is to set up tents in the bowl to protest the high cost of student housing. Several things must be considered for this campaign including: Porta-potties, Talking with the University, room scheduling, Bob Ferguson from security, the Media, Murray Zook about the grass, Dry Tenting. It is necessary for the Executive to have a solid

background on housing and the issues for students. The likely date for this campaign would be the Thursday of Welcome Week.

8. Composting Proposal

VP Kenney presented the preliminary details on this proposal. T.Lenz offered soil. We would need to purchase the worms (\$30 per pound) and Tupperware containers. We may be able to get peat moss from Biology or Agriculture. There is the possibility to sell the after product. There is the potential of partnerships in the city. Patricia Hambridge with the Gardenscape Program would be a possibility.

9. UPass

VP Kenney has passed this portfolio on to VP Levesque, Formally changing portfolios must wait until the USSU's AGM.

VP Levesque reported on a meeting regarding the UPass where dealing with exemptions was discussed. Out of town exemptions will be granted when three (3) pieces of ID and a phone number are submitted. Christian is working on the advertising campaign. There will be information available through the website, fax and email. There will also be 2 email addresses: one for "political" complaints – one for "logistical"

10. Surveys

President Pepler wants to conduct a survey for Place Riel regarding renovations and comments. We will hold a separate meeting on the details, compile a list of questions to use, and set up a Place Riel advisory committee (student steering committee), which is an ad hoc board. President Pepler will set the parameters for the committee.

VP Levesque will be developing a Housing Survey to be ready for Welcome Week. An iPod will be offered as a prize for those who participate.

11. SummerCon Roman Feast

The feast will not be taking place this year to end SummerCon. However, there will be Beach Volleyball and a Bar-B-Q.

12. NAP Exam

National Association of Parliamentarians: VP Ring reminded everyone that the forms need to be sent in to participate in the August exam.

13. Campus 411

Currently Jason Ventnor sends an email about what is going on. For example if a class is cancelled a text message is sent. Each student enters their own information and if they want to be alerted they can choose how it is sent.

14. Students' Union Governance Survey

The UofC contacted President Pepler about their huge survey across Canada. There is no cost to participate so he is filling in the information. We will receive the results.

15. Board Accountability

President Pepler spoke with Linda McMullen, Vera Pezer and Nancy Hopkins from the Board of Governors. President Pepler would like to see more accountability and transparency. The Board held a meeting where students could be heard but so few students attended that President Pepler would like to see another open meeting held in March 2008. Faculty and Media do not have speaking rights at these meetings. The Star Phoenix printed a negative article about these meetings. It was stated that this would be the first and last open meeting of the Board of Governors.

There will be a lunch meeting August 21st at the Faculty Club with Peter MacKinnon.

Meeting Adjourned
2:57pm

Executive Committee

Minutes for Thursday, July 26th, 2007

Present: James Pepler, Jeremy Ring, Josie Steeves, Lindsey Levesque, Caroline Cottrell

Absent: Nicole Kenney

1. Call to order

The meeting was called to order at 10:30am

2. Call for Quorum

Quorum was present

3. Round Tables

President Pepler

- Board of Governors
- Meeting David Hannah
- Meeting with the International Students' Orientation
- University Student Council
- Sick for a couple days
- Reunion Planning
- University Life 101 meeting
- Email stuff, lots of it

VP Levesque

- ADO x 2
- U-Pass campaign planning
- Meeting for University Life 10
- July birthday party
- Attended class
- Wrote final

VP Steeves

- Attended the Edge Conference
- Vacation
- Students x2
- Caught up after the conference and vacation

VP Ring

- Banking survey
- Meeting with Ricky Forbes of SCSS regarding LB5Q

- Tour of Diefenbaker Centre
- Meeting with David Hannah regarding TCU Event
- Meeting with International Student Office
- USC Meeting – Quorum not present
- Admin Team
- Phone Meeting with URSU VP Operations & Finance
- Telephone conference with Ian McGregor and Nowell Seaman
- Finance Meeting with GM and Controller
- Communications manager interview
- Meeting with ULife 101 regarding orientation

GM Cottrell

- Meeting with David Hannah re. TCU Place/Kinesiology Homecoming Event
- Various issues regarding architectural RFPs
- Admin Team
- Various meetings regarding personnel issues
- Communications Manager interviews
- Finance Policy Reviews
- Survival Guide reviews
- U-Pass meetings re. exemptions and promotions

4. University Life 101 Sponsorship

The USSU will be providing U-Life 101 with gift certificates to Louis' or perhaps promotional prizes from other sponsors.

5. Self Insurance

Sunlife through Studentcare currently covers the USSU undergraduates from Health and Dental benefits. Jeremy and Nicole will discuss self-insurance.

6. Campus Club Spending

Should the USSU oversee Campus Clubs spending and accounts? The University of Waterloo Students' Union had a lawsuit arising from the fact that UWSU did not. The Executive needs to find out if we are liable for what the campus clubs are doing day to day and with their events planning. There may need to be an audit system set up for ratification. This would keep the campus clubs in contact with the USSU.

7. Food Centre Attendant

There were 3 interviews for this position. The hiring committee has recommended Laurie Johnson be hired to fill this position.

EXEC14 Move to accept the recommendation of the hiring committee.
Ring/
Pepler

Carried

8. Visa Spending

The Executive Credit Card Policy is being updated. All Executive members need to use discretion and get approval from Jeremy in regards to Visa charges. Absolutely no personal spending is permitted. Please ensure that all receipts are kept and remitted to Peggy. Jeremy will provide an approval process.

9. Campus Clubs

Western Canadian Veterinary Student Association (WCVSA)

EXEC15 Move to ratify WCVSA.
Ring/
Pepler

Carried

10. Credit Units For Executive Members

Connie will look at all documents and policies regarding this.

11. Welcome Week Giveaways

Jeremy would like to see bottle openers, key chains and lip balm used as giveaways. He will talk to Jason V. regarding the cost of these. Jeremy will bring this back to the next Executive meeting.

12. Campus Career Expo Sponsorship

The SECC proposes that the USSU provide them with the following: Plasma screen ad space from September 11th through 22nd, 2007; banner space in Upper Place Riel for the month of September; use of Buzzboards for 11x17 Expo posters and booth space in the Arts Tunnel from September 18th through 21st, 2007. In return, SECC will provide the USSU with the following: logo and recognition as an in-kind sponsor on all 3500 event guides; logo and recognition as an in-kind sponsor on Expo website, logo on all ads run through USSU promotional avenues; and, a complimentary booth at the Campus Career Expo.

EXEC16 Move to sponsor SECC.
Ring/
Pepler

Carried

13. International Students Office

The ISO held a two (2) day orientation event. They are asking the USSU for Sponsorship or prizes for beach volleyball. VP Ring suggested that they apply for executive sponsorship and campus club funding. They are also interested in having someone from the USSU come and do a presentation about the organization and the services we offer students.

Adjourned

Executive Committee

Minutes for Friday, August 3rd, 2007

Present: James Pepler, Lindsey Levesque, Josie Steeves, Nicole Kenney, Jeremy Ring, Caroline Cottrell

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 11:10 a.m.

2. Call for Quorum

Quorum was present

3. Roundtables

President Pepler

- Working with Nancy Hopkins to get an open Board of Governors meeting
- Homecoming – getting Greystone and Sheaf photos for slide show
- Housing Crisis – working on tent city in the Bowl
- Architects RFP – participation in internal review
- Appeals for the Bursary Committee
- Student Loans Help for students
- Attended a Critical Mass
- Did video work for BOCP
- Reunion dinner meetings
- Traveled back in time to ensure that my dad takes my mom to the big dance and beats up Biff so that I don't end up with an Oedipus complex

VP Levesque

- Attended class
- CFS-SK planning
- Executive meeting
- CFS-SK Meeting – Saskatoon
- Met with Carol Skelton-MP Saskatoon-Rossetown-Biggar
- Met with Warren McCall – Minister of Advanced Education
- Vacation day x5
- Met with UPass Team
- ADO x3
- UPass campaign planning, “Ride the Bus for Free”
- Meeting For University Life 101
- Reunion dinner meeting
- EDO
- Human Rights Activism Conference Meeting
- Meeting with Chris Gallaway

- Student Care Presentation by Josie
- Planning for “Tent out in the Bowl”

VP Kenney

- Executive Committee Policy review meeting
- Centres meetings
- Food Services meeting with Pat Doyle (Aramark Campus Services) & Lee MacPherson (Assistant Director of Operations)
- Attended the Student Care Presentation
- Louis’/ beer cans at Griffiths
- Admin Team
- Executive Meeting
- Met with David Sheild (Media interview about housing crisis)
- Meeting with Oxfam Canada
- Attended class
- ADO
- Sick days July 25,26,27

VP Ring

- Phone meeting with URSU VP Operations & Finance
- Telephone conference with Ian McGregor and Nowell Seaman
- Finance meeting with GM and Controller
- Communications Manager interview x4
- Meeting with ULife 101 regarding orientation
- Exec Committee x2
- Reunion dinner meeting
- Sick day 07/27/07
- Meeting with Chemistry Students Society
- Meeting with USASK ITS
- Coke merch
- Connie and Scotts going away lunch
- Filming for orientation video
- Communications Manager decision meeting x2
- Meeting with Barb Pocha regarding Sport Insurance
- UPass Agreement review
- Place Riel expansion- Architect Proposal review
- Architect Evaluation proposal meeting
- Student Care presentation

GM Cottrell

- U-Pass Meetings
- Place Riel Expansion Steering Committee Meeting
- Centres Meeting
- Managers' Meetings
- Meeting with James Cook re. Head Lease
- Communications Manager Interviews

- Communications Manager Decision Meetings
- Review of architects RFPs
- Executive Meeting
- Student Care Meeting

4. USC Governance

GM Cottrell proposed bringing in Don Story for the USC orientation about governance. Don Story is the department head for Political Studies. He would attend USC on the 3rd week of September.

5. Welcome Week Money

Jason Ventnor requested approval for Welcome Week material. The approved budget would be used to purchase lip balm and bottle openers. This budget would be used at Jason's discretion regarding the number of lip balm and bottle openers that are purchased and whether there will be a larger prize purchased or the money used elsewhere for Welcome Week.

6. Student Care Self Insurance

VP Ring will present a report on this topic at the first USC meeting in September.

7. Reporting Systems

GM Cottrell suggested the implementation of a reporting system for university board committee members which would also allow them to feel engaged and supported.

8. Student Loan Posters

EXEC17 Move to approve the Student Loan posters to be displayed in the
Ring/Pepler Buzzboards.

Carried

9. Campus Club Ratification

EXEC18 Move to ratify the ASSU, Jewish Students Association (JSA) and
Ring/Pepler Saskatoon Student Wellness Initiative Toward Community
Health (SWITCH).

Carried

10. Campus 411

VP Steeves suggested that the USSU look at this program. It has not been used yet, however many campuses are looking at it. VP Ring will bring a report forward at a later date.

11. Tent in the Bowl

This event will be a day of awareness not a protest. Campus Security and Grounds Maintenance have approved a tent in the middle of the bowl, they would still like more details as the date approaches. The people that organized the Meewasin Tent Out need to be contacted to find out the details of their event. There needs to be a keynote speaker and media coverage. The possible date for this event is Monday, September 10th.

12. U-Pass Update

The posters and advertising for U-Pass are done. The website will provide even more detail than the posters for students. Jason Ventnor is working on a procedural sheet for employees to reference.

13. Human Rights Conference

Marilou McPhedran from the College of Law is organizing a Human Rights Activism Conference for November 1st and 2nd. VP Levesque and Jade Buchanan from the ASSU met with her regarding a partnership for this conference. VP Ring suggested that they apply for a sponsorship; the maximum they could receive is \$500. We can also do a plasma sponsorship to help increase awareness among the students. The conference will be looking for students who are interested in taking part in a response panel regarding issues such as children, persons living with disabilities, women, environmental, technology, art, and philanthropy all in relation to Human Rights.

14. Campus Club Space

SADD was angry about being evicted from their Campus Club Space. It was explained to them that all clubs have the same opportunity to apply for ratification and then a space. The space is provided on a first come first serve basis.

15. Committee Presentation

President Pepler and VP Ring are looking into the formation of the Place Riel Student Advisory Board. They would like to book Neathy – Timlin Theatre to hold an information session on all of the committees that students can join. This will have to be arranged with room scheduling. They are looking to hold this the second week in September. There is advertising for Members at Large for fourteen days. This will be on the plasmas and in the buzz boards.

16. USC Website

Scott Henderson has requested that the executive look at the USC website and advise him of any additions they would like to see. This will be done after the new Communications Manager starts.

17. Composting

VP Kenney would like to prepare the composting tubs for the Centres before sending them over to the Centes. VP Kenney will host a work shop for BOCP and other students with the containers that we have. There will be four tubs prepared, each costing \$25.00.

18. Sheaf Archives

President Pepler and Jason Ventnor have located Sheaf archives to use in the creation of a slide presentation for the Reunion on September 14th. There was a Greystone yearbook before the Sheaf, which now has all the pictures online. If anyone would like to help go through the articles and look for headlines and pictures it would be appreciated. You can talk to Robert Martz regarding the book.

Adjourned

Executive Committee

Minutes for Friday August 17, 2007

Present: Jeremy Ring, Josie Steeves, Nicole Kenney, Lindsey Levesque, Caroline Cottrell

Absent: James Pepler

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m.

2. Call for Quorum

Quorum was present.

3. Roundtable

Deferred until next meeting.

4. Club Ratification

EXEC19 Move to ratify Saskatoon Commerce Students' Society and ACE
Ring/
Steeves Saskatchewan.

Carried.

5. Big Brother/Big Sister Barbeque

EXEC20 Move to conditionally sponsor the barbeque for Big Brothers/Big Sisters
Ring/
Steeves with VP Levesque checking to see if the Tent in the Bowl can be extended
to cover them.

Carried.

6. Bike Compounds

VP Kenney raised the issue of creating a locked bike compound similar to the one at RUH. VP Steeves referred her to the presentation done at the end of last term by Shea Peterson who approached USC to establish something similar.

7. V TEAM

This was an executive project last year to get more people involved. It is an on-line registration – name, phone #, college, set of preferences – through which volunteers can be contacted on a regular basis for various events. Last year there were plenty of

volunteers but little follow though. VP Kenney will work on protocols for V-Team since it was felt that the initiative should be maintained.

8. Mandatory Teaching Evaluation

VP Steeves will be working on an attempt to get teaching evaluations made mandatory for all faculty. This has been an issue for some time. To that end she will be in contact with Chris Axworthy from the Faculty Association and will also see what can happen through the Provost's Office and Council.

9. Photocopier Prices

VP Ring introduced the issue of photocopy charges through Copy Central. Both sides of the issue were debated but the Executive decided not to raise prices at the moment. This will come forward for further discussion at budget and we will look to a May 1, 2008 implementation of price change.

10. Homecoming Banquet

The Executive discussed the options for attending one of the Homecoming Banquets. Further information will be sought but the decision will rest until President Pepler is back from vacation.

11. Student Success Day

This is a ULC initiative to assist mature students in the transition to university. The Executive has asked to be involved and to be sponsors, but they will contribute with time rather than cash or prizes, especially given the number of requests for sponsorship that appear at this time.

12. Place Riel Renovation Advisory Committee

VP Ring has started working on the terms of reference for the Place Riel Renovation Advisory Committee. It will be co-chaired by President Pepler and VP Ring with all Executive members sitting ex-officio. Interviews for SALs will be conducted. Any MALs who sit will not be allowed to vote since they will have a vote at USC. Full terms of reference will be available shortly.

Adjourn.

Executive Committee

Minutes for Tuesday, August 21st, 2007

Present: James Pepler, Jeremy Ring, Josie Steeves, Nicole Kenney, Lindsey Levesque, Caroline Cottrell

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 11:00 a.m.

2. Call for Quorum

Quorum was present.

3. Roundtable

President Pepler

- Vacation for 1 week
- Came in to respond to phone calls and emails
- Media campaigns

VP Levesque

- Sensitivity Training
- CFS-SK Planning
- Orientation Meeting
- Volunteer at the Help Centre
- Meeting with Maurice Vellacott
- Student Survey Meeting
- Meeting with Lynne Yelich

VP Kenney

- Executive Committee Policy Review
- Centres
- Griffiths Stadium regarding beer cans at football games
- Admin Team
- Phaedra Hitchings – Community Learning Centre
- Shaw Media Interview
- Orientation/Welcome Week
- Student Care and Sustainability meeting
- Pictures for U-Pass
- Lunch with Peter McKinnon
- Kelly Goyer, Waste Management Coordinator
- Class
- Boarder Registry
- Sensitivity Training

- Camp Out Registry
- Designated Parking Registry
- Inquiry for bike compound

VP Steeves

- Vacation
- Met with VP Academic at UBC
- Toured UBC
- EDO
- Orientation/Welcome Week meeting
- Student x2
- Research on Teaching Evaluations
- Student Retention Study findings (Susan Benz)
- Pictures for U-Pass Campaign
- Centres Volunteering
- Exec Committee
- Meeting with Jim Greer regarding Academic Honesty Week
- CFS-SK Meeting in Regina

VP Ring

- Meeting with USST
- Meeting with ISO
- Housing consultation with Ministers Junor and Yates
- Meeting with ISO
- Admin Team

GM Cottrell

- Various meetings regarding the Louis' Study
- Editing the history book
- KPMG - meeting re. audit of 2006--07 financials
- Managers' Meeting
- Studentcare Meeting
- Various Human Resources duties-
- Meetings with various staff members
- Centres Meeting
- Reviews of and decisions on architect for the renovation
- Meeting with new Communications Manager
- Everyday GM duties

4. Welcome Week Sponsorship

Marketing Manager Jason Ventnor has negotiated a sponsorship deal with Rawlco Radio for cash and advertising for the next three years to the total of \$21,500.00.

Exec21 Move to accept the Rawlco deal as negotiated by Jason Ventnor.
Ring/
Pepler

Carried.

5. CocoLoco Sponsorship

The Aboriginal Students Centre has asked for 10 tickets to CocoLoco as sponsorship for their students.

EXEC22 Move to provide 10 CocoLoco Tickets to the Aboriginal Students' Centre.
Pepler/
Steeves

Carried.

6. Name Change: Director to Coordinator of Centres

There has been discussion about the titles of the people who run the Centre being changed from Director to Coordinator since Director is a legal term under the Non-Profit Corporation Act and only Executive members of the USSU are true Directors. GM Cottrell recommends Coordinator as an alternative which offers a fair representation of the jobs.

EXEC23 Move to change the position titles from Director to Coordinator for those
Steeves/ people heading up the USSU Centres.
Pepler

Carried.

7. Homecoming Events

The Executive discussed attending events during Homecoming in addition to the Executive reunion dinner and the tailgate party. There are two primary options – the Alumni Banquet on September 13th or the Centennial Dinner on September 15th. GM Cottrell will investigate the particulars and report back.

8. Housing Crisis

President Pepler raised the on-going issue of the housing crisis and suggested that the USSU establish a free service to allow people willing to board students to put their information on the web. This will be taken care of immediately so that it can be announced at tomorrow's press conference.

EXEC24 Move to provided Executive sponsorship to advertise this initiative as
Ring/ needed.
Pepler

Carried.

9. Orientation Presentations

President Pepler reminded everyone that there are a number of presentations, which require Executive attendance – ISO, Aboriginal Students and many other groups. He asked for maximum presence.

10. Club Ratification

EXEC25 Move to ratify the University of Saskatchewan Space Design Team
Ring/ and the Engineering Students' Society.
Pepler

Adjourned.

University Students' Council Agenda

Thursday, September 6th, 2007

- 1. Adoption of an Agenda**
- 2. Introductions and Announcements**
- 3. Council Address**
 - 3.1 Steven McLeod & Cheryl Sedgewick – Postering on Campus**
 - 3.2 Chair Leisle on Roberts Rules**
- 4. Minutes and Reports for Information**
 - 4.1 USC Minutes – April 7th & August 27th, 2007**
 - 4.2 Executive Committee Minutes – August 27th, 2007**
 - 4.3 Academic Affairs Board Minutes and Report**
 - 4.4 Appointments Board Minutes and Report**
 - 4.5 Board of College Presidents**
 - 4.6 Code of Ethics Disciplinary Committee Minutes and Report**
 - 4.7 Elections Board Minutes and Report**
 - 4.8 External Affairs Board Minutes and Report**
 - 4.9 Operations & Finance Board Minutes and Report**
 - 4.10 Student Issues Board Minutes and Report**
 - 4.11 Sustainability Board Minutes and Report**
- 5. Motions Arising from the Minutes and Reports**
- 6. Business**
 - 6.1 Universal Declaration of Student Rights**
 - 6.2 Campus Sexual Assault Survivor's Bill of Rights**
- 7. New Business**
- 8. Questions and Comments (30 minutes)**
 - 8.1 Report on U-Pass**
 - 8.2 Report on the Place Riel Renovation**
 - 8.3 USC Board Presentation**
- 9. Any Other Business**
 - 9.1 Appointments Board**
- 10. Adjournment**

University Students' Council

Minutes for Monday, August 27th, 2007

Present

James Pepler, President
Josie Steeves, VP Academic Affairs
Lindsey Levesque, VP External Affairs
Jeremy Ring, VP Operations & Finance
Nicole Kenney, VP Student Issues
Ashlee Smith, Arts & Science
Adam Abdulla, Dentistry
Breanne Gentner, Education
Elvis Kambeitz, Education
Keith Kuspira, Engineering
James Lawrence, Kinesiology
Neil Karkut, Law
Kimberly Zubot, Pharmacy & Nutrition
Karla Horvey, Physical Therapy
Tamra Knaus, St. Thomas More

Also Present

Matt Leisle, Chair
Caroline Cottrell, USSU GM

Regrets

Megan Harder, Nursing

Absent

Jean-Paul Cote, Agriculture
Tyler Olson, Arts & Science
Associated Residence Committee
Katelyn McAuliffe, Commerce
Scott Epp, Engineering
Katie Kirkness, Indigenous
Satoshi Shibata, International
Ellyse Schulz, St. Thomas More
Jessica Wales, WCVN

Meeting was called to order at 6:36 p.m.

1. Adoption of an Agenda

Move to adopt the agenda.

USC Motion01: Ring/Horvey Carried.

2. Introductions & Announcements

President Pepler thanked councilors for ensuring quorum was present.

5. Motions Arising from the Minutes & Reports

Move to approve minutes as circulated.

USC Motion02: Steeves/Levesque Carried.

5.1 Transformer Payment

President Pepler stated that approval is required in order to have the Campus Trust Fund released for the transformer payment.

Move to take funds from the Place Riel Trust Fund to pay for the transformer.

USC Motion03: Pepler/Steeves Carried.

7. **New Business**

7.1 Universal Declaration of Student Rights

VP Steeves stated that the Centre Directors and Academic Affairs Officer brought this forward in June. It is modeled after UN and doesn't legally bind the USSU but is a statement of principle. This will be discussed at the next USC meeting.

7.2 Campus Sexual Assault Survivors' Bill of Rights

VP Steeves stated that this document is from last year's Victim Advocate, Allyson Clarke. There was a gap felt and it was necessary to deal with and produced the document to that effect.

Councilor Knaus asked if this was sent out.

VP Steeves stated it was sent out in June and she could resend it.

8. **Questions & Comments**

8.1 Report on U-Pass

VP Levesque stated exemption sheets are available and all information is on the exemption sheet.

VP Ring noted that 2,000 U-Pass stickers have been handed out.

Councilor Kambeitz asked if this would be done each term.

VP Levesque stated that something different could be negotiated after the probationary period but that for the duration of this contract it would be re-done each term.

8.2 Report on Place Riel Renovation

President Pepler stated that things are going as well as can be expected. The USSU went through a request for proposal for the architect and ended with Saunders & Evans. Staff and Executive had a meeting with the architects today. The architects are more than willing to work with students.

VP Ring stated that an Advisory Committee will be created but it will not be a USC board. This board will be open to all students and ten SALs will be chosen. Four permanent members of the Steering Committee will take information from the students to the Steering Committee. The U of S wants a "Front Door Concept," which will require their financial input. The USSU is still at \$16 million. Twelve-\$12.5 million will be construction and the rest will be used in soft cost. The architects will be available for consultation to the committee.

8.3 Advisory Committee for Renovation

Councilor Horvey asked when the committee would be formed.

VP Ring stated it would likely be between September 10th-25th.

Councilor Smith stated that BOCP was concerned about when approvals had to be done for October.

President Pepler noted that it might have to be pushed back. The most important thing is to allow student input.

VP Ring noted that we may be able to amalgamate Board 1 and Board 2 for December.

Councilor Kambeitz asked if Buzzboards could be kept up to date.

VP Ring stated that is bottom of the barrel work as he remembers from Student Crew but they will be brought up to date this week.

Councilor Knaus asked what measures would be taken to ensure students know they could apply for the Place Riel Committee.

VP Ring noted that on September 10th this board would be promoted with all other at another meeting.

Councilor Kambeitz asked if councilors have any say over trying to improve the Health and Dental plan.

VP Kenney asked for clarification of the question.

Councilor Kambeitz noted that he is referring to better coverage.

VP Kenney asked if he wanted to change what is covered.

Chair Leisle noted that changes would come after January.

VP Steeves noted that decisions for coverage were made last year and would come up again.

9. Any Other Business

9.1 Discussion on PAWS Registration

VP Steeves noted that PAWS failed twice during registration. A disc controller and the backup disc controller both failed. There is a one out of one million chance of this happening. Administration is working to try and fix the problem.

President Pepler stated that Board of Governors is working on 24-hour breakdown contingency.

9.2 Housing Crisis and Boarding Registry

President Pepler noted that the vacancy rate in Saskatoon is 0.5% citywide. The USSU has created a Boarding Registry that is free. People can place an ad to board students. The USSU is also not charging to place an ad on the Housing Registry during the housing crisis in Saskatoon. There will be a tent-out on September 11th and 12th to raise awareness of the housing issues. VP Kenney would provide information regarding the tent-out.

VP Levesque noted that the USSU lost the CFS lawsuit.

10. Adjournment

Move to adjourn.

USC Motion04: Ring/Horvey Carried.

Executive Committee

Minutes for Monday, August 27th, 2007

Present: James Pepler, Lyndsey Levesque, Jeremy Ring, Josie Steeves, Nicole Kenney, Caroline Cottrell

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at

2. Call for Quorum

Quorum was present

3. Rountables

President Pepler

- Press conferences and interviews with CTV, Global, Shaw, CBC, CJSW, News Talk Radio, Rawlco, Star Phoenix, CUP, Macleans, and others that I can't quite remember.
- City Housing Crisis Forum
- Working on the Tent-out
- Volunteering for USSU Centers
- Meeting with Ian McGregor about Risk Management
- Work on the Summercon Video
- Summercon all day Saturday
- Meeting with Peter Mackinnon
- Policy Review
- Parliamentary Review
- Worked on Board of Governors Accountability and Transparency Proposal
- Phone calls and email galore
- Entered the Dragon, then exited

VP Levesque

- Lunch with Peter Mackinnon
- U-Pass advertising Meeting
- Student Relations Meeting
- McCall Final Report Submission Meeting, submitted on August 24th
- Attended Summercon Meeting
- Attended Event Risk Management Meeting with Ian McGregor
- Attended Summercon
- Meeting with Saunder Evans regarding Place Riel reno

VP Kenney

- **Meetings** Centers, Admin Team, Exec Team, Brian Saunder, Mentorship, USC meeting
- Designated parking applications
- Camp out registry
- Boarder Registry
- Sheaf Article
- Summercon
- EDO- August 22

VP Steeves

- Lunch with Peter Mackinnon
- Student Relations Meeting
- Meeting with Provost
- Meeting with Chris Axworthy – FA Chair
- Centres Volunteering
- BOCP Summercon Meeting
- Meeting with Ian McGregor (Event Risk Management)
- Student
- Summercon – Saturday
- Student Success Day - Saturday
- Meeting with Brian Saunders

VP Ring

GM Cottrell

- Meeting with Linda McMullen (BOG)
 - Regular meeting with Amanda Mitchell
 - Centres Meeting
 - Meeting with Sue Long and James Cook re. MOU for Renovation
 - Attend Ian McGregor's presentation/discussion on Risk Management for student events
 - Executive Committee
 - Attended USC
 - Met with Daycares re. lease agreements
 - Various HR Duties
 - Orientation with new Communications Manager
 - Day-to-Day GM Duties
4. Carless Drive In

Jason Ventnor would like to provide sponsorship of 5 flats of pop for the carless drive in to supplement that being brought by U-Life 101.

EXEC26 Move to sponsor 5flats of Coke product for Carless Drive Inn
Ring/Pepler

Carried

5. Reunion Dinner

VP Kenney will be making centre pieces for approximately 20 tables. VP Ring will work at the sign in table. The History of the USSU: 100 years of Activism, Debate and Snake Dances will be launched at the dinner by its authors. There will also be a slide show.

6. Annual General Meeting

The next AGM will likely be held in the middle of November.

7. Welcome Week Games

Campus Rec will be running several games including a Velcro wall, Bungee football run and Twister.

EXEC27 Move to contribute \$700.00 for the Welcome Week games.
Steeves/Ring

Carried

8. Tent Out

The Tent Out will be held in the bowl on September 11, 2007 to raise awareness of the acute housing shortage. Christian has started working on the marketing for this event.

9. U-Pass

Various forms of advertising to get information about U-Pass are needed.

EXEC28 Move to spend \$64.45 for postering the buzzboards and cloths
Levesque/Pepler lines.

Carried

10. Plastic Cups at Griffiths

The USSU's request to use only cans at Griffiths Stadium was turned down by Safety and by Risk Management. Attempts to use compostable cups also failed despite significant concerns about too much waste and expense.

11. Club Ratification

EXEC29 Move to ratify Campus for Christ-Athletes in Action and
Ring/Levesque Saskatchewan Dental Students Society.

Carried

EXEC30 Move to conditionally ratify (waiting on payment) Agriculture
Ring/Kenney Students Association and U of S Students Against Drunk Sriving

Carried

12. The College 9

The College 9 is a band. There has been some controversy over their name which has involved the USSU. Melana Soroka from Alumni wanted the USSU's O.K. to approach them for Homecoming. No objection was raised.

13. Safewalk

It has been proposed that the Executive volunteer one night a month with Safewalk. The Executive members will try their best to help out with Safewalk and will attempt to book this with Blair.

14. Centennial Ball

EXEC31 Move to buy a table of eight for the Centennial Ball. 5 tickets will
Ring/Kenney be for the Executive and 3 tickets for the Administration team.

Carried

15. Committees

The University Committees have all been filled.

16. Accountability Reports

All accountability reports will be ready for the USC meeting in early September.

17. Possible Addresses to Council

The following are for possible addresses to council: Don Story, Chris Axworthy, Student Care, Representatives from the Architectural Firm and Lea Pennock. Caroline will begin to organize these.

18. USC Committees

There will be a presentation on September 10th for students regarding the various committees and how to get involved including information on the Place Riel Student Centre Renovation Advisory Committee. The meeting will be held in the Neatby - Timlin at 4:30 pm. President Pepler and VP Ring will be speaking to the students.

Adjourned

University Students' Council Agenda

Thursday, September 13th, 2007

- 1. Adoption of an Agenda**
- 2. Introductions and Announcements**
- 3. Council Address**
 - 3.1 Justin Wotherspoonv Saunders Evans Architect**
 - 3.2 Matt Leisle – Robert's Rule**
- 4. Minutes and Reports for Information**
 - 4.1 USC Minutes – September 6th, 2007**
 - 4.2 Executive Committee Minutes – September 4th, 7th & 10th, 2007**
 - 4.3 Academic Affairs Board Minutes and Report**
 - 4.4 Appointments Board Minutes and Report**
 - 4.5 Board of College Presidents**
 - 4.6 Code of Ethics Disciplinary Committee Minutes and Report**
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 - 4.10 Student Issues Board Minutes and Report**
 - 4.11 Sustainability Board Minutes and Report**
- 5. Motions Arising from the Minutes and Reports**
- 6. Business**
- 7. New Business**
 - 7.1 MSC Appointments to Boards**
- 8. Questions and Comments (30 minutes)**
 - 8.1 Review of Camp-out in the Bowl**
 - 8.2 USC Social**
- 9. Any Other Business**
 - 9.1 Place Riel**
- 10. Adjournment**

University Students' Council

Minutes for Thursday, September 6th, 2007

Present

James Pepler, President
Josie Steeves, VP Academic Affairs
Lindsey Levesque, VP External Affairs
Jeremy Ring, VP Operations & Finance
Nicole Kenney, VP Student Issues
Jean-Paul Cote, Agriculture
Ashlee Smith, Arts & Science
Warren Kirkland, Associated Residence
Katelyn McAuliffe, Commerce
Adam Abdulla, Dentistry
Breanne Gentner, Education
Elvis Kambeitz, Education
Keith Kuspira, Engineering
Satoshi Shibata, International
James Lawrence, Kinesiology
Neil Karkut, Law
Megan Harder, Nursing
Kimberly Zubot, Pharmacy & Nutrition
Karla Horvey, Physical Therapy
Tamra Knaus, St. Thomas More
Ellyse Schultz, St. Thomas More
Jessica Wales, WCV

Also Present

Matt Leisle, Chair
Caroline Cottrell, USSU GM

Regrets

Tyler Olson, Arts & Science

Absent

Scott Epp, Engineering
Katie Kirkness, Indigenous
Rachana Bodani, Medicine

Meeting was called to order at 6:02 p.m.

1. Adoption of an Agenda

Move to adopt the agenda.

USC Motion05: Schultz/Kuspira

Carried.

2. Introductions & Announcements

President Pepler introduced Steven McLeod and Cheryl Sedgewick. They will address council regarding postering on campus and room scheduling.

VP Kenney noted that on September 11th there will be the camp-out in the bowl to create awareness for the housing shortage.

3. Council Address

3.1 Steven McLeod & Cheryl Sedgewick – Postering on Campus

Move to informality.

USC Motion06: Schultz/Steeves

Carried.

Cheryl Sedgewick, Room Scheduling Manager, thanked council for allowing them to speak. She will be speaking about the protocols campus clubs need to follow to book space on campus and about postering rules. In order to book space on campus, clubs need to be ratified through the USSU. The USSU has a list of ratified clubs on their website, which is the list Room Scheduling follows when clubs apply for space on campus. If the club is not listed on the website they will not be granted space. She noted the USSU has been very good this year in updating the website list. This is a big help to room scheduling. Room Scheduling would like only two people within the club to phone to request space and those two people are identified through the Ratification process. Two business days are required to process the request. There is an online form and emails can be sent to room.scheuling@usask.ca to request the space. The second issue is the poster policy. There is a general University Poster Policy, which has not yet been approved by the Board. It is being used as a business practice until the policy is approved. It was drafted and approved by all colleges and states that all posters be restricted to bulletin boards and surface areas as approved by Facilities Management Division (FMD). All posters must be approved and stamped by an authorized college representative. Any posters that are not on the appropriate surface area and/or that are not stamped will be removed. The policy is place to ensure no damage is done to the facilities. Posters that were placed on the wrong surface or not put up with proper adhesives have damaged facilities. Safety concerns are another reason the policy was put in place.

Steven McLeod, Facilities and Projects Manager for the College of Arts & Science, has been working with posters for quite some time. The appearance of the building has been a concern when discussing postering. The Arts building is the primary occupant of 14 buildings on campus. Arts & Science view the FMD Policy as a base policy and try to get more detail and answer a lot of questions that come up. Steven has been in contact with the ASSU and has a great working relationship with the USSU. He is working with the student groups and trying to help them get their posters up while trying not to damage the property. There are student assistants working on the poster policy enforcement. Their duties are taking down posters that are incorrectly posted. They follow the policy and in addition have added some procedures to follow. Every college will eventually follow suit.

VP Steeves asked if he was making this policy known to University employees and not just students. She noted that on several occasions it is the University's posters that are in the wrong place.

Steven McLeod stated that they are working hard to notify staff and students. He has met with Student Services and Enrollment Division regarding the Poster Policy and seem to be under the impression that because they are advertising something for students do not have to follow the rules, which is a big concern. He noted they are working with all colleges and departments.

VP Steeves noted that there were issues with last year's election posters being ripped down. She asked if there is a cohesive general rule that would avoid tearing down appropriate campaign material.

Steven McLeod stated that he has received both the USSU and ASSU poster policies at the elections and they will be incorporated. There will still be no-poster zones and they will not bend on that. Special arrangements will be made for elections. He would be willing to meet with both sides to make sure the policy is clear.

Cheryl Sedgewick noted that if students have questions to contact her.

Steven McLeod noted that if students had concerns regarding the Arts Policy to contact him.

Move to formality.

USC Motion07: Ring/Levesque Carried.

3.2 Chair Leisle on Roberts Rules

President Pepler noted that he had booked the projector but didn't realize he had to bring it himself so the presentation on Robert's Rules will have to be postponed until next week.

4. Minutes and Reports for Information

4.1 USC Minutes

Councilor Schultz stated that her name was spelled incorrectly.

5. Motions Arising from the Minutes and Reports

Move to approve the minutes as circulated.

USC Motion08: Ring/Steeves Carried.

6. Business

6.1 Universal Declaration of Student Rights

Move to accept the *Universal Declaration of Students Rights* as a guiding principle of the Students' Union.

USC Motion09: Steeves/Ring Carried.

VP Steeves stated that Academic Affairs Officer, Drew Dwernychuk, has been working on this for quite some time. This is modeled after United Nations Declaration of Human Rights. It doesn't bind the USSU in anyway but exists as a guiding principle for student rights.

6.2 Campus Sexual Assault Survivor's Bill of Rights

Move to accept the *Campus Sexual Assault Survivor's Bill of Rights* as a guiding principle of the Students' Union.

USC Motion10: Steeves/Pepler Carried.

VP Steeves stated that last year's Victim Advocate, Allyson Clarke, created the *Campus Sexual Assault Survivor's Bill of Rights*.

Councilor Harder asked if the *Universal Declaration of Student Rights* and the *Campus Sexual Assault Survivor's Bill of Rights* would be available to students online or how would the student body be made aware of these documents.

VP Steeves stated the *Universal Declaration of Student Rights* would be made into a handbook. The *Campus Sexual Assault Survivor's Bill of Rights* would be available on the website.

8. Questions and Comments

Councilor Schultz thanked the Executive for getting their Accountability Reports out on time. Last year council members always received the reports late.

Councilor Kuspira noted that in the last few days Agriculture, Commerce and Kinesiology have had some issues with the morale boosting policy. This policy is in place for a reason and wanted everyone to review it within his or her college.

VP Steeves stated that in the USC package there is a loose sheet that goes with the Student Edge package and Appendix A that is reference to the itinerary.

President Pepler gave an update on the housing issue in Saskatoon. The initiatives that the USSU, University Administration, SIAST and the University of Regina put together have essentially avoided a crisis. He thanked Saskatoon residents, media and all the aforementioned institutions for their support. He noted that VP Levesque is a victim and she has just been evicted due to renovations.

8.1 Report on U-Pass

VP Levesque stated that things have been going smoothly with U-Pass.

8.2 Report on Place Riel Renovations

VP Ring noted that an architect has been hired and sub-contractors are kind of in place. The sub-contractors would be coming next week to give an idea of the cost. Currently, the soft cost is around 45 percent leaving just over \$8 million to renovate Lower Place Riel, build an addition and enclose the breezeway, which is not a lot of money.

Councilor Kambeitz asked what the 45 percent was for.

VP Ring noted that soft costs are consulting fees and furniture. That number is not confirmed. It is a baseline number that FMD gave and it is what they use. When the sub-contractors come in next week they will give the accurate numbers.

Councilor Kuspira asked if that 45 percent of the \$8 Million.

VP Ring noted that is 45 percent of the \$16 Million that they have allotted for the renovation, which leaves just \$8 Million to work with.

8.3 USC Board Presentation

VP Ring noted that all USC boards will do a presentation on all USC boards on Monday, September 10th, at 4:30 p.m. in Arts Room 241. This will give students some information about the main six USC board and mainly the Place Riel Advisory Committee to steer the Steering Committee to get this board rolling. The Student Advisory Board brings recommendations to USC and then council will make the final decision. USC would then take this information to the steering committee, which would present to the Board of Governors.

President Pepler stated that the Board of Governors Board 1 and Board 2 have been combined and that will happen in December.

Councilor Harder asked if next Thursday USC would be voting on boards.

VP Ring stated that applications for the Student-At-Large (SAL) positions opened on Monday and will close on September 20th.

VP Steeves encouraged councilors to go find students to apply for the SAL positions.

VP Levesque noted that the SAL applications are available in the USSU office.

Chair Leisle asked when the applications are due.

VP Ring noted they are due on September 20th.

9. Any Other Business

9.1 Appointments Board

Move to open nominations for the Appointments Board.

USC Motion11: Ring/Steeves Carried.

Chair Leisle clarified the motion and noted that there are four MSC positions available. He noted the duties of the Appointments Board are in the USSU Bylaws. The main duty is to appoint SAL to the various committees.

Councilor Horvey nominated Councilor Zubot.

VP Ring nominated Councilor Kuspira.

Councilor Schultz nominated Councilor Knaus.

VP Steeves nominated Councilor Schultz.

Chair Leisle asked if all nominated Councilors accept.

Councilors Zubot, Kuspira, Knaus and Schultz all accepted.

Move to close nominations.

USC Motion12: Ring/Pepler Carried.

Chair Leisle noted that the Appointments Board consists of Councilor's Zubot, Kuspira, Knaus and Schultz.

President Pepler noted that last year's MSCs received hoodies as gifts for being a councilor. This year Executive would like councils input regarding gifts. He asked council to think about it.

10. Adjournment

Move to adjourn.

USC Motion13: Levesque/Harder Carried.

James Pepler, *President*

I. **Summer Report**

General Activities

Office Hours:

Monday to Friday: 8:30am – 4:30pm
Many evenings and weekends

Daily Activities:

The many daily activities of this portfolio span from phone conversations with other student unions, meetings with students, preparing reports, plenty of press work, emails, phone calls, to a myriad of other events.

Portfolio Duties:

The President portfolio oversees all activities of the USSU, coordinates the executive, acts as the student representative on the Board of Governors, is the chief spokesperson for the USSU, is the liaison with other student unions, and ensures all governance documents are up to date among other duties.

To try and provide USSU members with a better understanding of some of the duties within the Presidential portfolio I have provided a monthly report of the major issues I have dealt with.

President's Report: May 2007

Executive Orientation

Even before my term began I had booked meetings with Ryan Allen, Gavin Gardner, Evan Cole, and Caroline Cottrell to talk about what the job would entail. Nicole, Lindsay, Josie, Jeremy, and I went on the Executive Retreat from May 1st to the 3rd. There was no transition between the new executive and the old executive to discuss projects from 2006/07 that still needed to be completed, so we learned about policy, budget, and other basic USSU interests. On the second day we went through a comprehensive orientation of all the university's and USSU's structures, positions, and issues. On the afternoon of the second day the other USSU staff arrived and we participated in exercises and orientation practices that focused on teamwork and training.

Class

I took a six credit English class that was Monday to Friday for 3 hours each day, but many of the classes I had to miss due to meetings and conferences. I only got a 77% in the class and I felt I deserved better, but I was kind of a devil's advocate prick in class so maybe I did deserve it.

Board of Governors

The Board of Governors met on in May to report on, the budget and other pertinent items. A major concern for the Board was the upcoming transparency and accountability meeting. The number of students attending the University of Saskatchewan is declining, and so discussions about retention and acquiring out of province and country students was of high priority. The board approved the collection of the new infrastructure increase. The main concern about the Place Riel renovation was the "front door" concept that will be a bit more alluring and aesthetically pleasing than the current eye-sore of a building.

Orientations

Throughout the entire month of May, the entire executive had orientations with each USSU staff member along with centre coordinators and outside institutions. There was quite a large Sustainability orientation from Jeh Custer too. By the end my brain hurt from all the information that was being crammed in. Everyone from administration wanted a piece of the new executive pie, with the theme of 'building bridges', which I thought was kind of cliché since this is the bridge city.

Student Enhancement Fund Allocation

VP ring and I attended many meeting to figure out who will receive money from this fund. It was quite depressing since the year before the total amount available to give out was around \$80,000, and this year was only around \$4,000. The reason for the discrepancy was the drop in U of S students. VP Ring and I thought that this was impossible and requested that an outside source 'Sirius' audit the fund's accounts to find out for sure. We are still waiting to hear the outcome.

University Student Council

We met on May 13th for USC, this included a small swearing in and pledge thingy, our plans for the year were fleshed out, and it was a general meet and greet for USC members. Unfortunately we did not have quorum and nothing was passed.

Parliamentary Training

I began taking a class from Brent Thoma on Robert's Rules of Order to be able to fully chair meetings without confusion. These classes lasted the entire summer and were

attended for the sake of our positions. The classes were two hours long on Wednesday evenings.

University Council

VP Steeves and I prepared and attended University council where Steeves gave a presentation to the other member of said council. I fielded questions from council members after the meeting had taken place.

Student Loans Potential

I met with Janelle Hutchinson to discuss potential advancement in the student loan system, along with the emergency loans fund. We opened dialogues about how to best aid students without pampering them with 'simply getting free money'. These ideas were brought to Regina's Scholarship, Bursary, and Loans Committee.

Canadian Federation of Students (CFS) National General Meeting – Ottawa.

We had CFS training from former VP External Alice Collins, to prepare us for the Ottawa convention. From May 24th to the 27th the Executive Committee was at Carleton University attending the CFS's National General Meeting. The meeting was a great opportunity to meet other student leaders from across the country. The meeting also provided delegates with an orientation to national student issues. During the meeting I was elected as the LGBT representative on the Saskatchewan Executive. A conference report is attached.

Other Meetings

Open Studies Faculty Council, Bob Ferguson and Campus Safety, Dave Hannah, Peter Mackinnon, Richard Florizone, and much much more.

President's Report: June 2007

Birthday Madness

June 1st was my birthday and it was awesome!

Coca Cola Steering Committee

VP Ring and I attended the coke steering committee, at which we had to sign confidentiality waivers. Sorry that's all I can say... on paper.

Class

Still attended class for this whole month. And took a couple of ADOs. Seriously.. a 77% what is that? Is that even good for a 200 level English class? I'm a little pissed is all.

Room changes for Clubs

VP Ring and I met with the head of the Muslim Association about acquiring a new room to accommodate all of their members. We looked into it and, unfortunately, we were unable to give a definite answer or promise any better. We are still trying. Club space has been a bit chaotic and we were fielding questions and concerns about them.

Convocation

I attended three full days of convocation. WOW, was it ever boring! I stood up, waved once, and then sat for hours and hour on end. I cannot express how dull it was up there all alone. I was tempted to take out the old iPod and lose myself in music, but then I thought that this may offend, so I refrained. I will never get that time back. I can't wait to go to my own convocation, because I'm gonna do something cool, be there to find out what.

More Orientation

This month I was given orientation for the Pride, Women, and Help Center, along with Victim's Advocate. Information Center, Copy Central, XL Design, Louis, and Browsers also briefed the executive.

CFS Court Appeal

The executive and some staff went to Regina to hear the last leg of the CFS/USSU and Mowat debate and hearing. Things did not look good for CFS/USSU. The judges scrutinized them without reserve, but were sugar sweet to Mowat's lawyers. We also took this time to visit with the University of Regina's Student Union and brief them on everything we were doing, and vice versa, in order to maintain an open relationship.

AVP FMD Hiring Committee

I was on the hiring committee for the Assistant Vice President of Facilities Management Division for the University Administration... what a mouthful. It was quite rigorous going over many resumes. This was the first of many meetings before the right person was hired. We met several times to go over the candidates and interview process, before the phone interviews were implemented. The final interview took several hours each and the committee was unanimous in choosing Colin Tennant, the current acting AVP FMD. Way to go Colin.

Nursing Student's Rights

I got in touch with Brittany Holderness, the President of SIAST. I arranged a meeting with her and Megan Harder, student councilor for nursing. We discussed the current arrangement of Nursing students who seem to be in limbo between SIAST and the U of S. We decided to look over policy from each institution and come up with a compromise that will aid nursing students get all the benefits they can from both colleges. This meeting turned out to be very valuable since President Holderness and I now are in constant contact, thus bringing the two, possibly rival, institutions together.

USC

Prepared and attended University Student Council on May 17th. There still was no quorum... grrrr.

Saskatchewan Scholarship, Bursary, and Loans Committee

On June 20th, VP Steeves and I headed down to Regina to attend this committee. I voiced my concerns about raising housing costs and perhaps an increase in loans for that would be appropriate. The amounts are based on Federal numbers, but they will 'look into it'. Worry not, I'm on them. The Honourable Warren McCall presented his report and I gave input and comments. A more formal report will be given to Mr. McCall later on. The online aspect was Student Loans was also introduced. I experimented with it, and found many bugs that they are currently working out.

University Learning Center

The Executive and I spoke with Jim Greer about the ULC and its renovations. He wanted our feedback and for us to look over the plans and give our opinions. We also talked about the Place Riel renovations and a possible merger for a disability elevator.

Board of Governors and Accountability Meeting

The Board of Governors met on June 23rd and 24th to hold meetings before they adjourned for the summer. I attended every session in order to learn the finer workings of the Board. The struggling Synchrotron was of great importance. After the second day, the Board gave an accountability meeting to faculty, staff, students, and media. They 'accidentally' forgot to mention that I was on the Board as student representative... twice.

Receptions

I attended receptions for Tom Malloy, outgoing Chancellor, for recently tenured professors, for Michael Atkinson, outgoing Provost, and Board of Governors receptions. The reason I add this in my accountability report is because they were not all fun, and took up many hours of my own free time. Some were even painful to attend, due to dullness. But I had to represent!

Scholarships and Awards Committee

I sat on this board to go over student appeals who were granted scholarships and awards, but due to extenuating circumstances did not fulfill their end of the awards. The outcomes were almost always unanimous.

Other Meetings

Met with Charlie Clark, MLA Brad Trost, Louis Planning Meetings, planned a spot for the USSU at the Living Artfully Fair, and did a spot for the CBC.

President's Report: July 2007

Helping Students with Loans

With the new online version of Student Loans Applications, many students came to me with their issues that we had to work out together and that I had to relay back to Regina's main Branch.

Board of Governors Accountability

I have been working on a proposal for the Board of Governors to have another accountability meeting in March, since the only one was held in June, and very few students were able to attend. I met with Nancy Hopkins, Vera Pezer, and Linda McMullen to discuss the idea (and get them on my side when voting comes in, since I won't be able to vote due to a conflict of interest). I'm still working on it and will send it in for an information item for the next Board meeting.

Place Riel Renovations

Since the University thought it would be prudent to put out an RFP (Request for Proposal) to all architects for the Reno we had to plan and attend a conference for many architectural firms. I fielded many questions from each firm and then gave them a tour of the soon to be renovated area.

USC

No quorum... again.

LB5Q Inspection

VP Ring and I did site inspections for the proposed LB5Q party. Since it was near water, we dubbed it far to risky and thus unsafe for wasted students to be around.

USSU Reunion Planning

The exec and I hammered out some details for the upcoming USSU reunion. I went to the library archives and downloaded plenty of juicy SRC and USSU details and pictures for the Reunion.

Other Notable Meetings

Met with Carol Skelton, Warren McCall, and David Hannah. Planned for Orientation with U-Life and the International Student Office.

President's Report: August 2007

Housing Crisis

Okay, this took up much of my time in August. The Exec and I planned a tent-out in the bowl to raise awareness for the crisis. I planned interviews with Global News, CTV, Shaw, CBC, News Talk Radio, the Star Phoenix, CUP, Macleans, CJSW, Canada AM, and a bunch more that I can't remember. I researched numbers, readied myself for on-camera interviews, and got the media involved as much as possible. I created the Boarding Registry with the help of IT and it blossomed from 0 to over 250 entries in less than two weeks, before school began. I attended city council, press conferences, and forums about the crisis to raise awareness on the short-term crisis that students may have to face.

USC

Hurray, we had quorum and were able to carry a bunch of old minutes, as well as approve the moving of monies from a trust fund to pay for the 2nd installment of new transformer for Place Riel. We also gave the councilors updates on Upass, Place Renos, Housing Crisis, and other matters.

Architect RFP cont' and Place Riel Steering Committee

VP Ring, GM Cottrell, FMD Salikin, and myself spent all day going over and rating all the proposals sent in from the architects. The rating system was given to us from a 3rd party and was totally fair. University Administration did the same, and our unanimous conclusion was to pick Saunders and Evans, the architects the USSU had originally hired for the job. What a waste of time.

I co-chaired the Place Riel Steering Committee to discuss the roles of the USSU and Administration. We are attempting to get money from administration so that we can build more levels to the top floor of Place Riel. VP Ring and I also planned to have a student advisory steering committee, consisting of SAL from all different colleges.

BOCP

I helped Drew Dwernchuck (sp?) plan the Board of College Presidents Summer Meeting called Summercon. This included creating a schedule, planning speakers, and organizing the after party at Louis' Beach Volleyball. I also spent time creating a promotional video for the event, much of which was done on my own time.

Policy Review

The Exec and I went through all of the USSU policy, making minute changes in grammar to align with term alterations. The Elections Policy was scrutinized thoroughly and will be brought to the AGM to hopefully be turned into a Bylaw. Some policy changes were made to lessen the power of the President, and, in turn, enhance the power of the Executive. This was done to promote teamwork and lessen instances of unilateral decisions. Academic and Sustainability Policy is still being scrutinized.

Took a week of Holiday from the 12th-17th

See above title for more information.

RA speech and tours

I readied a speech to present to the RAs for residents at the U of S. I spoke about leadership and personal experiences, as well as promoted the USSU. I then gave a couple of tours of the USSU to students and RAs.

Undergraduate Forum

I'm working with David Hannah to produce an undergraduate forum so that students will be able to inform the members of the forum of broad issues facing them. I am currently one of the three executives on the Forum. It will be purely advisory for now, and may gain power later depending on the success and evolution of the Forum.

Volunteer Work

I volunteered for the Help, Pride, and Women's Centers over my lunch hours.

ISO Orientation

The Exec and I set up beach volleyball for the International Students' Orientation, and socialized with them. VP Steeves sprained her ankle in the name of unity. We also gave a prepared presentation and Power Point to them the next day at their forum.

Other Meetings

Met with P-Mac about housing crisis, Ian McGregor about Risk Management, and Aslan the Lion about Narnia/USSU relations.

Events/Meeting & External Relations

May

Everyday	Class
05/01/07	USSU Staff Retreat
05/02/07	USSU Staff Retreat
05/03/07	USSU Staff Retreat
05/04/07	Office Training
05/08/07	AVP FMD Hiring Committee
05/09/07	Sustainability Orientation
05/09/07	Parliamentary Training
05/09/07	Press Conference on University Budget
05/09/07	Computer Training
05/10/07	Louis' Tour
05/10/07	Browsers Tour
05/10/07	LGBTA Centre Tour
05/10/07	Women's Centre Tour
05/10/07	Meeting with USSU Victim Advocate
05/10/07	Information Centre Tour
05/10/07	Help Centre Tour
05/10/07	Executive
05/10/07	Board of Governors
05/11/07	Board of Governors
05/13/07	University Student Council
05/14/07	Enhancement Fund Allocation Meeting
05/15/07	CFS Training
05/16/07	Parliamentary Training and Orientation
05/17/07	Open Studies Faculty Meeting
05/17/07	University Council
05/18/07	Meeting with Student Loans Advisor Hutchinson
05/21/07	Victoria Day
05/22/07	Met with members of Administration
05/23/07	Meeting with campus Safety
05/24/07	47 th Semi-Annual National General Meeting – Ottawa
05/25/07	47 th Semi-Annual National General Meeting – Ottawa
05/26/07	47 th Semi-Annual National General Meeting – Ottawa
05/27/07	47 th Semi-Annual National General Meeting – Ottawa
05/28/07	Travel to Saskatoon
05/29/07	Executive Portfolio Review
05/30/07	Class Midterm
05/27/07	Executive Meeting
05/29/07	University Students' Council meeting
05/30/07	Going over Policy
05/31/07	Student concerns over club space

June

06/04/07 Convocation Ceremonies
06/05/07 Convocation Ceremonies
06/06/07 Convocation Ceremonies
06/07/07 Elections Policy Review
06/08/07 Meeting with Nathan Rissling
06/11/07 Went to Regina for CFS Appeal
06/12/07 Meeting with ULC and Renovations
06/13/07 Parliamentary Training
06/13/07 AVP FMD Interviews
06/14/07 Executive Council
06/14/07 Tenured Professors Social
06/15/07 Student Loans Appeals
06/15/07 Michael Atkinson Social
06/16/07 Pride Parade
06/17/07 University Student Council
06/18/07 SIAST President Meeting about Nursing
06/19/07 AVP FMD Hiring Committee Deliberations
06/20/07 Travel to Regina for the Scholarship, Loans, and Bursary Committee
06/21/07 Board of Governors Meetings
06/21/07 Board Accountability Meeting
06/21/07 Presidents Social
06/22/07 Exam for class
06/25/07 Interviews with Press
06/26/07 Meeting with MLA Brad Trost
06/26/07 HR Meetings and policy review
06/27/07 Louis' Planning Meeting
06/27/07 Living Artfully Fair Planning
06/28/07 ADO for Final
06/29/07 ADO for Final

July

07/03/07 Helped several student with Student Loans Applications
07/04/07 Troubleshooting with the Online Student Loans Package
07/04/07 Exec and Planning Meetings
07/05/07 Came in 2nd at a Beauty Contest
07/05/07 USSU Golf Tournament
07/06/07 Welcome Week Planning
07/09/07 100 year reunion Planning
07/10/07 Admin Team
07/11/07 Helped a student for something confidential
07/12/07 Executive Meeting and goal planning
07/13/07 Meeting Linda McMullen: BOG Accountability

07/16/07 Site check for College of Business BBQ
07/17/07 Meeting with Nancy Hopkins: BOG Accountability
07/18/07 Meeting with Vera Pezer: BOG Accountability
07/19/07 U of S Orientation meeting: I agreed to MC it.
07/20/07 Board Meetings
07/23/07 Meeting with International Student's Coordinator about Orientation
07/23/07 University Student Council
07/24/07 Sick
07/25/07 Reunion Planning
07/26/07 U-Life 101 Meeting
07/27/07 Homecoming research and archive downloading
07/29/07 Shinerama RV Pull
07/30/07 RFP Architect tour
07/31/07 Tent-out work for Day of Awareness

August

08/01/07 Appeals of Bursarys
08/02/07 Exec Council
08/03/07 Greystone Yearbook work
08/06/07 Saskatchewan Day
08/07/07 Policy Reviews... more and more
08/09/07 Earned Day Off
08/13/07 Vacation
08/14/07 Vacation
08/15/07 Vacation
08/16/07 Vacation
08/17/07 Vacation
08/20/07 Did Radio interviews for News Talk and CJSW
08/21/07 Meeting with Peter Mackinnon about Housing Crisis
08/22/07 Press Release, spoke with all forms of Media
08/23/07 Volunteered at Women's Centre and more media coverage
08/23/07 Parliamentary Review
08/24/07 Meeting with Ian McGregor: Risk Management
08/24/07 Board Accountability Proposal work
08/25/07 BOCP all day
08/27/07 Executive Committee
08/27/07 USC with Quorum
08/28/07 Volunteered at Pride Centre
08/28/07 USSU Expansion Steering Committee
08/29/07 Speech to RAs
08/29/07 Meeting with David Hannah: Undergraduate Forum
08/29/07 Tours of the USSU Office
08/30/07 Volunteered at the Women's Centre
08/30/07 Went on CTV
08/30/07 International Students' Social

08/31/07 University Orientation Preparations
08/31/07 ISO Orientation Speech

Josie Steeves: VP Academic Affairs

2007-2008

General Activities

Office Hours:

Monday to Friday: 9:00 am – 4:30 pm

*Along with various evenings and weekends as necessary

Class Times:

Monday to Thursday: 3:30 pm – 5:30 pm

June 7th – 28th

Daily Activities:

- Email/Telephone correspondence
- Casework for students
- Research
- Liaising with students
- Project planning
- Committee preparation
- Meeting with Drew Dwernychuk (Academic Affairs Officer)
- Front desk work

Portfolio Duties:

The portfolio of Vice-President of Academic Affairs is an extremely diverse one. Over the summer months, the person filling this role has an immense amount of knowledge to absorb, as well as learning the best ways to advocate on behalf of a student. University bureaucracy is incredibly complicated and I have had to make contacts and 'friends' in order to get my initiatives and job accomplished.

A large portion of my day is spent setting up and coordinating meetings with a wide range of people in the University community. These people are important to build bridges with, as many times interests coincide more than one would think. Having a positive relationship with the University community also makes for a better working relationship resulting in representing the student's wishes better.

Furthermore, I have taken a more active role in advocacy than previous VP Academics have, partially because the AAO's job description has changed slightly to allow him to work on tasks for the other VPs. I plan on rolling out an extensive ad campaign for the Academic Affairs Office, for I feel students who

could potentially benefit greatly by it underutilize it. This campaign will run alongside one aimed at students to utilize Browsers bookstore more.

Much of my day is also consumed by research. This can range from researching University committees, to researching student complaints, to researching the initiatives I have planned for the year. One needs to have all the information and understand all the sides before they can go forward with an idea. The committees for University Council also include a great deal of preparation, with upwards of 7 hours of reading a week to be properly prepared for the meeting.

Also, I took a Parliamentary training course over the summer! Brent Thoma decided to offer this course to anyone who wanted to take it, and it has been extremely informative. I wrote my test on September 3, so we'll see how I do!

In terms of my initiatives that I want to fulfill this year, things have been going pretty smoothly. It is difficult to get things done in July and August in this office, because this is the time that University admin takes their holidays and in order to get a lot of things done, meetings need to be had with those on vacation. But, now that they are back, I have been busy meeting with them on issues such as exam schedules, teaching evaluations, textbooks, University Council, and the possibility of a U of S/USSU film festival that would include classes on how to make a movie. I am confident that the next few months will be extremely fruitful while I work to attain my initiatives for this year.

Vice-President Academic Affairs Report: May

Executive Orientation and Staff Retreat

My very first day of work was spent up at Elk Ridge Resort, where I was able to work with the USSU Staff and Exec in a positive setting to set our goals for the year. It also provided a relaxing environment where we were able to get to know each other on a personal as well as a work level, which has immensely benefited the work environment for the upcoming year!

Women in Leadership and Learning – Moose Jaw

This conference was an opportunity to learn about the challenges that women face while in the learning environment. It provided us with techniques and information on how to work as a cohesive unit.

Canadian Federation of Students (CFS) Semi-Annual General Meeting – Ottawa

This was definitely an interesting and informative conference to attend! As most people know, the USSU is in a unique situation concerning the relationship with the CFS, so it made for an eye-opening experience. Along with other members of the executive, I had a hesitant attitude towards the CFS going into the meeting

considering the trouble and money that our student's union has had to endure over the organization. But, once I was able to understand the organization and be involved in it my mind changed. I can now understand why it might be beneficial to be a part of an organization like the CFS.

Other

A large part of May was spent in orientation sessions with the various members of the USSU community. Apart from that, the retreat, the CFS SGM, and attempting to help students who dropped in, my May was largely spent learning about the processes that the University runs by.

Vice-President Academic Affairs Report: June

A large part of June was spent getting my ducks in a row. After some more orientations, I was finally able to start some research into the initiatives that I want to accomplish for the year. Between research, learning, a class, and University Council business, my June proved to be quite busy!

Vice-President Academic Affairs Report: July

Studentcare Presentation – Montreal

Studentcare wanted to get executive members from their client schools to come to their headquarters to have a discussion around sustainability, and also to unveil the new communication strategy 'I Have A Plan'. Normally it would be VP Kenny's job to go to this, but because the focus of it was sustainability and it was on my way to Halifax they thought it would be more sustainable to have myself there. There were no decisions made at this meeting, and I was sure to give a detailed presentation to the executive on my return.

The Student Edge Conference – Halifax

This conference proved to be the most excellent use of my time. The amount that I was able to learn and liaise with other student's associations will be invaluable to my term in office. On multiple occasions since this conference, I have contacted the other VP Academics from across the country for information to use in my initiatives for this year. For a more detailed report, please consult my conference report!

Other

I did take some vacation time in July, but I still managed to make good use of my time! While I was in Newfoundland visiting some friends, I made sure that they took me to the Memorial University of Newfoundland so I could scout it out. It was interesting to see the differences between a school on the East coast to that in Saskatchewan.

Sprained ankle incident #1 – culprit: longboard. Done five days before trip to Montreal.

Vice-President Academic Affairs Report: August

Vacation in Vancouver

Because I am my Father's daughter, while I was on vacation in Vancouver I took some time and visited UBC. Before I left, I set up some meetings with the VP Academic for the Alma Mater Society – UBC, Brendon Goodmurphy. During this time I learned a lot about how UBC and their student's union operates. I toured their student union building, toured campus, and brought back information about the student union's services. This was extremely worthwhile and valuable to my portfolio, especially considering it didn't cost the USSU anything!

Other

The rest of August was spent starting up the initiatives that I have been researching and planning during the summer. This includes initiatives around University Council, textbooks, exam scheduling, and mandatory teaching evaluations. I've also been having some meetings with various IT people around the University about a possible U of S/USSU Film Festival that would include classes on how to make movies. Furthermore, the housing crisis, U-PASS, and the Place Riel renovations have become more and more part of my daily existence as an executive member in August!

Sprained ankle incident #2 – culprit: beach volleyball. Done the weekend before Orientation/Welcome Week. Done in front of 200 International students (made a great impression).

Day-to-Day Activities

May 1: Retreat

May 2: Retreat

May 3: Retreat

May 4: Settling in

Orientation with Drew (AAO), Kendra (Confidential Secretary), Scott (IT) Student

May 7: Student (x2)

Orientation with Drew

Outing to get Admin Asst Appreciation gift

Going through files, setting out new direction, learning from the past

May 8: Orientation with Jeh (Sustainability Officer)

Office organization (going through files)

Student

May 9: Orientation with Freda (Operations), Louis', Info Centre, Copy Central

Student
Office Organization (figuring out committees)

May 10: Exec Meeting
Lunch with David Hannah (Student and Enrolment Services)
Congress
Preparation for Academic Programs Committee

May 11: Academic Programs Committee
Student
Office Organization (reading through binders/files)

May 14: Moose Jaw (Women in Leadership Conference)

May 15: Moose Jaw (Women in Leadership Conference)

May 16: Meeting with Bill Wallace (Student Computing)
Student (group)
Orientation with Rob and Christian

May 17: Meeting with Studentcare
Open Studies Faculty Council
University Council

May 18: EDO
Academic Support Committee

May 21: Victoria Day – Office Closed

May 22: Preparation for student advocacy
Student Advocacy Network
Sub-committee meeting RE: Masters of Public Policy
CFS Conference Prep
Committee Revision Meeting

May 23: Review of Committees
Academic Programs Committee
Lunch with Bob Ferguson (Campus Security)

May 24: Ottawa (CFS SGM)

May 25: Ottawa (CFS SGM)

May 26: Ottawa (CFS SGM) - Saturday

May 27: Ottawa (CFS SGM) - Sunday

May 28: Ottawa (CFS SGM)

May 29: Meeting with Drew
Meeting with Susan Benz
Student
Catching up on work

May 30: Deloitte Breakfast
Exec Committee
Orientation (Centres)

May 31: Preparation for University Council
Student
Research

June 1: Centres Volunteering

June 4: Student
Volunteered with DSS – Student Notetaker

June 5: Meeting with Professor
Habitat for Humanity (afternoon)

June 6: Preparation for Academic Advocacy
Meeting concerning Academic Issue with Assoc Dean and Student

June 7: Election Policy Review
Exec Meeting
RSAW Committee

June 8: Meeting with Margret Asmuss (Campus Sustainability)
Meeting with Elemental Designs
Meeting with Jim Greer (ULC)

June 11: CFS Appeal - Regina

June 12: Meeting with Charlie Clark
Sexual Assault Protocol/Sexual Assault Survivor's Bill of Rights Meeting

June 13: Conference Prep (Edge)
Staff Appreciation Day Activities

June 14: Students Rights Handbook Review Meeting
University Council
Exec Committee
Student

June 15: Academic Support Committee
Volunteering for Pride Centre (preparations for Pride Festival)

June 16: Marched with the Pride Centre in the Pride Parade - Saturday

June 17: USC - Sunday

June 18: Meeting with Pauline Melis (Institutional Planning)

June 19: Admin Team

June 20: Regina
Met with URSU and toured the U of R campus

June 21: Exec Committee

June 22: ½ a sick day
Board of Governors Open Accountable Transparent Meeting

June 25: WISE-ASS Future Meeting
Conference Prep

June 26: Academic Programs Committee Meeting
Meeting with Brad Trost

June 27: Exec Committee
Student (x2)

June 28: ADO
Wrote Final

June 29: EDO

July 3: EDO

July 4: Student
Exec Committee

Conference Prep
July 5: Staff Golf Tournament
July 6: Student (x3)
July 7: CFS-SK Meeting - Saturday
July 9: Student
July 10: Admin Team
Conference Prep
Casework
July 11: Meeting with Warren McCall (Minister of Advanced Employment and Learning)
July 12: Montreal – Studentcare Meeting
July 13: Montreal – Studentcare Meeting
July 14: Halifax – The Edge Conference - Saturday
July 15: Halifax – The Edge Conference - Sunday
July 16: Halifax – The Edge Conference
July 17: Halifax – The Edge Conference
July 18: Halifax – The Edge Conference
July 19: Vacation
July 20: Vacation
July 23: Vacation
July 24: Vacation
July 25: Catching up
Student (x2)
July 26: Exec Committee
Uni Life 101 Meeting
Reunion Dinner Meeting
July 27: Student
July 30: General Daily Activities
July 31: Student
August 1: General Daily Activities
August 2: Bylaws Committee Preparation
August 3: Bylaws Committee Meeting
Exec Committee
Studentcare Presentation
August 7: Vacation
August 8: Vacation – Met with VP Academic at UBC
August 9: Vacation – Toured UBC
August 10: EDO
August 13: ½ sick day
Orientation/Welcome Week Meeting
Student
August 14: Student
August 15: Student Retention study findings (Susan Benz)
August 16: Pictures for U-PASS Campaign

Centres Volunteering

August 17: Exec Committee

Meeting with Jim Greer RE: Academic Honesty Week

August 20: CFS-SK Meeting - Regina

August 21: Admin Team

Exec Committee

Lunch with Peter Mackinnon

August 22: Student Relations Meeting

Meeting with Provost

Parliamentary Training

August 23: Meeting with Chris Axworthy – FA Chair

Centres Volunteering

BOCP Summercon Meeting

August 24: Meeting with Ian McGregor (Event Risk Management)

Student

BOCP Summercon Preparations

August 25: Summercon – Saturday

Student Success Day - Saturday

August 27: Meeting with Brian Saunders

Exec Committee

USC

August 28: Centre Volunteering

CFS Decision Meeting

Film Festival Meeting

August 29: Meeting with Greg Fowler RE: Book Store

August 30: Aboriginal Student's Orientation

Rob's Farewell Lunch

International Student's Beach Volleyball

August 31: CABIS Meeting

International Student's Orientation

Meeting with Brett Fairburn (University Council Chair)

conference itinerary

Friday, July 13 Early Arrivals

2:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.	Registration
5:00 p.m.	Dinner on Your Own

Saturday, July 14 Pre-Conference Activities

8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.	Breakfast at Howe Hall
9:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.	Pre-Conference Activities
5:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.	Registration
8:00 p.m. - 12:00 a.m.	Welcome & Meet and Greet (Cameron Room, Howe Hall, dress business casual)

Sunday, July 15 The Challenge

8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.	Breakfast at Howe Hall
9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.	Café
12:30 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.	Lunch
1:45 p.m. - 3:15 p.m.	Café
3:15 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.	Break (Rm 302)
3:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.	<i>Budgets, Finances, etc</i> Dealing with Legal Contracts - Tim Hill (Room 307)
6:30 p.m.	Reception and Banquet (Grawood, Dal SUB, dress business casual)
9:30 p.m.	Tall Ship Silva Cruise (Bring some warm clothes)

Monday, July 16 Professional Development and Open Space Technology

8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.	Breakfast at Howe Hall	
9:30 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.	Open Space Session A Open Space Session B	Open Space Technology C Open Space Technology D
10:45 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.	Break (Rm 302)	
11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.	Open Space Technology E Open Space Technology F	Open Space Technology G Open Space Technology H
12:30 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.	Lunch (Rm 302)	
1:45 p.m. - 3:15 p.m.	Open Space Technology I Open Space Technology J	Open Space Technology K Open Space Technology L
3:15 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.	Break (Rm 302)	
3:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.	Web Presence - ACM (Rm 303)	Admin Relations - Colin Dodds, Ezra Edelstin (Rm 307)
5:00 p.m.	Free Time	
6:30 p.m.	Alexander Keith's Brewery Tour	

the student edge

Tuesday, July 17 Professional Development

8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.	Breakfast at Howe Hall	
9:30 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.	Closer to the Student - Carman Pirie (Rm 303)	Media Relations - Jim Vibert (Rm 307)
10:45 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.	Break (Rm 302)	
11:00 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.	The Basics of Marketing - Chris Keevill (Rm 303)	Lobbying Skills and Techniques - Rob Batherson (Rm 307)
12:15 p.m. - 2:15 p.m.	Showcase and Lunch (McInnes Room)	
2:15 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.	Policy Governance - (Rm 303)	Event Management - Mike Campbell (Rm 307)
3:30 p.m. - 10:30 p.m.	Afternoon/Evening and Dinner on Own	

Wednesday, July 18 Professional Development and Close

8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.	Breakfast at Howe Hall	
9:30 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.	Community Relations - Mary Somers (Rm. 303)	Res Relations - Heather Sutherland (Rm 307)
10:45 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.	Break (Rm 302)	
11:00 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.	Dealing with Conflict - Craig Kennedy (Rm 303)	Benefits of An Inclusive Environment - Janice MacInnis (Rm 307)
12:15 p.m. - 1:15 p.m.	Lunch (McInnes Room)	
1:30 p.m. - 2:45 p.m.	Deep Democracy: The Art of Effective Decision-Making - Sera Thompson (Room 303)	Campus Sustainability - Lillith Wyatt et al. (Rm 307)
2:45 - 4:45 p.m.	Closing	
6:45 p.m.	Bus Departs for Closing Banquet	
9:30 p.m.	Bus Departs for Residence	
10:00 p.m. - 12:00 a.m.	Grawood Closing Party	

Lindsey Levesque, Vice President (External Affairs)

Summer Accountability Report

General Activities

Office Hours:

Monday to Friday: 9:00 am – 4:30 pm

*Along with various mornings, evenings and weekends as necessary

Daily Activities:

- Email/Telephone correspondence
- Meetings with various professionals and students
- General office work
- Committee work
- Project creation
- CFS planning

Portfolio Duties:

The Vice President (External Affairs) is responsible for lobbying on behalf of University of Saskatchewan students to the local, provincial, and federal governments. As prospective members of the Canadian Federation of Students, we are faced with a decision of another referendum for full membership. The CFS assists the USSU in federal lobbying efforts and holds various campaigns in regards to post-secondary issues. Local and provincial campaigns are initiated by myself, and in some cases, the Vice President External from the University of Regina Students' Union (URSU), Jessica Sinclair.

The summer months were used to prepare myself for my portfolio and obtain a full grasp of my overall duties. This includes planning for a provincial election in the fall, CFS planning as provincial chairperson, and other International initiatives. Day-to-day activities include extensive research on post-secondary issues, meetings with municipal, provincial and federal representatives and extensive work on the U-Pass implementation. Although the U-Pass was previously under the Vice President (Student Issues), transportation has been moved under the Vice President (External Affairs) portfolio due to the relation with the City of Saskatoon.

In addition to my Vice President (External Affairs) position, I was elected as the Saskatchewan Component Chairperson in the Canadian Federation of Students (CFS). I held two meetings throughout the summer, one in Saskatoon, another in

Regina. These meetings were used to plan for such issues as the housing crisis, provincial election, and changing signing authority over from the last group of CFS-SK representatives. This position allows me to become better acquainted with the CFS, CFS services and post-secondary issues in general. I will be traveling to Regina on business, and will continue to do so during my term.

Projects that are up and coming include preparing for provincial election. This involves a leaders forum between party leaders on campus, and also hosting a local concert to raise awareness around where and when to vote. We will also be generating pamphlets for students to compare each party's platforms. Once a provincial election is officially announced in the fall, we will be prepared for implementing the project at hand.

The implementation of U-Pass has encompassed a majority of my summer. I attended many meetings with regards to logistics and advertising, as well as answered a large portion of emails from students and faculty. Overall, everything seems to be running smoothly and staff are doing a great job.

Vice-President (External Affairs) Report: May 2007

Executive Orientation and Staff Retreat

The staff and executive of the USSU met at Elk Ridge Resort from May 1-3, 2007. It was a great opportunity for everyone to get to know each other, to learn about the USSU in specific detail, and to set our goals for the year. Although the outgoing executive was not present, the new executive was excited to begin their year with the General Manager filling in position details. The retreat included a facilitator, team building activities, brainstorming and bonding.

Women in Leadership and Learning Conference- Moose Jaw

On May 14th and 15th, 2007 I attended the WILL conference in Moose Jaw as a delegate. We worked through many individual and group activities, as well as discussed current issues that women face in their careers. We expanded our leadership styles and listened to various key speakers while attending this conference.

Canadian Federation of Students (CFS) General Meeting- Ottawa

From May 24th-May 28th, 2007 all five executive members attended the CFS National General Meeting. We had the opportunity to get a better feel for the organization and their lobbying efforts for the University of Saskatchewan, as well as meeting students from other locals across Canada. I benefited from attending this conference because it directly affects my portfolio, but also because I am holding provincial chairperson position for the CFS Saskatchewan component. I would recommend that the USSU executive attend this conference

in the future if the union remains members of the federation. The Saskatchewan component representatives were elected which includes: Mike Burton, National Executive Representative; Lindsey Levesque, Provincial Chairperson; and, Jenn Bergen, Provincial Treasurer.

Other

May was a great time for me to acquaint myself into my office, and to get a feel for my portfolio. This includes re-organizing my office documents and participating in general USSU orientation and training. I also started Parliamentary training with Brent Thoma.

Vice-President (External Affairs) Report: June 2007

National Aboriginal Day of Action

June 29th was established the National Aboriginal Day of Action. I held a BBQ over lunch at Louis to provide awareness about the current issues that Aboriginals face. Anna Hunter from the Political Studies department presented and opened up the floor to everyone who was in attendance. The attendance was small but because this was a recently established day, there will be more time to plan a larger event next year.

Other

Large portion of June was spent meeting with various representatives from the University and different levels of government. I also took a couple days bereavement leave due to my grandfather passing away.

Vice-President (External Affairs) Report: July 2007

Canadian Federation of Students Saskatchewan Meeting- Saskatoon

As the chairperson for the CFS-SK component, I planned our first meeting in Saskatoon on July 7th, 2007. Students from the USSU (Local 17), University of Regina (Local 9), First Nations University of Canada (Local 90), and the U of S Graduate Students' Association (Local 101) were in attendance. We discussed the provincial election, building coalitions with different groups around the province, housing in Saskatoon, and signing authority for the new representatives.

U-Pass

The U-Pass has consumed a majority of my time throughout the summer and July is when many of the logistics needed to be looked at. This would include what advertising to use, where and how to get stickers, and any other small

details that needed to be confirmed. Discussions around exemptions involved how to confirm eligibility and if we had the capacity to implement this, in partnership with Transit.

Other

During July I registered for one Geography class that took up a portion of my time.

Vice-President (External Affairs) Report: August 2007

Canadian Federation of Students Saskatchewan Meeting- Regina

On August 20th, 2007 I organized another meeting for the CFS-SK component in Regina. We compiled a to-do list of the different tasks before the provincial election, and also discussed the submission to the McCall Final Report, which were due on August 24th, 2007. Both URSU and USSU submitted a response to the Honourable Warren McCall about specific recommendations, as well as compiling one document from the CFS-SK component.

U-Pass

The U-Pass logistics were finalized regarding where to get stickers and when, how to apply for exemption, and other small details. A "Ride the Bus For Free Campaign" was also established from August 20th until September 7th so that all students to ride the bus with a valid student card. We also created U-Pass poster with the executive. Thus far, the staff has been doing a great job in implementing the U-Pass.

Day-to-Day Activities

May 2007

01/05/07- Exec Retreat to Elk Ridge

02/05/07- Exec Retreat to Elk Ridge

03/05/07- Exec Retreat to Elk Ridge

04/05/07- Cleaning and organizing office

05/05/07- CFS AGM- Saskatoon

07/05/07- Meeting with Kurt Tischler from Global Commons

08/05/07- Sustainability Report with Jeh Custer

09/05/07- Orientation with Facilities and Operations Manager, Robert's Rules of Order Training

10/05/07- Executive Meeting, Orientation with Accounting and Marketing

11/05/07- Read Post-Secondary Education Accessibility and Affordability Review (Interim Report), as well as the CFS submission to the report.

13/05/07- USC Summer Orientation

14/05/07- Women in Leadership and Learning Conference- Moose Jaw

15/05/07- Women in Leadership and Learning Conference- Moose Jaw
16/05/07- Communications Orientation
17/05/07- CCOPS Meeting, Meeting with Student-care
18/05/07- EDO
22/05/07- Portfolio and Committee Revision Meeting, CFS Conference
Preparation Meeting with Alice Collins
23/05/07- Bereavement Leave
24/05/07- CFS Conference- Ottawa
25/05/07- CFS Conference- Ottawa
26/05/07- CFS Conference- Ottawa
27/05/07- CFS Conference- Ottawa
28/05/07- CFS Conference- Ottawa
29/05/07- Admin Team Meeting
30/05/07- Executive Meeting
31/05/07- Bereavement Leave

June 2007

01/06/07- Bereavement Leave
04/06/07- International Activities Committee Meeting (IACC)
05/06/07- Meeting with Kirt Tischler
06/06/07- Meeting with Richard Florizone
07/06/07- Executive Meeting, Election Policy Review
08/06/07- Meeting with Rob Norris, Jim Greer
11/06/07- CFS Appeal- Regina Court House
12/06/07- Meeting with Charlie Clark
13/06/07- The Price of Knowledge with Joseph Berger
14/06/07- Outreach and Public Services Committee (CCOPS) Meeting, Meeting
with Transit
15/06/07- Booking meetings with Warren McCall and CFS-SK
17/06/07- USC Meeting
18/06/07- Ricky Ramdhaney Presentation: ISO Manager Candidate
19/06/07- Lilliana Dominguez Presentation: ISO Manager Candidate
20/06/07- Preparation for National Aboriginal Day of Action
21/06/07- Luncheon for David Wilkins: US Ambassador for Canada, Executive
Meeting
22/06/07- Board of Governors Accountability Meeting
25/06/07- IACC Meeting
26/06/07- Lunch with the Honourable Mr. Bambang Cayho Gunawan- Consul
General of the Republic of Indonesia; Meeting with Brad Trost
27/06/07- Meeting with Asia Pacific Desk
28/06/07- Finalizing National Aboriginal Day of Action plans
29/06/07- National Aboriginal Day of Action BBQ- Louis

July 2007

03/07/07- Attended class
04/07/07- CFS meeting planning, Executive meeting, Attended class

05/07/07- Attended Class, answered emails and phone calls
06/07/07- Finalized and sent agenda for CFS Meeting
07/07/07- CFS-SK Meeting
09/07/07- Attended class, Participated in a psychology study, answered UPASS emails.
10/07/07- Attended Class, Met with Carol Skelton-MP Saskatoon-Rosetown-Biggar
11/07/07- Attended class, Met with Warren McCall-Minister of Advanced Education and Employment
12/07/07- Vacation Day
13/07/07- Vacation Day
16/07/07- ADO
17/07/07- Attended class, Met with UPASS Team
18/07/07- Attended class, booking meetings, Executive meeting
19/07/07- Reviewed U-Pass advertisements with Christian
23/07/07- ADO
24/07/07- ADO
25/07/07- U-Pass campaign planning, spoke to transit about new bus routes being offered for September.
26/07/07- Meeting for University Life 101, Executive meeting, Reunion dinner meeting
27/07/07- EDO
30/07/07- Vacation Day
31/07/07- Vacation Day

August 2007

01/08/07- Vacation Day
02/08/07- Human Rights Activism Conference Meeting
03/08/07- Meeting with Chris Gallaway, Executive Meeting, Student-care Presentation by Josie
07/08/07- Admin Team, Executive Policy Review Meeting, U-Pass Website Meeting
08/08/07- Another Policy Review Meeting, Meeting with Transit regarding U-Pass advertising.
09/08/07- Executive Meeting, Sensitivity Training
10/08/07- CFS-SK Planning
13/08/07- Orientation Meeting
14/08/07- Volunteer at the Help Centre
15/08/07- Meeting with Maurice Vellacott, Student Survey Meeting, Meeting with Lynne Yelich
16/08/07- Pictures for U-Pass Campaign
17/08/07- Executive Meeting
20/08/07- CFS-SK Meeting- Regina
21/08/07- Admin Team Meeting, Executive Meeting, Lunch with Peter Mackinnon
22/08/07- U-Pass advertising Meeting, Student Relations Meeting
23/08/07- McCall Final Report Submission Meeting, Summercon Meeting

24/08/07- Event Risk Management Meeting with Ian McGregor, Sent submission for the McCall Final Report

25/08/07- Summercon

27/08/07- Meeting with Brian Saunders, Executive Committee, USC for August

28/08/07- Volunteering at the Women's Centre, Daycare board meeting

29/08/07- Coordinating details for the Maggie de Vries writers' series.

30/08/07- Answered U-Pass emails

31/08/07- EDO

Jeremy Ring: VP Operations & Finance

Summer Accountability

General Activities

Office Hours:

Monday to Friday: 9:00 am – 4:30 pm

*Along with various evenings and weekends as necessary

Daily Activities:

- Responding to emails & telephone calls
- Signing Cheques
- Meetings with campus clubs
- Executive Committee
- General Office organizing
- Project creation
- Input of Campus Groups
- Approval of money transfers
- Meetings with Administrative staff as required

Portfolio Duties:

Over the summer, the majority of my time was spent familiarizing myself with the functions of the VP Operations & Finance. This included frequent, impromptu meetings with operation specific staff, including our Controller Amanda Mitchell, Facilities & Operations Manager Freda Salikin, and our General Manager Caroline Cottrell. Within these meetings arose plans for a more efficient communication between our Governance and Administrative wings of the organization. From Amanda Mitchell, we found that weekly “mentor” meetings should take place to discuss our investments, our budgets, and the moving of money from one account to another. From Freda Salikin, it was important to gather information about the real ‘meat & potatoes’ of Louis’ and Browsers, along with our additional operations. It was also important to meet about the different retail spaces in Lower Place Riel and familiarize myself with those contracts. From Caroline Cottrell, we worked extremely hard on accelerating the Place Riel Expansion project, which came to fruition just a few weeks ago with signing our contract with Saunders & Evans Architecture. These meetings proved invaluable to my transition period, having not received one from the past VP Operations & Finance.

While the Operations & Finance interacts extensively with our administrative staff over the summer, I additionally had numerous questions from Campus Groups about ratification, insurance, meeting rooms, and funding. Apart from these questions, there was a lot of interest from Campus Groups to have the USSU become more of a hub of information for these groups. With the help of our Marketing and Communications

department, there was considerable effort to revamp our website to be more Club focused.

The USSU also suffered a large number of Administrative turnovers this summer and the VP Operations & Finance sits on the hiring committee for all Managerial positions and select Supervisor positions. This included the hiring of a new Student Crew/Safewalk Supervisor, Communications Manager, and Louis' Night Manager.

The USSU Executive also began attending Parliamentary Training lessons, taught by former USC Chair Brent Thoma. At the end of this training, we wrote a National Exam to become certified National Association of Parliamentarians (NAP) members. It taught us an invaluable amount of knowledge as it relates to not only chairing a meeting, but how to behave during these meetings.

Vice-President (Operations & Finance) Report: May 2007

Executive and Staff Retreat – Elk Ridge Resort

Each May the USSU Staff and new Executive take a few days to go over short-term and long-term plans of the USSU Executive and identify any challenges that may occur. Additionally, it was more than required to bond with staff as the 2006/2007 Executive's term ended on extremely bad terms.

The first day was the new Executive and Caroline Cottrell, who went over all the policies, bylaws, and constitution, in addition to our in depth portfolio profile. The second day our administrative counterparts came to do team building exercises met us.

National Canadian Federation of Students Meeting – Ottawa

At the end of May, the 5 Executive were invited to the National CFS Meeting in Ottawa. To be honest, I had never given the CFS a chance, having only heard through people about negative things. This conference however was a very eye opening experience, having the chance to really see the initiatives that the CFS takes and the personable people on their executive. Specific to my portfolio was little, however the budget committee meetings were very interesting and gave a glimpse of what I'm in for in early 2008.

Other

May is a very slow month for the VP Operations & Finance. A lot of my days included going through last year's VP's information and correcting mistakes. These included evictions of Saskatchewan Hall meeting rooms and creating a much needed filing system, fulfilling USC motions from 2005/2006 administration such as LEEDS information for Place Riel, and sitting in on University Committees that were not represented last year.

Vice-President (Operations & Finance) Report: June 2007

Other

Having not attended any conferences in the month of June, I spent the entire month of June in the office working on projects and having meetings with administration. I also did not take any classes, as I am going into my first year of Commerce after completing my B.A. Business Economics in May. This was quite a slow month again for the VP Operations & Finance, as the majority of portfolio duties occur during Term's 1 & 2.

Vice-President (Operations & Finance) Report: July 2007

Place Riel Steering Committee

In July, the USSU were given the unfortunate news that FMD and Purchasing were requiring us to open up an RFP for architects, although Saunders & Evans Architects had already done extensive work on the project. This added some tension to the summer, as the 2007/2008 Executive has the goal of breaking ground next summer.

Other

July was filled with Campus Club questions about ratification, insurance, and funding. Additionally we had some large groups come inquiring about insurance and I had numerous meetings with them about what they could and couldn't do that would satisfy our insurance agents.

Vice-President (Operations & Finance) Report: August 2007

Place Riel Steering Committee

Up to this point, it was looking as if this year's Executive would be unable to obtain approval to begin construction on Place Riel. However by mid-August, we had received great news that Saunders & Evans would be our architect for the project and that while although the timeline was tight, it was attainable. Additionally the Executive decided to develop a Place Riel Student Advisory Board that would deal solely with issues of the Renovation. This meant drafting a terms of reference for this board and getting everything in line for Term 1.

Welcome Week

The USSU Executive had a number of meetings with different groups on campus about being present at their orientations. This included the International Student Office, and Ulife, along with sponsoring additional orientations. On top of this was the USSU's Welcome Week in the bowl, which required a number of decisions to be made from Carless Drive-In, entertainment, and of course the sought after Survival Calendar handout.

Other

I also spent a lot of August preparing for a very busy term 1 and made sure everything was prepared for my board, for ratification, and for insurance.

Day-to-Day Activities

May 2007

05/01/07 – Elk Ridge Resort for Executive Retreat
05/02/07 – Elk Ridge Resort for Executive Retreat
05/03/07 – Elk Ridge Resort for Executive Retreat
05/04/07 – Organization of Office
05/04/07 – Telephone Meeting with Jewish Students' Society regarding ratification
05/04/07 – New Executive orientation (Office information, AAO information, computer information)
05/05/07 – CFS Saskatchewan AGM
05/07/07 – Campus Groups Policy review
05/07/07 – Telephone meeting with USST regarding ratification
05/07/07 – Amnesty International proof of ratification in 2006/07 year
05/08/07 – Campus Group Ratification sheet made available to campus community
05/08/07 – HR Policies meeting
05/08/07 – Updated Account Number list
05/08/07 – Sustainability Report meeting with Jeh Custer
05/08/07 – University of Saskatchewan Budget Committee briefing regarding Enrollment plan
05/09/07 – Orientation with Freda Salikin and Staff
05/09/07 – Survival Guide pictures with Christian Cortez
05/09/07 – U of S Planning and Budget Committee meeting
05/09/07 – Meeting with Jeh Custer regarding Sustainability and the Op/Fin portfolio
05/09/07 – Parliamentarian Training with Brent Thoma
05/10/07 – Solar Energy Conference at Willows Golf Course
05/10/07 – Executive Committee Meeting
05/10/07 – Lunch with David Hannah (Associate VP SESD)
05/10/07 – Orientation with USSU Accountants
05/10/07 – Orientation with Marketing Services Coordinator
05/11/07 – Sask. Hall Club Space reassessment
05/11/07 – Campus Club Ratification for 2007/08 made available
05/13/07 – USC Orientation
05/14/07 – Campus Club Space work
05/14/07 – Student Enhancement Fund Meeting
05/15/07 – Petty Cash Review – April
05/15/07 – Online Ratification work (DSU Website, what needs to be included)
05/16/07 – Louis' bar contract meeting
05/16/07 – Orientation with Rob Martz and Christian Cortez
05/16/07 – Executive Committee meeting
05/16/07 – Parliamentarian Training with Brent Thoma
05/17/07 – Student Care research
05/17/07 – USSU Expansion Steering Committee briefing
05/17/07 – USSU Head Lease briefing
05/17/07 – Student Care meeting with Kristin

05/18/07 – Lunch with Brian Saunders regarding Place Riel Expansion
05/18/07 – Place Riel Expansion Meeting
05/18/07 – E-Commerce meeting with Scott H. and Jason V. regarding online ratification
05/22/07 – Telephone meeting with Jason Kovitch regarding Louis' bar contract
05/22/07 – Committee and portfolio review
05/22/07 – CFS Conference prep meeting with Alice Collins
05/23/07 – UPASS Meeting
05/23/07 – Meeting with Bob Ferguson at Boffins Club
05/23/07 – Parliamentarian Training
05/24/07 – CFS Semi-annual General Meeting in Ottawa
05/25/07 – CFS Semi-annual General Meeting in Ottawa
05/26/07 – CFS Semi-annual General Meeting in Ottawa
05/27/07 – CFS Semi-annual General Meeting in Ottawa
05/28/07 – CFS Semi-annual General Meeting in Ottawa
05/29/07 – Admin Team
05/29/07 – Sport Insurance meeting with Barb Pocha of Aon insurance
05/29/07 – Meeting with Dave Hannah and Noell Seaman regarding the U of S alcohol policy and SERM Program
05/30/07 – Exec Committee meeting
05/30/07 – HR and Centres orientation
05/30/07 – Space discussion with alumni
05/30/07 – Parliamentarian Training
05/31/07 – Cold Beverage Committee Meeting
05/31/07 – Meeting with Muslim Students' Association
05/31/07 – Financial Accountabilities for April, 2007
05/31/07 – Coke Inventory

June 2007

06/01/07 – EDO
06/04/07 – Meeting with Elemental Designs
06/04/07 – Meeting with Catholic Christian Outreach
06/05/07 – Habitat for Humanity
06/06/07 – Convocation
06/06/07 – Parliamentarian Training
06/07/07 – Elections Policy meeting
06/07/07 – Exec Committee
06/07/07 – Financial Review – April
06/08/07 – Meeting with Margaret Asmuss
06/08/07 – Meeting with Jim Greer (ULC)
06/11/07 – CFS Appeal in Regina
06/12/07 – Student Crew/Safewalk Supervisor interview x 2
06/12/07 – LEEDS Certification investigation
06/12/07 – Meeting with Charlie Clark
06/12/07 – Quick Exec Meeting
06/13/07 – Self-Insurance investigation

06/13/07 – Student Crew/Safewalk Supervisor interview
06/13/07 – Parliamentarian Training
06/14/07 – Exec Committee
06/14/07 – Meeting with Jewish Students Association
06/15/07 – UPASS Agreement overview
06/17/07 – USC Meeting (Quorum not present)
06/18/07 – Lower Sask. Hall Rental Policy review and amendments
06/19/07 – Admin Team meeting
06/20/07 – Student Crew/Safewalk supervisor hiring committee meeting
06/20/07 – Coke Merchandise meeting
06/20/07 – Survival Guide review
06/21/07 – Luncheon for US Ambassador to Canada David Wilkins
06/21/07 – Exec Committee
06/22/07 – Board of Governors Accountability and Transparency Luncheon
06/25/07 – Meeting with Nowell Seaman regarding CURIE sponsoring Ian McGregor to attend BOCF Summercon
06/26/07 – Meeting with Brad Trost
06/26/07 – June B'day celebration in the office
06/27/07 – Exec Committee
06/27/07 – Louis'/Browsers Planning meeting
06/29/07 – Coke Merchandise for June
06/29/07 – National Aboriginal Day of Action

July 2007

07/03/07 – Meeting with David Hannah regarding Kinesiology event
07/04/07 – Exec Committee
07/04/07 – Lower Sask. Hall Evictions
07/05/07 – June EDO
07/06/07 – July EDO
07/09/07 – ½ a Sick day
07/09/07 – Campus Club questions x3
07/10/07 – Admin Team
07/10/07 – Meeting with David Hannah regarding hardware failure on PAWS
07/10/07 – SERM report review
07/10/07 – Lunch meeting with Big brother/sister
07/10/07 – Meeting with Carol Skelton
07/11/07 – Campus – 411 research
07/11/07 – Online Ratification work
07/11/07 – Meeting with Brad Flavell
07/11/07 – Compensation Committee meeting
07/12/07 – Meeting with Commerce Advisor
07/12/07 – U of S Alcohol Policy work
07/13/07 – Exec Committee
07/13/07 – USSU Survival Guide Review
07/13/07 – Griffith's Stadium discussion about plastic cups and beer

07/16/07 – RFP for architects on Place Riel
07/16/07 – Meeting with Purchasing and FMD regarding Saunders & Evans drawings being given to interested parties
07/17/07 – Phone Meeting with Commerce regarding LB5Q
07/17/07 – Site inspection for LB5Q insurance
07/17/07 – Plastic Cups for beer at Griffith's Stadium meeting
07/17/07 – Meeting with Judy Wall regarding \$20 fee for parking pass sale
07/18/07 – Exec Committee
07/18/07 – Banking survey
07/19/07 – Meeting with Ricky Forbes of SCSS regarding LB5Q
07/19/07 – Tour of Diefenbaker Centre
07/23/07 – Meeting with David Hannah regarding TCU Event
07/23/07 – Meeting with International Student Office
07/23/07 – USC Meeting – Quorum not present
07/24/07 – Admin Team
07/24/07 – Phone Meeting with URSU VP Operations & Finance
07/25/07 – Telephone conference with Ian McGregor and Nowell Seaman
07/25/07 – Finance Meeting with GM and Controller
07/25/07 – Communications manager interview
07/26/07 – Meeting with ULife 101 regarding orientation
07/26/07 – Exec Committee
07/26/07 – Reunion Dinner meeting
07/26/07 – Communications manager interview
07/27/07 – Sick Day
07/30/07 – Meeting with Chemistry Students Society
07/30/07 – Meeting with USASK ITS
07/31/07 – Coke Merch
07/31/07 – Connie and Scotts going away lunch
07/31/07 – Filming for orientation video

August 2007

08/01/07 – Communication's Manager Interview x2
08/01/07 – Communication's Manager Decision meeting
08/01/07 – Meeting with Barb Pocha regarding Sport Insurance
08/01/07 – UPASS Agreement review
08/02/07 – Place Riel Expansion – Architect Proposal review
08/02/07 – Communication's Manager decision meeting
08/03/07 – Architect Evaluation proposal meeting
08/03/07 – Exec Committee
08/03/07 – Student Care presentation
08/07/07 – Admin Team
08/07/07 – Rewriting Policy work (Exec Credit Card)
08/07/07 – Executive Policy Review
08/07/07 – Meeting with Brad Flavell
08/08/07 – USC Policy Review

08/08/07 – Filemaker orientation
08/08/07 – Input of ratified Campus Groups onto Filemaker site
08/08/07 – Campus Groups Policy changes
08/08/07 – Parliamentarian Training
08/09/07 – Exec Committee
08/09/07 – Sensitivity training
08/10/07 – Meeting with Barb Pocha regarding Louis' insurance
08/13/07 – August EDO
08/14/07 – KPMG Audited financial statements review
08/14/07 – Volunteering at Pride Centre
08/14/07 – Meeting with SCSS
08/15/07 – Meeting with Student Crew/Safewalk coordinator
08/15/07 – Meeting with Maurice Vellacott
08/15/07 – Place Riel Architect review with steering committee
08/15/07 – Meeting with Barb Pocha
08/15/07 – Parliamentarian Training
08/16/07 – Reunion Dinner meeting
08/16/07 – Louis' Night Manager Interview x 2
08/16/07 – UPASS Marketing Campaign pictures
08/17/07 – Exec Committee
08/17/07 – Drafting of Terms of Reference for Place Riel Student Advisory Board
08/17/07 – Meeting with USST
08/17/07 – Meeting with ISO
08/20/07 – Housing consultation with Ministers Junor and Yates
08/20/07 – Meeting with ISO
08/21/07 – Admin Team
08/21/07 – Exec Meeting
08/21/07 – Lunch with Peter McKinnon
08/22/07 – Louis'/Browser's Planning Meeting
08/22/07 – Meeting with Student Liaison from University Advancement
08/22/07 – Parliamentarian Training
08/23/07 – Meeting with SADD
08/23/07 – BOCP Summercon preparation
08/23/07 – Summercon Meeting
08/23/07 – Parliamentarian studying
08/23/07 – Accountability Report work
08/24/07 – Summercon Prep
08/24/07 – Meeting with Ian McGregor (SERM)
08/25/07 – Summercon
08/27/07 – Meeting with Brian Saunders
08/27/07 – Exec Committee
08/27/07 – August USC
08/28/07 – Ratified groups input
08/28/07 – CFS Ruling meeting
08/28/07 – Online ratification meeting
08/28/07 – USC Boards Presentation Planning

08/28/07 – Place Riel Steering Committee meeting
08/29/07 – Volunteering at Women's Center
08/29/07 – Meeting with Greg Fowler
08/30/07 – Rob's Going away lunch
08/30/07 – August Birthday party
08/30/07 – International Student Orientation
08/31/07 – Coke Merchandise
08/31/07 – International Student Orientation presentation
08/31/07 – Meeting with ESS Social Director

Accountability Report
Nicole Kenney, VP Student Issues
Summer 2007

General Activities

Office Hours:

Monday to Friday: 8:30 am – 4:30 pm

*Along with various evenings and weekends as necessary

Daily Activities:

- Various Committees and Boards
- Ongoing Projects
- Sustainability Research
- Conversations with disgruntled students
- Email/Telephone correspondence
- Office organizing
- Current events
- Yoga

Classes:

- Quarter 1: Economics
- Quarter 4: Geography

Portfolio Duties:

The Vice President (Student Issues) is a very demanding and dynamic role at the USSU. VP (Student Issues) is responsible for a number of non-academic issues involving students on and off campus. The portfolio includes parking, housing, sustainability, security, equity and disability issues. The VP (Student Issues) is the liaison for all USSU Centers (the Help Centre, Pride Centre, Women's Centre and Victim Advocate). VP (Student Issues) also oversees the USSU's Health and Dental Plan.

As VP (Student Issues), I am challenged by the workload but I embrace the opportunity to make a difference. When you commit yourself to student politics, you just have to give all you've got and go nuts. Or as they proclaim in Latin, "pro bono publico", meaning for the public good. I focus most of my energy on sustainability initiatives to create a greener and healthier campus community for everybody. I am utilizing various creative methods to raise awareness and consciousness about environmental issues.

It is with great pleasure to be VP (Student Issues) for the 2007-2008 year.

MAY 2007

Preparation

- Numerous Orientations with USSU Staff
- Centers
- BOCF
- USSU Constitution and Bylaws
- Sustainability Policy

Research

- Past VP (Student Issues) project proposals
- Student Care
- Disability Student Services
- Parking Services
- Place Riel Renovations

Meetings et al.

2007/05/01- USSU Retreat

2007/05/02- USSU Retreat

2007/05/03- USSU Retreat

2007/05/04- Settling in

- Orientation with Drew (AAO)
- Kendra (Confidential Secretary)
- Scott (IT)

2007/05/07- Economics Class

- Office orientation
- CFS Saskatchewan AGM

2007/05/08- Economics Class

- Jeh Custer (Sustainability Officer)
- HR Policies meeting

2007/05/09- Economics Class

- Orientation with Freda (Operations)
- Louis' Tour
- Info Centre
- Copy Central
- Survival Guide pictures with Christian Cortez

2007/05/10- Economics Class

- Exec Meeting
- Lunch with David Hannah (Student and Enrolment Services)
- Congress
- Orientation with Marketing Services Coordinator

2007/05/11- Economics Class

- CFCR Community Radio

2007/05/13 - USC Orientation

2007/05/14- Women in Leadership and Learning Conference

2007/05/15- Women in Leadership and Learning Conference

2007/05/16-Economics Class

- Orientation with Rob and Christian
- Executive Committee meeting

2007/05/17- Bike Accident (Day off)

2007/05/18- Bike Accident (Day off)

2007/05/19- Economics Class

2007/05/22- Student Advisory Meeting

- CFS Conference Prep
- Committee Revision Meeting

2007/05/23-Review of Committees

- Lunch with Bob Ferguson (Campus Security)
- UPASS Meeting

2007/05/24- CFS Canadian Federation of Students

2007/05/25- CFS Canadian Federation of Students

2007/05/26- CFS Canadian Federation of Students

2007/05/27- CFS Canadian Federation of Students

2007/05/28- CFS Canadian Federation of Students

2007/05/29- Admin Team

- Economics Final
- Meeting with Susan Benz

2007/05/30- Deloitte Breakfast

- Exec Committee
- Orientation (Centres)

2007/05/31- Meeting with Paul Stinson about Craik Solar Fair

- Met with ESSA member regarding sustainability initiatives

June 2007

Preparation

- CFS Court Appeal
- Election policy reviews

Research

- International Sustainable Development conference
- Quebec's University Students Unions
- Green Career Fair

Advocacy

- USSU Childcare

Conference

Tools for Action: International Forum on Applied Sustainable Development
Universite de Sherbrooke

www.USherbrooke.ca/Environment

Quebec Campus Tours

Concordia University

- CUS: Noah Stuart, VP Communications
- Housing and job search office: Leah vel Delcio
- Sustainable Concordia: Jenn Davis, Project Manager

UQAM Student's Union

- J-C Gascon, Student affairs

McGill University

- Student Advocacy Programme, Alison Glaser, Director
- McGill School of Environment,, Pete Barry, Program Coordinator
- Sustainable Student Unions, Graeme Lamb

Sherbrooke University

- Transportation Committee

Laval University

- Linda Larouche, Director of Student Affairs

Other Meetings in Montreal

Sustainability Solutions (LEED Building Design Consulting Group)

- Melissa Garcia Lamarca, Director
- Melissa@sustainabilitysolutions.ca
- www.sustainabilitysolutions.ca

Sierra Youth Coalition

- Rosa Kouri: National Director (Ottawa, ON)
- Yann Louvel: Quebec (Sherbrooke, QC)

Tour of Sherbrooke Eco-Center

Meetings et al.

2007/06/01- Resident Managers

2007/06/04- Elemental Designs

- U of S Recycling Center Tour

2007/06/05- Margret Asmuss Sustainability Coordinator

2007/06/06- May EDO

- Road Map 2020 GHG Strategic Plan for Saskatoon

2007/06/07- USSU Childcare

- Election Policy Review
- Exec Meeting

2007/06/08- Nathan Rissling, University Career and Employment Services
- Jim Greer (ULC)
2007/06/11-CFS Court Appeal in Regina
- Marc Spooner, Ph. D. :Faculty of Education, University of Regina
2007/06/12-EDO
2007/06/13- Travel to Montreal
2007/06/14- Quebec Campus Tours (see above information)
2007/06/15- Quebec Campus Tours
2007/06/18- International Forum on Applied Sustainable Development
2007/06/19- International Forum on Applied Sustainable Development
2007/06/20- International Forum on Applied Sustainable Development
2007/06/21- International Forum on Applied Sustainable Development
2007/06/22- Quebec Campus Tours
2007/06/25- Holiday
2007/06/26- Holiday
2007/06/27- Holiday
2007/06/28- Holiday
2007/06/29- Holiday

July 2007

Projects

- Curbside Recycling for USSU employees
- Waste Management Task Force (ongoing)

Research

- Composting Project research (Red wigglers for vermi-composting)
- World Social Forum research
- Sustainable Campus Project- www.syc-cjs.org/sustainable
- Preparing for Designated Parking Program

Advocacy

- Challenging the \$20 parking registration fee
- Cups used for Beer at Football games is crazy, wasteful, uneconomical

July Meetings et al.

2007/07/04- Executive committee
- Charlie Clark, City Councilor
2007/07/05- Food attendant interview
2007/07/07- CFS meeting with URSU
2007/07/10- Admin Team
- Carol Skeleton, Conservative MP
2007/07/12- Waste Management Taskforce
2007/07/13- Quint Development (Affordable housing)

2007/07/17- Judy Wall, Consumer Services (Parking)

- Student Care, Kristin Foster

2007/07/18- Kelly Goyer, Waste Management

- Kelly Emke, Environmental Programs Manager, Environmental Services, City of Saskatoon

- Saskatoon Energy and Greenhouse Gas Management Plan Forum

2007/07/19- ADO

2007/07/20- EDO

2007/07/23- Vermi-composting, Wayne Schidowski

2007/07/24- Admin Team

2007/07/25 - Sick Day (Wisdom teeth extraction)

2007/07/26 - Sick Day

2007/07/27 - Sick Day

2007/07/30 - Geography Class

2007/07/31 - Geography Class

- Food Services meeting
- Connie and Scotts going away lunch
- Filming for orientation video

AUGUST 2007

Preparation

- SummerCon
- Parking Lottery
- Orientation
- Welcome Week
- University Council
- Food Center

Projects

- Mendal Art Gallery Eco Fair
- Camp Out in the Bowl
- Waste Management Task Force
- Vermi-Composting

Research

- Bike Compounds
- Housing crisis

Advocacy

- Housing homeless student

August Meetings et al.

2007/08/01- Geography Class

- UPASS Agreement review

- 2007/08/02- Geography Class
- Oxfam Canada
- 2007/08/03- Geography Class
- Exec Committee
 - Bylaws Committee Meeting
- 2007/08/07- Geography Class
- Admin Team
 - Rewriting Policy work (Exec Credit Card)
 - Executive Policy Review
- 2007/08/08- Geography Class
- Phaedra Hitchings, Community Learning Center
- 2007/08/09- Geography Class
- Sensitivity Training
 - Exec Committee
- 2007/08/10- Geography Class
- 2007/08/13- Geography Class
- Orientation/Welcome Week Meeting
- 2007/08/14- Geography Class
- Vermi-composting presentation
 - Shaw Televised Interview
- 2007/08/15- Geography Class
- Richard Florizone- discussion of long term plans to battle housing crisis, press conference with City of Saskatoon
- 2007/08/16- Geography Class
- Pictures for U-PASS Campaign
- 2007/08/17- Geography Class
- Exec Committee
 - Reunion Dinner meeting
- 2007/08/18- Mendal Art Gallery Eco Fair
- 2007/08/20- Geography Final
- Mentorship
 - Chep Good Food Box Program
- 2007/08/21- Admin Team
- Exec Meeting
 - Lunch with Peter McKinnon
- 2007/08/22- EDO- My 22nd Birthday celebration ☺
- 2007/08/23- Footprint design
- BOCP Summercon Meeting
 - Camp Out Meeting
- 2007/08/24- Environmental Sciences student's society (Eco-bash)
- BOCP Summercon Preparations
 - Meeting with Ian McGregor (Event Risk Management)
- 2007/08/25- Summercon
- 2007/08/27- Meeting with Brian Saunders (Place Reil renovations)
- USC
 - Executive committee

2007/08/28- Holiday

2007/08/29- Student Care Sustainability Sponsorship

- Camp Out Meeting

2007/08/30- Holiday

2007/08/31 - Communications manager

- International Students Orientation

Executive Conference Report

I. Conference

A.1. Conference name:

Canadian Federation of Students 51st Semi-Annual National General Meeting.

A.2. Attended by:

James Pepler, Josie Steeves, Jeremy Ring, Lindsey Levesque, and Nicole Kenney.

A.3. Date and Location of Conference:

May 24 – 28, 2007 Carleton University, Ottawa, ON.

II. Overview

A. *Conference Information*

A.1. Conference theme or purpose:

The CFS Semi-Annual National General Meeting is one of two meetings the CFS holds every year. Members conduct all official business of the organization at the NGMs. This conference serves as an introduction to various student-related issues and provides a forum in which to discuss and influence change dealing with such issues. As well, it provided many opportunities to build a network of student leaders.

A.2. Conference budget:

Accommodations, Transportation, and Registration (\$) x 5: \$4300

Per Diem (\$60/day) x 5: \$1500

TOTAL: \$ 5800

B. *Conference Format*

B.1. Conference itinerary:

There are many meetings with in the NGM including: subcommittee meetings, plenary session, lobby meetings, caucus meetings, provincial component meetings, workshops, and guest speakers.

May 24, 2007.

Welcoming Remarks/Opening Plenary

2:30pm – 5:30pm

Seminar: Current Issues in Higher Education

6:30pm – 9:00pm

May 25, 2007.

Meeting: Constituency Group

8:30am – 9:30am

Meeting: Women's Constituency Group

9:30am – 11:00am

Meeting: Caucus

11:00am – 12:30am

Presentation: Director General CSL Program

1:30pm - 3:00pm

Panel: Student Gains/Setbacks

3:00pm – 4:30pm

Meeting: Provincial/Regional Caucus

4:30pm – 5:30pm

Meeting: Plenary Sub-Committee

6:30pm – 9:00pm

The Plenary Sub-Committees are designed to focus on particular motions and issues that will be voted on during the closing plenary. Delegates are selected through caucuses, provincial components, and constituency groups to represent respective interests. The 4 plenary sub-committees are:

- Budget Committee: Develops a draft budget for the upcoming fiscal year for submission to the closing plenary; recommends to the plenary the amount the Federation will need to invest in its wholly-owned subsidiary, Travel CUTS.
- Policy Committee: Delegates discuss the wording on policy changes, the Federation's stance on current issues, and motions for new policy.
- Organizational and Services Development Committee: Reviews internal structure of the CFS, examines all proposals to amend bylaws, operational policy and standing resolutions, discusses strategy for expanding membership.
- Campaigns and Government Relations Committee: Reviews current issues facing students and determines the focus of the year ahead; establishes goals and strategy relating to these issues.

Meeting: Aboriginal/Graduate Caucus

9:00pm – 11:30pm

May 26, 2007.

Meeting: Constituency Group

8:30am – 9:45am

Meeting: Women's Constituency Group

9:45am – 11:00am

Meeting: Provincial/Regional Caucus

11:00am – 12:30pm

Briefing: Federation Polling/Parliamentary Review

1:30pm – 3:30pm

Panel: Current Issues in Trade Liberalisation

3:30pm – 4:30pm

Guest Speaker: "Education is a Right"

4:30pm – 5:30pm

Meeting: Plenary Sub-Committee

6:30pm – 10:30pm

May 27, 2007.

Meeting: Constituency Groups

8:30am – 9:30am

Meeting: Women's Constituency Group

9:30am – 10:30am

Meeting: Caucus

10:30am – 11:30am

Meeting: Provincial/Regional Caucus

11:30am – 12:30pm

Closing Plenary: Part 1

1:30pm – 5:30pm

Closing Plenary: Part 2

6:30pm – 9:30pm

For a more detailed account of the closing plenary and motions discussed, contact the executive, we have neat binders of the whole thing.

C. Benefits and Recommendations

C.1. The benefit of this conference to my portfolio is:

James Pepler

Leadership is the name of the game for my portfolio, more specifically the liaison aspect and social networking between student unions. Since I chair, co-chair and partake in many committees and meetings it was a great was to see how Robert's Rules of Order is implemented on a grand scale. It was also extremely important to hear the concerns affecting other unions. Giving and receiving advice from a wide variety of different people all over Canada was quite usefull.

Jeremy Ring

This conference provided an adequate amount of knowledge to my portfolio, most importantly as it relates to the development of a detailed budget. Sitting through the budget discussion was definitely interesting. The rest of the conference was pretty lack luster, other than impromptu discussions from other VP's as it relates to campus clubs and their budgets.

Josie Steeves

Directly, there was little benefit to my portfolio at this conference. The CFS is primarily an external body that lobbies various levels of government and currently there is little emphasis on academic quality. Although there was little benefit to my portfolio directly, this was an excellent opportunity to gain insight into the workings of the CFS.

Lindsey Levesque

Attending the National CFS Meeting was beneficial for me because it directly relates to my portfolio and the issues surrounding post-secondary issues. I learned the structure of CFS voting, as well as other procedures that are in place. I also networked with other student unions to gain a perspective on their specific struggles. Overall, I enjoyed experiencing such an opportunity.

Nicole Kenney

The best thing about the CFS conference was the heavy binder I accepted and the muscles that were formed from clutching the influx of information. The CFS is a dynamic organization that plays a key role in the student activist movement. There have never been more reasons to become politically engaged and student voices are urgently needed. The CFS is about building a strong network of students sharing a willingness to get behind a cause and fight for it. The CFS encourages open communication and progressive thought.

The main benefit of the CFS conference was the conversations and inspiration from other student union executives. It was great to informally discuss the issues that students are facing on Canadian soil, and parallel issues stretch from east to west. The conference offered me an opportunity to share and swap ideas with other budding politicians. It is a great opportunity to network and create connections that will support me during my term in office.

C.2. The benefit of this conference to students is:

James Pepler

Obviously the purpose of CFS is to lobby for students on all matters, not just academic, at a federal level. This conference also allows students to have information on what issues are affecting each Local nation-wide. This will, hopefully, get students involved in student, municipal, provincial, and even federal politics and governance. The CFS is much like a microcosm for any career that follow current events and politics.

Jeremy Ring

The largest benefit of this conference was the networking. I gathered a lot of information to how other student unions do their executive budgets, how they interact with campus clubs, how well their businesses do, and additional information as it relates to our portfolio.

Josie Steeves

I felt that this conference was invaluable in terms of working relationships being formed and background knowledge of the CFS itself. Before attending the conference, I knew relatively little about the services that the CFS offers.

Especially considering the recent failure of the appeal, the more knowledgeable our executive is about the CFS, the better. Furthermore, I was able to establish working relationships with executive members from across the country, which aids me greatly in terms of research and understanding how other university administration operates in other jurisdictions.

Lindsey Levesque

The student body benefits from the USSU executive attending this conference because of the different campaigns that are offered for various types of student groups, as well as the services that are provided. The CFS also provides students with needed research in relation to specific campaigns. This allows

students to rally effectively with the information that is provided in order to gain awareness on any surrounding issues. By also initiating the National Aboriginal Day of Action on June 29th, the student body can become aware of specific details that Aboriginals in Canada face.

Nicole Kenney

Prior to the conference I was unaware what the CFS did for students and I was curious to investigate their advocacy role for post secondary students. Post conference, I became familiar with the vast number of services that CFS offers to its members. The USSU is currently a prospective member so our role in CFS is one of an observer and our direct access to their services is limited. The USSU executive may consider adopting services or concepts from the CFS and mold them to be unique for U of S students.

C.3. Recommendations

James Pepler

I believe that the conference was a positive experience to be apart of. Sending the entire executive was necessary this year, due to our legal predicaments. I have a very neutral opinion of CFS, so I scrutinize whether the students' money is worth sending the whole USSU Executive. It was important to represent Local 17 with as many informed members as possible in our term, but in the future I would suggest sending no more than 3 members. This may seem odd, since you want to be seen as a united front, but I just can't agree to spending that much money on this conference for the entire Executive. For the size of the meeting I thought it was less chaotic than I had heard and expected. The CFS Executive were very helpful in taking time to listen to us.

Jeremy Ring

I would strongly recommend that the Executive take this trip if the USSU continues to be a prospective member. While at a lot of times it was very boring, the networking proved invaluable and a great time with students going through the same problems on their campuses.

Josie Steeves

In the future, it might not be entirely necessary to send every executive member to this conference, especially if the budget is tight. It is necessary to have some representation at these conferences from our local, if pending legal advice says we are even considered members in the future.

Lindsey Levesque

In the future I would recommend the USSU executive to attend the National CFS meeting to become acquainted with the provided services and campaigns. Having the entire executive in attendance was beneficial but having one or two delegates from the USSU would be sufficient.

Nicole Kenney

The CFS conference was a positive learning experience but I would not recommend the future VP Student Issues to attend because of the high financial

and environmental cost. The CFS teaches various leadership skills and techniques but there are local conferences that USSU executives should attend.

Studentcare Meeting

I. Meeting

- A.1. Attended by: Josie Steeves (VP Academic Affairs)
- A.2. Date and Location:
July 13th – 14th, 2007
Montreal, QB

II. Overview

A. Meeting Information

- A.1. Purpose and Objective:

Studentcare had been wanting to get together a focus group of clients to talk about their new sustainability and communication plans. With the Edge Conference in Halifax, they saw this as a sustainable way, since everyone was going out that way anyways, to get student leaders together who represent students that use their Health and Dental plans.

- A.2. Budget Summary:
All costs covered by Studentcare

B. Format

- B.1. Itinerary:
July 12th: Left for Montreal and toured Studentcare facilities
July 13th: Met during the day to learn about sustainability and communication plans
July 14th: Left for Halifax

C. Benefit

- C.1. Fulfillment of Objectives:
Studentcare has done a lot of work to become as sustainable as they possibly can. This year, their goal is to reduce their paper consumption by 75%, with an eventual goal of being carbon neutral. They simply wanted our input into ways that they could be even more sustainable. One important note is that the USSU is

one of the main reasons that Studentcare is trying to become carbon neutral by 2010.

Secondly, Studentcare has a brand new communications platform (ihaveaplan.ca) that they are rolling out in Sept/Oct. The reason for this is to help them focus on accessibility, equity, and sustainability. One of their goals is to ensure that students understand that this is the USSU's Health and Dental plan, and not Studentcare's Health and Dental plan. This is achieved by allowing us to 'brand' the website and develop the content to our own Union. The website is designed in a way that allows students to find information easily and fast, with an easy to fill out PDF claim form that they hand in.

Studentcare has also been developing a new program called SHERPA that is for the Executive to utilize. This program would allow for Studentcare reps to book meetings with Executive members easily, video conferencing, a document repository that archives all claim reports and communication material, and a centralized directory of all key contacts. Furthermore, there will be a customer support Wiki where on campus support staff and other stakeholders will contribute. I raised a concern in the meeting that we run on Mac OS, which is not the norm in student government. So, there might be a difficulty in actually using this program on our computers.

III. Recommendation

Although health and dental is not in my portfolio, I found this meeting to be very useful. I gained a lot of insight into sustainability initiatives that I was able to bring back to the USSU, along with new contacts, and knowledge about our health and dental plan. In the future I recommend that the VP Student Issues tries to go to these meetings, unless a situation such as mine came up, in which I would recommend that any able person attend the meeting.

The Student Edge Conference

I. Conference

- A.1. Attended by: Josie Steeves (VP Academic Affairs)
- A.2. Date and Location:
July 14th – 18th, 2007
Halifax, NS

II. Overview

A. Conference Information

- A.1. Purpose and Objective:

This conference was set up after the Federation of Student Leaders annual conference fell through at Malaspina. It was coordinated by an ex-President of the Dalhousie Student's Union and others who saw that there was a gap and decided to fill it. Much of the conference was centered around Open Space Technology, where the participants create and manage their own agenda, and World Café methodology, which allowed us to converse in a way to give answers to questions that matter in real life situations. This conference gave us a unique opportunity to compare unions and associations in a structured, meaningful way.

VP Academic Affairs's Objective

My objective was to engage in useful conversations with other SU's/SA's in an attempt to identify points in the USSU that could be strengthened. In regards to the Academic Affairs portfolio, I also wanted to learn new ways to interact with University Administration, to examine the differences in academic processes between the U of S and other institutions in an attempt to improve ours, and to get student's involved in the USSU in a meaningful way.

- A.2. Budget Summary
 - Per Diems:** \$420
 - Registration:** \$425
 - Accommodations:** \$ 143.70
 - Airfare:** \$639.29
 - Transportation:** \$18
 - Total:** \$1,645.99

B. Format

B.1. Itinerary:

See Appendix A

C. Benefit

C.1. Fulfillment of Objectives:

VP Academic

There was some hesitation when we first looked at sending delegates to this conference. Instead of being based around seminars taught by professionals, there were these sessions called 'Open Space' and 'World Café'. But, these were the sessions that I personally found to be the most rewarding and informative. By talking to student unions and associations from across Canada, I was able to sort out some best practices, and perhaps find points in our own student's union that could be strengthened.

One thing that I saw was that our student's union does a poor job of executive transition. Most student unions of our size have some method of formal transition beyond a simple meeting between old and new executive. I feel that we are at one end of the spectrum, with the University of Western Ontario at the other. The UWO executive has a 13-month term instead of a 12-month term, and the extra month is set aside for transition. The old executive creates a binder forecasting how they see the next year going, with advice and guidance for the new executive. Furthermore, a business professional is brought in to run sessions for the new executive, effectively teaching their VP Op/Fin how to run/manage a business. Every day meetings are scheduled with someone in the University community that is necessary for the new executive to be successful at their jobs. This model is not really practical for our union, because it costs a lot of money to do. But, there are things that I found other student unions do that we could be doing, such as creating a binder explaining the position to the new executive member. This would give some much needed guidance that is currently lacking.

The next major conclusion that I came to is that our student's union may not be structured to run as effectively as it possibly could. Many other student unions/associations were structured extremely different than ours is, and I would be curious to discover which model is best. I do not make any particular conclusions regarding this, but it may be beneficial in the future to bring an outside expert in to critically look at our structure, including our constitution and bylaws, to make recommendations.

The relationship with campus clubs is another possible weak point in our student's union. We have a very distant, hands off relationship with all the campus clubs at the U of S, possibly leading to disassociation with the student's union. Furthermore, it came to my attention that most other student unions of our size coordinate campus club banking with the student's union. This protects them from issues of corruption within campus clubs, as well as it allows for a greater control of events. The VP Op/Fin of the University of Waterloo explained to me that they are held liable for the actions of the campus clubs that they ratify. Therefore, if someone got hurt at an event due to carelessness, it would be the student's union that is liable for those actions, because they ratified the club. This may not be the situation at the U of S, but for legal reasons it needs to be examined.

The last item I had to bring back to our student's union is in regards to our head lease for Place Riel. This comes up for negotiation in 2008, and I believe that our student's union is 'getting the shaft' by the University. Again, this is something that exists on a sort of spectrum, with the USSU at one extreme and a host of other student unions on the other. Plenty of student unions do not pay a dime for their student's union. They do not pay utilities, they do not pay for caretaking, they do not pay for maintenance along with having an indefinite lease for only \$1 a year. This is the case with the Dalhousie Student's Union, where they went to court over their head lease and received the settlement that I just outlined. Furthermore, I had a conversation with the President of St. Mary's University (not the Student Union's President) regarding this, and his remark was that he just thought that was the norm across Canada. This is also the case with the University of British Columbia's Alma Mater Society, and to a lesser extent the University of Waterloo and Western Ontario. Considering that we were forced to go over budget last year because of rising utility costs, this may be something that we want to look into.

In terms of my own portfolio I learned about many different methods of advocacy and how other student unions deal with University Administration. It was stressed to me numerous times, most notably from the President of St. Mary's University that regular meetings are critical for successfully creating positive relationships. It was also suggested to me from another VP Academic that I schedule meetings with every dean, department head, and other academic head at the University simply to say hello and foster a working relationship. This is something that I plan to do once the academic year starts and people get back from vacation.

It also came to my attention that most institutions have mandatory teaching evaluations, but the U of S does not. Some, such as the U of A and UBC, make either all or part of the results from these evaluations available for student's to see. Others have their own form of 'Rate my Prof' that they administer on their webpage for students to use. Although it would be great to have the results

available for students to consider when choosing a class (because in reality a prof does make or break a class), the first step is to get the evaluations to be mandatory.

Something else that I found interesting is the possibility of a University Ombudsperson to review cases of students or professors who have issues. This person would have certain authorities and powers that the student's union will never be able to have. Also, the VP Academic from the University of Alberta suggested that I should take a look at the bookstore and determine the margin of profit that they are making off of students. He has instituted a campaign called 'How to Save Students A Million Dollars' which would be interesting to consider on our campus.

Lastly, every student's union and association has the issue of getting students involved on campus. Apathy is a problem nation wide, and the answer has not been found yet. We were given some good suggestions, with the notion of facebook, blogs, and other online media being extremely important for connecting with students. I also noticed that most other student unions/associations had clothing that they sold to students, which could give a sense of pride and belonging.

III. Recommendation

A few of the Edge participants got together at the end to talk about the future of Edge. I learned more in 5 days at Edge than I would have learned in 4 months on the job. This conference was extremely worthwhile, and my only regret is not sending the entire executive to it. Next year, it is my hope that the new executive attends this conference, where I am sure that they will view it as worthwhile as I did.

Campus Sexual Assault Survivor's Bill of Rights

The University of Saskatchewan Students' Union (USSU) is committed to creating and maintaining a community in which its members are free from all forms of exploitation, harassment, and violence. As such, the USSU requires that survivors of sexual assault and all other forms of sexualized violence and/or harassment be afforded certain basic rights.

All survivors have the right to be informed of procedures to follow if a sex offense occurs, including who should be contacted, to whom the offense may be reported, and what services are available. Specifically:

- (i) All survivors have the right to be informed of their options to notify the proper law enforcement authorities, including the Department of Campus Safety and the Saskatoon City Police; and the option to be assisted in this action, if they so choose.
- (ii) All survivors have the right to be informed of their options to seek medical attention, including the types of procedures available and the places where said procedures can be performed.
- (iii) All survivors have the right to be notified of existing counselling, mental health and/or student services, both on-campus and in the community.
- (iv) All survivors have the right to be informed of their options for, and available assistance in, changing academic and living situations after an incident, if so requested by the survivor and if such changes are reasonably available.
- (v) All survivors have the right to decide which course of action (or non-action) is best for them and, if so chosen, all survivors have the right to seek assistance when deciding their preferred course of action. All survivors contacting the University of Saskatchewan Students' Union shall be provided with the contact information for the USSU Victim Advocate, a free and confidential support service designed to help guide survivors through the processes listed above.
- (vi) All survivors have the right to confidentiality consistent with applicable legal requirements.
- (vii) All survivors have the right to have all allegations of sexual assault, violence and/or harassment treated seriously, and are entitled to the rights listed above regardless of the circumstances surrounding the incident, the amount of time that has passed since the incident, their race, ethnicity, sexual orientation, gender identity, ability, age, class or creed, and whether or not the incident was reported to law enforcement.

This Bill of Rights is based upon the *Campus Sexual Assault Victim's Bill of Rights* (1992)

DECLARATION OF STUDENT RIGHTS



The University of Saskatchewan Students' Union recognizes the following as fundamental rights of all undergraduate students.

PREAMBLE

Whereas recognition of the inherent dignity and of the equal and inalienable rights of all members of the University family is the foundation of freedom, justice and peace on this campus,

Whereas the advent of a campus in which all students shall enjoy freedom of speech and belief and freedom from fear has been established as the highest aspiration of the University family,

Whereas it is essential to promote the development of friendly relations between students, faculty, administration, and within those divisions themselves,

Whereas the students at the University of Saskatchewan have expressed their faith in fundamental human rights, in the dignity and worth of the human person and in the equal rights of men and women, and have determined to promote social progress and better standards.

Article 1.

All students are free and equal in dignity and rights. They are endowed with reason and conscience and should act towards one another in a spirit of togetherness.

Article 2.

All students are entitled to all the rights and freedoms set forth in this Declaration, without distinction of any kind, based on age, ability, class, creed, race, ethnicity, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, language, religion, political or other opinion, national or social origin, property, birth, status, student status, or any other characteristic.

Article 3.

All students have the right to life, liberty and security of person.

Article 4.

All students shall be free from an individual in a position of power using offers of academic or non-academic advantage to obtain sexual or other favours

Students shall be free from reprisals should they refuse offers of academic or non-academic advantage in exchange for sexual or other favours

Article 5.

No one shall be subjected to humiliating, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment.

Article 6.

Every student has the right to recognition everywhere on campus as a person before the law.

Article 7.

All students are equal before the law and are entitled without any discrimination to equal protection under the law. All are entitled to equal protection against any discrimination in violation of this Declaration and against any incitement to such discrimination.

Article 8.

Every student has the right to an effective remedy by the competent organizations for acts violating the fundamental rights granted them by the constitution or by law.

Article 9.

No student shall be subjected to arbitrary arrest, detention, suspension, expulsion or failure.

Article 10.

Every student is entitled in full equality to a fair and public hearing by an independent and impartial committee, in the determination of his/her rights and obligations and of any criminal charge against them.

Article 11.

(1) Everyone charged with an academic offence has the right to be presumed innocent until

proven guilty according to bylaws in a public trial at which they have had all the guarantees necessary for his/her defence.

- (2) Everyone charged with a non-academic offence has the right to be presumed innocent until proved guilty according to bylaws in a public trial at which they have had all the guarantees necessary for his/her defence.

Article 12.

No student shall be subjected to arbitrary interference with his or her privacy, family, home or correspondence, or to attacks upon his or her honour and reputation. Everyone has the right to the protection under the law against such interference or attacks.

Article 13.

- (1) Every student has the right to freedom of movement and access within the confines of the campus.
- (2) Every student has the right to attend any other institution, and to still be eligible to return to this institution.

Article 14.

Every student has the right to access all public areas, libraries, and computer labs at any time during the hours of operation

Article 15.

Every student has the right to a nationality and a heritage, and to not be deprived of it or have it ridiculed for any reason.

Article 16.

- (1) Men and women of university entrance age, without any limitation due to ethnicity, class ability, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, nationality or religion, have the right to attend this institution.
- (2) The institution shall only be entered if academic standards are met, and if tuition has been paid.
- (3) The student is one of and the largest of the natural and fundamental groups of campus society and is entitled to protection by the institution.

Article 17.

Every student has the right to not be arbitrarily deprived of his/her property.

Article 18.

Every student has the right to freedom of thought, conscience and religion; this right includes freedom to change his/her religion or belief, and freedom, either alone or in community with others and in public or private, to manifest his/her religion or belief in teaching, practice, worship and observance.

Article 19.

Every student has the right to freedom of opinion and expression; this right includes freedom to hold opinions without interference and to seek, receive and impart information and ideas through any media and regardless of frontiers.

Article 20.

Every student has the right to freedom of peaceful assembly and association.

Article 21.

- (1) Every student has the right to take part in the student government of this institution, directly or through freely elected representatives.
- (2) Every student has the right of equal access to public service in this institution.

Article 22.

Every student, as a member of campus society, has the right to services essential to the full realization of an individual's potential.

Article 23.

- (1) Every student has the right to attend, to learn and to receive just and appropriate marks in any class they are registered in.
- (2) Every student, without any discrimination, has the right to equal marks for equal work.
- (3) Every student has the right to appeal any mark they find unfair, biased or inexplicable.

Article 24.

Every student has the right to rest and leisure, including reasonable rest periods and time to prepare for midterm and final examinations.

Article 25.

- (1) Every student has the right to education. Technical and professional education shall be made generally available and higher education shall be equally accessible to all on the basis of merit.
- (2) Education shall be directed to the full development of the human personality and to the strengthening of respect for human rights and fundamental freedoms. It shall promote understanding, tolerance and friendship among all social groups.

Article 27.

- (1) Every student has the right to freely participate in the cultural life of the campus community, to enjoy the arts and to share in scientific advancement and its benefits.
- (2) Every student has the right to the protection of the moral and material interests resulting from any scientific, literary or artistic production of which they are the author.

Article 28.

- (1) Every student has responsibilities to the campus community in which alone the free and full development of his/her personality is possible.
- (2) In the exercise of his/her rights and freedoms, every student shall be subject only to such limitations as are determined by law solely for the purpose of securing due recognition and respect for the rights and freedoms of others and of meeting the just requirements of morality, public order and the general welfare in a democratic society.

Article 30.

International students shall have the same rights as other students at this institution, including: the right to run for student political office in the universities student union or in any organization within their respective college, the right to seek employment off of campus, and the right to freedom from discrimination and cultural insensitivity.

Article 31.

Mature students shall have the same rights as other students at this institution, including: the right to run for student political office in the universities student union or in any organization within their respective college, the right to be treated the same as any other student at this institution, and the right to seek help if their rights are being violated.

Article 32.

Transgender and gender neutral individuals shall have the same rights as other students at this institution, including: the right to run for student political office in the universities student union or in any organization within their respective college, the right to be treated the same as any other student at this institution, and the right to seek help if their rights are being violated.

Article 33.

Nothing in this Declaration may be interpreted as implying the right to engage in any activity or to perform any act aimed at the destruction of any of the rights and freedoms set forth herein.

This Declaration is based upon the United Nations Universal Declaration of Human Rights (1948)

Executive Committee

Minutes for Tuesday, September 4, 2007

Present: Jeremy Ring, Josie Steeves, Nicole Kenney, Lindsey Levesque, Caroline Cottrell
(President Pepler was at Orientation and joined the second meeting at 4:00)

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 p.m.

2. Call for Quorum

Quorum was present

3. Roundtable

President James Pepler

- Volunteered at the Pride and Women's Centre
- USSU Expansion Steering Committee
- Speech for the Residence Assistants
- Tours coming in to the office
- Undergraduate Forum Meeting with David Hannah
- International Students' Orientation and presentations
- First Year Orientation MC preparations
- Full days of Orientation Master of Ceremonies duties.
- Housing Crisis interview

VP Lindsey Levesque

- Volunteering at the Women's Centre
- Daycare board meeting
- Coordinating details for the Maggie de Vries writers' series
- Answered U-Pass emails, Presented U-Pass Information for Parent Orientation
- EDO
- Presented U-Pass information for Parent Orientation
- Admin team
- Orientation for Royal West College
- Camp Out in the Bowl Meeting

VP Jeremy Ring

- August USC
- Ratified groups input
- CFS Ruling meeting
- Online ratification meeting
- USC Boards Presentation Planning

- Place Riel Steering Committee meeting
- Volunteering at Women's Center
- Meeting with Greg Fowler
- Rob's Going away lunch
- August Birthday party
- International Student Orientation
- Coke Merchandise
- International Student Orientation presentation
- Meeting with ESS Social Director
- Orientation
- Parliamentarian Training Exam
- Admin Team
- Orientation at Royal West College
- Meeting with Jesse of Young NDP
- Meeting with Garrett of U of S Debate Society

GM Caroline Cottrell

- Manager's Meeting
- Meeting and phone calls re. CFS ruling
- Place Riel Steering Committee Meeting
- Child care lease meetings
- Meetings re. Communications changes
- Marketing meeting
- Management Strategy meetings
- Rob Martz's farewell
- Dealing with UPass

4. Maggie De Vries

VP Levesque introduced the topic of having a lecture by Maggie de Vries, Governor General Award winning author who has written on missing women. (See attached proposal.) She wants to bring her to speak at Browsers and was seeking Executive approval.

EXEC31
Steeves/Kenney

Move to provide sponsorship as per the attached proposal.

Carried

5. Place Riel

GM Cottrell asked if the Executive would be willing to entertain variations on the name of the building in exchange for sponsorship money. This may or may not be an issue depending on what Jason Ventnor can put together. The Executive is willing to examine possibilities if they come forward.

6. History Book

Rob Martz, former Communication Manager, had suggested that the history of the USSU, scheduled for release on September 14th, should be excerpted in *the Sheaf*, if the paper was willing to so. This is agreeable to the Executive.

7. Homecoming Events

The Executive discussed attending events during Homecoming in addition to the Executive reunion dinner and the tailgate party. There are two primary options – the Alumni Banquet on September 13th or the Centennial Dinner on September 15th. GM Cottrell will investigate the particulars and report back.

8. Presentation on USC Boards

VP Ring is preparing a PowerPoint presentation for the session on September 10th and asked if other Executive members were interested in doing the same. The presentations will take place in the Neatby-Timlin Theatre so the equipment is *in situ*.

9. SALs

VP Ring raised the issue of opening applications for SALs. The Executive wants the Boards filled and working as soon as possible.

EXEC32 Move to open applications for SALs and provided the necessary
Ring/Levesque advertising.

Carried

10. Huskie Cheerleaders

The president of the cheerleading squad has asked to speak to the Executive to ask for permission to put posters in the Buzzboards. The Buzzboards are normally reserved for USSU material, services and operations.

EXEC33 Move to grant the Huskie Cheerleaders space in the Buzzboards
Ring/ No one seconded this motion so it failed. VP Ring will contact
 the squad to discuss their request.

11. Club Ratifications

EXEC34 Move to ratify Frontier College and U of S Students for Life
Ring/Levesque

Carried

The meeting was temporarily suspended at 2:45 and reconvened at 4:00 with President Pepler in attendance and VP Kenney absent.

12. CampOut in the Bowl

VP Ring brought the proposal and budget from VP Kenney and VP Levesque's CampOut in the Bowl Project forward. This is intended to raise awareness of the housing crisis. All necessary approvals have been sought and obtained.

EXEC35 Move to approve CampOut in the Bowl Project Proposal.
Ring/Steeves

Carried

Meeting adjourned at 4:15 p.m.

Executive Committee
Minutes for Friday, September 7, 2007

Present: Josie Steeves, Lindsey Levesque, Jeremy Ring

1. Call to Order

The Meeting was called to at 2:50

2. Call for Quorum

Quorum was present.

3. Club Ratifications

EXEC36 Move to ratify AIESEC Saskatoon, Education Students Society,
Ring/Levesque We Are Many, Ore Gangu, U of S Drama Club, Orthodox
 Christian Fellowship, U of S Gamers Club, and the Law Students
 Association.

Carried

Adjourned

Executive Committee

Minutes for Tuesday, September 10, 2007

Present: James Pepler, Jeremy Ring, Josie Steeves, Nicole Kenney, Lindsey Levesque, Caroline Cottrell

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 2:12 p.m.

2. Call for Quorum

Quorum was present

3. Roundtables

President James Pepler

- Was Master of Ceremonies for Orientation for Monday and Tuesday
- Camp-out planning
- Master of Ceremonies for much of Welcome Week
- Lots of Media spots again
- Put together the Carless Drive-in and supervised the ordeal.
- Had University Student Council
- Put in loads of holiday work and 12 hour days
- Was devastatingly sick, yet still came in feeling like crap.
- Presented for U-life classes
- Launched my own line of colognes called 'Urethra: smell the spray'.

VP Lindsey Levesque

- Attended Math 121 class and tutorial
- USC
- Took part in Welcome Week festivities on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, while handing out Survival Guides
- Attended a presentation by Rona Ambrose, Minister of Western Economic Diversification and Intergovernmental Affairs at the Radisson Hotel

VP Josie Steeves

- Welcome Week Festivities
- First Class
- Academic Integrity Week Planning Meeting
- Provost/VP Academic Search Committee
- C95 Radio Interview about Welcome Week
- RSAW Committee
- Exec Committee
- Student x4
- PAL Peer Mentoring Training Presentation - Sunday

VP Jeremy Ring

- Meeting with Marc Pituley of Campus for Christ
- Class
- Welcome Week
- Meeting with Ore Gangué
- Welcome Week
- Class
- USC
- Meeting with Colin Hartl and SEA regarding Place Riel
- Class
- Welcome Week
- Exec Committee
- Ratified Campus Clubs inputting
- Class

GM Caroline Cottrell

- Many welcome week activities
- Many UPass issues
- Communications Meeting
- Place Riel Planning
- Meeting with various constituents
- Meetings with the Sheaf
- Meetings re. the book and its launch
- Meetings with all senior managers

4. Survival Guide Dominance

VP Ring noted, for the record, that he has redeemed over 100 high-five coupons from the Survival Guide. He wished the other Executive members to acknowledge his total and absolute dominance of the Executive coupon redemption.

5. Student Submissions to the Integrated Plan

VP Steeves noted that October 15th is the deadline for submissions to the University's integrated plan. The USSU needs to ensure that their voice is heard accordingly, VP Steeves asked her colleagues to prepare written reports. She will then put their input into a coherent USSU report.

6. Ratifications

VP Ring asked that the USSU ratify IEEE and the Society of Atheists, Agnostics and Antitheists.

EXEC37
Ring/Pepler

Move to ratify IEEE University of Saskatchewan Branch and the
Society of Atheists, Agnostics and Antitheists.

Carried

Adjourn 2:22

University Students' Council Agenda

Thursday, September 20th, 2007

- 1. Adoption of an Agenda**
- 2. Introductions and Announcements**
- 3. Council Address**
 - 3.1 Lea Pennock**
 - 3.2 Board Presentations Overview**
- 4. Minutes and Reports for Information**
 - 4.1 USC Minutes – September 13th, 2007**
 - 4.2 Executive Committee Minutes – September 18th, 2007**
 - 4.3 Academic Affairs Board Minutes and Report**
 - 4.4 Appointments Board Minutes and Report**
 - 4.5 Board of College Presidents**
 - 4.6 Code of Ethics Disciplinary Committee Minutes and Report**
 - 4.7 Elections Board Minutes and Report**
 - 4.8 External Affairs Board Minutes and Report**
 - 4.9 Operations & Finance Board Minutes and Report**
 - 4.10 Student Issues Board Minutes and Report**
 - 4.11 Sustainability Board Minutes and Report**
- 5. Motions Arising from the Minutes and Reports**
- 6. Business**
 - 6.1 MSC Appointments to Boards**
- 7. New Business**
- 8. Questions and Comments (30 minutes)**
- 9. Any Other Business**
 - 9.1 AGM Time (November 14th)**
 - 9.2 CFS Update**
 - 9.3 USC Social**
 - 9.4 USC Gifts**
- 10. Adjournment**

University Students' Council

Minutes for Thursday, September 13th, 2007

Present

James Pepler, President
Josie Steeves, VP Academic Affairs
Lindsey Levesque, VP External Affairs
Jeremy Ring, VP Operations & Finance
Nicole Kenney, VP Student Issues
Tyler Olson, Arts & Science
Ashlee Smith, Arts & Science
Warren Kirkland, Associated Residence
Katelyn McAuliffe, Commerce
Adam Abdulla, Dentistry
Breanne Gentner, Education
Elvis Kambeitz, Education
Keith Kuspira, Engineering
Satoshi Shibata, International
James Lawrence, Kinesiology
Neil Karkut, Law
Megan Harder, Nursing
Kimberly Zubot, Pharmacy & Nutrition
Karla Horvey, Physical Therapy
Tamra Knaus, St. Thomas More
Ellyse Schultz, St. Thomas More
Jessica Wales, WCVN

Also Present

Matt Leisle, Chair
Caroline Cottrell, USSU GM

Regrets

Jean-Paul Cote, Agriculture

Absent

Scott Epp, Engineering
Katie Kirkness, Indigenous
Rachana Bodani, Medicine

Minutes were not recorded.

Executive Committee
Minutes for Tuesday, September 18, 2007

Present: Jeremy Ring, Josie Steeves, James Pepler, Caroline Cottrell

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 10:40

2. Call for Quorum

Quorum was present

3. Roundtables

President James Pepler

- Did liaison work at the Commerce BBQ
- Had a presentation for the president's Breakfast
- Place Riel Renovation meeting
- Meeting with Saunders Evans
- CFS strategizing
- Master of Ceremonies at the USSU Reunion
- Attended the Board of Governor's Reunion
- Participated in the kick-off for the Husky Football Game
- Attended homecoming
- Worked with Dave Hannah on the Student Code of Conduct
- Place Riel Sponsorship meeting
- Stayed up all night as security for the Tent-Out in the Bowl
- Plenty of Media work
- Finalized my proposal for the Board of Governors
- Attended class

VP Jeremy Ring

- Meeting with Kim Jones
- USSU Board Presentation preparation
- USSU Board Presentations
- President's Breakfast
- Class
- Meeting with U of S Cheerleading
- Campout in the bowl
- Ulife 101 presentation
- Place Riel Steering Committee Meeting
- Subcontractors meeting regarding Place Riel
- Met with SCSS to pick-up Coke product
- University Students' Council
- September EDO

- USSU Reunion Dinner
- President's Dinner
- Meeting with Rolanda from Coke
- Meeting with James and Lindsay regarding CFS

VP Josie Steeves

- USC Board Presentations
- Student x4
- Breakfast with Peter MacKinnon
- Camp out in the Bowl
- Meeting with Susan Bens, Carole Pond and Student x2
- Camp out in the Bowl
- Ulife Presentation
- Communications Review
- Honourable Warren McCall Presentation
- Academic Support Committee
- Political Studies Open House Homecoming Event
- USSU Reunion Dinner
- Interview with Globe and Mail RE: Housing
- Academic Programs Committee
- President's Gala Homecoming – Saturday
- CFS Discussion
- Student Code of Conduct Working Group
- Admin Team
- Student Members of University Council Orientation Planning

VP Lindsey Levesque

- Camp out in the Bowl
- Math 121 & Math tutorial
- Welcome Week festivities
- Presentation by Rona Ambrose at the Radisson Hotel
- USC Board presentation
- Presidents Breakfast
- Daycare Board meeting
- CBC Radio and Global news
- CCOPS meeting
- Warren McCall Presentation at Browsers
- Meeting with David Karwacki
- IACC meeting
- USSU Reunion Dinner
- Centennial Banquet
- CFS Discussion
- Maggie de Vries Presentation

VP Nicole Kenney

- Reviewing Designated Parking forms and contacted recipients
- Meeting with Wendy Novakaski from Parking Services
- Studentcare and Sustainability meeting Kelly Goyer, Waste Management Coordinator and Margret Asmuss, Sustainability Coordinator
- Exec Team meeting
- Admin Team meeting
- Mentorship meeting
- Communications meeting
- Childcare Budget meeting
- Orientation for Royal West College
- 1st Year U of S Orientation
- International Students' Orientation and presentations
- Welcome Week activities
- STM; 1st year dance
- Meeting with 1st SK Credit Union regarding sponsorship for bike compounds
- Met with 3 students regarding various sustainability issues
- Numerous Media Interviews
- USC
- Board Presentation
- Camp Out planning; budget, registration, evening activities, Quint Development meeting
- Jane Goodall workshop and lecture
- Created centre pieces for the USSU reunion dinner
- USSU Executive reunion dinner co-host
- U of S 100th Anniversary Gala
- Advertising for Maggie de Vries

GM Caroline Cottrell

- Reunion Planning
- Managers' Meeting
- Welcome Week Deconstruct
- Daycare Board
- UPASS Issues
- Campus Site Tour for new Plasmas
- Marketing Meeting
- Communications Meeting
- Place Riel Renovation Meetings
- Centres' Meeting
- USC
- Executive Reunion
- Centennial Ball
- UPASS Deconstruct
- Usual GM Duties
- HR Duties

4. Position Approval

The executive is concerned about creating new positions. Their most significant concern is that these expenses were not included in the budget.

Facilities and Operations Manager Freda Salikin stated that she instigated this new position because of the increase of activity and responsibility. Freda feels that positions are not going to stay the same throughout the year and the increased revenue will offset the cost of this new position. Freda feels that this position is totally justified given the renovations.

Marketing Services Manager Jason Ventnor is concerned that he will not be able to generate the money from projects like the Survival Guide if he is constantly in the office. This would be a 2-year term position with a full review in three months. The review will be of the position not the person chosen to fill the position.

EXEC38 Motion to approve the creation of a term position, of
Steeves/Pepler approximately two years. This position is in support of Facilities,
Marketing and Accounting for the duration of the Place Riel
Renovation.

Carried

5. Ratification

EXEC39 Move to ratify Environmental Studies Students
Ring/Pepler Association, Student Medical Society of Saskatchewan, U of S
Biology Club, Physiology Students Society, Saskatchewan Party
Campus Club and the Associated Residence Committee.

Carried

EXEC40 Move to conditionally ratify the U of S Huskie Cheerleading Club.
Ring/Pepler Upon the condition of receiving payment of fees.

Carried

6. Daycare Board

EXEC41 Move to appoint Sheri Woods to the Daycare Board
Pepler/Ring

Carried

7. CFS

Legal opinion has been provided in writing and the USSU's legal team will meet with the Executive Friday to answer questions.

8. Annual General Meeting

The Annual General Meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 14th, 2007. Council needs to be asked about times.

9. Now Up To Date

President Pepler would like to kindly remind everyone to put their class schedules, EDO's and ADO's on Now Up To Date , even though it can be a chaotic experience.

10. Project Approval

VP Steeves requested project approval for \$60.00 for a University Council Orientation.

EXEC42 Move to approve the requested project funding.

Pepler/Ring

Carried

11. Integrated Plan

VP Steeves is looking for input on the University of Saskatchewan Integrated Plan which is an opportunity to provide input on the direction of the University for the next five years

12. Rental

Jason Ventnor was approached by SECC about renting the Place Riel Kiosk. They would like to do resume consultations from 4-6 PM for term one.

EXEC43 Move to waive the fees for SECC for this rental.

Pepler/Ring

Carried

13. Tables in the Tunnel

Jason Ventnor would like to waive table rental fees during Sexual Assault Awareness Week for the Victim Advocate and some community groups who would like tables

EXEC44 Move to waive table rental fees during Sexual Assault Awareness
Pepler/Steeves Week.

Carried

14. Experience US

The executive will have a table set up at Experience US on October 11th & 12th.

Adjourned

University Students' Council Agenda

Thursday, September 27th, 2007

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University Students' Council

Minutes for Thursday, September 20th, 2007

Present

James Pepler, President
Josie Steeves, VP Academic Affairs
Lindsey Levesque, VP External Affairs
Jeremy Ring, VP Operations & Finance
Nicole Kenney, VP Student Issues
Jean-Paul Cote, Agriculture
Tyler Olson, Arts & Science
Ashlee Smith, Arts & Science
Warren Kirkland, Associated Residence
Katelyn McAuliffe, Commerce
Breanne Gentner, Education
Elvis Kambeitz, Education
Keith Kuspira, Engineering
Satoshi Shibata, International
Neil Karkut, Law
Megan Harder, Nursing
Kimberly Zubot, Pharmacy & Nutrition
Karla Horvey, Physical Therapy
Tamra Knaus, St. Thomas More
Ellyse Schultz, St. Thomas More
Jessica Wales, WCVN

Also Present

Matt Leisle, Chair
Caroline Cottrell, USSU GM
Jeff Galbraith, Arts
Chuck Hamilton, Arts
Laura Keil, Arts

Regrets

Adam Abdulla, Dentistry
James Lawrence, Kinesiology

Absent

Rachana Bodani, Medicine
Katie Kirkness, Indigenous

Meeting was called to order at 6:12 p.m.

1. Adoption of an Agenda

Move to adopt the agenda.

USC Motion14: Horvey/Pepler

Carried.

2. Introductions & Announcements

VP Steeves introduced Dr. Lea Pennock and she will address council tonight.

Member Galbraith introduced himself. He is a member of the USSU, is a lawyer, and is hoping to go to grad school in Biotechnology and Law. Last year he was the Assistant Chief Returning Officer and hopes to be the ACRO this year. He is doing a study on Louis' and will be giving a full report to the General Manager, Caroline Cottrell, in the near future.

3. Council Address

3.1 Lea Pennock

Move to informality.

USC Motion15: Ring/Harder

Carried.

Lea Pennock is the University Secretary. The University Secretary is responsible for governance and works very closely with the governing bodies on campus. She is going to explain the decision making process the university follows. The University of Saskatchewan was established in 1907 by act of the legislature. The Act contains the foundational institutional governing body. Back in 1907 the legislature envisioned a place that was run by a president, a senate, a council, deans, department heads and a board of governors. The Legislature went unchanged until 1995. It was realized by that time that the biggest governing body was University Council, which was made up of the faculty members of the university. This consisted of 900 members in 1995. There was a need for some reform. The University then got a Representative Council, which involved faculty members electing their peers to sit on University Council, which now consists of 105 members. The University's governing structure is very different from a corporate structure. In a corporate structure the president is at the top, followed by the vice presidents, then the people who work for them. The presidents and vice presidents make the decisions. In the University there is more collegial self-governance. Students and faculty take the decision upwards. The academic/financial side of the University is bottom up but the governance from administration is top down. The President is a member of the Administration, Board of Governors and Senate. The governing bodies set the direction for the institution and are accountable to their stakeholders (Provincial government, alumni, faculty, students). They appoint higher senior leadership of the university. On the Administrative side the president, vice-presidents, deans, departments heads do what the governing bodies have told them to do. They are responsible for the details of the plan. The administration reports back to the governing bodies. The officers of the university are the administration. The President of the U of S is Peter MacKinnon. The President serves a five-year term and he is currently in his ninth year. Deans, department heads, provosts and vice-presidents also serve five-year terms. They are chosen by a search committee, which usually consists of students, faculty and administration. There are 4 vice presidents. The first is the Provost, which used to be called VP Academic. It was changed four years ago. The Provost is responsible for planning and coordinating work for all the other vice presidents that fall under them. The other three vice presidents are: Research, Finance and Advancement. Advancement is the newest VP position and consists of fundraising, communications and alumni relations. There is a dean for every college and a department head for every department on campus. Most universities have two governing bodies. Both universities in Saskatchewan have three governing bodies. The Senate is a big body made up of 125 elected members. The Senate meets a few times a year. What most universities call Senate the U of S calls Council. The Senate makes sure people of Saskatchewan have a say in how the university is run, facilitate our outreach, and service learning. This is important to the province. The Board of Governors consists of eleven members and is a really important governing body because it looks after finance, land, resources, and terms of employment. The eleven members are: USSU President, an elected faculty member, five people appointed by the provincial government, two people

appointed by Senate, the President and the Chancellor. The Chancellor, Vera Pezer, is also the Chair of Senate. She was just elected as Chancellor and ballots go out to 125,000 people. Anyone who has graduated from the U of S is eligible to vote for Chancellor. The Chancellor is the highest position in the university. The Board has a variety of committees and meets about seven times a year and members come from all over Canada. They converge on campus for a couple of days and spend one full day in committee meetings and spend the next day at the board meeting. They have reports from Finances, Human Resources, etc. They are not paid for their position but do receive an honorarium. The General Academic Assembly consists of every faculty members and has student representation. It must meet once a year but can meet more often. It has the power to ask the other two governing bodies to reconsider a decision they have made and it can also dissolve council. Council does all of the academic programs. It awards degrees, awards, establishes new schools or colleges, sets exam regulations, academic schedule, reviews library and media technology policies. It has a real interest in the student experience. Council meets on the third Thursday of every month. Everyone is welcome to attend Council meetings. Dr. Pennock stated she would answer any questions council member have.

Chair Leisle thanked Dr. Lea Pennock for speaking to council.

3.2 Board Presentations Overview

President Pepler thanked Dr. Pennock for speaking to USC. He would like to give a quick overview of the USSU Boards.

VP Kenney noted that she chairs the Student Issues Board and the Sustainability Board. The SIB deals with all non-academic student affairs, such as daycare issues, disability issues, ethnicity issues, and the centres. One event that is coming up is Trick-or-Eat, which is a fundraising campaign for the Food Bank. The Sustainability Board deals with recycling, waste reduction, bike compounds and there are a lot of issues that need to be addressed on this campus with regards to sustainability. Each of these boards requires three SAL and three MSCs.

VP Ring noted that the Operations and Finance Board reviews campus club ratifications, requests for funding, and the USSU Budget. One Saturday is spent reviewing the USSU budget line by line. Four MSCs are required to fill this board. He is not on the Elections Board but will speak about it. There are two MSC positions on the EB. If there is a referendum this board will ratify results and it deals with complaints during the elections.

VP Levesque is the chair of the External Affairs Board and President Pepler is the vice-chair. She needs three SAL and three MSCs to fill her board. The EAB deals with lobbying and preparing for provincial and federal elections.

VP Ring noted that 40 SAL applications were submitted.

Chair Leisle spoke about the Code of Ethics and Disciplinary Committee. He is the Chair of this committee. Three MSCs sit on this board and it is not open for SAL. This committee deals with complaints of the Executive and complaints of MSCs. The committee decides whether or not to further investigate the complaints. He noted all of these meetings are in camera. USC must approve all decisions the CEDC makes.

VP Steeves stated that the Academic Affairs Board requires three MSCs. This year she would like to board to do a submission to the University's integrated plan. She would like to see improvements with the Teaching Evaluations on Campus. She would like to team up with University Learning Centre for Integrity Week.

President Pepler stated that the Place Riel Board is comprised of SAL. He is sure there will be enough members to fill the SAL positions.

Move to formality.

USC Motion16: Ring/Kuspira Carried.

4. Minutes and Reports for Information

4.1 USC Minutes

Chair Leisle noted there was a computer malfunction and nothing was recorded.

4.2 Executive Committee Minutes

Councilor Smith noted that Motion 38 on the Executive minutes dated September 18th stated the Executive has approved a new position. She asked what the policy is for creating new positions within the USSU, where the money is coming from and the Executive's opinion on this new position.

VP Ring stated that the USSU HR policy states that the Executive Committee must approve new positions. GM Cottrell brought this forward to the Executive Committee, which was voted on this week. The minutes indicate that the three Executive members present at the meeting were: VP Ring, VP Steeves and President Pepler. Several questions were asked regarding this new position including the function, is it necessary and the biggest thing to note is that it is a two year term. Some companies charge up to \$100,000 to move an office. In addition, new short and long-term leases are being negotiated and investigating sponsorship. Marketing Services Manager, Jason Ventnor, will need to be away from the office to go out into the community and investigate sponsorship. The USSU Compensation Committee normally consists of VP Ring, President Pepler, GM Cottrell and the HR Manager. The HR Manager is on a maternity leave and the Facilities & Operations Manager, Freda Salikin, filled the void. The committee went through a points system to calculate the salary range for this position. The salary will range from \$29,712 to \$51,869. There is an Administration Salary line in the budget, which is where salaries come from; however, the facilities is budgeting for \$325,000 over the projected amount so it

could come out of the facilities budget. The Executive discussed waiting until the 2008/09 budget but the position is needed now and so it will start with a review in three months.

VP Steeves stated the USSU staff mainly the Marketing Services Manager and Facilities and Operations Manager have been working very hard and putting in a lot of overtime and this is prior to the renovation starting. Creating this position will allow the Marketing Services Manager to generate more income for the Students' Union and allow staff to work on larger projects. This position is needed.

Councilor Smith stated she understands that she is aware that the Marketing Services Manager works long and hard but she is completely opposed to this position. She feels it is unnecessary. The USSU has 45 permanent staff members and that is incredibly more than any other Students' Union in the country. The U of R has two permanent staff members and they provide the same services as the USSU. The majority of the Student Union fees go towards paying salaries.

Councilor Harder noted that it seems like the nature of this position is suited for part-time employment. If the position is going to be re-assessed in three months she asked if the USSU really wanted to hire someone on in a permanent salary position.

President Pepler noted this is not a permanent position. It is a two-year term position strictly for the Place Riel renovations. The Executive has shared the same concerns but also recognize the need for this position. The salary would come out of Facilities, which is not coming from student fees but from rental income. The Place Riel renovation will allow a lot of additional space for tenants and therefore, generates more income for the Students' Union. The three-month review is to make sure the position is needed. All Staff and Executive are working their butts off and there is a need for this position.

Councilor Harder asked what qualifications are needed for the position and when it would start.

VP Ring noted that three to five years in a supervisory role, business diploma or certificate, proficiency with Microsoft Office, knowledge of the Student Union and student unions in general and marketing practices, knowledge of leases and utilities.

5. Motions Arising from the Minutes and Reports

Move to approve the minutes as circulated.

USC Motion17: Ring/Kuspira

Carried.

6. Business

6.1 MSC Appointments to Boards

Move to open up nominations for the Academic Affairs Board.
USC Motion18: Pepler/Steeves Carried.

Councilor Olson nominated Councilor Harder.

Councilor Hared accepted.

VP Ring nominated Councilor Cote.

Councilor Smith nominated herself.

Councilor Cote accepted.

Move to close nominations.
USC Motion19: Ring/Steeves Carried.

Chair Leisle noted Councilor's Cote, Harder and Smith are the representatives on the AAB.

Move to open up nominations for the Elections Board.
USC Motion20: Ring/Harder Carried.

Councilor Harder nominated Councilor Smith.

Councilor Smith accepted.

Councilor Schultz nominated herself.

Move to close nominations.
USC Motion21: Ring/Kambeitz Carried.

Chair Leisle noted Councilor Smith and Councilor Schultz are the representatives on the EB.

Move to open up nominations for the Operations & Finance Board.
USC Motion22: Ring/Harder Carried.

Councilor Knaus nominated Councilor Schultz.

Councilor Schultz accepted.

Councilor McAuliffe nominated herself.

Councilor Cote nominated himself.

Councilor Olson nominated himself.

Move to close nominations.

USC Motion23: Ring/Knaus Carried.

Chair Leisle stated Councilor's Schultz, McAuliffe, Cote and Olson are the representatives for the Operations & Finance Board.

Move to open up nominations for the Student Issues Board.

USC Motion24: Kenney/Schultz Carried.

Councilor Schultz nominated Councilor Knaus.

Councilor Knaus accepted.

Councilor Gentner nominated Councilor Kambeitz.

Councilor Kambeitz accepted.

Councilor Kuspira nominated Councilor Shibata.

Councilor Shibata accepted.

VP Levesque nominated Councilor Kuspira.

Councilor Kuspira accepted.

Move to close nominations.

USC Motion25: Steeves/Pepler Carried.

Chair Leisle noted the SIB would have an election by secret ballot.

Move to have a five-minute recess.

USC Motion26: Harder/Ring Carried.

Chair Leisle stated Councilor Knaus withdrew her name. Councilor's Kambeitz, Shibata and Kuspira are the representatives for the Student Issues Board.

Move to open up nominations for the External Affairs Board.

USC Motion27: Levesque/Schultz Carried.

Councilor Schultz nominated Councilor Knaus.

Councilor Knaus accepted.

Councilor Smith nominated Councilor Harder.

Councilor Harder accepted.

VP Levesque nominated Councilor Shibata.

Councilor Shibata accepted.

Councilor McAuliffe nominated herself.

Move to close nominations.

USC Motion28: Steeves/Knaus Carried.

Chair Leisle noted Councilor's Knaus, Shibata and McAuliffe are the representatives elected to the External Affairs Board.

Move to open up nominations for the Sustainability Board.

USC Motion29: Kenney/Steeves Carried.

Councilor Smith nominated Councilor Harder.

Councilor Harder accepted.

Councilor Steeves nominated Councilor Karkut.

Councilor Karkut accepted.

Councilor Kambeitz nominated Councilor Gentner.

Councilor Gentner accepted.

Councilor Harder nominated Councilor Olson.

Councilor Olson accepted.

Councilor Knaus nominated herself.

Councilor Harder nominated Councilor Kirkland.

Councilor Kirkland accepted.

Councilor Harder withdrew her nomination.

Move to close nominations.

USC Motion30: Levesque/Kuspira Carried.

Chair Leisle noted Councilor's Knaus, Kirkland and Olson are the elected representatives for the Sustainability Board.

Move to open nominations for the Code of Ethics and Disciplinary Committee.
USC Motion31: Ring/Steeves Carried.

VP Steeves nominated Councilor Karkut.

Councilor Karkut accepted.

Councilor Kambeitz nominated Councilor Gentner.

Councilor Gentner accepted.

Councilor Zubot nominated Councilor Horvey.

Councilor Horvey accepted.

Move to close nominations.

USC Motion32: Ring/Pepler Carried.

Chair Leisle noted that Councilor's Karkut, Gentner and Horvey are the representatives for the CEDC.

Move to destroy ballots.

USC Motion33: Ring/Steeves Carried.

8. Questions & Comments

President Pepler stated his bike was vandalized last night. This has happened to the past two presidents. He will be writing a letter to the Sheaf.

VP Steeves stated she had an orientation for student members of University Council. She presented the Declaration of Student Rights and the Sexual Assault Survivor's Bill of Rights to University Council. She commended Councilor Zubot, Pharmacy and Nutrition MSC, for attending University Council.

VP Kenney stated that Trick or Eat is coming up. She will be sending out additional information and hopes for a great turnout.

Councilor Smith stated that today she was in the Law Library and noticed the USSU Buzz Board has the Law Students' Association minutes in it. She asked why the LSA had minutes in that Buzz Board.

VP Ring noted that Buzz Board should have been destroyed because it no longer belongs to the USSU.

Councilor Karkut stated there has been a lot of frustration in law with the poster policy. The College of Law is looking at getting bigger boards to accommodate more posters.

Councilor Horvey stated she had a sustainability issue that was brought to her by a student. The USSU doesn't go to the St. Andrews College to pick up recycling and she would like to know why.

VP Kenney noted that Facilities Management looks after recycling. She would contact Kelly Goyer, Waste Management, to find out why recycling is not being picked up at St. Andrews College.

Member Hamilton noted that someone stole a bunch of copies of the Sheaf and replaced them with copies of the "Red Eye". He thanked whoever did this for making his job easier.

VP Kenney noted that tomorrow September 21st is the International Day of Peace.

Councilor Shibata asked if a link could be put on the USSU website so that students can contact MSCs.

VP Steeves noted that there is a link on the USSU Website. She stated that is something the Executive could look into.

Councilor Kambeitz asked what the sign between Physics and Administration is about.

Member Hamilton noted that by Physics there is a street sign, which includes some minutes of a person's diary.

VP Ring asked the councilors from the colleges who only have one MSC if they were close to getting a second councilor.

Councilor Kuspira noted that nominations were open all last week and no one applied. He stated they would have one councilor until Engineering had a by-election.

Councilor McAuliffe stated they are in the same boat. However, some first year students had some interest in sitting on USC.

Councilor Schultz stated Councilor Knaus were discussing the SAL applications. There was not a link on the website to access SAL applications. It might be of value to put this on the website for students who couldn't get down to the office.

Councilor Harder noted she was on the website and a lot of the committee minutes from Term 2 were missing. She would like the missing minutes to be put on the website.

VP Ring stated they would be put on under the archives.

Councilor Smith noted that she was in the Arts tunnel today and saw a bunch of posters related to Splash-pole. The event will have a bunch of water balloons and is brought to you by the morale boosting colleges. She asked if anyone new what this was.

Councilor Kuspira stated that it is called ??? splash. This event is in combination with Agriculture, Commerce, Kinesiology and Agriculture and is basically a big water balloon fight in the bowl. Each of the listed colleges gets 4,000 water balloons.

President Pepler stated VP Ring would be judging it.

Councilor Cote stated he also noticed the USSU website did not have current USC minutes.

VP Steeves noted the office has been very busy with Upass, Orientation and Survival Calendar's but she would look into it.

VP Ring noted the USSU budget would also be going on the website.

VP Kenney encouraged councilors to only use electronic copies of the minutes in order to reduce paper.

9. Any Other Business

9.1 AGM Time (November 14th)

President Pepler noted the AGM would be held on Wednesday, November 14th. He will send an email to USC with some different times. He will do his best to accommodate the majority of council.

VP Ring reminded councilors that fifty people are required at the AGM. Since councilors did so well with SAL applications he is sure fifty people will be no problem without pizza.

Member Galbraith stated it might be worthwhile to have councilors each brings five people because that would be over 100 people right there. Then there is some accountability.

VP Steeves stated fifteen councilors are also required to ensure quorum.

Councilor Harder asked if the Sheaf would advertise the AGM.

Member Hamilton noted the USSU would have to pay for the advertising.

VP Ring stated it would be on the back page of the Sheaf.

9.2 CFS Update

Move to go in camera.

USC Motion34: Pepler/Ring Carried.

9.3 USC Social

President Pepler asked if councilors would like to have karaoke. He noted the social would be held at Louis’

9.4 USC Gifts

President Pepler stated one councilor suggested having clothing as the USC gift. He asked what council would like.

Councilor McAuliffe liked the idea of donating to charity.

GM Cottrell noted that under the Non-Profit Corporation Act this was not possible.

President Pepler asked if zip-up bunny hugs would be desired.

VP Steeves asked what councilors want.

Councilor Karkut noted he really liked the donation idea.

Chair Leisle suggested council brainstorm and email ideas to President Pepler.

VP Kenney suggested ???

??? suggested an air conditioner.

VP Kenney noted the hike and bike challenge is commencing and she encouraged everyone to get involved. She thanked everyone for helping with Upass.

VP Steeves ???

10. Adjournment

Move to adjourn.

USC Motion35: Ring/Kuspira Carried.

Executive Committee Minutes

Minutes for Monday, September 24, 2007

Present: James Pepler, Lindsey Levesque, Jeremy Ring, Nicole Kenny

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 1:30pm

2. Call for Quorum

Quorum was present

3. Roundtable

President Pepler

- Executive meetings about CFS and new staff position
- Student Code of Conduct Working Group
- Class
- Student Advocacy Network
- Early Meeting with Consumer Services
- Interview for the new CRO
- Meeting with new University Council Chair Brent Fairbairn
- Hosted Karaoke Monday at Louis (sang 'My heart will go on')
- Louis'/Browsers Planning meeting
- Orientation for students concerning University Council
- Compensation Committee
- Attended the UC staff and faculty Orientation
- Gave speeches on Thursday and Friday at the Student Leadership Conference in Warman
- USC
- Met with the USSU lawyer to discuss CFS options

VP Levesque

- EDO
- ADO
- Communications Meeting
- Math 121 Test
- Math 121 class x 3
- ISO Candidate Presentation by Derek Tannis
- Meeting with Greg Walen- USSU Lawyer regarding CFS
- Education Matters Leaders Debate planning, sent formal invitations to the NDP, Sask Party and Liberal leaders
- Sent letter to Elections Saskatchewan regarding setting up polling stations on campus
- Meeting with Dustin Duncan- Post secondary Critic for the Sask Party

- USC

VP Steeves

- Meeting with Consumer Services
- Student Members of University Council Orientation
- Lunch with Brett Fairbairn and University Council Committee Chairs
- Communications Review
- University Council Orientation
- University Council
- University Student's Council
- RSAW Committee
- Lawyer Meeting
- EDO
- Casework

VP Ring

- Breakfast meeting with Consumer Services
- Class
- Lunch meeting with Brett Fairbairn
- Louis'/Browsers planning meeting
- Compensation Committee meeting
- USC
- Ratification input
- Meeting with USSU lawyers
- Interview with the Sheaf

VP Kenney

- Footprint Design Symposium
- Arranging for David Bwalakali- (Africa Youth Initiative on Climate Change) to speak at the U of S
- Dealing with Student Health and Dental Plan concerns
- Exec Team
- Sheaf Article
- Waste Reduction project
- Communications meeting
- Mentorship meeting
- Trick or Eat meeting
- "Take back the night" poster meeting
- SYC- Sustainable Campus' conference preparation

4. AGM Notice

A reminder was given by Marketing Services Manager Jason Ventnor, to have all Bylaw changes in 14 days prior to November 14th, the day of the AGM. Any public changes must also be done 14 days prior to the meeting.

2007-2008 USC Attendance

Name	May	June	July	August	Sept. 6	Sep.13	Sep.20	Sep.27	Oct.4	Oct.10	Oct.11	Oct.18
Abdulla, Adam	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	R					
Bodani, Rachana	NM	NM	NM	A	A	A	A					
Cote, Jean-Paul	NM	NM	NM	A	P	R	P					
Gentner, Breanne	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P					
Harder, Megan	NM	NM	NM	R	P	P	P					
Horvey, Karla	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P					
Kambeitz, Elvis	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P					
Karkut, Neil	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P					
Kenney, Nicole	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P					
Kirkness, Katie	NM	NM	NM	A	A	A	A					
Knaus, Tamra	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P					
Kuspira, Keith	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P					
Lawrence, James	NM	NM	NM	P	P	A	R					
Leisle, Matt	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P					
Levesque, Lindsay	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P					
McAuliffe, Katelyn	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P					
Olson, Tyler	NM	NM	NM	A	R	P	P					
Pepler, James	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P					
Ring, Jeremy	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P					
Schultz, Ellyse	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P					
Shibata, Satoshi	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P					
Smith, Ashlee	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P					
Steeves, Josie	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P					
Wales, Jessica	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P					
Zubot, Kimberly	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P					

P - Present; R - Regrets; A - Absence; NYA - Not Yet Appointed; NM - No Meeting

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Jeremy Ring, VP Operations & Finance
Jean-Paul Cote, Agriculture
Tyler Olson, Arts & Science
Ashlee Smith, Arts & Science
Warren Kirkland, Associated Residence
Katelyn McAuliffe, Commerce
Adam Abdulla, Dentistry
Breanne Gentner, Education
Elvis Kambeitz, Education
Keith Kuspira, Engineering
Satoshi Shibata, International
James Lawrence, Kinesiology
Neil Karkut, Law
Kimberly Zubot, Pharmacy & Nutrition
Karla Horvey, Physical Therapy
Tamra Knaus, St. Thomas More
Ellyse Schultz, St. Thomas More
Jessica Wales, WCVM

Also Present

Caroline Cottrell, USSU GM
Jeff Galbraith, Arts & Science
Natalie Jacobs, Grad School
Wendy Gillis, Sheaf
Chuck Hamilton, Sheaf

Regrets

James Pepler, President
Nicole Kenney, VP Student Issues
Matt Leisle, Chair

Absent

Katie Kirkness, Indigenous
Megan Harder, Nursing

Meeting was called to order at 6:01 p.m.

1. Adoption of an Agenda

VP Steeves stated she would like to add Chair Pro Tem under Introductions and Announcements.

Move to adopt the agenda.

USC Motion36: Schultz/Steeves

Carried.

2. Introductions and Announcements

2.1 Chair Pro Tem

Move to appoint Brent Thoma as Chair for the duration of the meeting.

USC Motion37: Steeves/Levesque

Carried.

VP Steeves introduced Natalie Jacobs as her roommate and noted she is a grad student.

Chair Thoma introduced Russ Murphy who is the President of the Medical Students' Society.

4. Minutes and Reports for Information

4.1 USC Minutes

VP Ring noted that last week Councilor Smith asserted the USSU had forty-five permanent staff. He stated that in fact the USSU has twenty-five permanent staff and that includes Louis', Browsers, Information Centre, Copy Desk, XL Design, Admin Staff and the janitorial staff.

4.2 Executive Committee Minutes

VP Levesque noted that the Section 9 in the Executive Committee minutes reads that VP Levesque has also been lobbying the municipal government, which should read VP Levesque has also been lobbying the provincial government.

8. Questions and Comments

VP Ring noted that the USSU Confidential Secretary asked councilors to sign the attendance sheet every week because that is what is used to track absences.

Councilor Olson noted that a student wanted him to ask each Executive how many classes each Executive is taking.

Chair Thoma asked Councilor Olson to be more specific.

Councilor Olson asked how many classes they are taking this year.

VP Levesque stated she is taking three classes for the entire year.

VP Ring stated he is taking four classes. He is taking two in each term and is taking three non-credit courses. One is only one night in length and another is three weeks in length.

VP Steeves is currently enrolled in four classes.

Chair Thoma noted that these are all three credit unit classes.

Councilor Smith stated she has a problem with this weeks *Sheaf*. Several students she has spoken to are disgusted with President Pepler's article in the *Sheaf*. It is very unprofessional for him to use such foul language in the article. A couple of last year's executive members were reprimanded for using foul language. She is discouraging him from using this language in the future since he is in public office.

VP Steeves noted that she did not want to speak on behalf of President Pepler and she is sure he would address this issue when he returns next week.

Councilor Kambeitz noted there has been a lot of confusion with regards to U-Pass and USSU fees towards interns and first years. He asked if first year education students that opted out of U-Pass are eligible to use the PAC.

Move to grant GM Cottrell Speaking Rights.

USC Motion38: Levesque/Kuspira

Carried.

GM Cottrell noted she is not aware of any issues with first year education students but is aware of a very complex situation with interns. She asked for additional information regarding first year students.

Councilor Kambeitz noted he needs clarification because he is not sure what to tell first year students or fellow executive members. He received a bill dated September 10th to pass around, which has a list of all the fees on it. He then received an email stating that he is considered an off-campus student therefore none of this applies to him.

GM Cottrell noted that the interns have some significant complexities. One is that the College of Education created a class build for interns on two separate groups. The first group is education interns who are living in Saskatoon and the second are the interns living out of Saskatoon. The Registrar's Office made the decision that all interns would be treated as off-campus students, which automatically means they are treated as distance education students who would not be assessed the fee. This is an all or nothing proposition meaning all the fees are on or all the fees are off. This decision was made to protect out of town interns who were not able come down to the office to fill out the exemption form. Problems were immediately brought to the USSU after this decision had been made, mainly with Health and Dental. Studentcare is allowing all of these interns to opt back into Health and Dental up until November 1st. The other fees do not have anything to do directly with the USSU. She noted that the people who have a U-Pass card when they had been exempted would be caught up with.

Member Galbraith noted that any students who have issues with the PAC/Recreation fee should go to Room 222 in the PAC to opt into that fee.

Councilor Gentner asked if Paws states these students would be paying for these fees should they still to down to Studentcare to opt in.

GM Cottrell noted that she is under the impression that those fees should have been removed by now. This is a brand new system and the University is taking some time to process all the lists they have been sent. Tomorrow is the deadline to pay tuition and fees and she is told that even if people pay they will be refunded the U-Pass fee or of it will be given as a credit on Term 2 tuition.

Councilor Kambeitz stated it is the USSU fee that has basically made the Registrar's office decide it is all or nothing. He asked what date the Registrar decided to opt all students out. He did not receive any notification.

GM Cottrell stated that is part of the story but not all of it. Her understanding is that there are issues between the Registrar's the Centre for School Bases Experience. It is not entirely the case. The USSU has no control over what the Registrar's office does. She does not have the exact date this decision was made but she could find that information out. There were three mass emails that were sent out to students notifying them of U-Pass. She spoke to Russ Isinger, Assistant Registrar, yesterday after an intern who asked her why he wasn't getting health and dental coverage had contacted her. The university assumes all students checks their PAWS account but this may not be the case and so if they don't they may not be getting the information they need. The Registrar's Office states there is no other way to contact students.

Councilor Kambeitz asked when an email became a binding agreement. He was under the impression that in order to opt-out of U-pass you had to be interning out of town, which he is not doing. He has a U-Pass sticker and received a bill in the mail and thought everything was great. This came to light in the past forty-eight hours. He stated the health and dental deadline extension is beneficial. He received a letter dated September 10th, which he received on September 12th and the Exemption deadline was September 18th. He noted he would burn the bill.

GM Cottrell noted Dr. Lea Pennock states the USSU has some inconsistencies between the Bylaws and Constitutions. University administration decides who is considered an undergraduate and who is considered an on or off campus student and they reserve that right. They make the decision that for now and into the future all interns for College of Education will be considered distance education students because at no point do those students step on campus. She would email the exact date this decision was made.

Councilor McAuliffe stated she has received several complaints regarding the transit system. If the university is being paid all this money for transit the students should have some say. Students are waiting at the bus stop and being turned down because the bus is too full. She asked if anything would be done regarding this.

VP Levesque noted that transit stated they have increased buses and would continue to do so according to demand. She has been receiving complaints and is directing them to transit. In Sutherland the Dart 70 and 80 are completely full and transit has been made aware of this situation. Transit is assessing the problems but hasn't been able to provide final numbers as of yet.

Councilor Knaus encouraged students to stay engaged in it. This is brand new to the city and they are still trying to work out all the kinks. She encouraged everyone to remain patient. A student mentioned that people have been set up in the Arts Tunnel during night classes and she is not sure whether or not this is allowed. It was a religious group and the student felt threatened so had Safewalk walk her back. She asked if the tunnel was regulated in the evenings.

VP Ring noted that this week is Campus Club Week and the Campus Group likely didn't remove their items. He stated booths are to be shut down regarding at 4:30 p.m. He asked Councilor Knaus to notify him about which club it was and he would pass that information on to Marketing Services Manager, Jason Ventnor, who rents the tunnel.

Councilor Kambeitz noted he would use his illegal U-Pass with pride.

9. Any Other Business

9.1 Councilor Removal

VP Ring noted that as per the USSU Constitution and Bylaws if councilors miss so many meetings without regrets they face removal.

Move to remove Councilor Kirkness.

USC Motion39: Ring/Steeves Postponed.

VP Ring noted this is a formality. The USSU has not heard anything from Councilor Kirkness.

Councilor Kambeitz asked what College this councilor was from.

VP Ring noted she is the Indigenous Student Council MSC.

Councilor Smith asked if she has been contacted.

VP Ring noted President Pepler emailed her and the email bounced back. He also tried calling her twice but both times he tried it rang twice and then went dead.

Councilor Kirkland stated he lives with her and she is not with the U of S this semester. She has been taking classes online through Athabasca. She emailed Chair Leisle and she knows what is going on.

Councilor Steeves asked if she is a member of the USSU because if she is not then she can't be a councilor.

Councilor Kirkland stated he was not sure. He would assume she is not a member but could not say for sure.

Move to postpone this decision until next week.

USC Motion40: Steeves/Cote Carried.

9.2 CFS Update

VP Levesque stated the Executive spoke to the USSU lawyer last Friday and has two options. The first option is to walk away from CFS and pretend they are not prospective members because they legally say the USSU is not. This would

possibly make the CFS sue the USSU. The second option is to apply for prospective membership again and hold a referendum this year. CFS will be put on the agenda under New Business in two weeks.

Councilor Kuspira asked what would be the least expensive option.

VP Levesque noted that the referendum would be the safest option. The USSU would have ??? sign a specific contract so both sides are equal and in order to avoid another lawsuit.

VP Steeves noted ???

VP Ring noted that there is the possibility CFS would not sue the USSU.

VP Smith asked for clarification. She asked it means when the USSU refers to CFS suing the USSU. Does this mean CFS wants the USSU to hold another referendum or pay for what the USSU has used.

VP Ring noted that is CFS is suing in terms from the USSU walking away from the agreement another referendum would need to be held. They could sue us for damages so that could be the number of goods, the amount of time they spent. They could sue us on any grounds. He stated USC must decide.

Member Galbraith asked if the Executive would provide USC with a copy of the CFS Bylaws and if so when.

VP Ring noted a lawyers report would be provided in the next few weeks to council. He thinks the lawyers report would be sufficient off the start but if USC would like a copy of the bylaws they could be provided.

10. Adjournment
Adjourned.

Appointments Board

Minutes for Thursday, September 27th, 2007

Present: Ellyse Schultz, Tamra Knaus, Keith Kuspira, Kimberly Zubot, Jeremy Ring (Ex-officio)

Regrets: James Pepler

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:45 pm

2. Call for Quorum

Quorum was present

3. Adoption of Agenda

Move to adopt the agenda.

APPT01: Knaus/Kuspira Carried.

4. Adoption of Minutes

There were no minutes circulated, as there had yet to be a meeting of the 2007/2008 Appointments Board.

5. Business

Move to open nominations for the Academic Affairs Board.

APPT02: Schultz/Knaus Carried.

Councilor Schultz nominated Janna Wong, Deepak Grover, and Joel Schindel as Students-at-large on the Academic Affairs Board.

Move to close nominations for the Academic Affairs Board.

APPT03: Kuspira/Knaus Carried.

Move to open nominations for the Elections Board

APPT04: Zubot/Schultz Carried.

Councilor Knaus nominated Dan Do, and Jenna McQuid as Students-at-large on the Elections Board.

Move to close nominations for the Elections Board

APPT05: Schultz/Knaus Carried.

Move to open nominations for the External Affairs Board.

APPT06: Schultz/Knaus Carried.

Councilor Schultz nominates Sarah Shoker, Travis Lingenfelter, and Shuo Zhang as Students-at-large on the External Affairs Board.

Move to close nominations for the External Affairs Board.

APPT07: Schultz/Knaus Carried.

Move to open nominations for the Operations & Finance Board.

APPT08: Kuspira/Zubot Carried.

Councilor Kuspira nominated Cody Casey, and Ana Carolina Melendez as Students-at-large on the Operations & Finance Board.

Move to close nominations for the Operations & Finance Board.

APPT09: Kuspira/Zubot Carried.

Move to open nominations for the Sustainability Board.

APPT10: Schultz/Knaus Carried.

Councilor Knaus nominated Jeh Custer, Kristina Lummerding-Driedger, and Michael Nemeth as Students-at-large on the Sustainability Board.

Move to close nominations for the Sustainability Board.

APPT11: Schultz/Knaus Carried.

Move to appoint Xena Charowsky as the USSU CRO for the Elections Board.

APPT12: Schultz/Knaus Carried.

Move to appoint Jeff Galbraith as the USSU ACRO for the Elections Board.

APPT13: Schultz/Knaus Carried.

6. Other Business

There was no other business to be discussed.

7. Next Meeting

Friday, September 28, 2007 at 12:30pm, USSU Office.

8. Adjournment

Move to adjourn.

APPT14: Kuspira/Schultz Carried.

Appointments Board

Minutes for Friday, September 28th, 2007

Present: Ellyse Schultz, Tamra Knaus, Kimberly Zubot, and Jeremy Ring (Ex-officio)

Regrets: James Pepler, Keith Kuspira

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 12:41pm.

2. Call for Quorum

Quorum was present

3. Adoption of Agenda

Move to adopt the agenda.

APPT15: Knaus/Schultz

Carried.

4. Adoption of Minutes

There were no minutes circulated.

5. Business

Move to open nominations for the Student Issues Board.

APPT16: Schultz/Knaus

Carried.

Councilor Schultz nominated Michael Magnussen, Erin Gluckie, and Sheila Laroque as Students-at-large on the Student Issues Board.

Move to close nominations for the Student Issues Board.

APPT17: Zubot/Knaus

Carried.

6. Other Business

Councilor Schultz noted that this was a sweet board.

7. Next Meeting

8. Adjournment

Move to adjourn.

APPT18: Knaus/Schultz

Carried.

2007-2008 USC Attendance

Name	May	June	July	August	Sept. 6	Sep.13	Sep.20	Sep.27	Oct.4	Oct.10	Oct.11	Oct.18
Abdulla, Adam	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	R	P				
Cote, Jean-Paul	NM	NM	NM	A	P	R	P	P				
Gentner, Breanne	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P				
Harder, Megan	NM	NM	NM	R	P	P	P	A				
Horvey, Karla	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P				
Kambeitz, Elvis	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P				
Karkut, Neil	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P				
Kenney, Nicole	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	R				
Kirkland, Warren	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P	P				
Kirkness, Katie	NM	NM	NM	A	A	A	A	A				
Knaus, Tamra	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P				
Kuspira, Keith	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P				
Lawrence, James	NM	NM	NM	P	P	A	R	P				
Leisle, Matt	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	R				
Levesque, Lindsay	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P				
McAuliffe, Katelyn	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P	P				
Murphy, Russ	NM	NM	NM	A	A	A	A	P				
Olson, Tyler	NM	NM	NM	A	R	P	P	P				
Pepler, James	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	R				
Ring, Jeremy	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P				
Schultz, Ellyse	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P	P				
Shibata, Satoshi	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P	P				
Smith, Ashlee	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P				
Steeves, Josie	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P				
Wales, Jessica	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P	P				
Zubot, Kimberly	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P				

P - Present; R - Regrets; A - Absence; NYA - Not Yet Appointed; NM - No Meeting

University Students' Council Agenda

Thursday, October 11th, 2007

- 1. Adoption of an Agenda**
- 2. Introductions and Announcements**
- 3. Council Address**
- 4. Minutes and Reports for Information**
 - 4.1 USC Minutes – October 4th, 2007**
 - 4.2 Executive Committee Minutes**
 - 4.3 Academic Affairs Board Minutes and Report**
 - 4.4 Appointments Board Minutes and Report – September 28th, 2007**
 - 4.5 Board of College Presidents**
 - 4.6 Code of Ethics Disciplinary Committee Minutes and Report**
 - 4.7 Elections Board Minutes and Report**
 - 4.8 External Affairs Board Minutes and Report**
 - 4.9 Operations & Finance Board Minutes and Report**
 - 4.10 Student Issues Board Minutes and Report**
 - 4.11 Sustainability Board Minutes and Report**
- 5. Motions Arising from the Minutes and Reports**
- 6. Business**
 - 6.1 CFS Referendum**
- 7. New Business**
- 8. Questions and Comments (30 minutes)**
- 9. Any Other Business**
- 10. Adjournment**

University Students' Council

Minutes for Thursday, October 4th, 2007

Present

James Pepler, President
Lindsey Levesque, VP External Affairs
Jeremy Ring, VP Operations & Finance
Nicole Kenney, VP Student Issues
Jean-Paul Cote, Agriculture
Tyler Olson, Arts & Science
Warren Kirkland, Associated Residence
Adam Abdulla, Dentistry
Elvis Kambeitz, Education
Keith Kuspira, Engineering
Satoshi Shibata, International
Nick Peti, Medicine
Megan Harder, Nursing
Kimberly Zubot, Pharmacy & Nutrition
Karla Horvey, Physical Therapy
Tamra Knaus, St. Thomas More
Ellyse Schultz, St. Thomas More
Jessica Wales, WCV

Also Present

Matt Leisle, Chair
Caroline Cottrell, USSU GM
Jeff Galbraith, Arts & Science
Chuck Hamilton, Sheaf

Regrets

Josie Steeves, VP Academic Affairs
Ashlee Smith, Arts & Science
Katelyn McAuliffe, Commerce
Breanne Gentner, Education
Neil Karkut, Law

Absent

James Lawrence, Kinesiology

Meeting was called to order at 6:06 p.m.

1. Adoption of an Agenda

Move to adopt the agenda.

USC Motion41: Horvey/Levesque

Carried.

2. Introductions & Announcements

Councilor Kuspira introduced a possible MSC for Engineering, Michael ???.

VP Levesque stated that the provincial government announced a minimum wage increase. On January 1, 2008 it will increase to \$8.25 per hour and then on May 1, 2008 it will increase to \$8.60 per hour and May 1, 2009 it will increase to \$9.25 per hour. This will benefit the majority of students.

Councilor Harder noted Councilor Smith sent her regrets.

President Pepler stated Councilor's Karkut, McAuliffe and Gentner sent regrets.

4. Minutes and Reports for Information

4.1 USC

Councilor Harder noted that she sent regrets to President Pepler but he was not at the meeting so it wasn't stated.

4.4 Appointments Board Minutes and Reports

Councilor Schultz stated that Jasmine Liska ??? was appointed to the Elections Board not Dan Do as the minutes noted. The minutes also state that Dan Do was appointed to the Appointments Board and that was also incorrect.

5. Motions Arising from the Minutes and Reports

Chair Leisle noted that some changes would have to occur to the Appointments Board minutes so a motion should be made to approve only USC minutes.

Move to approve USC minutes as circulated.

USC Motion42: Levesque/Pepler Carried.

7. New Business

7.1 CFS Referendum

VP Levesque stated that she brought several CFS documents including CFS Bylaws, a letter from Gavin Gardiner, former USSU President requesting prospective membership. She asked councilors to compare the CFS Bylaws to the USSU Election and Referenda Policy and note any conflicts. There are also minutes from CFS National Conference, Lawyer's Report, and a memo from CFS Lawyer to USSU Lawyer. She asked Councilors to review the documents and noted that a discussion would occur next week on CFS.

8. Questions and Comments

Councilor Knaus stated that she is questioning the Coke Agreement with the U of S. She questions giving money to a company that has so many Human Rights violations. Coke has connections with para-military groups in Columbia. Several union leaders have been killed because of this. Coke has destroyed local drinking and agriculture water supplies and sold toxic waste as fertilizer to farmers in India. Coke is also addictive and sugar and caffeine laden and contributes to obesity and diabetes. She questions working with a company like Coke. She encouraged councilors and executives to become more educated on Coke practices and products. STMSU has been without Coke sponsorship for five years and that has been fine. Forty-five universities have removed Coke in the United States, whereas in Canada only one university has removed Coke. She would like people to start thinking and researching it.

VP Ring stated President Pepler, GM Cottrell and himself sit on the Coke Board, where a confidentiality agreement is signed. In 1998 the contract states that a penalty would be put in place is a certain volume was not sold. The Coke Agreement will not come up this year because of the penalty. He did encourage councilors to think about it and research it.

Councilor Harder asked when the Coke contract expires.

VP Ring noted the contract would have expired in the spring of 2008 but due to the penalty it could be in a year to two years.

VP Kenney thanked Councilor Knaus for bringing this issue up. She noted the Sustainability Board would also discuss the Coke issue.

VP Ring noted it is a yearly target that is supposed to be met. Due to all the different sellers on campus it decreased the amount being sold out of the vending machines, which is what affects the contract.

Member Hamilton asked if it is a contract with the USSU or the University.

VP Ring stated it is a contract with the University but the USSU has three seats on the board.

Councilor Cote noted that this afternoon he picked up a Good Food Box. He encouraged all councilors to discuss it with college members. It is a great program offered by the USSU Food Centre and CHEP (Child Hunger Education Program). For \$8-\$20 you can purchase a box of food consisting of fresh fruits and vegetables. He encouraged getting the word out there. Laurie Johnson the Food Centre Attendant does excellent work and would like more people to participate in the program.

Councilor Harder asked if President Pepler would be responding to Councilor Smiths concerns brought to USC last week regarding his articles in the Sheaf.

President Pepler noted he would like to table it. He would not be writing an article for a few weeks and tonight is "Take Back the Night" and would like to free up enough time for that event. If it was all right with councilors he will discuss it at a later meeting.

Councilor Peti stated the SMSS received some funding requests for the Women's Centre and he had a few issues with it. He is assuming the Centre is requesting funding because some money had been cut from the budget. No specifics were provided about why the money was cut. He asked someone to discuss this.

Councilor Knaus noted that STMSU also received a letter. She believes the money is for the purchase of safety whistles and it was for approximately \$50.

Councilor Cote noted that ASA received a letter and has agreed to provide the \$50.

Move to grant GM Cottrell speaking rights.

USC Motion43: Ring/???

Carried.

GM Cottrell stated that this is the first she has heard about this initiative. She would look into this because she is not sure whether this should be done through Student Societies. This has nothing to do with funding cuts because there were no funding cuts. The budget was increased. Campus Safety used to sponsor some of the whistles and some of the funding has dried up. She would be discussing with the appropriate staff.

Councilor Kambeitz noted that the ??? minutes (quiet)

GM Cottrell noted that the information she has is from Russ Isinger, Assistant Registrar, who said that was the way they chose to contact student. The University is making significant efforts to be sustainable by going paperless. She would recommend that he speak with Russ Isinger because it is beyond the USSU authority.

VP Levesque stated that the reason council was given a copy of the USSU Elections & Referenda Policy and CFS Bylaws is because they are conflicting and that is a reason there is a lawsuit.

VP Ring stated that if anyone would like a few boxes of Survival Calendars to hand out in their colleges there are a lot of leftover boxes.

Councilor Knaus invited councilors to attend "Take Back the Night", which is an annual march to end violence against women and is put on by the USSU. It starts tonight at 7 p.m. and is at Vimy Ridge Memorial.

9. Any Other Business

9.1 Councilor Removal

President Pepler noted that Councilor Kirkness resigned as MSC for Indigenous Students'.

10. Adjournment

Move to adjourn.

USC Motion44: Ring/Kuspira

Carried.

Appointments Board

Minutes for Thursday, September 28th, 2007

Present: Ellyse Schultz, Tamra Knaus, Keith Kuspira, Kimberly Zubot, Jeremy Ring (Ex-officio)

Regrets: James Pepler

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:45 pm

2. Call for Quorum

Quorum was present

3. Adoption of Agenda

Move to adopt the agenda.

APPT01: Knaus/Kuspira Carried.

4. Adoption of Minutes

There were no minutes circulated, as there had yet to be a meeting of the 2007/2008 Appointments Board.

5. Business

Move to open nominations for the Academic Affairs Board.

APPT02: Schultz/Knaus Carried.

Councilor Schultz nominated Janna Wong, Deepak Grover, and Joel Schindel as Students-at-large on the Academic Affairs Board.

Move to close nominations for the Academic Affairs Board.

APPT03: Kuspira/Knaus Carried.

Move to open nominations for the Elections Board

APPT04: Zubot/Schultz Carried.

Councilor Knaus nominated Jasmine Liska, and Jenna McQuid as Students-at-large on the Elections Board.

Move to close nominations for the Elections Board

APPT05: Schultz/Knaus Carried.

Move to open nominations for the External Affairs Board.

APPT06: Schultz/Knaus Carried.

Councilor Schultz nominates Sarah Shoker, Travis Lingenfelter, and Shuo Zhang as Students-at-large on the External Affairs Board.

Move to close nominations for the External Affairs Board.

APPT07: Schultz/Knaus Carried.

Move to open nominations for the Operations & Finance Board.

APPT08: Kuspira/Zubot Carried.

Councilor Kuspira nominated Cody Casey, and Ana Carolina Melendez as Students-at-large on the Operations & Finance Board.

Move to close nominations for the Operations & Finance Board.

APPT09: Kuspira/Zubot Carried.

Move to open nominations for the Sustainability Board.

APPT10: Schultz/Knaus Carried.

Councilor Knaus nominated Jeh Custer, Kristina Lummerding-Driedger, and Michael Nemeth as Students-at-large on the Sustainability Board.

Move to close nominations for the Sustainability Board.

APPT11: Schultz/Knaus Carried.

Move to appoint Xena Charowsky as the USSU CRO for the Elections Board.

APPT12: Schultz/Knaus Carried.

Move to appoint Jeff Galbraith as the USSU ACRO for the Elections Board.

APPT13: Schultz/Knaus Carried.

6. Other Business

There was no other business to be discussed.

7. Next Meeting

Friday, September 28, 2007 at 12:30pm, USSU Office.

8. Adjournment

Move to adjourn.

APPT14: Kuspira/Schultz Carried.

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November 8, 2004

George Soule, Chairperson
Canadian Federation of Students
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Dear George,

On November 4, 2004 the council of the University of Saskatchewan Students' Union adopted the following motion:

Be it resolved that the USSU seek prospective membership in the Canadian Federation of Students, the Canadian Federation of Students-Services, and the Canadian Federation of Students-Saskatchewan.

Please accept this letter as our Union's formal application for prospective membership in the Canadian Federation of Students.

On behalf of the members of the University of Saskatchewan Students' Union, I request that this application for prospective membership in the Canadian Federation of Students be accepted at the upcoming national general meeting of the Federation.

Respectfully,

Gavin Gardiner
President

BYLAW I - MEMBERSHIP

1. Types of Memberships

General Description: There are two types of members of the Federation, individual members and voting members. Students, or individual members, are represented through the local student association to which they belong. Local student associations representing individual members are called voting members.

- a. Local student associations are eligible to receive the status of voting members in the Federation as provided for in Bylaw I, Section 2, and 3;
- b. Individual members of the Federation will be all students in local student associations that are voting members.

2. Types of Voting Membership Status

a. Full Membership

General Description: Full membership is the standard form of membership in the Federation.

- i. A local association is eligible to apply for full membership in the Federation if its members have approved by referendum membership in the Canadian Federation of Students, the Canadian Federation of Students-Services, and the applicable provincial component as described in Bylaw VII-Provincial Components;
- ii. A written application for full membership submitted by an eligible local student association will be considered as a binding contract to accept the rights and responsibilities of full membership in the Canadian Federation of Students, the Canadian Federation of Students-Services, and the applicable provincial component.
- iii. Within 90 days of the receipt by the National Executive of a written application for membership, the National Executive will examine the application to determine whether it is in order, and will make a recommendation to the voting members of the Federation concerning the application.
- iv. At the next general meeting of the Federation, the full membership application shall be put to a vote and shall require a majority of at least two-thirds of the votes cast to be accepted.
- v. A local association's application for membership, once accepted by the Federation, shall constitute a binding contract to collect and remit to the Federation full membership fees for the duration of membership.
- vi. Notwithstanding Section 2.a.vii. of this Bylaw, the fees for full member local associations shall be:
 - \$3.00 per semester, or \$6.00 per academic year, per local association individual member of the Canadian Federation of Students/Canadian Federation of Students-Services, pro-rated as per the policy of the member local association; and
 - the applicable provincial component fee.
- vii. Beginning in 1996, the Federation membership fee shall increase on August 1 each year by the rate of increase in the national Consumer Price Index during the previous calendar year.

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General Description: Prospective membership is a trial membership of limited duration.

- i. A local student association is eligible to apply for prospective membership if it has passed a motion of its members, executive, council or equivalent representative body to apply for prospective membership in the Federation and its applicable provincial component as described in Bylaw VII-Provincial Components;
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- Federation, shall constitute a binding contract to pay prospective membership fees, as described in Section 2 b-vi, and conduct a full membership referendum, as described in Section 2 b-viii;
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 - viii. A prospective member association must hold a referendum on full membership in the Federation, in accordance with Section 5 of this Bylaw, within twelve (12) months following its acceptance as a prospective member unless an extension is granted by the National Executive of the Federation;
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3. Membership Rights and Responsibilities

a. Rights of Individual Members

- i. The individual members of the Federation collectively belonging to a member local association will have sole authority to make decisions through referendum on all questions of membership in the Federation, subject to the other provisions of this Bylaw.
- ii. The individual members of the Federation collectively belonging to a member local association will have sole authority to initiate, by petition signed by not less than ten percent (10%) of the individual members and delivered to the National Executive, a referendum to federate as described in Article 5 of this Bylaw.
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- i. Each voting member of the Federation will have one vote at and participate in general meetings of the Federation provided all outstanding delegate fees for past meetings have been paid in full. This is subject to review by the National Executive on a case by case basis upon request.
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Although Federation staff and executive members will handle many day-to-day operations, the structures of the Federation can only function if there is full cooperation among Federation voting members. The achievement of the work and goals of the Federation depends on the active participation of students and student associations.

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- ii. Each voting member will ensure that Federation fees are collected each year at its institution and forwarded to the Federation, according to the contract of membership and the fee agreement if applicable, signed when the member joined.
- iii. The voting member will not represent the membership fees collected on behalf of the Federation as an expense and/or revenue of the member in its budgets, its financial statements, its audits or any other documents of the voting member.
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- vi. Each voting member will be responsible for communicating information from the Federation and the provincial Federation components to its students.
- vii. Each member local association will communicate and work cooperatively with Federation staff and members of the National Executive.

4. Vote to Federate

In accordance with Section 2 of this Bylaw, the following shall be the rules and procedures for a referendum, in which the individual members of a prospective member local association may vote on full membership in the Federation:

a. Scheduling of the Referendum

The referendum will be scheduled by the prospective member association in consultation with the Federation.

b. Referendum Oversight Committee

The referendum shall be overseen by a committee composed of two (2) members appointed by the prospective local association and two (2) members appointed by the Federation, that shall be responsible for:

- i. establishing the notice requirement for the referendum in accordance with Section 4-c of this Bylaw and ensuring that notice is posted.
- ii. establishing the campaign period in accordance with Section 4-d of this Bylaw.
- iii. approving all campaign materials in accordance with Section 4-e of this Bylaw and removing campaign materials that have not been approved.
- iv. deciding the number and location of polling stations.
- v. setting the hours of voting in accordance with Section 4-f of this Bylaw.
- vi. overseeing all aspects of the voting.
- vii. counting the ballots following the vote.
- viii. establishing all other rules and regulations for the vote.

c. Notice of Referendum

Notice of the referendum, that includes the referendum question and voting dates, shall be provided to the individual members of the prospective member association no less than two (2) weeks prior to voting in the referendum.

d. Campaigning

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- i. There shall be no less than ten (10) days on which campaigning is permitted, during which classes are in session, immediately preceding and during voting; and
- ii. Only individual members and representatives of the prospective member association; representatives of the Federation and representatives of the Federation member local associations shall be permitted to participate in the campaign.

e. Campaign Materials

- i. Campaign materials shall include all materials developed specifically for the referendum campaign.
- ii. Materials produced by Federation that promote campaigns and services of the Federation shall not be considered as campaign materials unless they include specific content about the referendum.
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- iv. Campaign materials shall not be misleading, potentially libelous or false.

f. Voting and Tabulation

- i. Voting shall be conducted at voting stations or, subject to the agreement between the prospective member association and the Federation, at a general meeting of the prospective member association or by a mail-out ballot.
- ii. There shall be no less than sixteen (16) hours of polling over no less than two (2) days, except in the case of voting being conducted at a general meeting.
- iii. Unless mutually agreed otherwise by the prospective member association and the Federation, the referendum question shall be: "Are you in favour of membership in the Canadian Federation of Students?"
- iv. In the event that polling is conducted at a general meeting, representatives of the Federation and Federation member local associations shall be extended full speaking rights in the meeting.
- v. The prospective member association and the Federation shall each be permitted to appoint one poll clerk for each polling station.
- vi. The prospective member local association and the Federation shall each be permitted to appoint one poll scrutineer to oversee the counting of ballots.

g. Appeals

Any appeals of the referendum results or rulings by the Referendum Oversight Committee shall be adjudicated by an Appeals Committee composed of one (1) member appointed by the prospective member association and one (1) member appointed by the Federation, who were not members of the Referendum Oversight Committee.

5. Suspension and Expulsion of Members

A member local association may have its voting privileges suspended or may be expelled for violating its responsibilities as outlined in Bylaw I, Section 3 (c), subject to the following procedure:

a. Process for Initiating the Procedure of Suspension or Expulsion

The procedure for suspending the voting privileges or expelling a member local association may be initiated by:

- i. resolution of the National Executive; or
- ii. a petition, submitted to the National Executive, signed by not less than one-third (1/3) of the voting member locals associations and listing the reasons for the proposed suspension of voting privileges or expulsion.

b. Notice of the Suspension or Expulsion Procedure

Upon resolution of the National Executive or receipt of a petition by the National Executive, initiating the process for suspending or expelling a member local association, the National Executive will:

- i. place the matter on the agenda for the next regularly scheduled national general meeting for which no less than four (4) week notice can be given; and
- ii. inform, by registered mail, the member local association against which the suspension or expulsion procedure has been initiated no less than four (4) weeks prior to the national general meeting at which

the matter of suspension or expulsion will be considered.

c. Required Majority

A two-thirds vote of a national general meeting shall be required in order to suspend the voting privileges or expel a member local association.

d. Appeal of Suspension or Expulsion

Any student association, which has had its voting privileges suspended or has been expelled, may appeal the decision to the next world congress of the International Union of Students.

e. Reinstatement of Voting Privileges

A member local association, which has had its voting privileges suspended, may have its voting privileges reinstated subject to the following procedure:

- i. Upon receipt of a written application from a member local association requesting reinstatement of voting privileges, the National Executive will assess the merits of the application and make a recommendation to the voting member local associations at the next regularly-scheduled national general meeting.
- ii. A two-thirds majority vote shall be required to reinstate a member local association's voting privileges.

6. Vote on Defederating

The individual members of the Federation belonging to a member local association may vote on whether to defederate, subject to the following rules and procedures:

a. Notice

- i. No vote on de-federating may be held between:
 - April 15 and September 15; and
 - December 15 and January 15.
- ii. Notice of a vote on defederating must be delivered by registered mail to the head office of the Federation not less than six (6) months prior to the vote.
- iii. Notice of the vote must include the exact dates and times of voting.
- iv. In the case of a withdrawal referendum incorporating a mail-out component, the exact date of the referendum shall be the date the ballots are mailed to the individual members;
- v. Failure to adhere to the notice provisions in Articles a.i. a.ii. and a.iii. shall invalidate the results of the vote.

b. Campaigning

- i. There shall be no less than two (2) weeks of campaigning immediately preceding the voting during which time classes are in session.
- ii. Only individual members and representatives of the member local association, representatives of the Federation and representatives of other Federation member local associations shall be permitted to participate in the campaign.

c. Voting

- i. Voting will be conducted at voting stations or, subject to the agreement of the Federation, at a general meeting of the member local association or by a mailout ballot.
- ii. There shall be no less than sixteen (16) hours of polling over no less than two (2) days, except in the case of voting being conducted at a general meeting.
- iii. In the event that polling is conducted at a general meeting, representatives of the Federation and Federation member local associations shall be extended full speaking rights in the meeting.

d. Quorum

Quorum for the vote shall be that of the member local association's or five percent (5%) of the individual members of the local association, whichever is higher.

e. Administering the Campaign and Voting

The vote shall be overseen by a committee composed of two (2) members appointed by the Federation and two (2) members appointed by the member local association. The committee shall be responsible for:

- i. deciding the manner of voting, be that by referendum, general meeting or mailout ballot.
- ii. deciding the number and location of polling stations;

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- iii. approving all materials to be distributed during the campaign;
- iv. deciding the ballot question;
- v. overseeing the voting;
- vi. counting ballots;
- vii. adjudicating all appeals; and
- viii. establishing all other rules and regulations for the vote.

f. Advance Remittance of Outstanding Federation Fees

In addition to Articles a. to e., in order for a de-federation referendum to proceed, a member local association must remit all outstanding Federation fees not less than six (6) weeks prior to the date of referendum.

g. Minimum Period Between De-Federation Votes

In addition to Articles a. to f, in order for a de-federation referendum to take place, a member local association may not have held a de-federation referendum within the previous twenty-four (24) months. This clause may be waived, by a two-thirds majority vote of the National Executive, if the procedures of the de-federation referendum are questionable in the extreme.

h. Minimum Period Between Federation and De-Federation Votes

In addition to Articles a. to g, in order for a de-federation referendum to proceed, a member local association may not have held a referendum to join the Federation within the previous twenty-four (24) months. This clause may be waived, by a two-thirds majority vote of the National Executive.

7. Procedure for Application for Withdrawal

- a. Within 90 days of the receipt of a letter from a member local association notifying the Federation of its withdrawal from the Federation, the National Executive will examine the notification to determine whether it is in order, and will make a recommendation to the voting members of the Federation concerning the application.
- b. At the opening plenary of the next general meeting of the Federation, ratification of the withdrawal shall be put to a vote.
- c. The withdrawal shall take effect on June 30 following the ratification of the withdrawal.





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Dear Mr. Scharfstein:

Re: Robin Mowat v. University of Saskatchewan Students' Union

I am writing on behalf of my clients, the Canadian Federation of Students (CFS) and the Canadian Federation of Students-Services (CFS-S) in relation to the decision of the Saskatchewan Court of Appeal. As I have indicated to you, my clients have reviewed that decision carefully and while they disagree with the Court's findings they must now move forward. That necessarily entails the scheduling of another referendum at the University of Saskatchewan.

The CFS and CFS-S continue to recognize the USSU as a prospective member of both organizations. Nothing in the decision of the Court of Appeal impacts upon the status of that membership and the USSU shall continue to receive the benefits that prospective membership entails.

My client looks forward to working with the USSU in the planning and scheduling of the membership referendum.

Yours very truly,

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November 8, 2004

George Soule, Chairperson
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Suite 500, 170 Metcalfe Street
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Dear George,

On November 4, 2004 the council of the University of Saskatchewan Students' Union adopted the following motion:

Be it resolved that the USSU seek prospective membership in the Canadian Federation of Students, the Canadian Federation of Students-Services, and the Canadian Federation of Students-Saskatchewan.

Please accept this letter as our Union's formal application for prospective membership in the Canadian Federation of Students.

On behalf of the members of the University of Saskatchewan Students' Union, I request that this application for prospective membership in the Canadian Federation of Students be accepted at the upcoming national general meeting of the Federation.

Respectfully,

Gavin Gardiner
President

BYLAW I - MEMBERSHIP

1. Types of Memberships

General Description: There are two types of members of the Federation, individual members and voting members. Students, or individual members, are represented through the local student association to which they belong. Local student associations representing individual members are called voting members.

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Any appeals of the referendum results or rulings by the Referendum Oversight Committee shall be adjudicated by an Appeals Committee composed of one (1) member appointed by the prospective member association and one (1) member appointed by the Federation, who were not members of the Referendum Oversight Committee.

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A member local association may have its voting privileges suspended or may be expelled for violating its responsibilities as outlined in Bylaw I, Section 3 (c), subject to the following procedure:

a. Process for Initiating the Procedure of Suspension or Expulsion

The procedure for suspending the voting privileges or expelling a member local association may be initiated by:

- i. resolution of the National Executive; or
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Upon resolution of the National Executive or receipt of a petition by the National Executive, initiating the process for suspending or expelling a member local association, the National Executive will:

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c. Required Majority

A two-thirds vote of a national general meeting shall be required in order to suspend the voting privileges or expel a member local association.

d. Appeal of Suspension or Expulsion

Any student association, which has had its voting privileges suspended or has been expelled, may appeal the decision to the next world congress of the International Union of Students.

e. Reinstatement of Voting Privileges

A member local association, which has had its voting privileges suspended, may have its voting privileges reinstated subject to the following procedure:

- i. Upon receipt of a written application from a member local association requesting reinstatement of voting privileges, the National Executive will assess the merits of the application and make a recommendation to the voting member local associations at the next regularly-scheduled national general meeting.
- ii. A two-thirds majority vote shall be required to reinstate a member local association's voting privileges.

6. Vote on Defederating

The individual members of the Federation belonging to a member local association may vote on whether to defederate, subject to the following rules and procedures:

a. Notice

- i. No vote on de-federating may be held between:
 - April 15 and September 15; and
 - December 15 and January 15.
- ii. Notice of a vote on defederating must be delivered by registered mail to the head office of the Federation not less than six (6) months prior to the vote.
- iii. Notice of the vote must include the exact dates and times of voting.
- iv. In the case of a withdrawal referendum incorporating a mail-out component, the exact date of the referendum shall be the date the ballots are mailed to the individual members;
- v. Failure to adhere to the notice provisions in Articles a.i. a.ii. and a.iii. shall invalidate the results of the vote.

b. Campaigning

- i. There shall be no less than two (2) weeks of campaigning immediately preceding the voting during which time classes are in session.
- ii. Only individual members and representatives of the member local association, representatives of the Federation and representatives of other Federation member local associations shall be permitted to participate in the campaign.

c. Voting

- i. Voting will be conducted at voting stations or, subject to the agreement of the Federation, at a general meeting of the member local association or by a mailout ballot.
- ii. There shall be no less than sixteen (16) hours of polling over no less than two (2) days, except in the case of voting being conducted at a general meeting.
- iii. In the event that polling is conducted at a general meeting, representatives of the Federation and Federation member local associations shall be extended full speaking rights in the meeting.

d. Quorum

Quorum for the vote shall be that of the member local association's or five percent (5%) of the individual members of the local association, whichever is higher.

e. Administering the Campaign and Voting

The vote shall be overseen by a committee composed of two (2) members appointed by the Federation and two (2) members appointed by the member local association. The committee shall be responsible for:

- i. deciding the manner of voting, be that by referendum, general meeting or mailout ballot.
- ii. deciding the number and location of polling stations;

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- iii. approving all materials to be distributed during the campaign;
- iv. deciding the ballot question;
- v. overseeing the voting;
- vi. counting ballots;
- vii. adjudicating all appeals; and
- viii. establishing all other rules and regulations for the vote.

f. Advance Remittance of Outstanding Federation Fees

In addition to Articles a. to e., in order for a de-federation referendum to proceed, a member local association must remit all outstanding Federation fees not less than six (6) weeks prior to the date of referendum.

g. Minimum Period Between De-Federation Votes

In addition to Articles a. to f, in order for a de-federation referendum to take place, a member local association may not have held a de-federation referendum within the previous twenty-four (24) months. This clause may be waived, by a two-thirds majority vote of the National Executive, if the procedures of the de-federation referendum are questionable in the extreme.

h. Minimum Period Between Federation and De-Federation Votes

In addition to Articles a. to g, in order for a de-federation referendum to proceed, a member local association may not have held a referendum to join the Federation within the previous twenty-four (24) months. This clause may be waived, by a two-thirds majority vote of the National Executive.

7. Procedure for Application for Withdrawal

- a. Within 90 days of the receipt of a letter from a member local association notifying the Federation of its withdrawal from the Federation, the National Executive will examine the notification to determine whether it is in order, and will make a recommendation to the voting members of the Federation concerning the application.
- b. At the opening plenary of the next general meeting of the Federation, ratification of the withdrawal shall be put to a vote.
- c. The withdrawal shall take effect on June 30 following the ratification of the withdrawal.



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CALL TO ORDER—Thursday, May 19, 2005

14:38 the meeting was called to order by National Chairperson George Soule.

1. ATTENDANCE ROLL CALL

Local	3	University of British Columbia Students' Union-Okanagan	Present
Local	75	Camosun College Student Society	Present
Local	5	Capilano Students' Union	Present
Local	73	City Centre Students' Union	Present
Local	18	Douglas Students' Union	Present
Local	33	Emily Carr Students' Union	Present
Local	76	King Edward Students' Union	Present
Local	26	Kwantlen Student Association	Absent
Local	61	Malaspina Students' Union	Present
Local	13	College of New Caledonia Students' Association	Present
Local	72	North Island Students' Association	Present
		Northern Lights College Student Association*	Absent
Local	66	Northwest Community College Students' Association	Present
Local	53	Okanagan College Students' Union	Present
Local	86	College of the Rockies Students' Union	Absent
Local	4	Selkirk Students' Association	Present
Local	23	Simon Fraser Students' Society	Present
Local	89	University of Victoria Graduate Students' Society	Present
Local	44	University of Victoria Students' Society	Present
Local	42	Alberta College of Art and Design Students' Association	Present
Local	21	University of Calgary Graduate Students' Association	Present
Local	90	First Nations University of Canada Students' Association	Absent
Local	9	University of Regina Students' Union	Present
Local	101	University of Saskatchewan Graduate Students' Association	Present
Local	17	University of Saskatchewan Students' Union*	Present
Local	37	Brandon University Students' Union	Present
Local	96	University of Manitoba Graduate Students' Association	Present
		University of Manitoba Students' Union	Present
Local	38	Association des étudiantes et étudiants du Collège universitaire de Saint-Boniface	Present
Local	8	University of Winnipeg Students' Association	Present
Local	82	Algoma University Students' Association	Absent
Local	28	Atkinson Students' Association	Present
Local	102	Brock University Graduate Students' Association	Absent
Local	78	Carleton University Graduate Students' Association	Present
Local	1	Carleton University Students' Association	Present
Local	92	Student Association of George Brown College	Present
Local	93	Glendon College Students' Union	Absent
Local	54	University of Guelph Central Student Association	Absent
Local	62	University of Guelph Graduate Students' Association	Absent
Local	32	Lakehead University Student Union	Present
Local	30	Laurentian University Students' General Association	Present
Local	88	Association des étudiantes et étudiants francophones de l'Université Laurentienne	Present
Local	39	McMaster University Graduate Students Association	Absent
Local	20	Nipissing University Student Union	Present
Local	25	Ontario College of Art and Design Students' Union	Present

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Local	94	University of Ottawa Graduate Students' Association des étudiant(e)s diplômé(e)s de l'Université d'Ottawa	Present
Local	27	Queen's University Society of Graduate and Professional Students	Present
Local	24	Ryerson Students' Union	Present
Local	85	Saint Paul University Students' Association	Absent
Local	99	Scarborough Campus Students' Union	Present
Local	97	University of Toronto Association of Part-Time Undergraduate Students	Present
Local	19	University of Toronto Graduate Students' Union	Present
Local	98	University of Toronto Students' Administrative Council	Present
Local	71	Trent Central Student Association	Present
		Trent Graduate Students' Association*	Absent
Local	47	University of Western Ontario Society of Graduate Students	Present
Local	56	Wilfrid Laurier University Graduate Students' Association	Absent
Local	48	University of Windsor Graduate Students' Society	Present
Local	49	University of Windsor Students' Alliance	Present
Local	68	York Federation of Students	Present
Local	84	York University Graduate Students' Association	Present
Local	91	Concordia Student Union	Absent
Local	83	Concordia University Graduate Students' Association	Present
Local	79	Post-Graduate Students' Society of McGill	Absent
Local	63	Holland College Student Union	Absent
Local	70	University of Prince Edward Island Graduate Student Association	Present
Local	31	University of Prince Edward Island Student Union	Absent
Local	64	Acadia Students' Union	Absent
Local	95	University College of Cape Breton Students' Union	Present
		Dalhousie Association of Graduate Students*	Absent
Local	11	University of King's College Students' Union	Present
Local	34	Mount Saint Vincent University Students' Union	Present
Local	7	Student Union of the Nova Scotia College of Art and Design	Present
Local	69	Association générale des étudiant de l'Université Sainte-Anne	Present
Local	36	Grenfell College Student Union	Present
Local	45	Marine Institute Students' Union	Present
Local	100	Graduate Students' Union of the Memorial University of Newfoundland	Present
Local	35	Memorial University of Newfoundland Students' Union	Present
Local	46	College of the North Atlantic Students' Association	Present

* Prospective member

National Chairperson George Soule declared that quorum had been achieved. He noted that several of the absent member locals were en-route and expected to arrive during the course of the plenary.

2. WELCOMING REMARKS AND INTRODUCTIONS

National Chairperson George Soule offered the following remarks:

“Good afternoon and welcome to the 47th semi-annual general meeting of the Canadian Federation of Students. In the next few minutes I want to sum up what I believe have been our gains over the past six months, the challenges that lie ahead, and offer a few words about our work here together over the next four days. In terms of gains it does not get any simpler than this: over half of the post-secondary students in Canada are now protected by a tuition fee freeze.

Only a few years ago it would have been almost unthinkable. We just came out of a decade during which tuition fees have increased by over 150% throughout the country. The Federal Government seemed to have

completely forgotten its role in promoting education access. Carefree ideologists were elected in British Columbia, Alberta, Nova Scotia and Ontario, it seemed that fees could only climb. But an organization, a student group, with members across the country stood up and said “no”. “No” we will not agree to a \$40,000 debt to go to college and university, “no” we will not allow university presidents to build elitist institutions on the backs of low income students, “no” we will not give up our ideal of an accessible and affordable higher education system.

The members of the Canadian Federation of students collectively said, “no”. Today, because we said “no”, we have fee freezes in Newfoundland and Labrador, Québec, Ontario, Manitoba and finally, Saskatchewan. In addition to these freezes we have broken the back of deregulation and rocked the vote in BC, where even BC Premier Gordon Campbell was forced to re-regulate tuition fees at the rate of inflation.

The lesson of the past few years is that if we are willing to settle for less, we will get it but if we stand for what we know to be right, we can and will win. Our victories across this country came in the face of stiff opposition – from political ideologues, from so-called think-tanks, and from government apologists like the Millennium Scholarship Foundation. We must never forget that we won these victories because we worked together for what was best for all students.

But representing our members is about more than just saying “no”. It’s about being at the table to support initiatives that are good for students. Never has this been clearer than with the recent amendments to the federal budget. Prime Minister Paul Martin consistently ignored his promise to increase core funding for post-secondary education. But, with his government floundering, Martin accepted amendments to his budget from the New Democratic Party in exchange for their support in a budget vote. Post-secondary education was clearly on the table because of the pressure we have been exerting on all political parties to reduce tuition fees. In the years and months leading up to this accord we set the stage to ensure that any new federal money would be linked to tuition fee reductions. And when it looked like the Liberals were trying to back away from their tuition fee promise, we stepped up our media and government relations strategy. Member locals from coast-to-coast sent the message that removing tuition fees from the agreement was unacceptable. In the end, we set a historic precedent. The federal Liberal government agreed to something it has said for years was impossible: Paul Martin agreed to transfer money directly to the provinces specifically for the purpose of reducing tuition fees. I can’t overstate the importance of this victory.

University presidents and provincial governments have run out of excuses for raising tuition fees and make no mistake it was the Canadian Federation of Students who backed them into that corner.

As many of you know, despite what he heard from students, parents and faculty members disgraced one-term Ontario premier Bob Rae was proposing massive fee hikes and Income Contingent Student Loan Repayment Schemes (ICRs). And while the Rae Review was centred in Ontario – politicians of all political stripes in every province in Canada were watching. University presidents knew it – and throughout the country endorsed Rae’s regressive call for ICRs and higher fees. As Bob Rae learned about the kind of fight he was in for, he began a nasty smear campaign against our Federation and fought students all the way. But, Bob Rae’s review was a failure. When the budget was released in Ontario there were no ICRs, no deregulation of fees and over \$6.2 billion in new funding.

Even with these victories under our belts, the picture is not all rosy. Stephen Harper and the Conservatives are intent on wiping out the new money for post-secondary education in tonight’s budget vote. Whatever we may think of Paul Martin’s real life survivor act these past few weeks – its low-income students who will be voted off the island if Stephen Harper has his way. And if the amendments fail we need to double our efforts to make post-secondary education a key issue in the next election. And to make sure that all Members of Parliament who vote against an increase of post-secondary education funding tonight pay for their decision by losing their seat in Parliament.

At the provincial level, we have to remember that the tuition freezes we won are under attack by cynical pundits who boast of being researchers and by university presidents who will not stop until students are faced with tuitions fees in excess of \$10,000 and a debt for life.

Our victories have not been easy to win and the gains have not been easy to keep. But we will keep on fighting.

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During the last six months our strength and vision have met with some important internal victories. We have two new potential members in New Brunswick, L'Association générale des étudiants et étudiantes de l'Université de Moncton campus d'Edmundston, the University of New Brunswick Graduate Students' Association and one new trial member in Ontario, the Association of Laurentian Part-Time Students. These new prospective members continue what has been a wonderful period of growth for our Federation. This growth reflects the strength of our federation—and that strength is nothing more and nothing less than the solidarity we offer to each other—standing shoulder to shoulder on the basis of principle, not opportunism, on the basis of building an accessible system of post-secondary education not on short term expedient goals and finally on the basis making difficult decision and fighting when necessary. The strength of our Federation is bringing students from across the country together under a single banner and uniting on issues.

At this meeting we will hear from Christopher Radziminski, a graduate student who is fighting to expose how corporate influences on our campuses are threatening academic freedom. Chris' fight is our fight and it is a vivid example of a case in which the interest of graduate students, undergraduate students and college students intersect. If we don't all stand together to protect academic freedom, our classrooms will become devoid of debate and the quality of our education will suffer. There are those who claim that we can win these fights if we isolate ourselves into particular interests. But I don't need to tell any of you who have ever fought for what you believed, when you oppose the actions of those in power – you must have solidarity. And what we have is the collective voice of 500,000 students standing together for one cause. When corporate interests threaten public access to research we stand together. When an administration tries to kick students out of space that is rightfully theirs, and the local student union pushes back as they have here at Carleton we stand together. And when administrations try and buy off students by pitting graduate students versus undergraduate students we carry the day by working together.

As we look back on what has been accomplished in the past six months we must also look forward to the challenges ahead: a potential federal election and consolidating and extending our victories on the tuition fee front. We have the next four days to work together to develop a common strategy to work toward our goals. These next four days are the democratic lifeblood of our organisation. We bring diverse views and experience to these deliberations but I encourage you to listen to each other and to respect and celebrate the diversity that makes this organization unique. I'm sure that we will not always agree – listening to the other side of the argument does not mean agreeing with it – but what we must do is emerge from this meeting united. These have been a challenging and rewarding six months, I believe that we are poised to take advantage of the great work of those activists who stood here before us and did much of the heavy lifting. We inherit a trust from them to work in solidarity for a better system of post-secondary education and a more just way of funding that system – not one that puts someone \$40,000 in debt just because they weren't lucky enough to be born into a wealthy family.

We have a great privilege and a great responsibility the next few days and I challenge each us to think about not just those of us who are here today or even just those students we represent back on our campuses. I challenge all of you to reflect on those who never get the chance to study at college or university because they just can't afford it. Or that student who may have sat beside you in class last year but is not back because Gordon Campbell cut the grants program in BC or John Hamm eliminated the debt remission program in Nova Scotia or because Bernard Lord raised fees again. I hope you all agree with me that when we stop to consider all that is at stake in pushing our agenda forward we will find much more that unites us than divides us.

So, in solidarity, I wish you all a productive and exciting meeting.”

President of the Fédération étudiante universitaire du Québec Francois Vincent provided an overview of the recent student strike in Québec.

3. RATIFICATION OF PLENARY SPEAKER

a. Consideration of National Executive Recommendation

Soule explained that the National Executive was recommending that Sylvia Sioufi be ratified as the Plenary Speaker. He said that Sioufi had a long history of involvement with the Federation, having served

as an elected director and as a researcher for the Federation. He noted that Sioufi had chaired Federation national general meetings on several previous occasions.

2005/05:001 MOTION

Local 18/Local 44

Be it resolved that Sylvia Sioufi be ratified as the plenary speaker of the May 2005 national general meeting.

CARRIED

b. Overview of Plenary Rules

Sioufi provided a brief overview of Robert's Rules, the system of meeting rules and procedures that the Federation employs for plenary sessions, plenary sub-committee meetings, and caucus meetings.

4. ANNOUNCEMENT OF PROXIES

Sioufi explained that the Federation's Bylaws enabled a voting member that was unable to attend all or portions of a general meeting to appoint another member to act as its proxy for all or portions of the meeting. She announced that Local 47-University of Western Ontario Society of Graduate students had designated Local 70-University of Prince Edward Island Graduate Student Association as its proxy for the closing plenary.

5. ADOPTION OF PLENARY AGENDA**2005/05:002 MOTION**

Local 36/Local 13

Be it resolved that the agenda for the general meeting plenary be adopted.

CARRIED

6. ADOPTION OF NATIONAL GENERAL MEETING AGENDA**2005/05:003 MOTION**

Local 44/Local 11

Be it resolved that the agenda for the general meeting be adopted.

CARRIED

7. ADOPTION OF NATIONAL GENERAL MEETING MINUTES**2005/05:004 MOTION**

Local 1/Local 24

Be it resolved that the minutes of the November 2004 national general meeting be adopted.

CARRIED

8. OVERVIEW OF ANTI-HARASSMENT PROCEDURES FOR THE GENERAL MEETING

Soule said that the Federation endeavoured to create an environment at its national general meetings that was free of harassment. He said that at each national general meeting the Federation employed an anti-harassment advisor who would be available on a 24-hour basis to assist delegates. He introduced Tara Connolly, the Anti-Harassment Advisor for the meeting.

Connolly said that the Federation had an anti-harassment policy to deal with any demeaning, abusive or threatening behaviour that might arise at the meeting. She said that the anti-harassment policy was a preventative measure and was not intended to discourage a jovial environment. She encouraged delegates to familiarise themselves with the policy and to be sensitive of how their actions could affect other delegates.

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She explained that she would circulate through the meeting to meet everyone. She noted that any discussions with her would be confidential.

9. PRESENTATION BY THE FEDERATION'S STAFF RELATIONS OFFICER

Hare explained that he served as the Staff Relations Officer for the Federation. He said that the staff of the Federation was unionised with Canadian Union of Public Employees-Local 1281 and that the relationship between the Federation and its staff was governed by a contract, known as a collective agreement. He said that the agreement outlined the rights and responsibilities of employees and the employer. He noted that staff of the Federation had the right to attend and participate in all meetings of the employer with the exception of those meetings that included discussions of discipline, discharge and negotiations. He said that staff often had more experience and provided context for a number of the issues that delegates would be discussing over the course of the meeting. He said that encouraging staff participation was very important to the health of the organisation.

2005/05:005 MOTION TO RECESS

Local 19/Local 61

Be it resolved that the meeting recess for ten minutes.

CARRIED

16:24 the meeting recessed.

16:43 the meeting reconvened.

Sioufi noted that Local 83-Concordia Graduate Students' Association had joined the meeting.

10. PRESENTATION OF THE REPORT OF THE NATIONAL EXECUTIVE

Soule explained that Bylaw V, Section 2 f., required the National Executive to present a report to the plenary detailing the work of the Federation undertaken since the previous national general meeting. He said that it was important for delegates to distribute the report at the local level because it served as a comprehensive overview of the organisation's work. He said that the presentation would not highlight all of the work that had been undertaken over the preceding six-months but was merely an overview. He encouraged delegates to read the report in its entirety.

National Treasurer Dave Hare, National Deputy Chairperson Angela Regnier, National Chairperson George Soule and other members of the National Executive highlighted aspects of the report.

Report on Travel CUTS

Travel CUTS Board Chairperson Joey Hansen said that over the course of the year Travel CUTS had continued to meet and overcome a series of challenges. He said that since its inception, the company had worked to ensure that it had the best-trained staff in the industry who were well paid for their work. He said that the company's priority had been on one-to-one interaction and, while that remained an important part of CUTS' business approach it had started to bolster its internet presence. He said that in the past the company had been able to compensate for the lack of technological enhancements by providing personal attention from the staff; however, more and more customers demanded the ability to purchase tickets on-line or over the telephone. He said that it had significantly increased Travel CUTS' investment in technology. He explained that the technology was changing so quickly that as one team launched a web search engine, another team was already working on its replacement. He said that it posed a major financial challenge as the company had to invest millions more each year in technology upgrades and maintenance, but that it had improved the company's ability to secure cheaper fares and to locate the fares more quickly.

Hansen reported that earlier in the year Jetsgo had collapsed literally overnight. He said that the company had been selling tickets one day and had closed its doors by the next morning. He said that the federal government estimated that 17,000 Canadians had been stranded as a result of the collapse. He said that, following the collapse Travel CUTS had been the only national travel agency in the country that guaranteed its Jetsgo

customers that they would be reimbursed. He said that it was consistent with CUTS' mandate, which was not solely to generate profit but also to provide a service for students.

Hansen noted that provincial governments regulated travel agencies while the federal government regulated airlines. He said that the Ontario government had introduced regulations requiring all advertised fares include all service charges, airport departure taxes, and anything else that would be added to the cost of the ticket. He said that other provinces were likely to introduce similar measures. He said that generally it was a positive measure because students would know exactly how much their tickets would cost; however, the federal government had indicated that it would not apply the same restriction to airlines. He said that increasingly airlines were selling directly to the public, bypassing travel agencies. He said that it meant that on an average domestic flight an airline would have an \$80 to \$100 marketing advantage in comparison to travel agencies. He said that the company's senior management and the board were developing strategies to deal with the new measures.

Sioufi said that, although the French version of the National Executive report had been distributed, to ensure that the francophone delegates had ample opportunity to review it, she suggested that the question and answer period and acceptance of the report would be postponed to the closing plenary.

2005/05:006 MOTION

Local 24/Local 42

Be it resolved that the National Executive report be adopted.

2005/05:007 MOTION TO POSTPONE

Local 4/University of Manitoba Students' Union

Be it resolved that Motion-2005/05:006 be postponed to closing plenary.

CARRIED

2005/05:006 POSTPONED**11. RATIFICATION OF NEW MEMBERS****a. Consideration of Applications for Prospective Membership**

Soule said that since the previous national general meeting applications for prospective membership have been received from the following students' unions:

- Association générale des étudiants et étudiantes de l'Université de Moncton campus d'Edmundston;
- University of New Brunswick Graduate Students' Association; and
- Association of Laurentian Part-Time Students.

Sioufi said that in accordance with Bylaw 1, Section 4 b., the National Executive has reviewed the applications and was recommending that each students' union be granted prospective membership in the Federation.

2005/05:008 MOTION

Local 13/Local 88

Be it resolved that the Association générale des étudiants et étudiantes de l'Université de Moncton campus d'Edmundston be ratified as a prospective member of the Federation.

CARRIED

2005/05:009 MOTION

Local 78/Local 35

Be it resolved that the University of New Brunswick Graduate Students' Association be ratified as prospective members of the Federation.

CARRIED

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2005/05:010 MOTION

Local 24/Local 53

Be it resolved that the Association of Laurentian Part-Time Students be ratified as prospective members of the Federation.

CARRIED

b. Consideration of Applications for Prospective Membership Extensions

Soule said that there were currently five prospective member students' unions that had been granted prospective membership at previous national general meetings but that had not yet conducted referenda on full membership. He said that the member unions were:

- Dalhousie Association of Graduate Students;
- University of Manitoba Students' Union;
- Northern Lights College Student Association;
- University of Saskatchewan Students' Union; and
- Trent Graduate Students' Association;

He said that in accordance with Bylaw 1, Section 2 b., the National Executive was recommending that the prospective membership of each of the students' unions be extended in accordance with Bylaw 1, Article 2-b-xii.

2005/05:011 MOTION

Local 23/Local 72

Be it resolved that the prospective membership of Dalhousie Association of Graduate Students, University of Manitoba Students' Union, Northern Lights College Student Association, University of Saskatchewan Students' Union and Trent Graduate Students' Association be extended in accordance with Bylaw 1, Article 2-b-xii.

CARRIED

12. PREPARATION FOR ELECTIONS

a. Introduction of Electoral Officers

Sioufi said that in accordance with Bylaw 6, Section 7 the National Executive had appointed Ontario Internal Coordinator Ashkon Hashemi and Ontario Organiser Christine Bourque as the Electoral Officers for the elections being conducted at the meeting.

b. Overview of Election Schedule and Procedures

Hashemi explained that elections for the Alberta Representative, New Brunswick Representative, Prince Edward Island Representative, Saskatchewan Representative, Students of Colour Representative, Graduate Students' Representative, Francophone Students' Representative, and Women's Representative on the National Executive would be conducted at the general meeting. He noted that the elections were for the 2005-2006 term, which would commence at the adjournment of the national general meeting.

Hashemi said that delegates should refer to Bylaws V, VI and the Standing Resolutions 8, 19 and 20 for information about the election procedures and the positions.

13. ADOPTION OF STANDING PLENARY SUB-COMMITTEE AGENDAS

a. Striking of Plenary Sub-Committees

Soufi said that as per Standing Resolution 1, Section 1, the following sub-committees of the plenary were automatically struck:

- Budget Committee;
- Campaigns and Government Relations Committee;
- National Education and Student Rights Committee; and
- Organisational Development Committee.

She said that at the previous three general meetings the plenary had decided that, instead of a Campaigns and Government Relations Committee, it would strike a Campaigns and Government Relations Forum. She said that the Forum structure was “one member local, one vote”, thereby allowing more delegates to participate. She said that the National Executive was proposing that the Campaigns and Government Relations Committee be replaced in the Standing Resolutions with the Campaigns and Government Relations Forum.

2005/05:012 MOTION

Local 13/Local 18

Whereas the Campaigns and Government Relations Committee is consistently the plenary subcommittee on which the largest portion of delegates wish to sit; and

Whereas recent national general meetings have seen an increase in the number of delegates sharing votes on the Committee; and

Whereas this had led to frustration for many delegates who had to share votes or who were unable to obtain a vote on the Committee; and

Whereas for the past three national general meetings—November 2003, May 2004 and November 2004—the Federation has, in place of the Campaigns and Government Relations Committee, experimented with a Campaigns and Government Relations Forum in which each local has a vote; and

Whereas the Campaigns and Government Relations Forum has allowed for greater direct participation by member locals in the development of the Federation’s campaigns and government relations planning; and

Whereas to entrench the change from the Campaigns and Government Relations Committee to a Campaigns and Government Relations Forum requires amendments to the Standing Resolutions; therefore

Be it resolved that all references to the Campaigns and Government Relations Committee in Standing Resolution 1 be deleted; and

Be it further resolved that the following standing resolution be adopted:

STANDING RESOLUTION 2**National General Meeting Campaigns and Government Relations Forum****1. Standing Forum**

The Campaigns and Government Relations Forum will be struck at each annual and semi-annual national general meeting.

2. Voting Rights

Each member local association may exercise a vote in the Forum provided that it is present in the Forum.

3. Terms of Reference

The Campaigns and Government Relations Forum shall:

- a. assess the recent and ongoing national campaigns of the Federation;
- b. at the May national general meeting, adopt a campaigns and government relations plan for the year ahead, for presentation to the closing plenary, that includes but is not limited to goals of the campaigns;
- c. at the fall national general meeting, review the campaigns and government relations plan and recommend to the closing plenary possible changes to the plan for the remainder of the academic year.

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- d. make general recommendations concerning the implementation of the campaigns and government relations plan, including:
 - government relations strategy
 - research and information compilation;
 - communications strategy;
 - media strategy;
 - membership mobilisation; and
 - coalition work.

4. Forum Chair(s)

As its first order of business the Forum shall either:

- a. ratify as the Forum chair(s) the individual(s) recommended by the National Executive; or
- b. elect a committee chairperson from within its membership;

5. Interpretation

Simultaneous interpretation of English and French will be provided in the Forum during the scheduled time allocated for the Forum.

Be it further resolved that all subsequent Standing Resolutions be renumbered accordingly.

CARRIED

b. Adoption of Sub-Committee Agendas

2005/05:013 MOTION

Local 101/Local 46

Be it resolved that the agendas for the plenary sub-committees and the Campaigns and Government Relations forum be adopted.

CARRIED

14. CONSIDERATION OF MOTIONS SERVED WITH DUE NOTICE

Sioufi said that the following motions had been served with notice for consideration at the meeting. She explained that some of the motions would require a mover and a seconder.

a. Motion Postponed by the Previous National General Meeting

2004/11:088 MOTION

Local 26/Local 5

Whereas sharing local campaign activities, campaign ideas, and campaign progress quickly would be beneficial to all locals; and

Whereas Federation locals are constantly attempting to come up with new means of sharing gained knowledge; and

Whereas to increase communication between locals, executive, council, and membership is one of the core purposes for the founding of the Federation; and

Whereas member locals are proud of what they have accomplished and what the Federation is accomplishing; and

Whereas more students will have access to the national reports and the progress of the Federation and Federation locals if they were on the Internet; therefore

Be it resolved that from now onward National Executive Reports be posted on the national Federation website.

2005/05:014 MOTION TO REFER

Local 68/Local 44

Be it resolved that Motion-2004/11:088 be referred to the Organisational Development Committee.

CARRIED

2004/11:088 REFERRED

b. Motions Submitted by Member Local Associations

2005/05:015 MOTION

Local 61/Local 68

Whereas prospective membership is described in Bylaw I as a “trial membership of limited duration”; and

Whereas prospective membership exists in order to provide an opportunity for a students’ union to try membership before making a decision on full membership; and

Whereas in order to thoroughly and adequately try membership a students’ union should fully participate in the campaigns, use the services and participate in the decision-making structures; and

Whereas currently Bylaw I.2.b.viii states that “a prospective members association must hold a referendum on full membership in the Federation, in accordance with Section 5 of this Bylaw, within five (5) months following its acceptance as a prospective member unless an extension is granted by the National Executive of the Federation”; and

Whereas five months provides insufficient time to adequately try membership, especially if trial membership is granted at a November national general meeting; therefore

Be it resolved that Bylaw I.2.b.viii be amended to read:

“A prospective members association must hold a referendum on full membership in the Federation, in accordance with Section 5 of this Bylaw, within twelve (12) months following its acceptance as a prospective member unless an extension is granted by the National Executive of the Federation”.

2005/05:016 MOTION TO REFER

Local 68/Local 44

Be it resolved that Motion-2005/05:015 be referred to the Organisational Development Committee.

CARRIED

2005/05:015 REFERRED

2005/05:017 MOTION

Local 61/Local 68

Whereas Standing Resolution 1, General Meeting Standing Committees states that the National Education and Student Rights Committee “shall review and make amendments to closing plenary on proposed amendments to the issues policy of the Federation, as proposed by Committee members and member locals on the plenary floor”; and

Whereas the current name of the committee does not clearly describe the role of the committee; and

Whereas this lack of clarity can lead to confusion amongst delegates at the general meeting; therefore

Be it resolved that the National Education and Student Rights Committee be renamed the “Policy Review and Development Committee” in all applicable Bylaws, Standing Resolutions, and Policies.

2005/05:018 MOTION TO REFER

Local 68/Local 44

Be it resolved that Motion-2005/05:017 be referred to the Organisational Development Committee.

CARRIED

2005/05:017 REFERRED

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2005/05:019 MOTION

Local 61/Local 68

Whereas review and discussion of Federation services, such as the annual Handbook project, Students' Union Directory, National Student Health Network, Federation discount project, on-line housing service, Student Work Abroad Program (SWAP) and Canadian Universities Travel Service (CUTS), is the responsibility of the Organisational Development Committee; and

Whereas the current name of the committee does not clearly describe the role of the committee; and

Whereas this can lead to confusion amongst delegates at the general meeting; therefore

Be it resolved that the Organisational Development Committee be renamed the "Organisational and Services Development Committee" in all applicable Bylaws, Standing Resolutions, and Policies; and

Be it further resolved that references to "programmes" be replaced with "services" in the terms of reference for the committee.

2005/05:020 MOTION TO REFER

Local 68/Local 44

Be it resolved that Motion-2005/05:019 be referred to the Organisational Development Committee.

CARRIED

2005/05:019 REFERRED

2005/05:021 MOTION

Local 61/Local 100

Whereas Standing Resolution 23, Provincial Allocations, was intended to establish financial allocations from the national budget for provincial components in provinces in which the Federation does not directly employ Federation staff; and

Whereas Standing Resolution 23 currently sets out allocations for the British Columbia, Newfoundland and Labrador, Ontario, Québec, and Saskatchewan Components; and

Whereas subsequent to the adoption of Standing Resolution 23 the Federation established nationally-funded employee positions in the province of Newfoundland and Labrador and in the region of Alberta and Saskatchewan; and

Whereas the funds currently being allocated to fund these employee positions exceeds the amount listed in the allocation; therefore

Be it resolved that Section 2, Newfoundland and Labrador Component Allocation, and Section 5, Saskatchewan Component Allocation, in Standing Resolution 23 be deleted.

2005/05:022 MOTION TO REFER

Local 68/Local 44

Be it resolved that Motion-2005/05:021 be referred to the Organisational Development Committee.

CARRIED

2005/05:021 REFERRED

2005/05:023 MOTION

Local 24/Local 68

Whereas it is important that students' unions maintain an independent relationship and voice from their college or university administrators and that students' unions work to maintain student controlled space on campuses to ensure student-run and student-focused services are created and maintained; and

Whereas many students across the country have paid millions of dollars in levies to help fund student services and student centres but in many cases continue to have little or no democratic control over these student-funded spaces; and

Whereas it is the role of students' unions to act as representative agents for the best interest of students on their respective campuses today and in the future; therefore

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Be it resolved that the following policy motion be adopted:

Student Ownership of Campus Student Centres

Preamble

On many campuses, students have responded to the lack of available student space for clubs, services and events by collecting separate student levies to fund the construction, development and operation of campus student centres. As such, campus student centres can provide a nexus for student life on campus and added value to the student experience on a given campus. For that reason, many college and university administrations have attempted to take an active role in supporting the construction of campus student centres in order to ensure that they maintain some degree of administrative control over these student-funded buildings and related services once operational.

Across the country, a wide a range of ownership and administrative models for campus student centres have been developed. One such model includes the creation of a third-party corporation that is not wholly owned and operated by students' unions to take over the management of the student campus centre. In some cases, these corporations begin to act as "shadow" students' unions, providing services that were previously offered through campus students' unions and thereby reducing the relevance and responsiveness of campus students' unions to their members.

Policy

The Federation supports campus student centres that:

- promote campus student life;
- promote the visibility and profile of campus students' unions;
- provide space for student clubs, groups and services;
- are wholly owned and operated by campus students' unions; and
- maintain students' union autonomy over governance, structure, space allocation and programming.

The Federation opposes the creation of campus student centres that:

- are owned and operated by private, for-profit companies;
- remove or replace the general operations or services of campus students' unions;
- place control in the hands of campus administrations or third party corporations that are not wholly owned and operated by campus students' unions.

2005/05:024 MOTION TO REFER

Local 68/Local 44

Be it resolved that Motion-2005/05:023 be referred to the National Education and Student Rights Committee.

CARRIED

2005/05:023 REFERRED

2005/05:025 MOTION

Local 24/Local 68

Whereas post-secondary institutions are increasingly turning towards private sponsorship and corporate funding partnerships to build new buildings and to improve existing facilities; and

Whereas on most university and college campuses buildings, auditoriums, class rooms, benches and elevators now bear the name of corporate entities or private donors; and

Whereas students need to play a role in working to limit the corporate and private presence on, and control of, our campuses; and

Whereas given the extent that public institutions are engaging in private fundraising, specifically through benefactor naming rights, it is important that students work to ensure that there is student input over the development of naming policies and the allocation of naming rights; therefore

Be it resolved that the following policy be adopted:

Institutional Naming Rights

Preamble

Systemic underfunding of Canadian college and university campuses has forced many public post-secondary education institutions to turn towards private sponsorship and corporate funding partnerships to finance the

construction of new academic programs, buildings and to improve existing facilities. Increasingly, buildings, auditoriums, class rooms, programmes, departments and other campus sites now bear plaques proclaiming the names of various corporate sponsors or private donors. These benefactor names are, in many cases, replacing the names of prominent academics and community members who once served as reminders of the institution's history, academic mission and community orientation. In addition, benefactor names serve to entrench a culture of commercialisation on campus and reflect the privatisation of public institutions.

Policy

The Federation supports campus building, space and academic unit naming policies that:

- reflect the academic mandate and broader social mission of the institution;
- are determined by academic bodies within that institution where there is guaranteed participation from duly elected representatives of students, faculty and staff; and
- ensure that individual naming decisions are made by similarly representative academic bodies.

The Federation opposes campus building, space naming and academic unit naming policies that:

- enshrine benefactor naming rights;
- undermine the academic mandate and broader social mission of the institution;
- exclude duly elected representatives of students, faculty and staff from the naming process; and
- allow additional conditions or influence to accompany naming rights.

2005/05:026 MOTION TO REFER

Local 68/Local 44

Be it resolved that Motion-2005/05:025 be referred to the National Education and Student Rights Committee.

CARRIED**2005/05:025 REFERRED****2005/05:027 MOTION**

Local 24/Local 68

Whereas post-secondary institutions are not just academic sites of learning, teaching and research but they are also living and meeting places; and

Whereas Canadian student populations are increasingly culturally, religiously and ethnically diverse; and

Whereas university and college administrations have a responsibility to provide resources and support for the religious and cultural needs of all students; therefore

Be it resolved that the current policy under the heading "Religious Freedom" be given the subtitle "Religious/Spiritual Holidays".

Be it further resolved that the policy entitled "Religious Freedom" be amended to include the following subsection:

Campus Prayer Space

The Federation supports the right of students to have access to multi-faith prayer space on campus that is stable, accessible, adequate, and respectful to the religious needs of all students.

2005/05:028 MOTION TO REFER

Local 68/Local 44

Be it resolved that Motion-2005/05:027 be referred to the National Education and Student Rights Committee.

CARRIED**2005/05:027 REFERRED****2005/05:029 MOTION**

Local 24/Local 68

Whereas post-secondary institutions are not just academic sites of learning, teaching, and research but they are also living and meeting places; and

Whereas Canadian student populations are increasingly culturally, religiously, and ethnically diverse; and

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Whereas university and college administrations have a responsibility to provide resources and support for the religious and cultural needs of all students; therefore

Be it resolved that member locals be encouraged to actively assist those members who are part of religious or cultural campus clubs and groups in lobbying for the creation of accessible and suitable multi-faith prayer space on campus where no such facilities currently exist.

2005/05:030 MOTION TO REFER

Local 68/Local 44

Be it resolved that Motion-2005/05:029 be referred to the Campaigns and Government Relations Forum.

CARRIED

2005/05:029 REFERRED

2005/05:031 MOTION

Local 24/Local 68

Whereas students' unions and post-secondary institutions across the country purchase thousands of dollars in apparel and promotional items each year for students on their campuses and this apparel is often used to promote either the students' union or the institution; and

Whereas it is in the interests of students' unions and their respective institutions to purchase goods and services from responsible manufacturers that provide quality products and services at competitive prices; and

Whereas there are many companies in the garment, apparel, and promotional industry that have faced numerous incidents and documented reports of workers' rights abuses and sweatshop conditions such as poverty wages, excessive work hours, discrimination, abuse and harassment, child and forced labour, and failure to provide the minimum statutory benefits for workers; and

Whereas sweatshop abuses flourish when the conditions of workers are hidden, kept private and where information on employment conditions is not made available to consumers, including individual students' unions and post-secondary institutions; and

Whereas students on various campuses throughout the United States and Canada have taken strong stances promoting worker's rights and ethical purchasing policies and in many cases they have successfully campaigned to pressure their institutions to adopt effective codes of conduct that impose apparel purchasing policies against products produced in sweatshop and illegal conditions; and

Whereas withholding student and institutional dollars from unethical apparel, garment and promotional item companies is an effective way to exert pressure on the industry to reform hiring conditions and eliminate sweatshop practices; therefore

Be it resolved that member locals be encouraged to adopt "no sweat" purchasing policies for their respective students' unions and to make a firm commitment to purchase "sweat-free" apparel and goods wherever possible, with the goal of having such policy take effect prior to purchasing promotional items and clothing for the Fall 2005 orientation; and

Be it further resolved that member locals be encouraged to adopt "anti-sweatshop" campaigns to pressure their respective post-secondary institutions to join the 13 other Canadian post-secondary institutions in adopting codes of conduct or ethical purchasing policies against sweatshop made goods and that these campaign efforts be aimed at generating awareness and wide-spread public support and escalating pressure on institutional administrations using such lobbying tactics as petitions, letter-writing, sweatshop fashion shows, and sit-ins, as necessary; and

Be it further resolved that anti-sweatshop campaign materials be produced and/or distributed to member locals to assist with local organising efforts.

2005/05:032 MOTION TO REFER

Local 68/Local 44

Be it resolved that Motion-2005/05:031 be referred to the Campaigns and Government Relations Forum.

CARRIED**2005/05:031 REFERRED****2005/05:033 MOTION**

Local 24/Local 68

Whereas Federation members understand the importance of working together to collectively defend student rights; and

Whereas the Federation has adopted and taken a strong stance on the illegal and immoral human rights abuses of students and community members both locally and internationally; and

Whereas students should choose to allocate purchasing dollars ethically in order to promote worker's rights, human rights and social justice; therefore

Be it resolved that the following policy be adopted:

Ethical Purchasing

The Federation supports:

- joining and working with the Workers Rights Consortium to ensure effective implementation of Code of Conducts on apparel, textile and swag purchasing;
- the purchase of apparel, textiles and promotional items that are produced by companies and subcontractors that uphold international labour standards in workplaces, promote workers' rights and their right to initiate unionisation drives;
- the purchase of apparel, textiles and promotional items that are produced by companies and subcontractors that promote labour practices that are fair, equitable, free of harassment and discrimination and create healthy work environment for the workers.

The Federation opposes the purchase of apparel and promotional items that:

- are made using sweatshop labour or under unfair or forced labour conditions;
- are produced by a company or a sub-contractor that has been identified by the Workers' Rights Consortium to violate international labour standards; and
- are produced by private corporations who have a proven record of compromising labour standards, workplace safety or worker rights in order to promote increased profit.

2005/05:034 MOTION TO REFER

Local 68/Local 44

Be it resolved that Motion-2005/05:033 be referred to the Campaigns and Government Relations Forum.

CARRIED**2005/05:033 REFERRED****2005/05:035 MOTION**

Local 24/Local 68

Whereas many students face additional financial barriers that are not directly related to educational fees, such as transit, books, housing and other living expenses; and

Whereas campus student residence spaces are often too expensive or too limited to accommodate all students and, therefore, many students are forced to commute to campus in order to save on housing costs; and

Whereas the Federation has been successful in bringing students together to realise savings through bulk-purchasing programmes and services such as the common handbook, Studentsaver and the National Student Health Network, all of which have served to directly save money for students and students' unions; and

Whereas the Federation has already successfully lobbied for international and domestic student travel discounts on VIA Rail, Air Canada and Greyhound Bus Lines, available through the International Student Identity Card (ISIC); and

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Whereas the Federation has established policy and practice that supports and encourages members to utilise and support publicly-run services; and

Whereas several students' unions across the country have successfully negotiated student discounts on municipal and regional transit systems; therefore

Be it resolved that member locals be encouraged to collaborate with other member locals and non-member campus students' unions in their respective regions to develop a transit campaign and to lobby for discounted municipal and regional student passes for public transit systems; and

Be it further resolved that member locals that have successfully negotiated similar discount passes with public transit systems be encouraged to share their experiences and resources to assist other member locals to obtain transit discounts for students on other campuses and in other regions.

2005/05:036 MOTION TO REFER

Local 68/Local 44

Be it resolved that Motion-2005/05:035 be referred to the Campaigns and Government Relations Forum.

CARRIED

2005/05:035 REFERRED

2005/05:037 MOTION

Local 8/Local 68

Whereas the Federation organises the "Where's the Justice?" campaign in support of Aboriginal peoples' rights; and

Whereas Aboriginal women's rights should be of particular concern when it comes to human rights in Canada; and

Whereas according to the Stolen Sisters campaign Indigenous women in Canada between the ages of 25 and 44, with status under the Indian Act, are five times more likely than all other women of the same age to die as the result of violence; and

Whereas the purpose of Stolen Sisters, to call on all levels of government to work closely and urgently with Indigenous peoples' organizations, and Indigenous women in particular, to institute plans of action to stop violence against Indigenous women reflects the spirit of the "Where's the Justice?" campaign; and

Whereas more information about the Stolen Sisters campaign is available on the Internet at www.amnesty.ca/stolensisters/index.php; therefore

Be it resolved that the Stolen Sisters campaign be endorsed and incorporated into the "Where's the Justice?" campaign;

Be it further resolved that materials relating to the campaign be distributed to member locals and provincial offices; and

Be it further resolved that member locals be encouraged to work with relevant groups in their community, to support and mobilise for the Stolen Sisters campaign.

2005/05:038 MOTION TO REFER

Local 68/Local 44

Be it resolved that Motion-2005/05:037 be referred to the Campaigns and Government Relations Forum.

CARRIED

2005/05:037 REFERRED

2005/05:039 MOTION

Local 38/Local 68

Whereas little research has been done on funding for minority-language post-secondary education; and

Whereas funding for minority-language post-secondary institutions is provided through different levels of government and a number of distinct ministries; and

Whereas to ensure student representation within the ministries that fund their education work must be undertaken; therefore

Be it resolved that national research on funding for minority-language post-secondary education be undertaken.

2005/05:040 MOTION TO REFER

Local 68/Local 44

Be it resolved that Motion-2005/05:039 be referred to the Campaigns and Government Relations Forum.

CARRIED**2005/05:039 REFERRED****2005/05:041 MOTION**

Local 38/Local 68

Whereas the Federation recognises a person's right to education and services in his or her first language; and

Whereas the Federation recognises as an injustice the fact that Anglophones in Canada have fewer barriers to overcome than non-Anglophones with regard to access to education and services in their first language; and

Whereas it is essential that minorities have access to post-secondary education, for social, cultural and economic reasons, as well as to prevent students from turning their backs on their culture; and

Whereas little research has been done on students who study in the language of the minority; therefore

Be it resolved that research on minority-language education be undertaken; and

Be it further resolved that the research focus on, among others things, program availability, accessible teaching tools, university research possibilities in the institutions and provide an analysis of the direct effects of these factors on the students.

2005/05:042 MOTION TO REFER

Local 68/Local 44

Be it resolved that Motion-2005/05:041 be referred to the Campaigns and Government Relations Forum.

CARRIED**2005/05:041 REFERRED****2005/05:043 MOTION**

Local 98/Local 68

Whereas on the 23rd of June 1985 a bomb blew up in the Narita Airport, Japan killing two baggage handlers and 55 minutes later a second bomb blew up on Air India Flight 182 killing 329 people; and

Whereas it has been proven that the bombs originated from Vancouver; and

Whereas the majority of the victims were Canadian and of South Asian descent who were travelling to India to visit their loved ones; and

Whereas 80 children under the age of twelve were killed as were 20 families; and

Whereas there is clear evidence that the government of India had warned then-Canadian Prime Minister Brian Mulroney about an impending attack on the aviation industry; and

Whereas the Canadian government took no precautionary measures; and

Whereas the Canadian Security and Intelligence Service destroyed 150 hours of surveillance tapes without transcribing them; and

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Whereas the Royal Canadian Mounted Police failed to engage in 24 hour surveillance of one of the prime suspects; and

Whereas 20 years later many questions remain unanswered in the largest case of mass murder involving Canadians; and

Whereas these facts have given rise to allegations against the Canadian justice system of racism and deferential treatment of victims based on their ethnicity or place of origin; and

Whereas a public inquiry would assist in answering such questions and help to bring about progressive improvements in the Canadian intelligence and justice systems; therefore

Be it resolved that a letter be written to Prime Minister Paul Martin calling for a public inquiry into the Air India Bombings and the conduct of the Canadian intelligence system; and

Be it further resolved that member locals be encouraged to write similar letters; and

Be it further resolved that member locals be encouraged to collect signatures on the Air India Victims' Families Association petition; and

Be it further resolved all relevant campaign materials be distributed to member locals as they become available.

2005/05:044 MOTION TO REFER

Local 68/Local 44

Be it resolved that Motion-2005/05:043 be referred to the Campaigns and Government Relations Forum.

CARRIED

2005/05:043 REFERRED

2005/05:045 MOTION

Local 34/Local 68

Whereas tuition fees in Nova Scotia have more than doubled in the past decade, making Nova Scotia's tuition fees the highest in the country; and

Whereas in December 2004 the universities in Nova Scotia signed a Memorandum of Understanding with the Government of Nova Scotia which caps tuition fee increases at 3.9% in each of the next three years, at which time average undergraduate tuition fees in Nova Scotia will exceed \$6700; and

Whereas international students, dentistry students, medical students, and full-cost recovery students are not included in the tuition fee cap; and

Whereas Nova Scotian students were not consulted during the development process of the Memorandum of Understanding; therefore

Be it resolved that member locals be encouraged to send letters stating their discontent regarding the Nova Scotia Memorandum of Understanding; and

Be it further resolved that copies of the letters be sent to the Federation's Maritimes office.

2005/05:046 MOTION TO REFER

Local 68/Local 44

Be it resolved that Motion-2005/05:045 be referred to the Campaigns and Government Relations Forum.

CARRIED

2005/05:045 REFERRED

c. Motion Submitted by the Newfoundland and Labrador Component

Sioufi explained that the following motion had been submitted by the Newfoundland and Labrador Component with due notice for consideration at this meeting. She said that it would require a mover and seconder.

2005/05:047 MOTION

Local 68/Local 44

Whereas the Canadian Millennium Scholarship Foundation was established in 1998 with an endowment of \$2.5 billion with the stated purpose of reducing student indebtedness;

Whereas then-Finance Minister Paul Martin promised that the Foundation would reduce student debt by \$3000 per student for those in need, but most students have seen virtually no debt reduction since the creation of the Foundation;

Whereas the Foundation also has a \$10 million research budget that has been used to campaign for higher tuition fees and student debt;

Whereas the Federation has expressed concerns with the secretive, informal bidding process that the Foundation employs to award research contracts, and has bestowed lucrative, “no bid” contracts to former Foundation employee Alex Usher;

Whereas the Foundation is not subject to public accountability standards and Canada’s Auditor General has recently expressed concern that Foundations are sitting on billions of dollars of taxpayer money but are exempt from “value for dollar” audits that determine the effectiveness of spending decisions;

Whereas the Foundation has mysteriously found money for a new grants program but is taking an ad hoc approach to spending and as a result is continuing to distribute funds unequally between students in different provinces; and

Whereas the Foundation has already signed agreements with the Governments of Quebec and British Columbia, but has not yet approached the Government of Newfoundland and Labrador to initiate negotiations to create similar grants for students in this province, despite the fact that Newfoundland and Labrador students have the largest debts loads in Canada; therefore

Be it resolved that a letter be sent to the Foundation demanding that negotiations be initiate with every province to create low-income grants for students beginning in fall 2005.

2005/05:048 MOTION TO REFER

Local 68/Local 44

Be it resolved that Motion-2005/05:047 be referred to the Campaigns and Government Relations Forum.

CARRIED**2005/05:047 REFERRED****15. OTHER BUSINESS**

Soule welcomed two guests from the Students’ Society of McGill University. He said that the representatives would only be present for the opening plenary and workshops later that evening and encouraged delegates to welcome them.

16. ANNOUNCEMENTS

A series of logistical announcements were made.

17. RECESS**2005/05:049 MOTION TO RECESS**

Local 4/Local 13

Be it resolved that plenary be recessed until 13:30, Sunday, May 22, 2005.

CARRIED

17:12 the plenary recessed.

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CALL TO ORDER—Thursday, May 19, 2005

14:38 the meeting was called to order by National Chairperson George Soule.

1. ATTENDANCE ROLL CALL

Local	3	University of British Columbia Students' Union-Okanagan	Present
Local	75	Camosun College Student Society	Present
Local	5	Capilano Students' Union	Present
Local	73	City Centre Students' Union	Present
Local	18	Douglas Students' Union	Present
Local	33	Emily Carr Students' Union	Present
Local	76	King Edward Students' Union	Present
Local	26	Kwantlen Student Association	Absent
Local	61	Malaspina Students' Union	Present
Local	13	College of New Caledonia Students' Association	Present
Local	72	North Island Students' Association	Present
		Northern Lights College Student Association*	Absent
Local	66	Northwest Community College Students' Association	Present
Local	53	Okanagan College Students' Union	Present
Local	86	College of the Rockies Students' Union	Absent
Local	4	Selkirk Students' Association	Present
Local	23	Simon Fraser Students' Society	Present
Local	89	University of Victoria Graduate Students' Society	Present
Local	44	University of Victoria Students' Society	Present
Local	42	Alberta College of Art and Design Students' Association	Present
Local	21	University of Calgary Graduate Students' Association	Present
Local	90	First Nations University of Canada Students' Association	Absent
Local	9	University of Regina Students' Union	Present
Local	101	University of Saskatchewan Graduate Students' Association	Present
Local	17	University of Saskatchewan Students' Union*	Present
Local	37	Brandon University Students' Union	Present
Local	96	University of Manitoba Graduate Students' Association	Present
		University of Manitoba Students' Union	Present
Local	38	Association des étudiantes et étudiants du Collège universitaire de Saint-Boniface	Present
Local	8	University of Winnipeg Students' Association	Present
Local	82	Algoma University Students' Association	Absent
Local	28	Atkinson Students' Association	Present
Local	102	Brock University Graduate Students' Association	Absent
Local	78	Carleton University Graduate Students' Association	Present
Local	1	Carleton University Students' Association	Present
Local	92	Student Association of George Brown College	Present
Local	93	Glendon College Students' Union	Absent
Local	54	University of Guelph Central Student Association	Absent
Local	62	University of Guelph Graduate Students' Association	Absent
Local	32	Lakehead University Student Union	Present
Local	30	Laurentian University Students' General Association	Present
Local	88	Association des étudiantes et étudiants francophones de l'Université Laurentienne	Present
Local	39	McMaster University Graduate Students Association	Absent
Local	20	Nipissing University Student Union	Present
Local	25	Ontario College of Art and Design Students' Union	Present

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Local 94	University of Ottawa Graduate Students' Association des étudiant(e)s diplômé(e)s de l'Université d'Ottawa	Present
Local 27	Queen's University Society of Graduate and Professional Students	Present
Local 24	Ryerson Students' Union	Present
Local 85	Saint Paul University Students' Association	Absent
Local 99	Scarborough Campus Students' Union	Present
Local 97	University of Toronto Association of Part-Time Undergraduate Students	Present
Local 19	University of Toronto Graduate Students' Union	Present
Local 98	University of Toronto Students' Administrative Council	Present
Local 71	Trent Central Student Association	Present
	Trent Graduate Students' Association*	Absent
Local 47	University of Western Ontario Society of Graduate Students	Present
Local 56	Wilfrid Laurier University Graduate Students' Association	Absent
Local 48	University of Windsor Graduate Students' Society	Present
Local 49	University of Windsor Students' Alliance	Present
Local 68	York Federation of Students	Present
Local 84	York University Graduate Students' Association	Present
Local 91	Concordia Student Union	Absent
Local 83	Concordia University Graduate Students' Association	Present
Local 79	Post-Graduate Students' Society of McGill	Absent
Local 63	Holland College Student Union	Absent
Local 70	University of Prince Edward Island Graduate Student Association	Present
Local 31	University of Prince Edward Island Student Union	Absent
Local 64	Acadia Students' Union	Absent
Local 95	University College of Cape Breton Students' Union	Present
	Dalhousie Association of Graduate Students*	Absent
Local 11	University of King's College Students' Union	Present
Local 34	Mount Saint Vincent University Students' Union	Present
Local 7	Student Union of the Nova Scotia College of Art and Design	Present
Local 69	Association générale des étudiant de l'Université Sainte-Anne	Present
Local 36	Grenfell College Student Union	Present
Local 45	Marine Institute Students' Union	Present
Local 100	Graduate Students' Union of the Memorial University of Newfoundland	Present
Local 35	Memorial University of Newfoundland Students' Union	Present
Local 46	College of the North Atlantic Students' Association	Present

* Prospective member

National Chairperson George Soule declared that quorum had been achieved. He noted that several of the absent member locals were en-route and expected to arrive during the course of the plenary.

2. WELCOMING REMARKS AND INTRODUCTIONS

National Chairperson George Soule offered the following remarks:

"Good afternoon and welcome to the 47th semi-annual general meeting of the Canadian Federation of Students. In the next few minutes I want to sum up what I believe have been our gains over the past six months, the challenges that lie ahead, and offer a few words about our work here together over the next four days. In terms of gains it does not get any simpler than this: over half of the post-secondary students in Canada are now protected by a tuition fee freeze.

Only a few years ago it would have been almost unthinkable. We just came out of a decade during which tuition fees have increased by over 150% throughout the country. The Federal Government seemed to have

completely forgotten its role in promoting education access. Carefree ideologists were elected in British Columbia, Alberta, Nova Scotia and Ontario, it seemed that fees could only climb. But an organization, a student group, with members across the country stood up and said “no”. “No” we will not agree to a \$40,000 debt to go to college and university, “no” we will not allow university presidents to build elitist institutions on the backs of low income students, “no” we will not give up our ideal of an accessible and affordable higher education system.

The members of the Canadian Federation of students collectively said, “no”. Today, because we said “no”, we have fee freezes in Newfoundland and Labrador, Québec, Ontario, Manitoba and finally, Saskatchewan. In addition to these freezes we have broken the back of deregulation and rocked the vote in BC, where even BC Premier Gordon Campbell was forced to re-regulate tuition fees at the rate of inflation.

The lesson of the past few years is that if we are willing to settle for less, we will get it but if we stand for what we know to be right, we can and will win. Our victories across this country came in the face of stiff opposition – from political ideologues, from so-called think-tanks, and from government apologists like the Millennium Scholarship Foundation. We must never forget that we won these victories because we worked together for what was best for all students.

But representing our members is about more than just saying “no”. It’s about being at the table to support initiatives that are good for students. Never has this been clearer than with the recent amendments to the federal budget. Prime Minister Paul Martin consistently ignored his promise to increase core funding for post-secondary education. But, with his government floundering, Martin accepted amendments to his budget from the New Democratic Party in exchange for their support in a budget vote. Post-secondary education was clearly on the table because of the pressure we have been exerting on all political parties to reduce tuition fees. In the years and months leading up to this accord we set the stage to ensure that any new federal money would be linked to tuition fee reductions. And when it looked like the Liberals were trying to back away from their tuition fee promise, we stepped up our media and government relations strategy. Member locals from coast-to-coast sent the message that removing tuition fees from the agreement was unacceptable. In the end, we set a historic precedent. The federal Liberal government agreed to something it has said for years was impossible: Paul Martin agreed to transfer money directly to the provinces specifically for the purpose of reducing tuition fees. I can’t overstate the importance of this victory.

University presidents and provincial governments have run out of excuses for raising tuition fees and make no mistake it was the Canadian Federation of Students who backed them into that corner.

As many of you know, despite what he heard from students, parents and faculty members disgraced one-term Ontario premier Bob Rae was proposing massive fee hikes and Income Contingent Student Loan Repayment Schemes (ICRs). And while the Rae Review was centred in Ontario – politicians of all political stripes in every province in Canada were watching. University presidents knew it – and throughout the country endorsed Rae’s regressive call for ICRs and higher fees. As Bob Rae learned about the kind of fight he was in for, he began a nasty smear campaign against our Federation and fought students all the way. But, Bob Rae’s review was a failure. When the budget was released in Ontario there were no ICRs, no deregulation of fees and over \$6.2 billion in new funding.

Even with these victories under our belts, the picture is not all rosy. Stephen Harper and the Conservatives are intent on wiping out the new money for post-secondary education in tonight’s budget vote. Whatever we may think of Paul Martin’s real life survivor act these past few weeks – its low-income students who will be voted off the island if Stephen Harper has his way. And if the amendments fail we need to double our efforts to make post-secondary education a key issue in the next election. And to make sure that all Members of Parliament who vote against an increase of post-secondary education funding tonight pay for their decision by losing their seat in Parliament.

At the provincial level, we have to remember that the tuition freezes we won are under attack by cynical pundits who boast of being researchers and by university presidents who will not stop until students are faced with tuitions fees in excess of \$10,000 and a debt for life.

Our victories have not been easy to win and the gains have not been easy to keep. But we will keep on fighting.

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During the last six months our strength and vision have met with some important internal victories. We have two new potential members in New Brunswick, L'Association générale des étudiants et étudiantes de l'Université de Moncton campus d'Edmundston, the University of New Brunswick Graduate Students' Association and one new trial member in Ontario, the Association of Laurentian Part-Time Students. These new prospective members continue what has been a wonderful period of growth for our Federation. This growth reflects the strength of our federation—and that strength is nothing more and nothing less than the solidarity we offer to each other—standing shoulder to shoulder on the basis of principle, not opportunism, on the basis of building an accessible system of post-secondary education not on short term expedient goals and finally on the basis making difficult decision and fighting when necessary. The strength of our Federation is bringing students from across the country together under a single banner and uniting on issues.

At this meeting we will hear from Christopher Radziminski, a graduate student who is fighting to expose how corporate influences on our campuses are threatening academic freedom. Chris' fight is our fight and it is a vivid example of a case in which the interest of graduate students, undergraduate students and college students intersect. If we don't all stand together to protect academic freedom, our classrooms will become devoid of debate and the quality of our education will suffer. There are those who claim that we can win these fights if we isolate ourselves into particular interests. But I don't need to tell any of you who have ever fought for what you believed, when you oppose the actions of those in power – you must have solidarity. And what we have is the collective voice of 500,000 students standing together for one cause. When corporate interests threaten public access to research we stand together. When an administration tries to kick students out of space that is rightfully theirs, and the local student union pushes back as they have here at Carleton we stand together. And when administrations try and buy off students by pitting graduate students versus undergraduate students we carry the day by working together.

As we look back on what has been accomplished in the past six months we must also look forward to the challenges ahead: a potential federal election and consolidating and extending our victories on the tuition fee front. We have the next four days to work together to develop a common strategy to work toward our goals. These next four days are the democratic lifeblood of our organisation. We bring diverse views and experience to these deliberations but I encourage you to listen to each other and to respect and celebrate the diversity that makes this organization unique. I'm sure that we will not always agree – listening to the other side of the argument does not mean agreeing with it – but what we must do is emerge from this meeting united. These have been a challenging and rewarding six months, I believe that we are poised to take advantage of the great work of those activists who stood here before us and did much of the heavy lifting. We inherit a trust from them to work in solidarity for a better system of post-secondary education and a more just way of funding that system – not one that puts someone \$40,000 in debt just because they weren't lucky enough to be born into a wealthy family.

We have a great privilege and a great responsibility the next few days and I challenge each us to think about not just those of us who are here today or even just those students we represent back on our campuses. I challenge all of you to reflect on those who never get the chance to study at college or university because they just can't afford it. Or that student who may have sat beside you in class last year but is not back because Gordon Campbell cut the grants program in BC or John Hamm eliminated the debt remission program in Nova Scotia or because Bernard Lord raised fees again. I hope you all agree with me that when we stop to consider all that is at stake in pushing our agenda forward we will find much more that unites us than divides us.

So, in solidarity, I wish you all a productive and exciting meeting.”

President of the Fédération étudiante universitaire du Québec Francois Vincent provided an overview of the recent student strike in Québec.

3. RATIFICATION OF PLENARY SPEAKER

a. Consideration of National Executive Recommendation

Soule explained that the National Executive was recommending that Sylvia Sioufi be ratified as the Plenary Speaker. He said that Sioufi had a long history of involvement with the Federation, having served

as an elected director and as a researcher for the Federation. He noted that Sioufi had chaired Federation national general meetings on several previous occasions.

2005/05:001 MOTION

Local 18/Local 44

Be it resolved that Sylvia Sioufi be ratified as the plenary speaker of the May 2005 national general meeting.

CARRIED

b. Overview of Plenary Rules

Sioufi provided a brief overview of Robert's Rules, the system of meeting rules and procedures that the Federation employs for plenary sessions, plenary sub-committee meetings, and caucus meetings.

4. ANNOUNCEMENT OF PROXIES

Sioufi explained that the Federation's Bylaws enabled a voting member that was unable to attend all or portions of a general meeting to appoint another member to act as its proxy for all or portions of the meeting. She announced that Local 47-University of Western Ontario Society of Graduate students had designated Local 70-University of Prince Edward Island Graduate Student Association as its proxy for the closing plenary.

5. ADOPTION OF PLENARY AGENDA**2005/05:002 MOTION**

Local 36/Local 13

Be it resolved that the agenda for the general meeting plenary be adopted.

CARRIED

6. ADOPTION OF NATIONAL GENERAL MEETING AGENDA**2005/05:003 MOTION**

Local 44/Local 11

Be it resolved that the agenda for the general meeting be adopted.

CARRIED

7. ADOPTION OF NATIONAL GENERAL MEETING MINUTES**2005/05:004 MOTION**

Local 1/Local 24

Be it resolved that the minutes of the November 2004 national general meeting be adopted.

CARRIED

8. OVERVIEW OF ANTI-HARASSMENT PROCEDURES FOR THE GENERAL MEETING

Soule said that the Federation endeavoured to create an environment at its national general meetings that was free of harassment. He said that at each national general meeting the Federation employed an anti-harassment advisor who would be available on a 24-hour basis to assist delegates. He introduced Tara Connolly, the Anti-Harassment Advisor for the meeting.

Connolly said that the Federation had an anti-harassment policy to deal with any demeaning, abusive or threatening behaviour that might arise at the meeting. She said that the anti-harassment policy was a preventative measure and was not intended to discourage a jovial environment. She encouraged delegates to familiarise themselves with the policy and to be sensitive of how their actions could affect other delegates.

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She explained that she would circulate through the meeting to meet everyone. She noted that any discussions with her would be confidential.

9. PRESENTATION BY THE FEDERATION'S STAFF RELATIONS OFFICER

Hare explained that he served as the Staff Relations Officer for the Federation. He said that the staff of the Federation was unionised with Canadian Union of Public Employees-Local 1281 and that the relationship between the Federation and its staff was governed by a contract, known as a collective agreement. He said that the agreement outlined the rights and responsibilities of employees and the employer. He noted that staff of the Federation had the right to attend and participate in all meetings of the employer with the exception of those meetings that included discussions of discipline, discharge and negotiations. He said that staff often had more experience and provided context for a number of the issues that delegates would be discussing over the course of the meeting. He said that encouraging staff participation was very important to the health of the organisation.

2005/05:005 MOTION TO RECESS

Local 19/Local 61

Be it resolved that the meeting recess for ten minutes.

CARRIED

16:24 the meeting recessed.

16:43 the meeting reconvened.

Sioufi noted that Local 83-Concordia Graduate Students' Association had joined the meeting.

10. PRESENTATION OF THE REPORT OF THE NATIONAL EXECUTIVE

Soule explained that Bylaw V, Section 2 f., required the National Executive to present a report to the plenary detailing the work of the Federation undertaken since the previous national general meeting. He said that it was important for delegates to distribute the report at the local level because it served as a comprehensive overview of the organisation's work. He said that the presentation would not highlight all of the work that had been undertaken over the preceding six-months but was merely an overview. He encouraged delegates to read the report in its entirety.

National Treasurer Dave Hare, National Deputy Chairperson Angela Regnier, National Chairperson George Soule and other members of the National Executive highlighted aspects of the report.

Report on Travel CUTS

Travel CUTS Board Chairperson Joey Hansen said that over the course of the year Travel CUTS had continued to meet and overcome a series of challenges. He said that since its inception, the company had worked to ensure that it had the best-trained staff in the industry who were well paid for their work. He said that the company's priority had been on one-to-one interaction and, while that remained an important part of CUTS' business approach it had started to bolster its internet presence. He said that in the past the company had been able to compensate for the lack of technological enhancements by providing personal attention from the staff; however, more and more customers demanded the ability to purchase tickets on-line or over the telephone. He said that it had significantly increased Travel CUTS' investment in technology. He explained that the technology was changing so quickly that as one team launched a web search engine, another team was already working on its replacement. He said that it posed a major financial challenge as the company had to invest millions more each year in technology upgrades and maintenance, but that it had improved the company's ability to secure cheaper fares and to locate the fares more quickly.

Hansen reported that earlier in the year Jetsgo had collapsed literally overnight. He said that the company had been selling tickets one day and had closed its doors by the next morning. He said that the federal government estimated that 17,000 Canadians had been stranded as a result of the collapse. He said that, following the collapse Travel CUTS had been the only national travel agency in the country that guaranteed its Jetsgo

customers that they would be reimbursed. He said that it was consistent with CUTS' mandate, which was not solely to generate profit but also to provide a service for students.

Hansen noted that provincial governments regulated travel agencies while the federal government regulated airlines. He said that the Ontario government had introduced regulations requiring all advertised fares include all service charges, airport departure taxes, and anything else that would be added to the cost of the ticket. He said that other provinces were likely to introduce similar measures. He said that generally it was a positive measure because students would know exactly how much their tickets would cost; however, the federal government had indicated that it would not apply the same restriction to airlines. He said that increasingly airlines were selling directly to the public, bypassing travel agencies. He said that it meant that on an average domestic flight an airline would have an \$80 to \$100 marketing advantage in comparison to travel agencies. He said that the company's senior management and the board were developing strategies to deal with the new measures.

Sioufi said that, although the French version of the National Executive report had been distributed, to ensure that the francophone delegates had ample opportunity to review it, she suggested that the question and answer period and acceptance of the report would be postponed to the closing plenary.

2005/05:006 MOTION

Local 24/Local 42

Be it resolved that the National Executive report be adopted.

2005/05:007 MOTION TO POSTPONE

Local 4/University of Manitoba Students' Union

Be it resolved that Motion-2005/05:006 be postponed to closing plenary.

CARRIED

2005/05:006 POSTPONED**11. RATIFICATION OF NEW MEMBERS****a. Consideration of Applications for Prospective Membership**

Soule said that since the previous national general meeting applications for prospective membership have been received from the following students' unions:

- Association générale des étudiants et étudiantes de l'Université de Moncton campus d'Edmundston;
- University of New Brunswick Graduate Students' Association; and
- Association of Laurentian Part-Time Students.

Sioufi said that in accordance with Bylaw 1, Section 4 b., the National Executive has reviewed the applications and was recommending that each students' union be granted prospective membership in the Federation.

2005/05:008 MOTION

Local 13/Local 88

Be it resolved that the Association générale des étudiants et étudiantes de l'Université de Moncton campus d'Edmundston be ratified as a prospective member of the Federation.

CARRIED

2005/05:009 MOTION

Local 78/Local 35

Be it resolved that the University of New Brunswick Graduate Students' Association be ratified as prospective members of the Federation.

CARRIED

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2005/05:010 MOTION

Local 24/Local 53

Be it resolved that the Association of Laurentian Part-Time Students be ratified as prospective members of the Federation.

CARRIED

b. Consideration of Applications for Prospective Membership Extensions

Soule said that there were currently five prospective member students' unions that had been granted prospective membership at previous national general meetings but that had not yet conducted referenda on full membership. He said that the member unions were:

- Dalhousie Association of Graduate Students;
- University of Manitoba Students' Union;
- Northern Lights College Student Association;
- University of Saskatchewan Students' Union; and
- Trent Graduate Students' Association;

He said that in accordance with Bylaw 1, Section 2 b., the National Executive was recommending that the prospective membership of each of the students' unions be extended in accordance with Bylaw 1, Article 2-b-xii.

2005/05:011 MOTION

Local 23/Local 72

Be it resolved that the prospective membership of Dalhousie Association of Graduate Students, University of Manitoba Students' Union, Northern Lights College Student Association, University of Saskatchewan Students' Union and Trent Graduate Students' Association be extended in accordance with Bylaw 1, Article 2-b-xii.

CARRIED

12. PREPARATION FOR ELECTIONS

a. Introduction of Electoral Officers

Sioufi said that in accordance with Bylaw 6, Section 7 the National Executive had appointed Ontario Internal Coordinator Ashkon Hashemi and Ontario Organiser Christine Bourque as the Electoral Officers for the elections being conducted at the meeting.

b. Overview of Election Schedule and Procedures

Hashemi explained that elections for the Alberta Representative, New Brunswick Representative, Prince Edward Island Representative, Saskatchewan Representative, Students of Colour Representative, Graduate Students' Representative, Francophone Students' Representative, and Women's Representative on the National Executive would be conducted at the general meeting. He noted that the elections were for the 2005-2006 term, which would commence at the adjournment of the national general meeting.

Hashemi said that delegates should refer to Bylaws V, VI and the Standing Resolutions 8, 19 and 20 for information about the election procedures and the positions.

13. ADOPTION OF STANDING PLENARY SUB-COMMITTEE AGENDAS

a. Striking of Plenary Sub-Committees

Soufi said that as per Standing Resolution 1, Section 1, the following sub-committees of the plenary were automatically struck:

- Budget Committee;
- Campaigns and Government Relations Committee;
- National Education and Student Rights Committee; and
- Organisational Development Committee.

She said that at the previous three general meetings the plenary had decided that, instead of a Campaigns and Government Relations Committee, it would strike a Campaigns and Government Relations Forum. She said that the Forum structure was “one member local, one vote”, thereby allowing more delegates to participate. She said that the National Executive was proposing that the Campaigns and Government Relations Committee be replaced in the Standing Resolutions with the Campaigns and Government Relations Forum.

2005/05:012 MOTION

Local 13/Local 18

Whereas the Campaigns and Government Relations Committee is consistently the plenary subcommittee on which the largest portion of delegates wish to sit; and

Whereas recent national general meetings have seen an increase in the number of delegates sharing votes on the Committee; and

Whereas this had led to frustration for many delegates who had to share votes or who were unable to obtain a vote on the Committee; and

Whereas for the past three national general meetings—November 2003, May 2004 and November 2004—the Federation has, in place of the Campaigns and Government Relations Committee, experimented with a Campaigns and Government Relations Forum in which each local has a vote; and

Whereas the Campaigns and Government Relations Forum has allowed for greater direct participation by member locals in the development of the Federation’s campaigns and government relations planning; and

Whereas to entrench the change from the Campaigns and Government Relations Committee to a Campaigns and Government Relations Forum requires amendments to the Standing Resolutions; therefore

Be it resolved that all references to the Campaigns and Government Relations Committee in Standing Resolution 1 be deleted; and

Be it further resolved that the following standing resolution be adopted:

STANDING RESOLUTION 2**National General Meeting Campaigns and Government Relations Forum****1. Standing Forum**

The Campaigns and Government Relations Forum will be struck at each annual and semi-annual national general meeting.

2. Voting Rights

Each member local association may exercise a vote in the Forum provided that it is present in the Forum.

3. Terms of Reference

The Campaigns and Government Relations Forum shall:

- a. assess the recent and ongoing national campaigns of the Federation;
- b. at the May national general meeting, adopt a campaigns and government relations plan for the year ahead, for presentation to the closing plenary, that includes but is not limited to goals of the campaigns;
- c. at the fall national general meeting, review the campaigns and government relations plan and recommend to the closing plenary possible changes to the plan for the remainder of the academic year.

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- d. make general recommendations concerning the implementation of the campaigns and government relations plan, including:
 - government relations strategy
 - research and information compilation;
 - communications strategy;
 - media strategy;
 - membership mobilisation; and
 - coalition work.

4. Forum Chair(s)

As its first order of business the Forum shall either:

- a. ratify as the Forum chair(s) the individual(s) recommended by the National Executive; or
- b. elect a committee chairperson from within its membership;

5. Interpretation

Simultaneous interpretation of English and French will be provided in the Forum during the scheduled time allocated for the Forum.

Be it further resolved that all subsequent Standing Resolutions be renumbered accordingly.

CARRIED

b. Adoption of Sub-Committee Agendas

2005/05:013 MOTION

Local 101/Local 46

Be it resolved that the agendas for the plenary sub-committees and the Campaigns and Government Relations forum be adopted.

CARRIED

14. CONSIDERATION OF MOTIONS SERVED WITH DUE NOTICE

Sioufi said that the following motions had been served with notice for consideration at the meeting. She explained that some of the motions would require a mover and a seconder.

a. Motion Postponed by the Previous National General Meeting

2004/11:088 MOTION

Local 26/Local 5

Whereas sharing local campaign activities, campaign ideas, and campaign progress quickly would be beneficial to all locals; and

Whereas Federation locals are constantly attempting to come up with new means of sharing gained knowledge; and

Whereas to increase communication between locals, executive, council, and membership is one of the core purposes for the founding of the Federation; and

Whereas member locals are proud of what they have accomplished and what the Federation is accomplishing; and

Whereas more students will have access to the national reports and the progress of the Federation and Federation locals if they were on the Internet; therefore

Be it resolved that from now onward National Executive Reports be posted on the national Federation website.

2005/05:014 MOTION TO REFER

Local 68/Local 44

Be it resolved that Motion-2004/11:088 be referred to the Organisational Development Committee.

CARRIED

2004/11:088 REFERRED

b. Motions Submitted by Member Local Associations

2005/05:015 MOTION

Local 61/Local 68

Whereas prospective membership is described in Bylaw I as a “trial membership of limited duration”; and

Whereas prospective membership exists in order to provide an opportunity for a students’ union to try membership before making a decision on full membership; and

Whereas in order to thoroughly and adequately try membership a students’ union should fully participate in the campaigns, use the services and participate in the decision-making structures; and

Whereas currently Bylaw I.2.b.viii states that “a prospective members association must hold a referendum on full membership in the Federation, in accordance with Section 5 of this Bylaw, within five (5) months following its acceptance as a prospective member unless an extension is granted by the National Executive of the Federation”; and

Whereas five months provides insufficient time to adequately try membership, especially if trial membership is granted at a November national general meeting; therefore

Be it resolved that Bylaw I.2.b.viii be amended to read:

“A prospective members association must hold a referendum on full membership in the Federation, in accordance with Section 5 of this Bylaw, within twelve (12) months following its acceptance as a prospective member unless an extension is granted by the National Executive of the Federation”.

2005/05:016 MOTION TO REFER

Local 68/Local 44

Be it resolved that Motion-2005/05:015 be referred to the Organisational Development Committee.

CARRIED

2005/05:015 REFERRED

2005/05:017 MOTION

Local 61/Local 68

Whereas Standing Resolution 1, General Meeting Standing Committees states that the National Education and Student Rights Committee “shall review and make amendments to closing plenary on proposed amendments to the issues policy of the Federation, as proposed by Committee members and member locals on the plenary floor”; and

Whereas the current name of the committee does not clearly describe the role of the committee; and

Whereas this lack of clarity can lead to confusion amongst delegates at the general meeting; therefore

Be it resolved that the National Education and Student Rights Committee be renamed the “Policy Review and Development Committee” in all applicable Bylaws, Standing Resolutions, and Policies.

2005/05:018 MOTION TO REFER

Local 68/Local 44

Be it resolved that Motion-2005/05:017 be referred to the Organisational Development Committee.

CARRIED

2005/05:017 REFERRED

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2005/05:019 MOTION

Local 61/Local 68

Whereas review and discussion of Federation services, such as the annual Handbook project, Students' Union Directory, National Student Health Network, Federation discount project, on-line housing service, Student Work Abroad Program (SWAP) and Canadian Universities Travel Service (CUTS), is the responsibility of the Organisational Development Committee; and

Whereas the current name of the committee does not clearly describe the role of the committee; and

Whereas this can lead to confusion amongst delegates at the general meeting; therefore

Be it resolved that the Organisational Development Committee be renamed the "Organisational and Services Development Committee" in all applicable Bylaws, Standing Resolutions, and Policies; and

Be it further resolved that references to "programmes" be replaced with "services" in the terms of reference for the committee.

2005/05:020 MOTION TO REFER

Local 68/Local 44

Be it resolved that Motion-2005/05:019 be referred to the Organisational Development Committee.

CARRIED

2005/05:019 REFERRED

2005/05:021 MOTION

Local 61/Local 100

Whereas Standing Resolution 23, Provincial Allocations, was intended to establish financial allocations from the national budget for provincial components in provinces in which the Federation does not directly employ Federation staff; and

Whereas Standing Resolution 23 currently sets out allocations for the British Columbia, Newfoundland and Labrador, Ontario, Québec, and Saskatchewan Components; and

Whereas subsequent to the adoption of Standing Resolution 23 the Federation established nationally-funded employee positions in the province of Newfoundland and Labrador and in the region of Alberta and Saskatchewan; and

Whereas the funds currently being allocated to fund these employee positions exceeds the amount listed in the allocation; therefore

Be it resolved that Section 2, Newfoundland and Labrador Component Allocation, and Section 5, Saskatchewan Component Allocation, in Standing Resolution 23 be deleted.

2005/05:022 MOTION TO REFER

Local 68/Local 44

Be it resolved that Motion-2005/05:021 be referred to the Organisational Development Committee.

CARRIED

2005/05:021 REFERRED

2005/05:023 MOTION

Local 24/Local 68

Whereas it is important that students' unions maintain an independent relationship and voice from their college or university administrators and that students' unions work to maintain student controlled space on campuses to ensure student-run and student-focused services are created and maintained; and

Whereas many students across the country have paid millions of dollars in levies to help fund student services and student centres but in many cases continue to have little or no democratic control over these student-funded spaces; and

Whereas it is the role of students' unions to act as representative agents for the best interest of students on their respective campuses today and in the future; therefore

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Be it resolved that the following policy motion be adopted:

Student Ownership of Campus Student Centres

Preamble

On many campuses, students have responded to the lack of available student space for clubs, services and events by collecting separate student levies to fund the construction, development and operation of campus student centres. As such, campus student centres can provide a nexus for student life on campus and added value to the student experience on a given campus. For that reason, many college and university administrations have attempted to take an active role in supporting the construction of campus student centres in order to ensure that they maintain some degree of administrative control over these student-funded buildings and related services once operational.

Across the country, a wide a range of ownership and administrative models for campus student centres have been developed. One such model includes the creation of a third-party corporation that is not wholly owned and operated by students' unions to take over the management of the student campus centre. In some cases, these corporations begin to act as "shadow" students' unions, providing services that were previously offered through campus students' unions and thereby reducing the relevance and responsiveness of campus students' unions to their members.

Policy

The Federation supports campus student centres that:

- promote campus student life;
- promote the visibility and profile of campus students' unions;
- provide space for student clubs, groups and services;
- are wholly owned and operated by campus students' unions; and
- maintain students' union autonomy over governance, structure, space allocation and programming.

The Federation opposes the creation of campus student centres that:

- are owned and operated by private, for-profit companies;
- remove or replace the general operations or services of campus students' unions;
- place control in the hands of campus administrations or third party corporations that are not wholly owned and operated by campus students' unions.

2005/05:024 MOTION TO REFER

Local 68/Local 44

Be it resolved that Motion-2005/05:023 be referred to the National Education and Student Rights Committee.

CARRIED

2005/05:023 REFERRED

2005/05:025 MOTION

Local 24/Local 68

Whereas post-secondary institutions are increasingly turning towards private sponsorship and corporate funding partnerships to build new buildings and to improve existing facilities; and

Whereas on most university and college campuses buildings, auditoriums, class rooms, benches and elevators now bear the name of corporate entities or private donors; and

Whereas students need to play a role in working to limit the corporate and private presence on, and control of, our campuses; and

Whereas given the extent that public institutions are engaging in private fundraising, specifically through benefactor naming rights, it is important that students work to ensure that there is student input over the development of naming policies and the allocation of naming rights; therefore

Be it resolved that the following policy be adopted:

Institutional Naming Rights

Preamble

Systemic underfunding of Canadian college and university campuses has forced many public post-secondary education institutions to turn towards private sponsorship and corporate funding partnerships to finance the

construction of new academic programs, buildings and to improve existing facilities. Increasingly, buildings, auditoriums, class rooms, programmes, departments and other campus sites now bear plaques proclaiming the names of various corporate sponsors or private donors. These benefactor names are, in many cases, replacing the names of prominent academics and community members who once served as reminders of the institution's history, academic mission and community orientation. In addition, benefactor names serve to entrench a culture of commercialisation on campus and reflect the privatisation of public institutions.

Policy

The Federation supports campus building, space and academic unit naming policies that:

- reflect the academic mandate and broader social mission of the institution;
- are determined by academic bodies within that institution where there is guaranteed participation from duly elected representatives of students, faculty and staff; and
- ensure that individual naming decisions are made by similarly representative academic bodies.

The Federation opposes campus building, space naming and academic unit naming policies that:

- enshrine benefactor naming rights;
- undermine the academic mandate and broader social mission of the institution;
- exclude duly elected representatives of students, faculty and staff from the naming process; and
- allow additional conditions or influence to accompany naming rights.

2005/05:026 MOTION TO REFER

Local 68/Local 44

Be it resolved that Motion-2005/05:025 be referred to the National Education and Student Rights Committee.

CARRIED**2005/05:025 REFERRED****2005/05:027 MOTION**

Local 24/Local 68

Whereas post-secondary institutions are not just academic sites of learning, teaching and research but they are also living and meeting places; and

Whereas Canadian student populations are increasingly culturally, religiously and ethnically diverse; and

Whereas university and college administrations have a responsibility to provide resources and support for the religious and cultural needs of all students; therefore

Be it resolved that the current policy under the heading "Religious Freedom" be given the subtitle "Religious/Spiritual Holidays".

Be it further resolved that the policy entitled "Religious Freedom" be amended to include the following subsection:

Campus Prayer Space

The Federation supports the right of students to have access to multi-faith prayer space on campus that is stable, accessible, adequate, and respectful to the religious needs of all students.

2005/05:028 MOTION TO REFER

Local 68/Local 44

Be it resolved that Motion-2005/05:027 be referred to the National Education and Student Rights Committee.

CARRIED**2005/05:027 REFERRED****2005/05:029 MOTION**

Local 24/Local 68

Whereas post-secondary institutions are not just academic sites of learning, teaching, and research but they are also living and meeting places; and

Whereas Canadian student populations are increasingly culturally, religiously, and ethnically diverse; and

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Whereas university and college administrations have a responsibility to provide resources and support for the religious and cultural needs of all students; therefore

Be it resolved that member locals be encouraged to actively assist those members who are part of religious or cultural campus clubs and groups in lobbying for the creation of accessible and suitable multi-faith prayer space on campus where no such facilities currently exist.

2005/05:030 MOTION TO REFER

Local 68/Local 44

Be it resolved that Motion-2005/05:029 be referred to the Campaigns and Government Relations Forum.

CARRIED

2005/05:029 REFERRED

2005/05:031 MOTION

Local 24/Local 68

Whereas students' unions and post-secondary institutions across the country purchase thousands of dollars in apparel and promotional items each year for students on their campuses and this apparel is often used to promote either the students' union or the institution; and

Whereas it is in the interests of students' unions and their respective institutions to purchase goods and services from responsible manufacturers that provide quality products and services at competitive prices; and

Whereas there are many companies in the garment, apparel, and promotional industry that have faced numerous incidents and documented reports of workers' rights abuses and sweatshop conditions such as poverty wages, excessive work hours, discrimination, abuse and harassment, child and forced labour, and failure to provide the minimum statutory benefits for workers; and

Whereas sweatshop abuses flourish when the conditions of workers are hidden, kept private and where information on employment conditions is not made available to consumers, including individual students' unions and post-secondary institutions; and

Whereas students on various campuses throughout the United States and Canada have taken strong stances promoting worker's rights and ethical purchasing policies and in many cases they have successfully campaigned to pressure their institutions to adopt effective codes of conduct that impose apparel purchasing policies against products produced in sweatshop and illegal conditions; and

Whereas withholding student and institutional dollars from unethical apparel, garment and promotional item companies is an effective way to exert pressure on the industry to reform hiring conditions and eliminate sweatshop practices; therefore

Be it resolved that member locals be encouraged to adopt "no sweat" purchasing policies for their respective students' unions and to make a firm commitment to purchase "sweat-free" apparel and goods wherever possible, with the goal of having such policy take effect prior to purchasing promotional items and clothing for the Fall 2005 orientation; and

Be it further resolved that member locals be encouraged to adopt "anti-sweatshop" campaigns to pressure their respective post-secondary institutions to join the 13 other Canadian post-secondary institutions in adopting codes of conduct or ethical purchasing policies against sweatshop made goods and that these campaign efforts be aimed at generating awareness and wide-spread public support and escalating pressure on institutional administrations using such lobbying tactics as petitions, letter-writing, sweatshop fashion shows, and sit-ins, as necessary; and

Be it further resolved that anti-sweatshop campaign materials be produced and/or distributed to member locals to assist with local organising efforts.

2005/05:032 MOTION TO REFER

Local 68/Local 44

Be it resolved that Motion-2005/05:031 be referred to the Campaigns and Government Relations Forum.

CARRIED**2005/05:031 REFERRED****2005/05:033 MOTION**

Local 24/Local 68

Whereas Federation members understand the importance of working together to collectively defend student rights; and

Whereas the Federation has adopted and taken a strong stance on the illegal and immoral human rights abuses of students and community members both locally and internationally; and

Whereas students should choose to allocate purchasing dollars ethically in order to promote worker's rights, human rights and social justice; therefore

Be it resolved that the following policy be adopted:

Ethical Purchasing

The Federation supports:

- joining and working with the Workers Rights Consortium to ensure effective implementation of Code of Conducts on apparel, textile and swag purchasing;
- the purchase of apparel, textiles and promotional items that are produced by companies and subcontractors that uphold international labour standards in workplaces, promote workers' rights and their right to initiate unionisation drives;
- the purchase of apparel, textiles and promotional items that are produced by companies and subcontractors that promote labour practices that are fair, equitable, free of harassment and discrimination and create healthy work environment for the workers.

The Federation opposes the purchase of apparel and promotional items that:

- are made using sweatshop labour or under unfair or forced labour conditions;
- are produced by a company or a sub-contractor that has been identified by the Workers' Rights Consortium to violate international labour standards; and
- are produced by private corporations who have a proven record of compromising labour standards, workplace safety or worker rights in order to promote increased profit.

2005/05:034 MOTION TO REFER

Local 68/Local 44

Be it resolved that Motion-2005/05:033 be referred to the Campaigns and Government Relations Forum.

CARRIED**2005/05:033 REFERRED****2005/05:035 MOTION**

Local 24/Local 68

Whereas many students face additional financial barriers that are not directly related to educational fees, such as transit, books, housing and other living expenses; and

Whereas campus student residence spaces are often too expensive or too limited to accommodate all students and, therefore, many students are forced to commute to campus in order to save on housing costs; and

Whereas the Federation has been successful in bringing students together to realise savings through bulk-purchasing programmes and services such as the common handbook, Studentsaver and the National Student Health Network, all of which have served to directly save money for students and students' unions; and

Whereas the Federation has already successfully lobbied for international and domestic student travel discounts on VIA Rail, Air Canada and Greyhound Bus Lines, available through the International Student Identity Card (ISIC); and

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Whereas the Federation has established policy and practice that supports and encourages members to utilise and support publicly-run services; and

Whereas several students' unions across the country have successfully negotiated student discounts on municipal and regional transit systems; therefore

Be it resolved that member locals be encouraged to collaborate with other member locals and non-member campus students' unions in their respective regions to develop a transit campaign and to lobby for discounted municipal and regional student passes for public transit systems; and

Be it further resolved that member locals that have successfully negotiated similar discount passes with public transit systems be encouraged to share their experiences and resources to assist other member locals to obtain transit discounts for students on other campuses and in other regions.

2005/05:036 MOTION TO REFER

Local 68/Local 44

Be it resolved that Motion-2005/05:035 be referred to the Campaigns and Government Relations Forum.

CARRIED

2005/05:035 REFERRED

2005/05:037 MOTION

Local 8/Local 68

Whereas the Federation organises the "Where's the Justice?" campaign in support of Aboriginal peoples' rights; and

Whereas Aboriginal women's rights should be of particular concern when it comes to human rights in Canada; and

Whereas according to the Stolen Sisters campaign Indigenous women in Canada between the ages of 25 and 44, with status under the Indian Act, are five times more likely than all other women of the same age to die as the result of violence; and

Whereas the purpose of Stolen Sisters, to call on all levels of government to work closely and urgently with Indigenous peoples' organizations, and Indigenous women in particular, to institute plans of action to stop violence against Indigenous women reflects the spirit of the "Where's the Justice?" campaign; and

Whereas more information about the Stolen Sisters campaign is available on the Internet at www.amnesty.ca/stolensisters/index.php; therefore

Be it resolved that the Stolen Sisters campaign be endorsed and incorporated into the "Where's the Justice?" campaign;

Be it further resolved that materials relating to the campaign be distributed to member locals and provincial offices; and

Be it further resolved that member locals be encouraged to work with relevant groups in their community, to support and mobilise for the Stolen Sisters campaign.

2005/05:038 MOTION TO REFER

Local 68/Local 44

Be it resolved that Motion-2005/05:037 be referred to the Campaigns and Government Relations Forum.

CARRIED

2005/05:037 REFERRED

2005/05:039 MOTION

Local 38/Local 68

Whereas little research has been done on funding for minority-language post-secondary education; and

Whereas funding for minority-language post-secondary institutions is provided through different levels of government and a number of distinct ministries; and

Whereas to ensure student representation within the ministries that fund their education work must be undertaken; therefore

Be it resolved that national research on funding for minority-language post-secondary education be undertaken.

2005/05:040 MOTION TO REFER

Local 68/Local 44

Be it resolved that Motion-2005/05:039 be referred to the Campaigns and Government Relations Forum.

CARRIED**2005/05:039 REFERRED****2005/05:041 MOTION**

Local 38/Local 68

Whereas the Federation recognises a person's right to education and services in his or her first language; and

Whereas the Federation recognises as an injustice the fact that Anglophones in Canada have fewer barriers to overcome than non-Anglophones with regard to access to education and services in their first language; and

Whereas it is essential that minorities have access to post-secondary education, for social, cultural and economic reasons, as well as to prevent students from turning their backs on their culture; and

Whereas little research has been done on students who study in the language of the minority; therefore

Be it resolved that research on minority-language education be undertaken; and

Be it further resolved that the research focus on, among others things, program availability, accessible teaching tools, university research possibilities in the institutions and provide an analysis of the direct effects of these factors on the students.

2005/05:042 MOTION TO REFER

Local 68/Local 44

Be it resolved that Motion-2005/05:041 be referred to the Campaigns and Government Relations Forum.

CARRIED**2005/05:041 REFERRED****2005/05:043 MOTION**

Local 98/Local 68

Whereas on the 23rd of June 1985 a bomb blew up in the Narita Airport, Japan killing two baggage handlers and 55 minutes later a second bomb blew up on Air India Flight 182 killing 329 people; and

Whereas it has been proven that the bombs originated from Vancouver; and

Whereas the majority of the victims were Canadian and of South Asian descent who were travelling to India to visit their loved ones; and

Whereas 80 children under the age of twelve were killed as were 20 families; and

Whereas there is clear evidence that the government of India had warned then-Canadian Prime Minister Brian Mulroney about an impending attack on the aviation industry; and

Whereas the Canadian government took no precautionary measures; and

Whereas the Canadian Security and Intelligence Service destroyed 150 hours of surveillance tapes without transcribing them; and

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Whereas the Royal Canadian Mounted Police failed to engage in 24 hour surveillance of one of the prime suspects; and

Whereas 20 years later many questions remain unanswered in the largest case of mass murder involving Canadians; and

Whereas these facts have given rise to allegations against the Canadian justice system of racism and deferential treatment of victims based on their ethnicity or place of origin; and

Whereas a public inquiry would assist in answering such questions and help to bring about progressive improvements in the Canadian intelligence and justice systems; therefore

Be it resolved that a letter be written to Prime Minister Paul Martin calling for a public inquiry into the Air India Bombings and the conduct of the Canadian intelligence system; and

Be it further resolved that member locals be encouraged to write similar letters; and

Be it further resolved that member locals be encouraged to collect signatures on the Air India Victims' Families Association petition; and

Be it further resolved all relevant campaign materials be distributed to member locals as they become available.

2005/05:044 MOTION TO REFER

Local 68/Local 44

Be it resolved that Motion-2005/05:043 be referred to the Campaigns and Government Relations Forum.

CARRIED

2005/05:043 REFERRED

2005/05:045 MOTION

Local 34/Local 68

Whereas tuition fees in Nova Scotia have more than doubled in the past decade, making Nova Scotia's tuition fees the highest in the country; and

Whereas in December 2004 the universities in Nova Scotia signed a Memorandum of Understanding with the Government of Nova Scotia which caps tuition fee increases at 3.9% in each of the next three years, at which time average undergraduate tuition fees in Nova Scotia will exceed \$6700; and

Whereas international students, dentistry students, medical students, and full-cost recovery students are not included in the tuition fee cap; and

Whereas Nova Scotian students were not consulted during the development process of the Memorandum of Understanding; therefore

Be it resolved that member locals be encouraged to send letters stating their discontent regarding the Nova Scotia Memorandum of Understanding; and

Be it further resolved that copies of the letters be sent to the Federation's Maritimes office.

2005/05:046 MOTION TO REFER

Local 68/Local 44

Be it resolved that Motion-2005/05:045 be referred to the Campaigns and Government Relations Forum.

CARRIED

2005/05:045 REFERRED

c. Motion Submitted by the Newfoundland and Labrador Component

Sioufi explained that the following motion had been submitted by the Newfoundland and Labrador Component with due notice for consideration at this meeting. She said that it would require a mover and seconder.

2005/05:047 MOTION

Local 68/Local 44

Whereas the Canadian Millennium Scholarship Foundation was established in 1998 with an endowment of \$2.5 billion with the stated purpose of reducing student indebtedness;

Whereas then-Finance Minister Paul Martin promised that the Foundation would reduce student debt by \$3000 per student for those in need, but most students have seen virtually no debt reduction since the creation of the Foundation;

Whereas the Foundation also has a \$10 million research budget that has been used to campaign for higher tuition fees and student debt;

Whereas the Federation has expressed concerns with the secretive, informal bidding process that the Foundation employs to award research contracts, and has bestowed lucrative, “no bid” contracts to former Foundation employee Alex Usher;

Whereas the Foundation is not subject to public accountability standards and Canada’s Auditor General has recently expressed concern that Foundations are sitting on billions of dollars of taxpayer money but are exempt from “value for dollar” audits that determine the effectiveness of spending decisions;

Whereas the Foundation has mysteriously found money for a new grants program but is taking an ad hoc approach to spending and as a result is continuing to distribute funds unequally between students in different provinces; and

Whereas the Foundation has already signed agreements with the Governments of Quebec and British Columbia, but has not yet approached the Government of Newfoundland and Labrador to initiate negotiations to create similar grants for students in this province, despite the fact that Newfoundland and Labrador students have the largest debts loads in Canada; therefore

Be it resolved that a letter be sent to the Foundation demanding that negotiations be initiate with every province to create low-income grants for students beginning in fall 2005.

2005/05:048 MOTION TO REFER

Local 68/Local 44

Be it resolved that Motion-2005/05:047 be referred to the Campaigns and Government Relations Forum.

CARRIED**2005/05:047 REFERRED****15. OTHER BUSINESS**

Soule welcomed two guests from the Students’ Society of McGill University. He said that the representatives would only be present for the opening plenary and workshops later that evening and encouraged delegates to welcome them.

16. ANNOUNCEMENTS

A series of logistical announcements were made.

17. RECESS**2005/05:049 MOTION TO RECESS**

Local 4/Local 13

Be it resolved that plenary be recessed until 13:30, Sunday, May 22, 2005.

CARRIED

17:12 the plenary recessed.



Elections and Referenda Policy

I. GENERAL ELECTIONS

A. CANDIDATES & NOMINATIONS

1. Nominees must be members of the University of Saskatchewan Students' Union (USSU) as defined in Article 5 of the USSU Constitution.
2. Nominations must be called according to a prescribed Election Schedule. The Elections Schedule shall be prepared by the General Manager's Designate (GMD) and is subject to Elections Board approval.
3. Nominations must be open for 2 days as outlined in the Election Schedule, and shall be publicized by all reasonable means, including posters, plasma screens, mass e-mail, and the USSU website. Nominations shall close at 4:00 p.m. on the final day of nominations. Nomination forms will be released to potential nominees only at the end of the mandatory Orientation Meeting held during the nomination period. The General Manager has the discretion to hold subsequent Orientation Meetings to accommodate the schedules of potential nominees.
4. All nomination forms for executive positions shall have twenty (20) nominators on their form; nominees for Senate positions require ten (10) nominators. All nominators must be members of the USSU. Nominees must ensure that their nomination forms include the full name, signature and student number for the nominee and the nominators. Only the nominee may release the names of his or her nominators.
5. Nominees are responsible for the fee outlined in the Election Schedule of \$100.00 to be refunded provided the candidate receives 5% of the total vote for the position they are seeking.
6. Nominees and nominators may not act as Elections Officials
7. No person is eligible to run for more than one position on the University Students' Council (USC) nor can they nominate anyone seeking the same position.
8. The Elections Board (EB) must ratify all nominees before they are considered candidates, which shall be done only after all candidates attend a mandatory Procedures Meeting.
9. The names of the nominees shall not be released until the EB ratifies their candidacy, and such ratification shall include written confirmation of good academic standing, which shall be delivered directly from the nominee's College to the GM or designate.

10. If any candidate wishes to withdraw from a USSU election after ratification by the EB, the Chief Returning Officer (CRO) must receive written notice of withdrawal from the candidate twenty-four (24) hours prior to the beginning of voting.

11. All members of the EB must submit a written declaration that they will not be seeking a position in the USSU General Election, before attending a meeting of the EB, or taking part in any business thereof.

B. ACCLAMATIONS AND VACANCIES

1. In the case that there is only one nominee for a position of the Executive after the regular nomination period has ended, a vote of confidence must be held where the candidate must receive a larger number of yes than no votes to affirm the acclamation. If a candidate receives a larger number of no votes than yes votes, a runoff by-election shall be held immediately, according to a by-election schedule (see Section III). Voting for such an election shall occur prior to the last day of March. If only one candidate runs in the by-election, and the result is again a larger number of no votes than yes votes, a fall by-election shall be held.

2. In the case of a vacancy in a position after the regular nomination period has ended, the nomination period for that position shall be extended at the discretion of EB.

C. CAMPAIGNING

1. There shall be no advertising by or on behalf of any candidate seeking election prior to the beginning of the campaign period, as outlined in the Elections Schedule. Candidates and their representatives shall not offer gifts to voters. Gifts shall include any item whose dominant purpose is to buy votes, rather than provide information about a candidate, or to stimulate legitimate political debate. Candidates shall obtain prior approval from the EB to distribute any product.

2. The campaign period shall be no less than one week in length, and shall not take place during the Reading Break for any College, or during any other period of time when a substantial portion of the student body is likely to be absent from campus.

3. All campaign material (of any form, electronic included), must be approved by the ACRO, or the GMD, prior to its release. Candidates and their representatives shall be allowed to use websites, and shall be permitted to send mass e-mail, for campaign purposes. Candidates and their representatives are responsible for learning and following applicable University of Saskatchewan policies, rules, and regulations regarding electronic communication.

4. All candidates and their representatives must read, understand, and adhere to the poster restrictions for each building on campus.

5. Under no circumstances shall a candidate, or their representative, deliver campaign speeches in regularly scheduled classes or labs, but may do so in residence buildings, pursuant to all applicable University of Saskatchewan policies, rules, and regulations.

6. No candidates, nor their representatives, may intentionally interfere with another candidate's campaign.

7. In no case shall the total cost of campaigning for any one candidate in any one election exceed five hundred dollars (\$500.00) not including taxes.

8. If a candidate is seeking an executive and senate position, the limit used for campaigning shall remain at five hundred dollars (\$500.00) not including taxes.

9. All ratified candidates shall be reimbursed fifty percent (50%) of campaign costs based on submission of receipts. Receipts must be submitted to the CRO or designate on or prior to the last day of campaigning. In the case of an acclamation, the candidate is eligible for reimbursement of 50% of campaign costs based on submission of receipts.

10. Candidates are responsible for the removal of their materials by 11:59 p.m. the final day of voting.

11. The ACRO, or GMD, with advise from the EB, shall organize voluntary election forums in accessible locations during the campaign.

12. EB members cannot be involved in the campaigning of any candidate seeking election.

13. Notice of any public forum on referendum issue must be given to the CRO or acting Chair of the EB. Representatives of both sides must be invited to attend.

14. The CRO or designate shall ensure that all candidates and Elections Board members have the information, rules, regulations and bylaws as deemed necessary, and further has the discretion to read the contents of any of these documents aloud to nominees.

II. MEMBER OF STUDENTS' COUNCIL ELECTIONS

1. Elections for Members of Students' Council shall adhere to the policies or bylaws determined for the student association of each respective college, school or group as outlined by Article 7 of the USSU Constitution.

2. The student association for each college, school or group electing a Member of Students' Council

3. The College DRO for a MSC election, in addition to normal duties, must be present during voting and ballot counting and must report the election results, along with a list of irregularities and a brief summary of how each was addressed, back to the EB for ratification.

III. BY-ELECTIONS

1. By-elections for Executive and Senate positions shall adhere to the policies determined for USSU General Elections. The only exception to this shall be the duration of the campaign and voting period. By-election schedules shall consist of three days for nominations, three days for campaigning, and two days of voting, where in campaigning shall be allowed. In the case of a March runoff by-election, the call for nominations must be made at least one week before nominations open.

IV. REFERENDA

A. AUTHORITY

1. The EB shall have authority over the activities of all campaign committees, and their members; including the USSU membership and of third parties as they relate to referenda.

B. REASONS

1. Referenda may be initiated according to Article 11 of the USSU Constitution.

C. NOTICE

1. Notice of the referendum must be received by the Chair or acting Chair of the USC no later than four (4) weeks prior to the expected vote of the referendum issue. This date shall be included in the Elections Schedule.

2. To ensure clarity and legal status, prior to the vote, the USSU solicitor must examine the wording of each referendum question. The solicitor has the right to alter the wording of referendum questions to ensure clarity and legal status, but must not alter their spirit and intent.

3. The CRO or designate shall receive the referendum question, as approved by the USSU solicitor, along with any revisions to this Policy, no less than two weeks prior to general voting.

4. The USSU staff must provide information to its membership about the subject of referenda in an unbiased manner, and shall remain neutral throughout.

D. CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE REGISTRATION

1. Any party wishing to register a campaign, on either side of the issue, must do so by completing a written proposal including:

- a. an outline of the party's platform;
- b. an itemized advertising budget; and
- c. contact information for each of its leaders

and submitting a refundable deposit of five hundred dollars (\$500.00) by the end of the stated time period, as outlined in the Election Schedule.

2. At the end of registration, all members of the above said committees must appear before the EB for approval, at which time this policy will be reviewed and any questions answered. The EB has the specific authority to deny approval of a prospective committee, where warranted. Any such decision is final.

E. CAMPAIGNING

1. There shall be no advertising by or on behalf of any campaign prior to the information meeting; which shall be held according to the Election Schedule.

2. Campaigning shall begin immediately following the information meeting, and shall end at 4:00 p.m. on the final day of voting. The campaign period shall otherwise be as outlined in the Election Schedule.

3. All factual information contained within campaign material must be submitted to the EB if distribution is to go beyond five (5) members of the USSU. The EB will proof the material for accuracy and, if necessary, return the information for changes prior to authorization. Once authorization has been granted, an original copy of the material must remain in the possession of the CRO, or designate, until the end of the referendum.

4. All campaign material, electronic included, must be approved by the ACRO, or the GMD, prior to its release.

5. No material may be in any way affixed to the material that has been disseminated by the USSU and/or the EB.

6. All parties must adhere to the poster restrictions for each building on campus.

7. Under no circumstances shall a party deliver campaign speeches in regularly scheduled classes or labs.

8. No party may intentionally interfere with a registered campaign committee's campaign.

9. In no case shall the total cost of campaigning for any one registered campaign committee in any one referendum exceed one thousand five hundred dollars (\$1500.00) not including taxes.

10. All registered campaign committees shall be reimbursed up to fifty percent (50%) of campaign costs based on submission of receipts. Receipts must be submitted to the CRO or designate before voting ends. The total amount available for reimbursement shall be three thousand dollars (\$3,000.00).

11. Registered campaign committees are responsible for the removal of their materials by 11:59 p.m. of the final day of voting.

12. The ACRO, or the GMD, with advisement of the EB, shall organize referendum forums in accessible locations during campaigning.

13. EB members cannot be involved in the registered campaign committees for a referendum.

14. Notice of any public forum on a referendum issue must be given to the CRO, Chair or acting Chair of the EB. Representatives of both sides must be invited to attend.

V. ELECTIONS OFFICIALS

A. ELECTIONS BOARD

1. EB shall exist as outlined in Article 10 of USSU Bylaw 1: Governance Procedures.

2. The EB shall be responsible for the following:

- (i) Conducting elections and referenda as outlined in Article 8 and Article 11 of the USSU Constitution and Article 10 of USSU Bylaw 1: Governance Procedures;
- (ii) Being knowledgeable about other procedures and policies necessary for a proper election;
- (iii) Interpreting and enforcing the Elections and Referenda Policy as it pertains to all members of the USSU;
- (iv) Appointing DROs; and,
- (v) Presiding over the vote-counting mechanism and election data.

3. For greater certainty, members of the EB shall be allowed to vote.

B. CHIEF RETURNING OFFICER

1. The CRO shall be appointed by USC through the Appointments Board. The CRO shall not be a member of the USSU.

2. As outlined in Article 10 of USSU Bylaw 1: Governance Procedures, the CRO shall be the chair of EB.

3. The CRO shall be responsible for the following:

- (i) Ensuring that all policies pertaining to the election of the Executive and Members of Students' Council are followed;
- (ii) Remaining impartial, both expressed and implied, by not supporting any candidate or registered campaign committee during an election or referendum;
- (iii) Addressing issues raised by members of the Elections Board in a timely manner;
- (iv) Cultivating an atmosphere of commitment to the elections process;
- (v) Providing guidance for the Elections Board with respect to this process;
- (vi) Chairing the All Candidates Procedures Meeting for all candidates and/or registered campaign committees prior to campaigning;
- (vii) Investigating all reported violations of elections procedures and providing appropriate information to the soonest possible EB meeting; and,
- (viii) Holding regular meetings with the EB during elections and referenda.

4. The CRO shall receive an honorarium, subject to USSU budget provisions.

5. University Students' Council shall deal with any complaints concerning the CRO. Complaints may be formally filed at any time during the election, or within five (5) days immediately following the election.

C. ASSISTANT CHIEF RETURNING OFFICER

1. The ACRO shall be appointed by USC through the Appointments Board. The ACRO must be a member of the USSU.

2. The ACRO shall be the vice-chair of EB.

3. The ACRO shall report to the CRO and to the GMD.

4. The ACRO shall be responsible for the following:

- (i) Serving as the CRO's representative on campus. As such, the ACRO shall be the primary liaison with candidates;
- (ii) Assisting in ensuring that all policies pertaining to the election of the Executive and Members of Students' Council are followed;
- (iii) Making all of the physical arrangements for USSU elections and referenda, with the assistance of the USSU General Manager or designate;
- (iv) The impartial chairing of all USSU election forums;
- (v) Consulting with all college, school and group student associations' chief returning officers in regards to polling procedures and rules for MSC elections;
- (vi) Casting the deciding vote in any referendum or for any member of the USSU Executive and student members of the University of Saskatchewan Senate in the case of a tie. This vote shall be cast during voting, and shall be submitted to the CRO or designate in a sealed envelope before the close of voting;
- (vii) Remaining impartial, both expressed and implied, by not supporting any candidate or registered campaign committee during an election or referendum; and,
- (viii) Other duties as assigned by the CRO and the GMD.

5. The ACRO shall receive an honorarium, subject to USSU budget provisions.
6. The CRO shall deal with any complaints concerning the ACRO. Complaints may be formally filed at any time during the election, or within five (5) days immediately following the election.
7. The ACRO shall have the right of first refusal to sign out a USSU notebook computer, suitable for performing the duties listed herein, and ancillary to this position, between the dates of the first and last EB meetings, inclusive.

D. GENERAL MANAGER'S DESIGNATE

1. The GMD shall be a non-voting member of the Elections Board as outlined in Article 10 of USSU Bylaw 1: Governance Procedures.
2. The GMD shall be responsible for the following:
 - (i) Ensuring that all nominees are in compliance with Article 5 of the USSU constitution regarding academic standing;
 - (ii) Preparing the Elections Schedule;
 - (iii) Securing the voters' registry; and,
 - (iv) Remaining impartial, both expressed and implied, by not supporting any candidate or registered campaign committee during an election or referendum.

E. MEMBERS OF STUDENTS COUNCIL

1. Each MSC or designate shall be responsible for impartially encouraging students from that college, school or group to vote.
2. The CRO or designate shall deal with any complaints concerning an MSC or their designate.

F. COLLEGE DEPUTY RETURNING OFFICER

1. College Deputy Returning Officers (College DROs) are appointed by college societies to oversee the election of Members of Students' Council. Please refer to Section II: Member of Students' Council Elections.

VI. VOTING & RETURNS

A. VOTING

1. Voting will begin on the date outlined in the Election Schedule, and shall last for two (2) days. In the event of technological failure, an election will not be declared invalid. Election officials will work to minimize the impact of any disruption in voting.

2. Voting shall be publicized by all reasonable means, including posters, plasma screens, mass e-mail, and the USSU website.

3. Voting shall be by secret and secure electronic ballot, using Personalized Access to Web Services (PAWS), or its equivalent.

4. Upon the close of voting, the results shall immediately be sent to the CRO or designate by e-mail, and shall be read only when the EB has reached quorum, so that it may ratify same.

B. BALLOTS

1. Position titles shall be placed on the ballot as per the USSU constitution.

2. Names of the candidates shall be placed in alphabetical order according to the candidate's last name.

3. The names of candidates on the ballots may differ from their given name providing the positioning of the candidate does not change. EB must approve any alternate name.

4. Although all positions may be on one form, each is considered a separate ballot.

5. Referenda ballots shall contain a neutrally worded question.

C. RESULTS

1. The CRO will release results to candidates, students and media at designated places and times, and will cause same to be posted on the USSU website forthwith.

VII. VIOLATIONS & COMPLAINTS

1. All violations of election procedures, arising from the first day of campaigning up to the deadline to file complaints shall be investigated and dealt with by the ACRO and the GMD, in consultation with the EB.

2. Prior to the start of campaigning, the EB will create and publish a schedule for election violations and punishment thereof, including instances where the EB specifically reserves its right of inherent

EB are final, including declaring any election invalid. At all times the EB shall be empowered to take such steps, as it deems necessary to fulfill its mandate.

5. In the event of any discrepancies, the EB is considered to be the ultimate decision making authority, and no member outside of this body is permitted to enforce policy or procedure.

6. Registered campaign committees shall be liable for ALL campaign violations, including the actions of any individual or group working on behalf of the campaign committee.

Contact Info:	Student Services Coordinator 966-6972		
Policy Number:			
Category:	Elections		
Policy Authority:	University Students' Council		
<u>Approvals</u>	<u>Board/Committee</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Motion</u>
Created/Adopted	University Students' Council	02/14/02	USC 197 & USC 199
Amended	University Students' Council	11/14/02	USC 90
Amended	University Students' Council	10/16/03	USC 57
Amended	University Students' Council	01/29/04	Approved
Amended	University Students' Council	03/25/04	USC 225
Amended	University Students' Council	01/13/05	USC
Amended	University Students' Council	01/18/07	USC 186



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BARRISTERS & SOLICITORS

September 12, 2007

University of Saskatchewan Students' Union

Room 65, Lower Place Riel Student Centre
University of Saskatchewan
Saskatoon, SK S7N 5A3

Attention: Caroline Cottrell, General Manager

Dear Madam:

Re: **Canadian Federation of Students**

In October of 2005 a referendum was held within the student body of the University of Saskatchewan to determine if the University of Saskatchewan Students' Union ("USSU") should join the Canadian Federation of Students ("CFS") and its related corporation the Canadian Federation of Students – Services ("CFS-S"). The majority of students voting voted in favour of joining CFS and CFS-S (in this opinion collectively referred to as "CFS").

Ultimately, the results of the referendum were overturned by the Courts.

You have asked for our opinion as to whether USSU is now required, or can be required by CFS, to hold a second referendum.

Summary of Opinion:

It is our opinion that USSU is not required to hold a second referendum on the question of joining CFS. We are also of the opinion that CFS cannot force USSU to hold a second referendum.

Background:

1. In or about November of 2004, the Executive Council of USSU passed a motion which authorized Executive Council to take steps on behalf of USSU to become a member of CFS. In due course, USSU was awarded prospective membership in CFS.

James M. Scharfstein, Q.C.

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Gregory G. Walen, Q.C.

Robert J. Gibbings, Q.C.

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Leslie G. Tallis

Kelly L. Kaip

Tammi D. Hackl

Cara L. Haaf

Dorinda M. Stahl

Brendan S. Tumback

2. The CFS bylaws provide, in part, as follows:

“2 b. Prospective Membership

...v. A local Student Association’s application for Prospective Membership, once accepted by the Federation, shall constitute a binding contract to pay Prospective Membership fees, ... and conduct a full membership referendum, as described in Section 2(b)-viii;” ...

viii. A Prospective member association must hold a referendum on full membership in the Federation, in accordance with Section 5 of this Bylaw, within twelve (12) months following its acceptance as a Prospective Member unless an extension is granted by the National Executive of the Federation; ...”

The reference to Section 5 of the Bylaw is an error since it is actually Section 4 of the Bylaw which sets out the rules and procedures for a referendum. The USSU also has its own rules and procedures for referenda.

3. The CFS Bylaws provide for the establishment of a Referendum Oversight Committee consisting of two (2) members appointed by the local Student Association and two (2) members appointed by the Federation. The Oversight Committee established the rules governing the referendum.
4. In the early months of 2005, representatives of CFS and USSU discussed issues relating to the referendum. USSU particularly had concerns about the interaction between CFS’s bylaw requirements and USSU’s own procedures. Specifically, USSU has an Elections and Referenda Policy setting out rules with respect to campaigning spending limits and so forth. The Policy did not contemplate the creation of an Oversight Committee. Rather it provided that a body called the Elections Board was responsible for conducting referenda. In addition, USSU’s constitution requires a referendum for the purpose of establishing a dedicated student fee. Membership in CFS entailed a \$9.00 annual fee for each student.
5. In September of 2005, USSU attempted to reconcile its Elections and Referendum Policy with the procedures mandated by the bylaws of CFS. This was done through the amendment of the Policy to include a new section aimed specifically at referenda concerning the Federation. It read as follows:

“In referenda to federate in the CFS, the Oversight Committee shall have the authority over the Referendum. The CRO [Chief Returning Officer] and ACRO [Assistant Chief Returning Officer] shall act as the USSU [Students’ Union] Representatives on the Oversight

Committee and that the Elections Board must ratify the results of this referendum.”

6. Voting on the referendum was held on October 4th, 5th and 6th, 2005 after a hotly contested campaign. The majority of students voted in favour of joining CFS.
7. After the referendum, the Oversight Committee was presented with a number of complaints from each side of the campaign. The Oversight Committee determined that, notwithstanding deficiencies in the process of conducting a referendum, the result reflected the decision of the members of USSU.
8. The report of the Oversight Committee was reviewed and considered by the Elections Board. The Board refused to ratify the referendum result because of flaws in the referendum process which, in its view, significantly affected the outcome of the vote. The Elections Board recommended that another referendum be held. The Elections Board report read, in part, as follows:

“As a body created under the USSU Bylaw No 1: Governance Procedures, the Elections Board (EB) normally is empowered to ensure that the USSU bylaws and policies are met in conducting a referendum or an election. In this case, the EB was given the task of ratifying the CFS membership referendum results. The USSU had indicated its support for students’ approving of becoming full members of the CFS. Nevertheless, the EB has found that it could not ratify the result, given what it sees as a seriously flawed referendum process

*In its assessment, the EB’s underlying concern has been whether any issues in relation to the process would have **significantly affected** the will of voters. It restricted its considerations to the process, even though there were issues relating to campaign conduct. This report is also complemented by the documents “Elections Board’s Ratification Discussion Paper” and “EB analysis of key concerns in the Referendum Process”. These reflect respectively (a) the Process Document crafted by the EB that guided its analysis of the Referendum process and (b) the EB’s deliberations based on the Discussion Paper. After the EB’s deliberations, it further considered whether each key concern would have significantly affected the will of voters.*

In terms of the process, this report only highlights the key issues which the EB believed would have significantly affected the will of

voters: (1) the lack of preparation or groundwork prior to establishing the ROC, (2) the fact that there was no specific call for campaign teams to register, (3) the evolving nature of the ROC Protocol, the fundamental document which was to determine the “ground rules” for campaigning and for the complaints process. [Emphasis added in original].”

9. The decision of the Elections Board then came before the University Students’ Council of USSU. There was concern that legal proceedings would be initiated by CFS if the views of the Elections Board were not set aside. After debate, the University Students’ Council decided to override the decision of the Elections Board and ratify the referendum result.
10. Robin Mowat, an active participant in the “no” side of the referendum debate, applied to the Court of Queen’s Bench in May 2006 for an order declaring the referendum to be of no force and effect. The application came before Mr. Justice S. Smith.
11. Mr. Justice Smith decided, on October 13th, 2006, that the referendum held by the USSU on the issue of whether it should join the CFS was of absolutely no force and effect. In reaching this conclusion, Mr. Justice Smith did not consider the flaws in the referendum process to be determinative of the issue. Rather Mr. Justice Smith focused on the ultimate decision of the Executive Council of USSU to ratify the referendum notwithstanding the report of the Elections Board. He determined that the Elections Board was part of a procedure established by USSU specifically for the referendum and therefore when USSU overrode the report of the Elections Board, it was ignoring its own rules. This, concluded by Mr. Justice Smith, was a breach of USSU’s obligation to act in good faith and to conduct itself in a fashion consistent with natural justice.
12. CFS appealed Mr. Justice Smith’s decision to the Court of Appeal. On August 27th, 2007 the Court of Appeal upheld Mr. Justice Smith’s decision and his analysis and determined that it was unnecessary to look more closely at the specific problems that arose in relation to the referendum process.

Analysis:

The October 2005 referendum was held pursuant to a contract entered into by USSU and CFS when USSU applied for and was awarded Prospective Membership in CFS. As pointed out above, the Prospective Membership application, once accepted by CFS, according to the bylaws constituted a binding contract to conduct a full membership referendum. The contract provided that the referendum be overseen by

the Referendum Oversight Committee composed of two (2) members appointed by USSU and two (2) members appointed by CFS. Under the contract, USSU and CFS delegated to the Referendum Oversight Committee (“ROC”) the responsibility to establish all rules and regulations for the referendum vote as well as dealing with other matters which were the responsibilities of the Committee under Section 4 of the CFS Bylaw, in particular Section 4(b).

As it happened, the CFS rules for the Referendum conflicted with USSU’s own rules on referenda. Accordingly, modifications were made to these rules and those modifications, including a protocol regarding the referendum. These modifications were created by the ROC. To repeat, the ROC consisted of equal membership from USSU and CFS, and both USSU and CFS participated in those modifications.

Ultimately, the result of the referendum, conducted with the oversight of the ROC, was not supported by the Elections Board. The Board pointed out numerous deficiencies in the process of the vote. If such deficiencies existed, they existed within a process which CFS had accepted and which was overseen by a committee in which CFS had equal participation. We understand an argument can be made that CFS yielded the majority of the influence on the ROS beyond its nominally equal representation.

Ultimately the Courts set aside the decision of Executive Council to override the report of the Elections Board. This means that the Report of the Elections Board governs. The Elections Board found that the referendum was invalid because of flaws in the process. The process was established by the ROC and overseen by the ROC. The process was not precisely as required by the CFS bylaws, however, just as the USSU and CFS could contract with each other to conduct a referendum in accordance with CFS bylaws, the parties could, and did, mutually agree through the delegation through the ROC to modify the process and accept results based on that process.

Accordingly, it is our conclusion that USSU has fulfilled its contractual obligation to hold a referendum on the question of membership in CFS. As the referendum was unsuccessful, the USSU Prospective Membership in CFS is at an end and USSU is no longer contractually bound to conduct a Referendum.

The only party which could attempt to compel USSU to conduct another referendum is CFS. CFS would have to argue that USSU failed to conduct a referendum in accordance with the procedures set out by the contract created by the application for Prospective Membership. In our opinion, CFS would be estopped, or prevented, from making such an argument because CFS participated fully in the ROC and contributed to the process established by the ROC which was ultimately determined to be flawed. Furthermore, CFS acquiesced in the authority of the Elections Board

as part of that process. CFS did not argue at either the Court of Queen's Bench or Court of Appeal level that the Elections Board did not have the authority under the process to review the referendum and render a report on the validity of the referendum.

Finally, as a practical matter, we understand that the CFS invested very considerable time and financial resources to the October 2005 referendum. It is unlikely that they would be inclined to embark on the process again and in fact we have had some indication from legal counsel for CFS that they do not intend currently to pursue the matter.

Conclusion:

For the reasons outlined above we are of the opinion that USSU is not required and cannot be compelled to hold another referendum on full membership in CFS.

We trust this will be satisfactory to you but if you have any questions at all concerning any of the matters discussed herein, please do not hesitate to contact the writer.

Yours truly,

SCHARSTEIN GIBBINGS WALEN & FISHER LLP

Per:

ROBERT J. GIBBINGS, Q.C.

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2007-2008 USC Attendance

Name	May	June	July	August	Sept. 6	Sep.13	Sep.20	Sep.27	Oct.4	Oct.10	Oct.11	Oct.18
Abdulla, Adam	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	R	P	P			
Cote, Jean-Paul	NM	NM	NM	A	P	R	P	P	P			
Gentner, Breanne	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	R			
Harder, Megan	NM	NM	NM	R	P	P	P	R	P			
Horvey, Karla	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P			
Kambeitz, Elvis	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P			
Karkut, Neil	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	R			
Kenney, Nicole	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	R	P			
Kirkland, Warren	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P	P	P			
Knaus, Tamra	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P			
Kuspira, Keith	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P			
Lawrence, James	NM	NM	NM	P	P	A	R	P	A			
Leisle, Matt	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	R	P			
Levesque, Lindsay	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P			
McAuliffe, Katelyn	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P	P	R			
Murphy, Russ	NM	NM	NM	A	A	A	A	P	P			
Olson, Tyler	NM	NM	NM	A	R	P	P	P	P			
Pepler, James	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	R	P			
Peti, Nick	NM	NM	NM	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	P			
Ring, Jeremy	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P			
Schultz, Ellyse	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P	P	P			
Shibata, Satoshi	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P	P	P			
Smith, Ashlee	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	R			
Steeves, Josie	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	R			
Wales, Jessica	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P	P	P			
Zubot, Kimberly	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P			

P - Present; R - Regrets; A - Absence; NYA - Not Yet Appointed; NM - No Meeting

University Students' Council Agenda

Thursday, October 18th, 2007

- 1. Adoption of an Agenda**
- 2. Introductions and Announcements**
- 3. Council Address**
 - 3.1 Amanda Smytaniuk, Studentcare**
- 4. Minutes and Reports for Information**
 - 4.1 USC Minutes – October 11th, 2007**
 - 4.2 Executive Committee Minutes – October 15th, 2007**
 - 4.3 Academic Affairs Board Minutes and Report**
 - 4.4 Appointments Board Minutes and Report**
 - 4.5 Board of College Presidents**
 - 4.6 Code of Ethics Disciplinary Committee Minutes and Report**
 - 4.7 Elections Board Minutes and Report**
 - 4.8 External Affairs Board Minutes and Report – October 12th, 2007**
 - 4.9 Operations & Finance Board Minutes and Report – October 10th & 17th, 2007**
 - 4.10 Student Issues Board Minutes and Report**
 - 4.11 Sustainability Board Minutes and Report**
- 5. Motions Arising from the Minutes and Reports**
- 6. Business**
- 7. New Business**
- 8. Questions and Comments (30 minutes)**
- 9. Any Other Business**
 - 9.1 Councilor Removal**
 - 9.2 Place Riel Advisory Committee**
- 10. Adjournment**

University Students' Council

Minutes for Thursday, October 11th, 2007

Present

James Pepler, President
Josie Steeves, VP Academic Affairs
Lindsey Levesque, VP External Affairs
Jeremy Ring, VP Operations & Finance
Nicole Kenney, VP Student Issues
Jean-Paul Cote, Agriculture
Tyler Olson, Arts & Science
Ashlee Smith, Arts & Science
Katelyn McAuliffe, Commerce
Alex Mitchell, Commerce
Breanne Gentner, Education
Elvis Kambeitz, Education
Michael Atkin, Engineering
Satoshi Shibata, International
Neil Karkut, Law
Nick Peti, Medicine
Megan Harder, Nursing
Kimberly Zubot, Pharmacy & Nutrition
Karla Horvey, Physical Therapy
Tamra Knaus, St. Thomas More
Ellyse Schultz, St. Thomas More
Jessica Wales, WCV

Also Present

Matt Leisle, Chair
Caroline Cottrell, USSU GM
Jeff Galbraith, Arts & Science
Chris Costley, Commerce

Regrets

Adam Abdulla, Dentistry
Keith Kuspira, Engineering
James Lawrence, Kinesiology

Absent

Warren Kirkland, Associated Res.

Chair Leisle reminded councilors and guests to sign the sign in sheet located at the front of the room. If councilors would like a printed copy of the USC package contact Kendra Wilkie, USSU Confidential Secretary. She is only printing copies for those councilors who have requested printed copies. He reminded councilors that meetings begin at 6 p.m.; therefore councilors should be arriving prior to this to ensure meetings begin on time. He noted that tonight councilors might find themselves in a heated debate. He asked councilors to be patient and concise with their points and he would be keeping a speakers' list.

Meeting was called to order at 6:07 p.m.

1. Adoption of an Agenda

Move to adopt the agenda.

USC Motion45: Steeves/Schultz

Carried.

2. Introductions & Announcements

Councilor McAuliffe introduced Alex Mitchell as the unofficial Commerce MSC.

VP Levesque noted that a provincial election was called last night and voting would take place on November 7th. The final McCall report was released on Tuesday and the main point was to reduce tuition by \$1,000.

President Pepler noted that Councilors Lawrence, Abdulla and Kuspira sent regrets.

4. Minutes and Reports for Information

4.1 USC Minutes

Chair Leisle noted the question marks in the minutes means the person typing the minutes could not hear what was stated. He asked that councilors speak up to avoid this.

5. Motions Arising from the Minutes and Reports

Move to approve the minutes as circulated.

USC Motion46: Ring/Horvey Carried.

6. Business

6.1 CFS Referendum

Move that the USSU recognize prospective membership with the Canadian Federation of Students and hold a referendum within twelve months.

USC Motion47: Levesque/Horvey

VP Levesque noted she supplied councilors with all the documents last week. She hopes to have a lot of discussion on this issue.

Councilor Schultz is in favour of this motion. She feels it is the smartest thing to do. The USSU has been dealing with this for three years and it is time to end it. Holding a referendum will give a definite answer and council can move onto more important issues.

Member Galbraith asked for the names of the two MSCs who are sitting on the Elections Board this year. He noted this might pertain to the debate.

VP Ring noted Councilor Smith and Councilor Schultz are sitting on the Elections Board.

VP Ring stated he would be speaking against this motion. The USSU Lawyers noted that in their legal opinion the USSU is not a prospective member. This relates to the USSU having a referendum and the results being thrown out. In their opinion the USSU has had a referendum and held up their end of the contract. The referendum did not pass; therefore, the USSU is not considered prospective members. In addition, it is time to bury the hatchet with CFS. This is the way to give the USSU leverage; if they want to try and sue us they will never win a referendum on this campus again.

VP Smith noted that she has done some research over the past few weeks. The only lawsuit that a student union has been involved with CFS is the USSU vs. CFS. CFS is made up of student unions from across the country. If CFS were to sue the USSU it would mean student unions from all over the country would be suing one small student union in Saskatchewan. She does not think that is very likely. She agrees that students have had enough of this issue but thinks the students should get to make the final decision. Even though the referendum was flawed, CFS did receive the majority of yes votes. The USSU should allow the undergraduate students to have the final say. She feels students right now have a biased opinion of CFS. She would like to amend the motion to read twenty-four months instead of twelve months. She also suggested having two referendums at the same time, for example U-Pass and CFS in 2008-09.

Move to amend the motion to read: Move that the USSU recognize prospective membership with the Canadian Federation of Students and will hold a referendum within twenty-four months.

USC Motion48: Smith/Harder Carried.

VP Levesque corrected Councilor Smith's comment on the lawsuits. She noted there was a lawsuit where CFS sued Acadia University. This happened because they decided to hold a referendum to get out of CFS without informing CFS Executive.

Councilor Knaus asked if the cost would be increased if CFS and U-Pass referendums were combined.

VP Ring stated no because two referendums in the budget would be on the same line. The CRO and ACRO would still be paid the same. It should not increase costs.

Councilor Horvey asked if CFS would allow the USSU to be prospective members for twenty-four months instead of twelve months.

VP Levesque noted they would allow the USSU to do that. In Saskatchewan the GSA and FNUC are still prospective members. The U of R is the only students union paying fees.

Councilor Smith stated that in her mind this is the best decision. She would like to note that the amendment is just to extend it to twenty-four months, so that if USC didn't want to hold a referendum this year there is the option to delay it for the following year. She does not feel it is wise to cut ties with CFS right now because they are a huge lobby group and there is likely a federal election in the near future.

Chair Leisle reminded councilors that the debate is on the amendment.

VP Steeves noted holding a referendum in twenty-four months does not bind USC. With a provincial election called and possibly a federal election in the works, students may be tired of voting, which is why twenty-four months might be beneficial.

President Pepler stated he is in favour of the amendment. He spoke to the Chair of the CFS, Amanda Aziz, about holding a referendum within twenty-four months and she was in favour of it.

Councilor McAuliffe stated the Commerce students feel a referendum is necessary. She asked if anything were in place to ensure the same problems wouldn't happen again.

Chair Leisle noted that this could be discussed when USC is discussing the main motion not the amendment.

VP Levesque noted that the biggest problem with the last referendum was the Oversight Committee, which CFS required in their bylaws. A CFS spokesperson told her that every school negotiates a contract for a referendum. Each school may have Bylaws or an Elections Board or they may not have anything. The Bylaws are guidelines for schools that don't have anything in place. The USSU is planning to turn their Elections Policy into a Bylaw. A contract would have to be negotiated between the CFS and the USSU in order to accommodate both documents.

Member Galbraith stated that one of key components in the CFS Bylaw is the Oversight Committee, which must consist of four people, which includes two CFS staff members, and two U of S students. CFS staff members have 50 percent of the vote on the Oversight Committee. He would like to see some debate on whether members would like to see some debate on CFS having 50 percent of the vote. Among other things it would strip the EB of all their powers. It would allow the Oversight Committee to set the date, times, authorize posters, and hand out punishments.

VP Ring noted that VP Levesque has been discussing amalgamating the rules. By having another referendum gives them the power rather than us saying no we are not prospective members.

Councilor Harder asked how the Elections Board fits into the Referendum Oversight Committee.

Chair Leisle compared the CFS and USSU to marriage. They both have to be at the alter to say I do. One organization can't say, "I'm being a part of your organization and the other can't say I'm being part of yours." The EB appointed the ACRO and CRO to be the two USSU members on the OC and the CFS appointed their two members. The Elections Policy at the time stated the ROC

would be the governing body over the referendum. The EB then had to ratify the OC referendum results.

Member Hamilton stated the OC felt the referendum was good; however, the EB felt it was not.

VP Steeves noted that in response to Member Galbraith's concerns if the referendum was held within twenty-four months that would allow proper time to discuss his concerns. The argument that policies just don't match is not an excuse. She stated the referendum has to work because it has worked in seventy or so other schools.

VP Levesque noted that this was a distinct situation across Canada. The ROC ratified the referendum and passed it but the EB disagreed with it. USC then made the decision to move forward.

Member Galbraith asked to read a paragraph from a letter dated February 8, 2005 into the record from the USSU legal counsel. "Needless to say, there is no question that there is a conflict between the Constitution and Bylaws of the Canadian Federation of Students and the Constitution of the University of Saskatchewan Students' Union. As the proposed referendum is undoubtedly a referendum establishing a dedicated student fee, that referendum must be in compliance with Article 11 of the USSU Constitution. If, in my respectful view, the referendum is not held in accordance with Article 11, its validity is in doubt. In accordance with the policy of the University of Saskatchewan Students' Union, the Elections Board has authority over this referendum. This clashes with the Constitution and Bylaws of the Canadian Federation of Students, which require the prospective member association (the USSU) to hold a referendum on full membership in the Federation within five months following its acceptance as a prospective member. A Referendum Oversight Committee as established in s.4(b) of the Constitution and Bylaw of the CFS oversees the referendum and essentially, despite the fact that two members are appointed by the USSU, usurps the function of the Elections Board.

Chair Leisle stated that wasn't a handout USC received; it was a legal opinion from an earlier date.

Councilor Zubot asked if USC decides not to hold another referendum will the USSU gets sued? She asked what the USSU membership status would be.

Chair Leisle stated in his opinion the decision is whether or not the USSU recognizes prospective membership. If it fails that is USC saying they do not recognize membership and USC feeling that all CFS dealings are concluded.

VP Smith asked Member Galbraith what the legal repercussions are.

Member Galbraith stated that if USC continues prospective membership then eventually a referendum must be held. He is not sure how long CFS will extend the membership and as a matter of principle sooner is better than later. Students don't want this hanging over their head. He accepts the fact that there have been several referenda lately but the students deal with USSU elections every year and students likely want closure on this issue. From a logistical point of view it is possible to have the referendum as early as February 2008. He does not want to speculate what CFS will do but if the vote goes the other way. However, if he was involved he wouldn't just walk away but is not sure what CFS would do. It is a chance USC would have to take. If CFS was to sue they may look at recovering damages but it would likely be to hold another referendum. Another possibility is CFS does just walk away. In the last twenty to thirty years the USSU has always been affiliated with CFS or CASA. There is a fairly lengthy history of being involved with lobby groups but that does not mean that it has to be done. If CFS does allow the USSU to walk away he asked would USC look into CASA or not have a lobby group. He noted that would be something to think about before casting your vote. He noted it would be very unethical of him to give a legal opinion because the USSU has a legal team but a lawsuit is possible.

Member Hamilton clarified that the USSU lawyer stated his belief is that the USSU is not prospective member.

Chair Leisle stated that it is just an opinion and anyone can have any but recognizing prospective membership binds the USSU.

Member Hamilton asked if anyone considers the USSU prospective members.

Chair Leisle noted that is what council will be deciding tonight.

President Pepler clarified that if USC decides not to be prospective members the USSU is done with CFS but run the risk of being sued. The USSU also runs the risk of another lawyer battle that lasts five years, which costs a lot of money; however, the issue would be settled. If USC decides to continue being prospective members that would mean there is a twenty-four month period that would allow time to hammer out the details but still bind the USSU to CFS. CFS would once again be passed to another Executive. A two-thirds majority vote to pass this and abstention would be null.

Chair Leisle asked why it is a two-thirds vote.

VP Ring noted Section 11 reads, "If proposed by the Executive, upon receiving approval of two-thirds of councilors present at the meeting of the University Students' Council when the proposal is presented." He asked if that means accepting the proposal or accepting the referendum.

Chair Leisle noted that his opinion is when the motion is to schedule the referendum. This is a gray area. The motion is to recognize prospective membership.

Councilor Smith asked if council could vote on making a vote two-thirds majority.

Chair Leisle stated no.

Member Galbraith stated the spirit of the law suggests that two-thirds is not required. Continuing prospective membership makes a referendum inevitable. He thinks a two-thirds vote is appropriate but not strictly required.

Chair Leisle noted that a majority vote is required but if USC would prefer a two-thirds majority that is what they would do.

Councilor Harder noted that Bylaw 1 Prospective Membership states “the fee for prospective membership in the Federation shall be five percent of the regular Federation membership fee.” She noted that this fee was waived last time and asked if it would be waived again or would it come out of the budget. Last year on November 16th CFS was supposed to write a letter stating that the USSU wouldn’t be held liable for the fees. She wondered if the USSU has that documentation.

VP Levesque stated she received a letter that they would be waiving the fee for this year.

VP Steeves asked if she was asking about the five percent of full membership.

Councilor Harder noted about the five percent.

VP Ring stated he thinks it was regarding the full membership but he is not 100 percent certain. If USC votes to continue membership this is one of the first things that would be discussed in the contract.

Member Hamilton ???

VP Steeves noted that a 5 percent fee has never been paid. She is assuming that there was a motion to waive the fee. She is also assuming that if CFS still considers the USSU prospective members the fee would be waived.

Chair Leisle noted it would have been in the spring of 2005. The prospective membership was taken out in November 2005.

Councilor Horvey asked if the motion gets turned down tonight could the USSU be part of CFS at a later time.

Chair Leisle stated yes as long as USC approves taking out a prospective membership and follows the CFS Bylaws.

VP Ring noted that he is voting against the motion. He noted everyone is assuming this and that. If everyone is assuming this then the USSU couldn't get sued. Currently, the USSU is not getting sued. You are not going to buy something if it is not a possibility. There are legal opinions on both sides.

Councilor Peti stated that there were several flaws with the initial referendum. The USSU legal opinion admits the referendum was flawed and now the USSU has the chance to get out. To risk paying a 5 percent fee, to risk joining an organization that did not do things by the book is not acceptable. In a lot of ways the USSU was strong-armed into this agreement and to CFS strong-armed through a fear of lawsuits. For a long time only one-side of the view was present and now there is a legal opinion that states there were flaws in the process and that the USSU is not a prospective member.

Move to extend speaking rights to three turns per member.

USC Motion49: Harder/Schultz Carried.

Councilor Smith stated that the original referendum held in 2004 had an overwhelming amount of support from students. The students should have the right to make this decision not the twenty-six students sitting around the table.

VP Ring noted that 3,562 students voted. 1,968 (55.25%) voted yes, 1,584 (44.47%) voted no and 10 ballots were spoiled.

Councilor Harder stated that she didn't mean to scare councilors by saying what if future executive don't hold a referendum. She is sure the next Executive and Council will be responsible. If a referendum is held this year it may be very futile. It is responsible to have a referendum to get out of the CFS.

Member Hamilton asked what the amendment was.

Chair Leisle noted the motion with the amendment is to Move that the USSU recognize prospective membership with the Canadian Federation of Students and will hold a referendum within twenty-four months.

Member Hamilton asked if the twenty-four months would be binding. He noted that is a big assumption that CFS will extend the prospective membership to twenty-four months.

VP Levesque stated CFS National Executive have the final say. Prospective membership has been extended for two locals in the province until they hold their next referendum. The lawyers say that the USSU doesn't have prospective

membership but she is going to try and explain this from a CFS prospective. Prospective membership is given until a referendum is held. If a referendum is thrown out they still consider us members because of the original application.

Member Galbraith asked if council voted on the amendment.

Chair Leisle stated the amendment was passed.

Councilor McAuliffe stated that holding another referendum would allow both yes and no campaigns to campaign properly.

Member Hamilton stated that according to the CFS Bylaws the USSU Executive has to support the CFS. It doesn't mean the Executive has to campaign but it does mean they have to endorse it.

Chair Leisle stated did not know the answer. He asked if someone could look that up.

President Pepler asked if that was the case could an Executive support but not run a no campaign.

Chair Leisle stated he does not recall seeing this in the Bylaws.

Councilor Peti stated that he did not see Executive campaign for the no side but saw several take up class time and campaign for the yes side. He is not sure that the Executive should campaign because they are seen in a position of power on campus and the majority of undergraduates are 18-20 years of age.

VP Steeves stated last time USC voted to actively support CFS. Campaigning should not bind the USSU Executive and USC. The Executive and USC should only inform the students.

Councilor Peti noted he was referring to Page 4 of the Elections and Referenda Policy. It would prevent USC and the Executive to be on either the yes or no side.

VP Ring asked what would be required for CFS to suspend their bylaws as it relates to the ROC voting to federate, etc.

Member Galbraith stated he assumes it would be similar to the process the USSU would use. The reason you put stuff into constitutions and bylaws it to make it hard to change. Yes CFS could change their bylaws, yes it would take time, yes it would probably cost money and he is not sure whether they would do it.

Councilor Kambeitz asked if the USSU could potentially disassociate from CFS and when the referendum is held ask the students what bodies they would like to be part of.

VP Steeves noted that the only other established student body in Saskatchewan besides CFS is CASA (Canadian Alliance of Student Associations). CASA is set up completely differently from CFS. They require a fee and that fee is paid out of a budget line. It is simply a motion of USC to join. No referendum is required.

VP Levesque noted that CASA only has five locals across Canada.

Chair Leisle reminded councilors to stay on topic.

Member Galbraith strongly urged councilors not to have multiple options on a referendum. There should only be two options, yes or no, in order to have a clear mandate.

Councilor Kambeitz stated ???

VP Ring noted that if this were voted down no money would be spent. There is potential that money will need to be spent if it is passed. There is a guarantee that money will be spent if another referendum is held. One thousand is required for the ACRO, fifteen hundred is required for the CRO, and money is required for campaigning reimbursements, which could get costly if there is more than one yes or no side. In addition, the Board of Governors already rejected the fee twice. If the referendum passes and it is legitimate the USSU is not sure whether or not the Board of Governors would collect the fee. If the BOG would not collect the fee the USSU would be on the hook for that money.

Councilor Steeves reminded councilors that a referendum has been budgeted for this year. Legal fees???

Councilor Harder asked why the BOG didn't want to collect the fee.

President Pepler stated the BOG didn't collect the fee because they didn't want to collect a fee where the CFS constitution overshadowed the USSU constitution.

VP Ring noted that legal fees are always budgeted for in the Student Unions budget. The budget line is \$8,000.

VP Steeves asked how much has been spent on lawyer fees to date.

VP Ring noted that nothing has been over budget by a substantial amount. Approximately two thousand has been spent.

Councilor Smith stated delaying the referendum allows more time. Combining the U-Pass and CFS referendum would save the USSU money. If the referendum is done properly and CFS and the USSU work out the bylaws the BOG would have no problem collecting the fee.

Member Galbraith requested a roll call vote.

Chair Leisle noted a majority vote is required to have a roll call vote.

Move to have a roll call vote for this motion.

USC Motion50: Ring/Pepler

Carried.

Councilor Peti stated no.

VP Ring stated no.

VP Levesque stated yes.

Councilor Schultz stated yes.

Councilor Knaus stated yes.

Councilor Wales stated yes.

President Pepler stated yes.

Councilor Shibata stated yes.

VP Kenney stated yes.

Councilor Smith stated yes.

Councilor Harder stated yes.

Councilor McAuliffe stated yes.

Councilor Kambeitz stated no.

Councilor Gentner stated yes.

Councilor Zubot stated yes.

Councilor Horvey stated yes.

Councilor Steeves stated yes.

Councilor Karkut stated yes.

Councilor Cote stated no.

Councilor Olson stated yes.

Councilor Atkin stated yes.

Chair Leisle noted seventeen voted in favour and four were opposed.

8. Questions and Comments

President Pepler would like to respond to Councilor Smith's comments regarding his articles in the Sheaf. He noted that he has been writing articles for the Sheaf since he started attending University. He was voted in under the presumption that he would still write articles for the Sheaf. He didn't make any promise that he would stop writing articles, write using a ghost name or change his articles. As a student it is his right to write however he wants. He considers writing articles part of his education. A chemistry major would go to the lab; he writes for the school paper. His career is not in politics it is in English. He has decided to tone it down but in no way shape or form will a council lure or restrict his right to write.

Councilor Knaus stated that students have approached her regarding provincial candidates putting up posters on university grounds. She noticed several candidates have done so and asked what was being done about this.

VP Levesque stated she spoke to Chris Gallaway who spoke with the University's Communications Department. She will try and find a response tomorrow.

Councilor Smith stated that Election Saskatchewan is in need of help. They are looking for enumerators, polling clerks and deputy returning officers the day of the election. Enumerators are people who go door to door to register the voters. She noted that the positions pay relatively well. Enumerators are paid \$140 plus \$0.40 for every name that is put on the list. It is a great way to get involved.

VP Kenney stated she has been asked to speak at a Human Rights Convention that is taking place on November 1st and 2nd. She has been asked to recruit an additional two students willing to speak on a panel regarding disability rights and poverty. She asked if anyone knows anyone to let her know.

Councilor Knaus stated last week she spoke regarding Coke and Human Rights Violation. She has been in contact Roy Rogers and Dave Peacock at STMSU and are interested in building a campaign on campus.

Councilor Harder asked if there would be a polling station on campus for the provincial election.

VP Levesque stated she spoke with Elections Saskatchewan and it is not possible to have a polling station on campus for this election because the Premier has to strike a committee and the party discusses everything. It is possible for the next election. The last committee was in 2005 and she is not sure why it was not thought of then. It is really important to have a polling station on campus. She is trying to get a bus schedule and find out which buses go past polling stations and having a big constituency map of the city in Place Riel. She has not set a date for the leaders' forum yet but so far the NDP and Liberal are coming. She is waiting to hear back from the Sask Party.

Councilor Harder stated she would really like to see Council as a whole take on this initiative to try and get students out to vote.

Councilor Schultz stated that there are more young people aged 18-29 than there are people over the age of 65 in this province.

VP Ring mentioned that the new student group website is up and running. It is more attractive and can be accessed the same way.

VP Kenney noted that six recycle bins would be put in the bus mall.

Chair Leisle introduced Michael Atkin. He is the new Engineering MSC.

Councilor Harder asked when the USC Social would be.

President Pepler noted it will be held at Louis and a date has not been decided. He asked council to email him with dates and would do his best to accommodate.

President Pepler noted that USC gifts would likely be clothing again.

10. Adjournment

Move to adjourn.

USC Motion51:

Ring/Cote

Carried.

Executive Committee

Minutes for Monday, October 15, 2007

Present: James Pepler, Jeremy Ring, Josie Steeves, Lindsey Levesque, Caroline Cottrell

Regrets: Nicole Kenney

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 2:30 p.m.

2. Call for Quorum

Quorum was present

3. Roundtables

President Pepler

Sept 24-28

- Helped 2 students with Student Loans
- Class
- Appointments Board
- Karaoke Hosting
- Mails and phone calls
- From the 26-28th was on the Board of Governors Retreat

Oct 1- 5

- Was in Michigan for ACUI conference from Sept 29-Oct 3rd. A full report on this conference will be provided with the next accountability report.
- Had meetings with Dave Hannah and ULC about Undergrad Forum
- Did plenty of planning and work on CFS issues
- Had USC
- Volunteered in Take back the Night
- Had meetings with Mr. McCall about his report
- Volunteered at the Help Center

Oct 8-12

- Thanksgiving holiday
- Attended Class
- Worked on presenting both sides of CFS debate
- Began planning for Student Steering Committee
- Plenty of media responses to Political Party Platforms
- Admin Team
- President's Breakfast
- Financial Review of May-Aug
- Collaborating with URSU about press releases

- Communications Meeting
- Much more CFS work
- Information Fair for Experience US
- USC
- Volunteered at the Women's Centre
- External Affairs Board
- Op/Fin Board
- Place Riel Student Steering Committee

VP Levesque

- Math 121 x 6
- Sick Day
- Attended Minimum Wage Increase Announcement- David Forbes, Minister of Labour
- External Affairs Board planning
- Communications meeting
- Math Tutorial
- USC x 2
- Executive Meeting x 2
- Teleconference call with Minister Warren McCall, President Pepler and myself.
- Release of McCall Report- Regina
- Financial Review
- CFS Discussion
- ADO
- Math 121 Test
- External Affairs Board Meeting
- United Way Presentation
- Meeting with Kathleen Wilson-Provincial Organizer for CFS-SK (Election Discussions)

VP Ring

- ACUI Conference
- Facilities and marketing assistant interview
- Meeting with SADD
- Meeting with Lutheran Students Society
- Volunteering at Pride Centre
- USC Board binder preparation
- Ratification input
- Financial Accountabilities for Summer 2007
- Meeting with ESS
- President's Breakfast
- Operations & Finance Board meeting
- Financial Accountability review
- CFS referendum meeting
- USC Meeting
- Help Centre Volunteering

- Place Riel Student Advisory Board meeting
- Class
- Plasma pictures
- Interview with The Sheaf
- United way presentation
- Exec committee

VP Steeves

September 19 - October 2

- Campus Career Expo
- Meeting with Consumer Services
- Student Members of University Council Orientation
- Lunch with Brett Fairbairn and University Council Committee Chairs
- Communications Review
- University Council Orientation
- University Council
- University Student's Council
- RSAW Committee
- Lawyer Meeting
- EDO
- Integrated Plan Preparation Meeting
- Student Advocacy Network
- Student x3
- Student Code of Conduct Meeting
- Meeting with David Hannah, Kelly McInnes, Russ Isinger RE: Exam Schedules
- Safewalk Orientation
- Communications Review
- IT Advisory Board
- Film Festival Planning Meeting
- Instructional Development Committee
- Student x2
- Academic Programs Committee
- Interview with On Campus News RE: Declaration of Student Rights
- Volunteer Orientation Training Retreat – Sunday
- BOCP – Sunday
- Student's Rights Handbook Meeting
- Meeting with Shea Peterson RE: CABIS Appointment
- Karaoke Hosting at Louis
- Case work

October 3 - October 12

- Exec Committee
- DISorientation Meeting with Andrea Eccleston
- Provost Interviews
- Pride Centre Volunteering
- Communications Meeting
- Provost Interviews

- EDO
- ½ Vacation Day
- Meeting with Students RE: Liberal Arts programs
- President's Breakfast
- Student x2
- Film Festival Meeting with Jason Ventnor and Jason Kovitch
- Communications Meeting
- Academic Support Committee
- Instructional Development Committee
- Experience US!
- Centre Volunteering
- USC
- Academic Programs Committee
- RSAW Committee

VP Kenney

Ill- Sept 18, 19

Sept 3 -12

- Handing out Survival Guides
- Sheaf Interview
- Reviewing Designated Parking Forms
- Meeting with Wendy Novakouski- Campus Parking Services
- Reviewing Designated Parking Forms
- Admin Team
- Executive Committee
- Orientation at Royal West
- Camp out Meeting
- STM 1st Year Dance
- Handing out Survival Guides
- Carless Drive-in
- Camp-out Planning
- Various Welcome Week Duties
- Handing out Survival Guides
- Communications Meeting
- Kristin Foster- Student Care
- First Sask Credit Union- Sponsorship for Bike compounds
- Meeting with Brent Thoma
- Various Welcome Week Duties
- USC
- Phoning Designated Parking Recipients
- Handing out Survival Guides
- Various Welcome Week Duties
- Camp Out planning
- Creating 20 center pieces for U of S Reunion Dinner
- Sheaf Article

- Meeting with Laura Lacey- (Quint Development; an organization with programs for people to become homeowners)
- USC Board Presentations
- Commerce BBQ
- President's Breakfast
- Childcare Budget meeting
- Interview with CBC (French station) about Security on campus
- CAMP OUT IN THE BOWL Registration & Community building activities
- CAMP OUT IN THE BOWL Media Release

Sept 13 - 30

- Interview with CBC News World (Calgary)
- Camp out clean up
- Jane Goodall Workshop
- Center's Meeting
- USC
- USSU Executive Reunion Dinner
- U of S 100th Anniversary Gala
- Met with 2 students
- Advertising for Maggie de Vries
- Ill
- Ill
- Meeting with Phaedra Hitchings
- Meeting with Pride Center Coordinator, Women's Center Coordinator and Victim Advocate
- SYC Conference
- USC
- Travel to Warmen
- Class
- Footprint Design Symposium
- Not Sponsored by Cameco Gala
- Charlie Clark
- Arranging for David Bwalakali- (Africa Youth Initiative on Climate Change) to speak at the U of S
- Exec meeting
- Safe walk volunteering
- CFCR
- DJ Champion
- Student Code of Conduct
- We are many meeting
- Dealing with Student Health and Dental Plan concerns
- Safewalk orientation
- 2007/09/27-30 SYC Conference

October 01 - 12

- SYC Conference
- Admin Team
- Lunch with Kristine- Waste Management Intern

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- We are Many meeting
- We are many meeting- 6 PM (7th floor Bessborough)
- Political minimum wage announcement
- Meeting with Peter Prebble Food bank Volunteering
- Exec meeting
- Waste Reduction council
- USC Take Back the Night
- ADO
- Volunteering at Saskatoon Food bank
- Thanksgiving
- EDO
- Meeting with Kelly Goyer- Requested Recycle bins for bus mall
- Financial Review
- Sustainability Board Meeting
- Communications Meeting
- Exec meeting
- Pride center volunteering
- Experience US
- Centers Meeting
- Environmental Students Society
- USC
- Waste Reduction project
- Trick or Eat meeting
- Waste Reduction project
- SYC Conference Call

GM Cottrell

- Trick or Eat meeting
- Alumni Board meeting
- Student Relations Committee Meeting
- Planning daycare stakeholders meeting
- Interviewing for Facilities & Events Assistant position
- Interviewing for Communications Assistant position
- Meetings re. Louis' study
- Managers' meetings
- Meeting with Greg Fowler re. university space in Place Riel
- UPASS study meeting
- Centres Meeting
- Social Committee
- USC meetings
- Recycling meeting
- Phone meetings with Greg Walen re. CFS

4. Remembrance Day

University chaplains Ursula Wiig, Michael MacLean and Gertrude Rompre spoke attended the Executive Meeting to discuss the USSU's role in the Remembrance Day

services and to seek Executive sponsorship for the post-wreath tea at Browsers and for the advertising thereof. President Pepler or designate will be available to lay the wreath. Rev. Wiig also asked that we help spread the word that each College has a wreath to be laid and suggested that we contact the Colleges via BOCF.

EXEC47 Move to sponsor the Remembrance Day tea in Browsers as well
Ring/Pepler as a promotion thereof.

Carried

5. National Day of Remembrance and Action on Violence Against Women

Gertrude Rompre from STM said she would like to coordinate some on-campus activities. The consensus was that this should go through the Women's Centre Coordinator, Ferron Olynyk, who would then keep the rest of the USSU in the loop.

6. Connecting with Off-Campus Students

GM Cottrell suggested that representatives should go to the regional colleges to meet students and introduce them to the world of student politics. This met with a warm reception. GM Cottrell will investigate and set it up.

7. Policy Review

The Executive began reviewing all policies during the summer. They have been asked to take any that need to go to Boards for discussion and a vote to those Boards. A final review of all non-Board policies will be done in December and the package will be taken to USC in the new year. The exception to this is the Election Policy which will go forward to the AGM as a potential by-law.

8. Arts and Science Postering

President Pepler is sending a letter to the ASSU to grant them exemption from poster rules under Policy 6.03 Student Advertising and Publicity.

9. Threats on Campus

Susan Bens, Acting Vice President, Student and Enrolment Services, came to speak to the Executive about the two threats on campus. The prevailing belief is that they were by the same person. One was in Thorvaldson, graffitied on the floor. The other was a typed note left in the Physics Building. Both were not specific and are being treated seriously, but not as an immediate danger.

10. Advancement

GM Cottrell reported that she and Marketing Services Manager Jason Ventnor, in cooperation with University Advancement, are working on a campaign to try and raise funds for the renovation. Decisions will need to be made but the first presentation will be to the Place Riel Student Advisory Committee.

11. Hoodies

Jason Ventnor will examine the various possibilities for hoodies (known in Saskatchewan as bunny hugs) which will be the gifts for USC.

External Affairs Board Meeting

Friday, October 12, 2007

Present: Lindsey Levesque, Satoshi Shibata, James Pepler, Tamra Knaus, Sarah Shoker, Travis Lingenfelter, Shuo Zhang, Katelyn McAuliffe, Tony Bassett

1. Call to Order

Meeting was called to order at 1:05pm.

2. Call for Quorum

Quorum was present.

3. Old Business

4. New Business

4.1. Canadian Federation of Students

On Thursday, October 11 2007, University Student Council voted in favour of recognizing prospective membership and will hold a CFS referendum for full membership within 24 months.

VP Levesque holds the Provincial Chairperson position within the CFS-SK Component and will be working closely with the National Executive to execute various campaigns. Check out www.cfs-fcee.ca for the campaigns.

The CFS will also provide materials or research for various projects that the External Affairs Board has including the provincial election.

4.2. Provincial Election

- a. Education Matters Leaders Debate- The USSU is organizing a date and to host an 'Education Matters Leaders Debate' at the U of S. The date will be within the week of the 22nd and 26th of October at 11:00am for good media coverage, but is subject to Leader availability. This Debate will include all Post-Secondary Institutions within Saskatchewan including U of S, U of R, FNUC, SIIT and SIAST.
- b. Bus Routes- VP Levesque is organizing a list of polling stations throughout Saskatoon, and coordinating the bus schedules from the University to bus stops near every station. There will also be a table set up for two weeks before voting days to hand out buttons, stickers and petitions, help students find their constituency, etc.

- c. Advertising- The Board has an opportunity to design a posters that will mobilize students, including ones with the voteeducation.ca website through the CFS, which can be added to. We will also have ad space in Planet S, the Sheaf, and on the radio. Need to brainstorm for October 19 meeting about where else to send our message and what that message says.
- d. Student Platform- There is 4 choices for a student platform that will be provided for a political stance on post-secondary issues. This includes a fully funded tuition reduction, housing, establishing a system of needs based grants, and more training spaces at regional colleges (working with SIAST and the College of Nursing).
- e. Report Cards- The CFS-SK component will be developing report cards about each party's policies for post-secondary institutions and will give each party a grade based on how they approach the issues of accessibility and affordability. The Board has input into all of these projects.

5. Questions and Comments

Board members need to let VP Levesque know if there is anything specific you would like to work on or help with and we can discuss it at the next meeting.

Board meetings will be held every Friday, at least until the provincial election and then every two weeks depending on the projects at hand.

6. Adjournment

Operations & Finance Board

Minutes for Wednesday, October 10th, 2007

Present: Jeremy Ring, Ellyse Schultz, Katelyn McAuliffe, Cody Casey, Tyler Olson, James Pepler

Regrets: Ana Carolina Melendez, Nicole Kenney, Jean-Paul Cote

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 12:02 PM.

2. Call for Quorum

Quorum was present.

3. Adoption of Agenda

Move to adopt the agenda.

OFB Motion01: Ring/Schultz Carried.

4. Adoption of Minutes

No minutes were circulated, as this was the first meeting.

5. Business Arising

6. New Business

6.1 – Ratifications

Move to Ratify Saskatoon Competitive Gaming and Biochemistry Students' Association.

OFB Motion02: Ring/Schultz Carried.

6.2 – Funding Requests

Move to approve funding to the Muslim Students' Association in the form of \$300 of USSU Funds.

OFC Motion03: Ring/Olson Carried.

7. Other Business

7.1 – Binders

VP Ring went through the Op/Fin binder that the Board will be referencing over the coming year. Included in the discussion was Campus Groups policy, this year's budget and expectations for the 2008/09 Budget, Monthly accountabilities information, and the general process of approving ratifications and funding requests.

8. Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held Wednesday, October 17th at 9:30 AM in the USSU Boardroom.

9. Adjournment

Move to adjourn.

OFB Motion04:

Olson/McAuliffe.

Carried.

Operations & Finance Board

Minutes for Wednesday, October 17th, 2007

Present: Jeremy Ring, Ellyse Schultz, Katelyn McAuliffe, Jean-Paul Cote, Tyler Olson, James Pepler, Nicole Kenney

Regrets: Ana Carolina Melendez, Cody Casey

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 9:30 AM.

2. Call for Quorum

Quorum was present.

3. New Business

6.1 – Ratifications

Move to Ratify Amnesty International – U of S, Lutheran Student Movement, Oxfam International, and the Transition Group

OFB Motion05: Schultz/Olson Carried.

6.2 – Funding Requests

Move to approve funding to the Orthodox Christian Fellowship for ‘Windows to the East’, in the amount of \$250 in USSU Funds, \$50 of USSU Credit at XL Designs, and \$200 of Coke Product.

OFC Motion06: Olson/Cote Carried.

4. Other Business

7.1 – Operations Discussion

GM Cottrell spoke to the Louis’ Operation Study, looking at other campus clubs, historic information from past USC minutes, philosophical questions about Louis’.

Browser’s book sales in a financial slump, ideas for a facelift/outreach to students, maybe poetry jams, speakers, live music.

VP Ring said that Browser’s has experienced an increase in coffee sales this year.

GM Cottrell said we have discussed a fundraising campaign for Place Riel (~\$2.8 million) with VP of Advancement. We don’t have charitable status, so we partnered with them to sell ideas/campus club space/student experience. We need to determine parameters of this campaign.

Councilor Cote asked who (historically) pays for new student buildings.

GM Cottrell said that students pay for the building.

President Pepler noted that when admin pushes the project back, it costs students more in the long run.

GM Cottrell said that nonconstruction costs are 1/3 of the total building budget. The new building will be commissioned in 2009, paid entirely by students. Admin brought forward ideas and we're trying to get money for those ideas.

5. Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held Wednesday, October 24th at 9:30 AM in the USSU Boardroom.

6. Adjournment

Move to adjourn.

OFB Motion07: Cote/McAuliffe. Carried.



October 18, 2007

Lindsey Levesque, Vice-President External
University of Saskatchewan Students' Union
Room 65, Lower Place Riel Student Centre
1 Campus Drive
Saskatoon, SK S7N 5A3

Dear Lindsey,

Please accept this letter as confirmation that the National Executive agrees with your proposal on holding a membership referendum within the next 24 months.

Please let me know if you require anything else on this issue. We look forward to working with you.

In Solidarity,

Amanda Aziz
National Chairperson

2007-2008 USC Attendance

Name	May	June	July	August	Sept. 6	Sep.13	Sep.20	Sep.27	Oct.4	Oct.11	Oct.18	Oct.25
Abdulla, Adam	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	R	P	P	R		
Atkin, Michael	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	P		
Cote, Jean-Paul	NM	NM	NM	A	P	R	P	P	P	P		
Gentner, Breanne	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	R	P		
Harder, Megan	NM	NM	NM	R	P	P	P	R	P	P		
Horvey, Karla	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P		
Kambeitz, Elvis	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P		
Karkut, Neil	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	R	P		
Kenney, Nicole	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	R	P	P		
Kirkland, Warren	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P	P	P	A		
Knaus, Tamra	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P		
Kuspira, Keith	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	R		
Lawrence, James	NM	NM	NM	P	P	A	R	P	A	R		
Leisle, Matt	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	R	P	P		
Levesque, Lindsay	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P		
McAuliffe, Katelyn	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P	P	R	P		
Murphy, Russ	NM	NM	NM	A	A	A	A	P	P	P		
Olson, Tyler	NM	NM	NM	A	R	P	P	P	P	P		
Pepler, James	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	R	P	P		
Peti, Nick	NM	NM	NM	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	P	P		
Ring, Jeremy	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P		
Schultz, Ellyse	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P	P	P	P		
Shibata, Satoshi	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P	P	P	P		
Smith, Ashlee	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	R	P		
Steeves, Josie	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	R	P		
Wales, Jessica	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P	P	P	P		
Zubot, Kimberly	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P		

P - Present; R - Regrets; A - Absence; NYA - Not Yet Appointed; NM - No Meeting

University Students' Council Agenda

Thursday, October 25th, 2007

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- 8. Questions and Comments (30 minutes)**
- 9. Any Other Business**
- 10. Adjournment**

University Students' Council

Minutes for Thursday, October 18th, 2007

Present

James Pepler, President
Josie Steeves, VP Academic Affairs
Lindsey Levesque, VP External Affairs
Jeremy Ring, VP Operations & Finance
Nicole Kenney, VP Student Issues
Jean-Paul Cote, Agriculture
Tyler Olson, Arts & Science
Ashlee Smith, Arts & Science
Warren Kirkland, Associated Res.
Katelyn McAuliffe, Commerce
Alex Mitchell, Commerce
Adam Abdulla, Dentistry
Breanne Gentner, Education
Keith Kuspira, Engineering
Satoshi Shibata, International
James Lawrence, Kinesiology
Neil Karkut, Law
Megan Harder, Nursing
Kimberly Zubot, Pharmacy & Nutrition
Karla Horvey, Physical Therapy
Tamra Knaus, St. Thomas More

Also Present

Matt Leisle, Chair
Caroline Cottrell, USSU GM
Jeff Galbraith, Arts & Science

Regrets

Elvis Kambeitz, Education
Michael Atkin, Engineering
Nick Peti, Medicine
Ellyse Schultz, St. Thomas More
Jessica Wales, WCVI

Meeting was called to order at 6:01 p.m.

1. Adoption of an Agenda

Move to adopt the agenda.

USC Motion52: Ring/Knaus

Carried.

2. Introductions & Announcements

President Pepler introduced Amanda Smytaniuk from Studentcare. She will address council tonight. He also introduced Dylan Rose who is a prospective MSC for the Indigenous Students Council.

Councilor Kuspira noted that Councilor Atkin sent regrets.

VP Kenney stated that Wednesday, October 24th, is Campus Sustainability Day. A Waste Audit will be conducted in Lower Place Riel. Essentially a waste audit is where the waste created from that day is separated into what is really garbage and what could be recycled. It is a way of creating awareness. There would be prizes available. She asked councilors to contact her if they were interested in volunteering. In a few weeks the Daycare is forming an adhoc committee to

discuss the philosophy and foundation of the USSU Daycare. The daycare staff are paid minimum wage and that is really unethical. She would be leaving the USC meeting early to attend an Anti-Poverty meeting at the Community Centre.

Councilor Gentner stated Councilor Kambeitz sent regrets.

President Pepler stated Councilor Peti and Councilor Wales sent regrets.

VP Levesque noted that next Friday, October 26th an Education Matters Debate will be held at 11 a.m. The Sask. Party, NDP and Liberal Party will be present and it will focus mainly on post secondary education. Following the Education Matters Debate there will be an Alternative Leaders Debate at 1 p.m., which includes the Green Party, Western Independence Party, Marijuana Party and the Saskatchewan Democratic Action Party. Both debates will take place in Convocation Hall.

Councilor Knaus stated Councilor Schultz sent regrets.

VP Steeves stated that next week is Academic Integrity Week. It discusses various topics such as, academic dishonesty and plagiarism. The USSU in conjunction with the ASSU is hosting an event on Friday in LPR. There will be free pizza and a chance to win an Ipod.

Move to Ratify Alex Mitchell as the MSC for Edwards School of Business.

USC Motion53: McAuliffe/Kuspira Carried.

3. Council Address

3.1 Amanda Smytaniuk, Studentcare

Move to informality.

USC Motion54: Ring/Steeves Carried.

Amanda Smytaniuk noted that she is the newest member of Studentcare Networks. She is currently in training to takeover all of the Saskatchewan accounts. She stated this would be her first presentation. Every year at this time Studentcare presents to USC regarding the Annual Claims Report and to provide statistics from the change of coverage period. Prior to this yearly presentation a member of Studentcare sits down with the Executive and goes through the Annual Claims Report; therefore the Executive should be able to lead and guide members of USC. She noted that if councilors have questions throughout the presentation to ask her. The USSU Health and Dental Plan was established by referendum in 2001. Executive members work hard every year to ensure the services are provided accountably to the students. It is one of the largest services provided by the USSU and covers half of the student population. The plan is administered by Studentcare Networks under the guidance of the Executive. Studentcare was founded by students and only works for students: they have no other clients. Student health and dental insurance is their goal and priority. Studentcare works

with over three hundred thousand students across the country in over fifty institutions in five provinces. Last year Studentcare invited members of the key stakeholders to attend a meeting in Montreal. VP Steeves attended that meeting where the Sustainability Platform was unveiled. To move forward in the future Studentcare intends to hold an annual meeting where stakeholders will be invited to make sure they are staying on track with their commitments to sustainability. It is Studentcares responsibility to negotiate with the insurers to ensure that students get the best rate. They do not work for the insurance company they work for the students. Studentcare has a transparent flat fee that is negotiated with the Executive upon time of renewal. That fee does not change through the contractual basis in the agreement with the USSU. Over one hundred thousand dollars has been invested in their data management software to ensure that all information received is secure. A new web platform was also unveiled at the stakeholders meeting to ensure all information was secure. Over the next few months as the new web platform is unveiled it will ensure that next year students will have access to manage their own health plan and it will be leaps and bounds ahead of where it was last year. Monthly, quarterly and annual reporting is done and has just been presented to the Executive. Over the next few months Studentcare will be working with President Pepler and VP Kenney so that the Executive will be constantly informed of how students are utilizing the plan. In February Studentcare presents to USC and informs them how the plan looks so far. They discuss whether the plan is being utilized properly, whether an increase in the plan is needed, or if new services should be offered to students. A call centre located in Montreal has people working on the USSU plan each year. Reaching out to the student population is one of the hardest things to do. No matter what you do you cannot reach out to every student at all times. This still remains one of Studentcares' priorities. In line with the new sustainability platform paper mail outs have been reduced. Mail outs will only be sent to new students. An increase was seen in the opt-outs this year. There is a secure opt-out system online. Studentcare has never had an issue with security. A full-service call centre is located in Montreal where a small number of employees work to serve students. There is also a campus centre located in Place Riel where staff is ready to serve students. Studentcare covers prescriptions, vision care, vaccines, health practitioners, ambulance, emergency travel, recall exams, fillings, root canals, periodontics, cleaning and oral surgery. A further breakdown can be viewed www.ihaveaplan.ca.

President Pepler asked if erectile dysfunction is covered.

Amanda Smytaniuk noted that it depends if it is a psychological disorder. It comes down to a case-by-case basis. This year there was over \$750,000 paid back in medical claims to members this year. Sixty-five percent of this was direct billing, travel emergency was 1 percent, contact lenses was 7 percent, paramedical practitioners was 17 percent, medical services at 5 percent and reimbursement drugs at 5 percent. Students prefer direct billing rather than filling out a form and submitting it. In dental claims there was \$500,000 paid back to members. Fifty

percent of this was surgical and restorative. This year there are 6,331 students enrolled in the plan and nearly 3,000 (60 percent) opted out online. One of the clients this year had a 100 percent online opt out this year. A computer centre was set up and students could just come and opt out of the plan online. Of the total opt-outs for this year 1,768 students (17 percent) were opt outs from previous years. The claims can be processed now. New students who enroll in the plan usually experience a two-month black out period. During this time Studentcare sends information back to the insurance company and verify with the university that student is still active. Usually students can start submitting claims by the 1st of November. This year with the majority of opt outs being done online Studentcare was able to send the information to the insurance company faster; therefore, every student should be up and running and be able to submit claims by Friday, October 19th. She directed students to the new website at www.ihaveaplan.ca is the best way for students to manage their health and dental plan.

Member Galbraith asked if roughly 5,000 of the 6,000 total members have opted out.

Amanda Smytaniuk stated no. This year 2,000 (52%) students have opted out of the plan. Forty-eight percent of students are enrolled in the health and dental plan.

Member Galbraith noted that the USSU has over 18,000 members. He noted that the numbers don't add up.

Amanda Smytaniuk noted these numbers are based on eligible members.

Member Galbraith stated that several members aren't even eligible.

Amanda Smytaniuk stated that is correct. These numbers are based on eligible members.

Councilor Harder asked if part time students could opt into the plan.

Amanda Smytaniuk stated that full time students are automatically enrolled in the plan and part time students have the option to enroll in the plan during the change of coverage period, which is the first few weeks in September.

Move to formality.

USC Motion55: Horvey/Steeves

Carried.

4. Minutes and Reports for Information

4.1 USC Minutes

Councilor Kirkland stated he sent regrets to President Pepler last week and that wasn't stated in the minutes.

5. Motions Arising from the Minutes and Reports

Move to approve minutes as circulated.

USC Motion56: McAuliffe/Kuspira Carried.

8. Questions and Comments

President Pepler stated that on tonight's agenda 9.1 is Councilor Removal. He noted the councilor up for removal is the MSC for Kinesiology, Jim Lawrence. In the USSU Constitution if an MSC is absent for two consecutive meetings or three out of five meetings they are up for removal. Councilor Lawrence sent President Pepler a letter explaining his absences. President Pepler, however, has to put forth a motion and according to Robert's Rules of Order he can't argue against a motion that he put forth.

Councilor Harder asked if we are in Questions and Comments or Any Other Business.

President Pepler noted Questions and Comments. He is discussing this now because he thought it would be the best time to do so. He asked Chair Leisle if that is okay.

Chair Leisle stated that it was fine.

President Pepler noted that because he puts forth this motion does not mean he believes Mr. Lawrence should be removed. He is doing that because he has to according to the USSU Constitution and Robert's Rule of Order.

Councilor Knaus noted that STMSU has ratified a new committee, Coke, and the first meeting is tomorrow at 4 p.m. at Louis' to discuss Coke at the U of S and some of the social problems with Coke. All students from all colleges are welcome to attend.

VP Levesque stated she spoke with CFS about the motion council put forward last week. She emailed councilors a copy of the letter that CFS sent her regarding the motion.

President Pepler stated the two options for the USC Social are October 25th or November 1st. He would like to see a show of hands for who would prefer the 25th and the 1st. He would email councilors the date.

Councilor Harder stated that the plasma screen in MUMPS has not been working this year. She asked if it would be used.

Move to Grant GM Cottrell speaking rights.

USC Motion57: Pepler/Olson Carried.

GM Cottrell stated there have been some technical problems. There is a brand new Communications Manager who is looking into the problem. The USSU is moving from Flash to another platform similar to Powerpoint which is more user-friendly. The USSU is aware of the problem. She stated the USSU is looking for a Communications Assistant and if anyone knows anyone to send him or her to her office.

Councilor Smith stated at the last ASSU meeting safety notices were brought up. Three safety issues in one week have been brought to the public's attention. She is not sure what the USSU could do about this but she asked if they were trying to do something. She suggested sending an email to remind students about the safety programs on campus and ways for them to stay safe.

President Pepler stated the emails staff and students have been getting are from Campus safety. The police have concluded that these are not serious risks. The USSU has talked to the Sheaf and it is important to discuss the situation and make the public aware but not to enflame the situation. Safewalk has experienced a vast increase in usage. He agrees that some postering could be done and it would be looked into.

VP Kenney stated she is meeting with Safewalk and the Victim Advocate. They are looking into extending Safewalks hours and creating a safe learning environment where a campus security officer would monitor one of the computer labs. The Victim Advocate is looking into creating posters to display advertising this. Once this becomes official she will bring it to USC.

Councilor Knaus noted that a few weeks ago a student was concerned about the letter sent out by the USSU asking for money to purchase safety whistles. She asked what has been decided regarding this. She noted STMSU gave \$50.

GM Cottrell noted that she spoke with the USSU Victim Advocate about this and fundraising to individual student unions is not something she should continue doing. If Student Unions would like to donate \$50 that is up to them but the Administration does not support this program. The USSU is entering into a very significant fundraising campaign and would like to ensure that all fundraising initiatives go through the Marketing Services Manager.

Councilor Smith noted that also came up at the ASSU meeting. The USSU is a non-profit organization and she asked if donations could be accepted.

GM Cottrell noted yes donations could be accepted. It has nothing to do with the Non-Profit Corporations Act. When the building is built it will belong to the University, which is a charitable organization. The USSU can tag on with Advancement. Heather Magotiaux, VP of University Advancement, who is fully supportive of all the USSU's plans to renovate, is going to assist the USSU.

Councilor Knaus asked where money for the Victim Advocate is supposed to come from. She is not paid for forty hours a week and it would be hard for her to find money for this. In light of all the safety concerns that have occurred on campus she believes the whistles to be valuable.

VP Ring noted that he spoke to the Victim Advocate and the Executive could get sponsorship for up to \$500 for whistles. In order to get this money she has to fill out a form and hasn't done so yet.

Councilor Smith stated that the ASSU discussed this. The ASSU thought it should be brought up to the BOCP and BOCP could buy the whistles for the Victim Advocate by asking the College Societies for the money.

GM Cottrell noted that charitable donations would only become an issue if societies want a tax-deductible receipt. She noted it is a moot point because societies could not deduct on income tax anyway. There is funding in place for the Victim Advocate. Other sources of funding can be applied for internally. There has been significant debate within the USSU about the efficacy of the whistles and whether they are more than just advertising. There has been debate over whether or not a whistle has actually saved not anyone in the past few years. She believes there is significant funding available for the whistles.

Councilor Shibata noted that he has witnessed several students waiting outdoors to catch their last bus because the doors in Upper Place Riel are locked. He asked if the doors could remain open until 12:15 p.m, which is when the last bus runs.

VP Ring noted that is the first he has heard about it and would discuss that with the Facilities and Operations Manager.

Councilor Smith stated this was brought up last year. The Executive pushed for it last year but for insurance purposes it could not be done. It was decided that it would be looked at when the new building was created.

VP Kenney excused herself to attend the Anti-Poverty meeting.

9. Any Other Business

9.1 Councilor Removal

Move to remove Councilor Lawrence.

USC Motion58: Pepler/Harder Defeated.

Councilor Lawrence acknowledged President Pepler's comments earlier. He sent a letter that highlighted his absences. He is an interning teacher at Marion Graham Collegiate. He teaches physical education and physics. On September 20th he sent regrets and was coaching a football game in Prince Albert. On October 4th Thanksgiving weekend he was getting married in Weyburn. Last week on October 11th he had parent teacher interviews, which were held Thursday

evening and Friday afternoon. He does not feel a disciplinary action for his absences/regrets is appropriate. Last year he filled in for a colleague and became a member of USC; therefore, his intention is there. He is finished his internship in December and he is finished coaching football. He stated that he would provide councilors with a copy of the letter he wrote to the Executive if requested. He apologized for his absences and intended to be with USC for the rest of the year.

VP Steeves stated this is just procedural and feels his absences are justified. She encouraged councilors to vote against this motion.

Councilor Cote noted that he deserves a second chance.

9.2 Place Riel Advisory Committee

VP Ring noted the first PRAC was held on Friday, October 12th. It is looking extremely promising and everyone was geared to go. Tomorrow is the first official meeting where the philosophy, the scope, the concept and developing the survey for the entire undergraduate population will be addressed. He noted it would likely be a long meeting but everyone is really eager to get going.

President Pepler encouraged councilor's to attend. Councilor Shibata would be present to represent his association. The meeting is on Friday, October 19th at 2:30 p.m. in this room (Sask. Hall Room 77). Students wouldn't be able to vote but would be able to voice their opinion. He encouraged everyone to attend. A lot of advertising would be done through the Sheaf and online with this committee.

Councilor Harder asked if this is a set meeting time and if minutes would be provided from this meeting.

President Pepler stated it is a set time right now but would be confirmed at the meeting. The meetings would be held in council chambers so that they could be recorded and minutes could be provided. Accountability is key for this board.

VP Ring stated that President Pepler and he attended the Associated College Union International Meeting that was held in Michigan. They were able to see three different College Unions and took about 160 pictures that he would put on a CD for people to view, if requested. The pictures viewed structural information about what the offices looked like. They had a meeting with some banks regarding the mortgage for Place Riel. They received a call today with a better rate than they were expecting.

10. Adjournment

Move to adjourn.

USC Motion59: Pepler/Horvey Carried.



October 18, 2007

Lindsey Levesque, Vice-President External
University of Saskatchewan Students' Union
Room 65, Lower Place Riel Student Centre
1 Campus Drive
Saskatoon, SK S7N 5A3

Dear Lindsey,

Please accept this letter as confirmation that the National Executive agrees with your proposal on holding a membership referendum within the next 24 months.

Please let me know if you require anything else on this issue. We look forward to working with you.

In Solidarity,

Amanda Aziz
National Chairperson

Executive Committee

Minutes for Tuesday, October 22, 2007

Present: James Pepler, Jeremy Ring, Nicole Kenney, Lindsey Levesque, Caroline Cottrell

Regrets: Josie Steeves

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 2:30 p.m.

2. Call for Quorum

Quorum was present

3. Roundtable

President James Pepler

- United Way Presentation with Christina and Louis
- Meeting with Student Care
- Class
- Karaoke at Louis
- Policy and Constitution Review
- Operations and Finance Board
- Planning and Priorities Committee
- Meeting with Chancellor Vera Pezer
- Louis/Browsers Planning Meeting
- Meeting with Jeff Gallbreith concerning Louis
- Communications Meeting
- FISH Training
- USC
- Undergraduate Forum (It's first ever!)
- Meeting with Peter Stoicheff concerning Academics
- Pride Center Volunteering
- External Affairs Meeting
- Place Riel Student Steering Committee

VP Lindsey Levesque

- Volunteer at the Pride Centre
- Meeting with Studentcare
- Math 121 x 3
- Lunch with Vera Pezer
- Meeting on Louis
- Communications Meeting

- FISH Meeting
- Math Tutorial
- USC
- Breakfast with Canada's High Commissioner of Mozambique
- External Affairs Board Meeting
- Education Matters Provincial Election Forum planning
- Provincial Election Student Constituency Booth planning
- CFS-SK Provincial Election Planning

VP Nicole Kenney

- Injured-away from office
- Using holiday time for these days
- Op/Fin Board meeting
- Meeting with Satoshi (International Students)
- Lunch with Vera Pezzer
- Campus Safety meeting (Victim Advocate/ Safe walk coordinator)
- Meeting on Louis Study
- Sustainability Board meeting
- Human Rights conference meeting
- Daycare board meeting
- Communications meeting
- Waste Audit meeting
- Meeting with 2 waste audit volunteers (Matt and Heidi)
- Help Center Volunteering
- Rights and Democracy Meeting
- Academic Affairs
- USC meeting
- Working on "Cupless Campus" project
- Meeting with Julia Laforge (Meewasin Valley Authority)
- Working on "Cupless Campus" project
- Sheaf Article
- Dumpster Diving mission for confiscated cups
- Talking with students about politically motivated questions for the leader's forum
- Meeting with Kelly Goyer, Waste management coordinator
- Exec Meeting
- Attended class as well.

VP Josie Steeves

- In Ottawa

VP Jeremy Ring

- Class
- Admin Team
- Meeting with Student Care
- Op/fin board meeting
- Op/fin board minutes

- Lunch with Vera Pezer
- Louis' Browser's planning meeting
- Louis' meeting
- FISH Training
- Ratification Input
- USC Preparation meeting
- USC
- Volunteer at Women's Center
- Place Riel Student Committee meeting
- Cheque Req's for Campus Club Funding
- Place Riel survey work

GM Caroline Cottrell

- Development Meeting
- Admin Team Meeting – presentation on Positive Space
- Staff performance reviews
- Meeting with Colin Tennent (FMD)
- Insurance coverage meeting
- Operations/Finance Board Meeting
- Meeting with Controller
- Louis'/Browsers Planning Meeting
- Meeting re. Louis' Study
- Daycare Board
- Communications Meeting
- FISH Training
- USC
- ULC Construction Meeting
- Meeting with Donna Bilokreli re. Executive Outreach to regional colleges

4. Polar Bear Dip

The Edwards School of Business undertakes a Polar Bear dip to raise charity money each year. This year it is on November 2nd. The executive, as they are able, will attend to support the event.

5. Waste Audit

On Wednesday, October 24th there will be a Waste Audit conducted in Lower Place Riel. Everything is ready to go for it between 11:45 and 1:00. VP Kenney is coordinating similar events for all Colleges through the Dean's offices.

6. Sierra Youth Coalition

VP Kenney recently attended a Sierra Youth Coalition Meeting where she met with Jeh Custer, former USSU Sustainability Auditor, who suggested that Saskatoon host a

regional SYC conference in mid to late January. VP Kenney has one possible sponsor in the form of Footprint Design and suggests that the USSU should be another sponsor.

7. Communications Guidelines

GM Cottrell raised the perennial concerns about the nature of some posters - eg. Carnival of Sex, CocoLoco – and the complaints she often receives. The Executive had a discussion about the nature of censorship and concluded that unless a poster presented material, which was against the law, the USSU would not be the aesthetics police. Everyone agreed that implementing censorship, beyond what the law requires, is a slippery slope and should be avoided.

8. Executive Outreach

At their October 15th meeting, the Executive decided they would explore outreach trips to USSU members in regional colleges. To that end, GM Cottrell met with Donna Bilokreli from the College of Arts and Science. On November 5th there is a Regional Arts and Science meeting. GM Cottrell will attend and will discuss these trips with the regional college coordinators. The most likely sites for visits are LaRonge, Prince Albert, North Battleford, Melfort and Yorkton.

9. USC Social

The first USC Social will take place at Louis' on November 1st following the Council meeting.

10. Trick or Eat

Louis' will do a pizza and pop party for the Candy Cup winners for about \$150.00

EXEC47 Pepler/Kenney	Move to provide \$150 sponsor a pizza and pop party for the winning Candy Cup Team Carried
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11. USC Gifts

Hoodies (otherwise known as bunny hugs in Saskatchewan) will be the given as gifts to councilors. This year they will be black and will have the standard USSU logo on the back. The Executive will entertain suggestions for slogans. Marketing Services Manager Jason Ventnor will get samples for USC members to try on prior to ordering to ensure proper sizing.

12. CJUS

For some time now the USSU has kept the remnant of CJUS alive via the web. However, CJUS went down in August and no one noticed so Scott Henderson recommends that it is removed from the USSU website.

EXEC48
Pepler/Ring

Move to remove CJUS from the USSU website

Carried

Adjourned

External Affairs Board Meeting

Friday, October 19, 2007

Present: Lindsey Levesque, Katelyn McAuliffe, Sarah Shoker, Travis Lingenfelter, Satoshi Shibata, Shuo Zhang, Tamra Knaus, James Pepler.

Regrets: Tony Bassett

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 1:05pm.

2. Call for Quorum

Quorum was present.

3. Old Business

3.1 Canadian Federation of Students

- a. Letter to Council- In response to the motion made to hold a CFS referendum within 24 months last week at USC, Amanda Aziz, National Chairperson for the CFS submitted a letter stating that the timeline to hold the referendum is appropriate. This letter was provided to the Board for future reference.

3.2 Provincial Election

- a. **Education Matters Debate-** The Education Matters Forum is set for October 26, 2007 in Convocation Hall. The New Democratic Party, Saskatchewan Party and Liberal Party will begin at 11:00am, followed by an Alternative Leaders Forum at 1:00pm. The Alternative Leaders Forum will include the Western Independence Party, Green party, Marijuana Party and Progressive Conservative Party. A clothesline poster and flyers have been printed and will be distributed over the week of October 22-26th. An agenda and set of questions will also be provided to Board members. Members are encouraged to bring questions for the open question period. The political studies department will be contacted about finding a moderator.
- b. **Bus Routes-** VP Levesque has completed the schedule of Polling Stations and coordinating bus routes for students. A booth will be set up in upper Place Riel from November 5-7, to assist students in finding their polling stations, bus routes and party candidates for their constituency area. VP Levesque will also contact Transit and see if there are options to have buses drive by polling stations. Elections Saskatchewan will also be

providing material on how and when to vote to be distributed at the constituency table.

- c. Advertising-** The Board will be creating two posters styles. One will be a funny eye-catching student oriented poster, while the other will be fact based around how and when to vote, as well as advertising the “Find Your Constituency” booth in Upper Place Riel.
- d. Student Platform-** The CFS-SK component has created advertisements around a student platform, including reducing tuition fees, creating a system of needs based access grants, increasing access for Aboriginal students, and increasing access to affordable housing.
- e. Report Cards-** Report Cards will be provided by October 29, 2007 and will be distributed at the booth in Upper Place Riel.

4. New Business

- a. Canada’s Next Great Prime Minister-** The Board is interested in being involved in this event. More details will be given at a later date.

5. Questions and Comments

6. Adjournment

Operations & Finance Board

Minutes for Wednesday, October 24th, 2007

Present: Jeremy Ring, Ellyse Schultz, Katelyn McAuliffe, James Pepler, Nicole Kenney, Ana Carolina Melendez, Cody Casey

Regrets: Jean-Paul Cote, Tyler Olson, Caroline Cottrell

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 9:30 AM.

2. Call for Quorum

Quorum was present.

3. New Business

3.1 – Funding Requests

Move to Approve funding to ESSA of \$500 to help with the rental of Louis’.

VP Ring spoke to the provided budget and what ECOBASH is.

VP Kenney stated that last year was a great success and provided funds for students at the U of S to construct a wind turbine that will eventually end up on campus. She also noted that there will be local bands such as Sexually Attracted to Fire, and Paul Kuzbik.

OFB Motion08: Melendez/Schultz Carried.

Move to approve product funding of \$300 to the ESS for their Santa’s Education Student Helpers event.

OFC Motion09: McAuliffe/Casey Carried.

VP Ring noted that they applied for \$375.04 but any one group can only apply for up to \$300. He also noted that they had applied for \$1000 of funds to go to the event, however as per the Campus Groups Policy, they are required to present to the board their event.

President Pepler asked for a breakdown of the budget.

VP Ring noted that \$536 was for decorations, \$180 for communications, and \$300 for food/bar. The funding request did not indicate what the funds would support.

The board felt that before a decision could be made, they must come in and present, even though they are cutting it close.

4. Other Business

5. Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held Wednesday, October 31st at 9:30 AM in the USSU Boardroom.

6. Adjournment

Move to adjourn.

OFB Motion10: Ring/Melendez.

Carried.

Sustainability Board Minutes

Minutes for Wednesday, October 17, 2007

Present: Nicole Kenney, Shannon Dyck, Tyler Olson, Warren Kirkland, Kristina Lummerding-Driedger

Regrets: Jeremy Ring, Jeh Custer, Tamra Knaus, Mike Nemeth

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 3:30 PM

2. Call for Quorum

Quorum was present

3. Introductions/ Tea

4. Business

4.1 VP Kenney will forward the USSU Sustainability policy to all board members. The board members agreed to read through the policy and propose any amendments, ideas or questions for the next meeting. The goal is to revise the policy so that it may be passed as a USSU bylaw at the Annual General Meeting (November 14th, 2007 @ 12:30 PM).

4.2 VP Kenney introduced the Integrated Plan to board members and will send out additional information via e-mail. The Integrated Plan will act as a focal point for institutional activities and resource allocation to 2011/12. If a sustainability action is included, you'd better bet it's going to happen in the next 4 years. VP Kenney asked board members to brainstorm ideas/ concepts regarding sustainability for the greater university community. The University has identified six key themes that they are asking students/staff to address and focus on in their submissions. The theme we need to focus on is:

i) Build a High-Performance and Environmentally Sustainable Organization

(1) Service Quality

(2) Quality of Work Life

(3) Environmental Sustainability

(4) Stewardship

VP Kenney will create a submission for the Integrated Plan based on the recommendations by the Sustainability board.

4.3 Board members discussed the Waste Reduction Project. There is a high volume of coffee cups wasted on campus, and VP Kenney, SAL Dyck and SAL Lummerding-Driedger got together on Friday, October 12th to collect cups on campus. A disposable

coffee cup is treated with polyethylene plastic to prevent leakage and is neither recyclable or compost-able. People are better able to grasp a visual message, so SAL Dyck said we should string them together and hang in the bowl. SAL Dyck offered to purchase fishing line for the cups and will be reimbursed. SAL Lummerding-Driedger said it would be great if we could string the cups across the street to Starbucks. Councilor Kirkland offered to research the amount of coffee sold daily on campus. Councilor Olson offered to research the ecological footprint created by Tim Horton's. Councilor Kirland asked what the ratio of recycle bins to garbage cans is? VP Kenney said she will get in touch with Kelly Goyer, the Waste Prevention coordinator. VP Kenney asked if members were able to get together to string cups on Friday morning.

4.4 VP Kenney discussed upcoming waste audits to coincide with campus sustainability day and asked for volunteers to get down and dirty. The Waste Audits will be conducted on campus at the following locations:

- Edwards School of Business: Monday, October 22, 2007
- College of Engineering: Tuesday, October 23, 2007
- Lower Place Riel: Wednesday, October 24, 2007
- Possibly College of Veterinary Medicine: date to be confirmed.

4.5 Campus Sustainability Day is Wednesday, October 24, 2007. Check out the sustainability insert in the sheaf and www.sustainus.usask.ca.

5. Questions/ Comments

5.1 The next meeting will be Wednesday, October 24th, 2007 @ 3:30 PM at the USSU Boardroom. An informal gathering of stringing cups together will be Friday, October 19th, 2007 from 8:30 AM- 12:00 PM. All are welcome to come, if only for a little while.

6. The meeting was adjourned at 4:30 PM.

2007-2008 USC Attendance

Name	May	June	July	August	Sept. 6	Sep.13	Sep.20	Sep.27	Oct.4	Oct.11	Oct.18	Oct.25
Abdulla, Adam	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	R	P	P	R	P	
Atkin, Michael	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	P	R	
Cote, Jean-Paul	NM	NM	NM	A	P	R	P	P	P	P	P	
Gentner, Breanne	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	
Harder, Megan	NM	NM	NM	R	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	
Horvey, Karla	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	
Kambeitz, Elvis	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	
Karkut, Neil	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	
Kenney, Nicole	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	
Kirkland, Warren	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	
Knaus, Tamra	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	
Kuspira, Keith	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	
Lawrence, James	NM	NM	NM	P	P	A	R	P	A	R	P	
Leisle, Matt	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	
Levesque, Lindsay	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	
McAuliffe, Katelyn	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	
Olson, Tyler	NM	NM	NM	A	R	P	P	P	P	P	P	
Pepler, James	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	
Peti, Nick	NM	NM	NM	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	P	P	R	
Ring, Jeremy	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	
Schultz, Ellyse	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	
Shibata, Satoshi	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	
Smith, Ashlee	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	
Steeves, Josie	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	
Wales, Jessica	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	
Zubot, Kimberly	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	

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Thursday, November 1st, 2007

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- 10. Adjournment**

University Students' Council

Minutes for Thursday, October 25th, 2007

Present

James Pepler, President
Lindsey Levesque, VP External Affairs
Jeremy Ring, VP Operations & Finance
Nicole Kenney, VP Student Issues
Tyler Olson, Arts
Warren Kirkland, Associated Residence
Katelyn McAuliffe, Commerce
Alex Mitchell, Commerce
Adam Abdulla, Dentistry
Breanne Gentner, Education
Elvis Kambeitz, Education
Michael Atkin, Engineering
Keith Kuspira, Engineering
Satoshi Shibata, International Students
James Lawrence, Kinesiology
Neil Karkut, Law
Nick Peti, Medicine
Megan Harder, Nursing
Kimberly Zubot, Pharmacy & Nutrition
Karla Horvey, Physical Therapy
Tamra Knaus, St. Thomas More

Also Present

Matt Leisle, Chair
Caroline Cottrell, USSU GM
Sheila Laroque, ???

Regrets

Josie Steeves, VP Academic
Jean-Paul Cote, Agriculture

Absent

Ashlee Smith, Arts
Jessica Wales, WCVN

Meeting was called to order at 6:03 p.m.

1. Adoption of an Agenda

Move to adopt the agenda.

USC Motion60: Pepler/Schultz

Carried.

2. Introductions & Announcements

VP Levesque stated that the Education Matters forum is tomorrow. The NDP, Sask. Party and Liberal Party will be in Convocation Hall at 11 a.m. Following that there is an Alternative Leaders Forum with the Green Party, Marijuana Party, Progressive Conservative Party and Western Independence Party. That forum begins at 1 p.m.

VP Ring noted that VP Steeves sent regrets because she is in Ottawa. Last week Councilor Shibata asked if the front doors of Place Riel could remain open until 12:30 p.m. to accommodate the bus schedule. He discussed the matter with the Facilities & Operations Manager, Freda Salikin, and the doors will now remain open until 12:30 p.m.

Councilor Knaus introduced Sheila Laroque. She is a third year representative for the ASSU and volunteers at the Women's Centre and the Pride Centre.

President Pepler stated that Councilor Cote sent regrets.

4. Minutes & Reports for Information

4.8 External Affairs Board Minutes & Reports

Councilor Knaus asked when the election posters would be put up.

VP Levesque stated the posters for the election were finished. They would be put up in the Buzzboards tomorrow. On October 31st through November 7th an Election Booth would be in Upper Place Riel with information ranging from how to vote to what bus would take students to the polling stations.

Councilor Harder asked if VP Levesque needed students to work the booth.

VP Levesque stated she would need several students to work the booth.

5. Motions Arising from the Minutes & Reports

Move to approve the minutes as circulated.

USC Motion61: Schultz/Horvey Carried.

8. Questions & Comments

President Pepler stated that some religious groups have been coming and aggressively trying to recruit people for their group. He noted that Security should be called if anyone notices these groups on campus. VP Ring and he had a meeting with Balinder Ahluwalia who was one of the top four finalists of last years Canada's Next Prime Minister. He is trying to get students between the ages of 18-25 to submit a three to five minute video to You-Tube about why they would be the best Prime Minister. It is a great way to be involved. He would update councilors as this develops. He noted that Rick Mercier might be coming to campus and he would notify councilors if that happened.

Councilor Harder asked if the USSU has jurisdiction over the religious groups or if it was a campus wide issue.

President Pepler stated yes the USSU has jurisdiction but that it is also a campus issue.

VP Ring asked if President Pepler could talk about the USC Social.

President Pepler stated the social would be held in Louis' on Thursday, November 1st following USC. He encouraged councilors to attend. There will be free appetizers and a keg available to councilors. He reminded councilors to contact him if they have any designs for the hoodies. Currently the hoodies are black with a small USSU logo.

Councilor Peti stated he missed the last USC meeting so he wasn't sure if this issue had been dealt with. The picture in the Sheaf is different than the actual article about the CFS vote.

Councilor Knaus noted that on Thursday, November 1st at 4 p.m. in STM Auditorium (Room 140) STMSU has organized a *Coke in the U of S and the Community meeting*. There will be members from CHEP, the U of S and possibly a representative from Coke to answer questions. She encouraged councilors and all students to attend.

Member Laroque noted that would be attending the Coke meeting and invited students to attend. She noted that the Cupless Campus project that was organized by VP Kenney was a worthwhile project that happened on campus and asked councilors to take the message and the intent back to their colleges. She spent a couple hours Friday morning in the Women's Centre washing disgusting cups and spent Saturday in the rain hanging up the cups.

VP Kenney noted that Councilor Shibata and many others helped with the Cupless Campus Project. She extended a sincere thanks to all those who helped. She used art as a medium to get the message across; about the high volume of disposable cups wasted daily. The intent of the project was to raise awareness. Many University Staff, students and Faculty expressed support for the initiative.

9. Any Other Business

VP Ring stated that the AGM is on Wednesday, November 14th at 12:30 p.m in Arts Room 241 (Neatby Timlin Theatre). In order to have quorum fifteen councilors and fifty USSU members need to attend the meeting. If every councilor brings one person that means there would be fifty people in attendance. It is important to hold an AGM so it is important to have quorum. There are numerous changes to the constitution mainly that the Elections Policy moving into a Bylaw is being proposed.

VP Kenney stated that on October 29th at 4 p.m. the first ad hoc Daycare Committee meeting is taking place in Room 77 Sask. Hall. There are only 66 spaces in the USSU Daycare and 44 spaces in the campus daycare. She would appreciate councilors attending.

Councilor Knaus asked if there is a waiting list for the USSU Daycare and if so how many are on the waiting list.

VP Kenney stated that there is an extensive waiting list; usually parents forced to wait over a year to achieve a space. The USSU daycare could legally take care of 90 children if the U of S Administration provided adequate space and financial assistance.

VP Ring noted that the USSU is not going to be able to take the Place Riel submission to Board 2 in December. This means the project has likely been delayed until September, which means it won't get started until March of 2009. The entire project has been pushed back.

President Pepler stated that this would give ample time to collect student input.

VP Kenney noted that on Wednesday, October 31st is Trick or Eat is taking place. He encouraged councilors and students to get involved.

Councilor Atkin noted that he has heard that Food Services is going on strike and asked if the USSU has any information regarding this.

VP Ring stated he hasn't heard anything. He encouraged students to eat at Louis' if the strike took place.

10. Adjournment

Move to adjourn.

USC Motion62: Horvey/Kirkland Carried.

Operations & Finance Board

Minutes for Wednesday, October 31st, 2007

Present: Jeremy Ring, Katelyn McAuliffe, James Pepler, Nicole Kenney, Ana Carolina Melendez, Caroline Cottrell

Regrets: Jean-Paul Cote, Tyler Olson, Cody Casey, Ellyse Schultz

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 9:30 AM.

2. Call for Quorum

Quorum was present.

3. New Business

3.1 – Presentation from Joel Beres of the ESS

Mr. Beres spoke to the SESH event being held tomorrow night. He passed out an informational sheet about what SESH does and how it helps schools in the community.

GM Cottrell asked what a SMART board was?

Mr. Beres indicated it was a technologically advanced white board. It also addresses a sustainability issue.

President Pepler asked what the USSU funding would go towards.

Mr. Beres noted it would go to the expenses of the event. ESS solicited expense from companies for the auction items.

President Pepler asked why the decoration expense was so high.

Mr. Beres noted that because it was a formal ball, decorations were a priority and that it would be considerably higher if they were purchased rather than rented.

Councilor McAuliffe asked why the ESS bank account showed \$7000 in 05/06 and now is only down to \$58.

Mr. Beres noted that this account only relates to the SESH event.

GM Cottrell asked how many students show up to the event.

Mr. Beres indicated that approximately 50 show up, but mainly professors attend because students cannot simply afford it. There are also people from the business community who attend to purchase or bid on items.

Mr. Beres also indicated that last year they raised \$12,000 that all went to schools.

VP Ring went over the campus club policy and the board discussed the criteria for evaluating funding requests.

Move to grant \$1000 to the ESS for their SESH event.

OFB Motion11: McAuliffe/Melendez Carried.

3.2 – Ratifications

Move to ratify Punjabi Students' Association and Sociology Undergraduate Students' Association.

OFB Motion12: Ring/Melendez Carried.

3.3 – Funding Request

Amnesty International applied for funding of \$406.80 to cover their letter writing campaign directed at Human Rights Abuse, both internationally and nationally.

GM Cottrell stated that we should reimburse Amnesty International on a per week basis to be more accountable.

Move to grant funds to Amnesty International up to \$67.80 per meeting upon submission of receipts.

OFB Motion13: Ring/McAuliffe Carried.

4. Other Business

SAL Melendez asked what the deal with the Coke Committee was.

VP Ring stated that in the original contract, there was a penalty period in the event of not selling enough products. The U of S was unable to meet the quota therefore are required to be in the contract for another 2 years.

Councilor McAuliffe asked about the Student Enhancement Fund.

VP Ring stated that every student must pay a certain amount on their tuition to the Student Enhancement Fund and interested groups apply for money. Typically, there is \$90,000 given out, however this year U of S administration made a mistake and only \$10,000 was available, therefore Security (which asks for whistles) was not granted funding.

5. Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held Wednesday, November 7th at 9:30 AM in the USSU Boardroom.

6. Adjournment

Move to adjourn.

OFB Motion14: Ring/Melendez Carried.

2007-2008 USC Attendance

Name	May	June	July	August	Sept. 6	Sep.13	Sep.20	Sep.27	Oct.4	Oct.11	Oct.18	Oct.25
Abdulla, Adam	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	R	P	P	R	P	P
Atkin, Michael	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	P	R	P
Cote, Jean-Paul	NM	NM	NM	A	P	R	P	P	P	P	P	R
Gentner, Breanne	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P
Harder, Megan	NM	NM	NM	R	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P
Horvey, Karla	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Kambeitz, Elvis	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P
Karkut, Neil	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P
Kenney, Nicole	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P
Kirkland, Warren	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P
Knaus, Tamra	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Kuspira, Keith	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P
Lawrence, James	NM	NM	NM	P	P	A	R	P	A	R	P	P
Leisle, Matt	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P
Levesque, Lindsay	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
McAuliffe, Katelyn	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P
Mitchell, Alex	NM	NM	NM	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	P	P	P
Olson, Tyler	NM	NM	NM	A	R	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Pepler, James	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P
Peti, Nick	NM	NM	NM	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	P	P	R	P
Ring, Jeremy	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Schultz, Ellyse	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P
Shibata, Satoshi	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Smith, Ashlee	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	A
Steeves, Josie	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	R
Wales, Jessica	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	A
Zubot, Kimberly	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P

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2007-2008 USC Attendance

Name	Nov.1	Nov.8	Nov.15	Nov.22	Nov.29	Dec.6				
Abdulla, Adam										
Atkin, Michael										
Cote, Jean-Paul										
Gentner, Breanne										
Harder, Megan										
Horvey, Karla										
Kambeitz, Elvis										
Karkut, Neil										
Kenney, Nicole										
Kirkland, Warren										
Knaus, Tamra										
Kuspira, Keith										
Lawrence, James										
Leisle, Matt										
Levesque, Lindsay										
McAuliffe, Katelyn										
Mitchell, Alex										
Olson, Tyler										
Pepler, James										
Peti, Nick										
Ring, Jeremy										
Schultz, Ellyse										
Shibata, Satoshi										
Smith, Ashlee										
Steeves, Josie										
Wales, Jessica										
Zubot, Kimberly										

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University Students' Council Agenda

Thursday, November 8th, 2007

- 1. Adoption of an Agenda**
- 2. Introductions and Announcements**
 - 2.1 VP Student Enrollment Services**
- 3. Council Address**
- 4. Minutes and Reports for Information**
 - 4.1 USC Minutes – November 1st, 2007**
 - 4.2 Executive Committee Minutes – November 5th, 2007**
 - 4.3 Academic Affairs Board Minutes and Report – October 18th, 2007**
 - 4.4 Appointments Board Minutes and Report**
 - 4.5 Board of College Presidents**
 - 4.6 Code of Ethics Disciplinary Committee Minutes and Report**
 - 4.7 Elections Board Minutes and Report**
 - 4.8 External Affairs Board Minutes and Report**
 - 4.9 Operations & Finance Board Minutes and Report – November 7th, 2007**
 - 4.10 Student Issues Board Minutes and Report**
 - 4.11 Sustainability Board Minutes and Report – October 31st, 2007**
- 5. Motions Arising from the Minutes and Reports**
- 6. Business**
- 7. New Business**
- 8. Questions and Comments (30 minutes)**
- 9. Any Other Business**
 - 9.1 Strike Report**
- 10. Adjournment**

University Students' Council

Minutes for Thursday, November 1st, 2007

Present

James Pepler, President
Josie Steeves, VP Academic
Lindsey Levesque, VP External Affairs
Jeremy Ring, VP Operations & Finance
Nicole Kenney, VP Student Issues
Jean-Paul Cote, Agriculture
Tyler Olson, Arts
Ashlee Smith, Arts
Warren Kirkland, Associated Residence
Katelyn McAuliffe, Commerce
Alex Mitchell, Commerce
Adam Abdulla, Dentistry
Breanne Gentner, Education
Elvis Kambeitz, Education
Michael Atkin, Engineering
Keith Kuspira, Engineering
Satoshi Shibata, International Students
James Lawrence, Kinesiology
Neil Karkut, Law
Nick Peti, Medicine
Megan Harder, Nursing
Kimberly Zubot, Pharmacy & Nutrition
Karla Horvey, Physical Therapy
Tamra Knaus, St. Thomas More
Jessica Wales, WCVM

Also Present

Matt Leisle, Chair
Caroline Cottrell, USSU GM

Meeting was called to order at 6:01 p.m.

1. Adoption of an Agenda

Move to adopt the agenda.

USC Motion63: Levesque/Pepler Carried.

2. Introductions & Announcements

President Pepler reminded councilors that the USC Social is at Louis' after the meeting.

VP Levesque reminded councilors that next Wednesday, November 7th is the Provincial Election. She is still looking volunteers to help with the table in Upper Place Riel.

Councilor Kuspira noted that today is Councilor Atkins birthday. He is 19.

Councilor Knaus introduced Dylan Rose as the new MSC for the Indigenous Students' Council.

4. Minutes and Reports for Information

4.1 USC Minutes

Councilor Schultz noted that she was present at the October 25th USC meeting.

5. Motions Arising from the Minutes and Reports

Move to adopt the amended minutes.

USC Motion64: Knaus/Horvey Carried.

8. Questions and Comments

President Pepler stated that the Place Riel Steering Committee has finalized the mission and vision statements and the first survey, which is pretty vague and general. The vision statement reads: The Place Riel Student Steering Committee will strive to make the renovated student centre a hub of student activity welcoming to students of all areas of study which will enhance the student experience. The reason the committee has created a mission and vision statement is because the project will last far beyond his term and into other terms and the statement needs to be a constant for the project. The mission statement reads: The Place Riel Student Steering Committee exists to ensure ample student involvement in the Place Riel renovation project and to remind all parties that students fund the renovations to the student place riel student centre. Since the new Student Centre will be paid for and peopled primarily by students, a broad range of student involvement in the planning and processes of the project through accountable and transparent practices are of paramount importance. The values reads: "The Place Riel Student Steering Committee will focus on promoting a sense of community, sustainability, and wellness within the project. This Committee will attempt to cater to student needs and reflect those needs within the project. He will keep councilors informed as things developed. Secondly he noted that on Tuesday, November 6th at 8 p.m. the Mercer Report will be aired. It should be a great time.

Councilor Harder wanted to discuss the CFS Report Card that is being handed out at the booths in Place Riel. She noted that the information that is being handed out is valuable because it discusses the policies and where different parties stand. But she is concerned because the material is very biased coming from CFS. There were also a lot of important issues that were missed, for example, health care, the economy, agriculture and tourism. If these documents are being handed to students, they should also be given additional information such as websites that discuss the issues that were missed. She would like to encourage students to seek other websites and in the future would like to see another student group put out information.

Councilor Kambeitz noted he wanted to thank the Executive for the donation of \$1,000 to SESS to support their auction. The live and silent auction to raise money for inner-city schools is happening tonight. He noted that the Student Enhancement Fund went from \$90,000 to \$10,000. He asked if this was a clerical error.

VP Ring stated he met with Dr. Dave Hannah in May and received the proposals package and went through them thoroughly. The university provided them with a copy of the previous years numbers and what had been given out. It went from \$130,000 to \$90,000 to \$10,000 for this year. The university stated that they would look into it and get back to him. They stated there was a clerical error and they were tight-lipped about the issue.

Councilor Kambeitz noted that is a lot of money not available to students and students are missing out on opportunities because of it.

VP Ring stated President Pepler and he brought the issue forward. The Executive thought maybe it should abolish it so students no longer have to pay into the plan. Primarily the funding went to the University Learning Centre and they were concerned that funding wasn't available for other initiatives

Councilor Smith noted that the AGM is coming up on November 14th. It was confirmed to her today that the Executive put forth a motion that if passed the Elections Policy would become a Bylaw and not a policy. She agrees that this has to be done and until recently thought it would be better sooner rather than later. If you look at the USC minutes from April 5th, 2007 it is clear that last year's USC members had a huge issue with the policy. The discussion during that meeting led to USC Motion266 which reads: "Move that this USC urges next year's council to rewrite the Elections & Referenda Policy and Procedures as it pertains to handling complaints, with an eye towards the CEDC complaints procedures and to have this motion delivered to them the first meeting in September." This was not delivered to USC in September and she understands because it is hard to keep track of things. Now that USC knows that last year's council had an issue with the policy she spoke to a former President of the USSU along with some of the former VPs. They all agree that the Elections Policy is incredibly flawed. There is also concern with the Elections Board having too much power over elections and referenda. The policy does not follow the rules of fundamental justice. She asked why would USC want to turn the Elections Policy into a Bylaw because it would just make it more difficult to change. The students are being faced with another CFS referendum within the next two years. If the motion passes amendments would have to be done at an AGM or SGM, which makes it even harder because quorum is not always present. She strongly urged the Executive to withdraw the motion and rewrite the Elections Policy. If the motion was present at the AGM she would speak against it.

VP Ring suggested rewriting it or making a friendly amendment to the motion. He noted last year there were a lot of problems with the simplicity of changing the Elections Policy to benefit a certain campaign. Another reason for changing the Elections Policy to a Bylaw is because of the upcoming CFS Referendum. The USSU was sued once already because the Elections Policy was not clear. It would be nice if the USSU could hold a legal referendum following the organization's rules. Creating a bylaw would rectify the problem.

VP Smith agrees that policy should be a bylaw by the time the referendum comes. However, now it should remain a policy until it is clear. She will likely make an appointment with the Executive and GM Cottrell to discuss it because she is strongly against this motion.

Councilor Harder agrees with VP Smith. She noted new things come up every year and bylaws do not make it easy, timely or efficient to make change. She asked why the Executive wouldn't withdraw the motion.

VP Ring noted the motion was submitted. He noted if councilors are against this motion to show up at the AGM to voice concerns. At this point the individual who put forth the motion felt it was in the best interest of the organization.

Councilor Lawrence noted that he was concerned about quorum at the AGM. Fifteen MSCs are required to be there and fifty members. He is unable to attend the AGM and asked if he could send someone to replace himself.

Chair Leisle noted the 15 MSCs must be ratified MSCs. However he suggested sending someone in an MSCs place to count towards the fifty members.

VP Steeves noted that she has heard CUPE 1975 is going on strike tonight or early tomorrow morning. This strike will affect a lot of university services. Transit will not cross picket lines; therefore students will be dropped off on College Drive. Some of the core areas that will be affected due to the strike are: Food Services, Counseling Services, Security and Health Services. CUPE 1975 represents 1,200 employees on campus. There are going to be a lot of services not available to students. She is not sure how long the strike will last. The unresolved issues behind the strike are work performance, benefits and salaries. Louis', Browsers, Information Centre, Janitorial are part of CUPE 1975; however, their employer is the USSU not the U of S.

President Pepler noted that the strike is an issue between the University and the employees. If councilors notice that students are having trouble getting to class or their education is suffering because of the strike they should let the Executive know. This strike should not impede a student's education.

VP Steeves noted that some people refuse to cross the picket line. Some professors refuse to hold a class and have a right to do so. The people who refuse

to cross the picket line will not be paid or receive benefits during this time. The entire University community received an email about harassment and the strike. If you hear of any students or staff who are being harassed Campus Safety should be notified immediately. Some professors may want to hold classes in their homes; however, this is still considered crossing the picket line.

VP Ring noted that his Operations & Finance Board would be getting September accountabilities next week. Currently the USSU has realized \$156,000 in revenue; whereas the USSU was budgeted to lose \$46,000 meaning the USSU has made an additional \$202,000 this year.

VP Smith asked why the Elections Policy has to be turned into a bylaw at this time.

VP Ring noted it doesn't have to be at this AGM. If for some reason a CFS Referendum is to be held in February and the policy isn't a bylaw then an SGM must be held and the motion must be passed.

Councilor Harder asked if the policy could be brought to council and make amendments together before being brought forth at the AGM.

VP Ring noted that once the motion is returned from the lawyers all amendments would be posted on the website.

Chair Leisle noted that the deadline to make amendments at the AGM has passed. If the amendment was to be brought to council no amendment could be made. It could be circulated to council members and a discussion could take place but that is it.

Councilor Harder asked why changes couldn't be made to the policy.

Chair Leisle noted that council could change the current Elections Policy as many times as they like. What is being proposed is something completely different from the Elections Policy and has to be approved at the AGM as any amendment to the Constitution. The bylaw is only a proposed amendment to the Constitution. Therefore, essentially it doesn't exist because it hasn't been ratified. If the amendment is passed at the AGM changes to it as a bylaw is made at an AGM or SGM. The reason it went to the lawyer is because it is standard procedure for any amendments being proposed to the constitution or bylaws.

Councilor Schultz congratulated Councilor Knaus. The information session at STM regarding Coke was excellent. There were excellent speakers present.

Councilor Knaus noted forty-five people attended the session. One thing that keeps coming up is an alternative to Coke. One option is Blue Sky, which doesn't have any additives or preservatives in it and only costs about \$0.50 per can and

would come from Calgary. She noted that if councilors had any questions or concerns to contact her or anyone from the STMSU office.

Councilor Harder asked if there are any repercussions for campaigning against Coke while the University has a contract with them.

President Pepler stated no.

Councilor Peti asked if it would be possible to put in more water fountains on campus because of the health concerns with Coke.

Councilor Knaus noted that is a good suggestion. She would look into that suggestion.

Chair Leisle suggested councilors should refer to Coke as Coca Cola because coke could also be referred to as a drug.

10. Adjournment

Move to adjourn.

USC Motion65: Pepler/Schultz Carried.

Executive Committee

Minutes for Monday, November 5, 2007

Present: James Pepler, Jeremy Ring, Nicole Kenney, Lindsey Levesque, Caroline Cottrell
Regrets: Josie Steeves

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 3:00 p.m.

2. Call for Quorum

Quorum was present

3. Roundtable

President Pepler

- EDO
- Class
- Admin Team
- Op/Fin Board presentation
- Planning and Priorities
- Trick or Eat Volunteering
- Financial Review
- USC
- Chillin' for Charity
- Human Rights Conference
- Place Riel Board
- Rick Mercer touring all day
- Mails, phone

VP Levesque

- Volunteer at the Help Centre
- International Week Planning Committee
- Election Poster Meeting
- ADO
- Math Test
- USC x 2
- Math 121
- Education Matters Forum
- Alternative Leaders Forum
- BOCP
- EDO
- Admin Team
- Volunteer at the Women's Centre

- Organized and worked the Election information table in Upper Place Riel - Meeting with Peggy Schmeizer-U of S Government Relations
- Math Tutorial
- Press Conference for Election Report Cards-Regina

VP Kenney

- Sheaf article
- Trick or Eat volunteering in the tunnel
- Student Issues Board Meeting
- Cupless Campus project
- Meeting with Charlie Clark- Ward 6
- Op/Fin Board meeting
- Campus Sustainability Day, Community, the Campus and Deep Economy web seminar, Carbon Inventory and Reduction process, Waste Audit in Lower Place Riel (11:30-1), Vermi-composting presentation, Curbside, Recycling presentation, Greenhouse gas forum
- Reception with Margaret Asmuss, Kelly Goyer and crew
- Media Interviews about “Cupless Campus” project with CTV News, CBC News, CBC Radio, On Campus News, CKOM Radio
- Center’s Meeting
- Orientation reception
- USC meeting 2007/10/26
- Sheaf Interview
- Lunch with Grad Student’s Association
- Critical Mass
- Political Leaders Debate
- Rooftop Gardening meeting
- Sheaf Interview
- Meeting about Waste Audit with Dr. Bailey (Vet. Med Dean)
- Met with Student (Katie)
- Vermi-composting education
- Ad Hoc Daycare meeting
- Exec Meeting
- Financial Review
- Admin Team
- Met with student (Anjali Hill) about student health and dental concern
- Rick Mercer- Canada’s Greatest PM
- Op/Fin Board meeting
- Sustainability Board meeting
- Communications meeting
- Human Right’s Conference
- Eco-bash planning
- USC and social
- Human Right’s Conference
- Working on Integrated Plan submission
- David Bwalkali proposal

- Exec Meeting
- Met with 2 students about CUPE strike
- David Hannah (Cupe Update)
- Daycare meeting
- Working on Integrated Plan submission
- Met with 2 students regarding eco-bash
- Christmas Social Planning Committee
- Met with Engineers With-out Borders

VP Ring

- Class
- Op/fin board meeting
- Op/fin minutes
- Place Riel Steering Committee meeting
- Meeting about constitutional changes
- USC Prep
- Meeting with guy from Canada's Next Great Prime Minister
- USC
- Education Matters debate
- Place Riel Student Advisory Board meeting
- BOCP Meeting
- September Accountabilities
- AGM Amendment work
- Place Riel survey work
- Meeting with Dave Hannah re: CUPE 1975
- Admin Team
- Meeting with Amnesty International re: Funding
- Op/fin Board Meeting
- Op/fin Minutes
- Meeting with Calysta Adams of SPNSS
- Coke Merchandise
- Ratification data
- Coke delivery to Education
- Meeting with JSA
- Financial Accountabilities – September
- Meeting with Dave Hannah re: CUPE 1975
- USC
- USC Social
- October EDO
- Conference Report – ACUI
- Meeting with Sue Long re: Place Riel Budgeting

GM Cottrell

- Admin Team Meeting
- Place Riel Renovation Meetings
- Development Meetings

- Writing the Daycare submission
- Negotiating Place Riel Loan
- Financial Review
- Communications Meeting
- Normal GM Duties
- Issues with CUPE 1975 Job Action

4. International Studies Students' Organization

The ISSO has applied for both Campus Club and USSU funding. The Executive recommends that they be referred to the Op/Fin Board for Campus Club funding.

5. SADD Red Ribbon Campaign

SADD requests \$200.00 to purchase supplies for Mocktails for their awareness campaign.

EXEC49	Move to grant \$200.00 to SADD for the purchase of
Pepler/Ring	Mocktail supplies for their Red Ribbon Campaign
	Carried

6. Prizes for Pharmacy/Nutrition Fair

The Pharmacy/Nutrition Fair organizers would like prizing for the Nutrition Fair for high school students.

EXEC50	Move to provide \$100.00 in product sponsorship for
Pepler/Kenney	the Nutrition Fair.
	Carried

7. VP Kenney's Initiatives

VP Kenney reported that she is currently working on three initiatives:

- Sierra Youth Coalition Regional Conference (report on in the minutes of October 22, 2007)
- Green Career Fair: This is an initiative with the university's Sustainability Coordinator, Margret Asmuss. Typical career fairs do not show students ways in which they can work for employers who are engaged in sustainability initiatives. This career fair will do that.
- David Bwakali: David Bwakali is a steering committee member of the Africa Youth Initiative on Climate Change and the national coordinator in Kenya. He is going to be speaking at Carleton and McGill in early November and will also speak to U of S students and Saskatoon community members about global warming and the impact it is having on individuals in Africa.

Meeting adjourned at 3:30 to meet Dave Hannah re. CUPE job action

Nicole Kenney
VP Student Issues

I. Project: Youth Activism and Empowerment

A.1. Project Name: David Bwakali presentation

A.2. Proposed by: Nicole Kenney, VP Student Issues

II. Analysis

A. Background Information and Need

A.1. History: David Bwakali is a steering committee member of the Africa Youth Initiative on Climate Change and the national coordinator in Kenya. He is going to be speaking at Carleton and McGill in early November and he is willing to speak to U of S students and Saskatoon community members about global warming and the impact it is having on individuals in Africa.

A.2. Issues: The posters would indicate that the event is hosted by the University of Saskatchewan Students' Union in collaboration with Footprint Design, Engineers Without Borders and the University of Saskatchewan Office of Sustainability. VP Kenney has offered to host David for the duration of his stay in Saskatoon.

A.3. Research: David Bwakali (born in 30 May 1976 in Kenya) is a youth leader, environmentalist, journalist and entrepreneur. The Africa Youth Initiative on Climate Change (AYICC) is a youth initiative was launched in Nairobi, during the twelfth Conference of Parties of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change. To provide further visibility for climate change, he founded the Faces of Africa's Climate and Environment (FACE). This is an initiative that equips young models and professionals to be the clear faces and articulate voices of Africa's climate and environment.

In order to engage and mobilize more students, David is volunteering as the coordinator of the Kenya Solargen (Solar generation) project. Solar Generation is made up of young people from all over the world taking action against climate change and calling for a clean energy future. This was initiated by Greenpeace in 2003.

David is the co-founder of the Solid Waste Action by Youth (SWAY), another regional initiative for unifying the efforts of African youth in solid waste management. Apart from working with youth at the grassroots, SWAY seeks to ensure African youth representation and participation in the Basel Convention and other global solid waste management.

David has previously served as the Africa Regional Coordinator of the United Nations Environment Program's Africa Environment Outlook for Youth Project[2]. This project mobilized over 3,000 youth in 41 African countries to establish a regional environmental network and produce a publication by youth, for youth. He also worked as the editorial

coordinator of UNEP's Handbook for Environmental Journalists[3]. His work with UNEP spanned across three UNEP Divisions - the Division of Early Warning and Assessment, the Division of Policy Development and Law (now defunct) and the Division of Environmental Policy Implementation.

David is also the national coordinator of the Million Youth Action (MIYA), an initiative that is unifying rural and urban youth in Kenya to take united, informed and decisive action towards a better country and continent. MIYA has already held several weekend forums in different parts of Kenya and brought together more than fifty youth organizations.

David has in the past been the president of Kenya Voluntary Development Association, one of the oldest NGOs in Kenya. This NGO has facilitated the voluntary service of hundreds of volunteers from across the world. He is currently chairing the advisory board of Somali Organization of Community Development Activities, one of the biggest NGOs in Somali. He is also serving as a trustee of the Africa Youth Trust, a trust that spearheads Youth Led Development.

As an entrepreneur, he is the founder and chairman of A-Soko (Swahili for market), Kenya's answer to ebay. He is also the founder and chairman of Sasafrika Productions, a production house that seeks to employ diverse forms of art to unveil Africa. Through this venture, he has produced and directed several documentaries and short movies

As a journalist, he is a published freelance writer and a poet. He is also the co-founder of Kenya's chapter of the Independent Media Centre (Indymedia). In addition, he is the co-coordinator of Maseno University Community Radio Station. He speaks Swahili, English, French, Spanish and Luhya, his native language.

B. Target Group and Characteristics

B.1. Primary Target: University Students

B.2. Secondary Target(s): Open to facult, staff and community members

C. Vision and Mission

C.1. Vision & Mission: The University of Saskatchewan Student's Union exists to dissolve student apathy and empower students to be global citizens.

D. Key Considerations

D.1. Detailed Budget: Posters

D.2. Total Budget: To be confirmed upon printing

D.3. Organizational Requirements: Tony has agreed to have these posters complete by the end of this week.

Academic Affairs Board

Minutes for Thursday October 18th, 2007

Present: Joel Schindel, Janna Wong, Megan Harder, Josie Steeves, Drew Dwernychuk, Ashlee Smith, J.P. Cote, Nicole Kenny, Deepak Grover

Absent:

The meeting was called to order at 4:32 PM

1. Adoption of Agenda

- Harder/Wong
- Motion carried

2. Adoption of the Minutes

- This motion was skipped, as this was the first meeting.

3. Report of the Vice President Academic

- See Josie Steeves Accountability Report

5. Business Arising

a. Introductions and Visions for the Year

- The Board was introduced

b. Teaching Excellence Awards

- Were shortened to 10 questions from 13 and scored out of 5 instead of 7.
- Move to table till next meeting Steeves/Smith
- Motion Carried

c. Integrated Planning

- Vice President Steeves made it known that this is her main focus, as it will affect the next 5 years on campus. She has asked that all bored members read and contribute to the USSU's submission to the Integrated Plan.

d. Academic Integrity Week

- Vice President Steeves laid out the agenda for Academic

Integrity Week and asked that the Board members be available to assist with the USSU's contribution on Friday October 26th, from 9 until 1:30 PM in the Kiosk outside the USSU main offices.

- e. Student IT Advisory Board
 - Vice President asked if any board members would be interested in sitting on this board once per month. Joel and Deepak agreed to share the meetings.
 - Move to accept Joel and Deepak as members of the Student IT Advisory Board Steeves/Cote
 - Carried
- f. Meeting Times/Place
 - 4:30, USSU Board Room, in two weeks (Thursday November 1st, 2007)
- 5. Questions and Comments**
 - None
- 6. Any Other Business**
 - Professors and language requirements have been a rising concern at the USSU. -
 - The Board brainstormed on how to suggest remedies for this without offending anyone.
 - Having options to give professors, online notes, and using the USSU to confront the professor were suggested.
- 7. Trivia**
 - Who is the current Acting Provost of the University of Saskatchewan?
 - Dr. Ernie Barber. J.P. Cote was the first to answer.
- 8. Adjournment**
 - Harder/Schindel
 - Carried

Operations & Finance Board

Minutes for Wednesday, November 7th, 2007

Present: Jeremy Ring, Katelyn McAuliffe, James Pepler, Nicole Kenney, Caroline Cottrell, Jean-Paul Cote, Tyler Olson, Cody Casey, Ellyse Schultz

Regrets: Ana Carolina Melendez

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 9:30 AM.

2. Call for Quorum

Quorum was present.

3. New Business

3.1 – September Accountability

VP Ring discussed the September Accountability report, focusing on Student Governance. There were many variations in this line; Development was over due to the ACUI Conference President Pepler and VP Ring attended; the USSU Executive did not provide outreach this month; Sponsorship of the USSU Reunion Dinner and History book were taken out this month, approved from last years executive.

3.2 – Funding Requests

The ISSA have approached the Op/fin Board with a request for \$525. Policy indicates that they must present to the board. Will be set up for next Wednesday.

VP Ring has received a funding request from Saskatoon Competitive Gaming for a Halo 3 Tournament. The majority of funds are towards the rental of TV's for the event, which is being held in the Arts Lounge on Nov. 17.

President Pepler let people know what Halo 3 was.

Move to grant \$300 to the Saskatoon Competitive Gaming for their Halo 3 Tournament

OFB Motion15: Cote/Pepler Carried.

VP Kenney would like her opposition noted.

VP Ring noted that he received a funding request from PASS late Tuesday, November 6th, 2007 and had it not been a credit at Louis', would not be considering it. PASS would like \$200 in credit from Louis' for their Election Night party.

There was much discussion about how by giving them this credit; they would also purchase drinks, thereby adding to the business of Louis'.

Move to grant PASS up to \$200 in credit from Louis' for their Election Night Party.

OFB Motion16: Cote/Pepler Carried.

3.3 – Ratifications

Move to ratify African Students' Association, AnAmUS, The English Undergraduates, and the Pre-Med Club

OFB Motion17: Ring/Olson Carried.

4. Other Business

Councillor Schultz asked how the Louis' Study is going.

GM Cottrell noted that it would not be ready by November 15th, but would be ready prior to budget deliberations.

SAL Casey asked what the study entailed.

VP Ring noted that it is looking at all operations regarding Louis', both pre- and post-renovation. In addition, the researcher is going through all the minutes of council and comparing other Student Union bars to Louis'.

VP Ring brought up USC Motion19 from March of 2006. This motion indicated that the Op/fin board was responsible for indicating a desired level of LEED Standards to follow for the renovation. In two weeks we will be bringing in a LEED expert to discuss what is meant by LEED and give us direction in our decision that will be voted on by USC November 29th.

GM Cottrell noted that Food & Beverage Manager of Louis', George Foufas, provided his resignation, effective November 30th.

VP Ring noted that there will be a number of interviews coming up in the next few weeks, including Information Centre Supervisor, Communications Assistant, and now Food & Beverage Manager.

VP Ring spoke to the CUPE strike, indicating that David Hannah has been visiting the USSU office everyday at 3:30 PM to discuss the strike with interested students.

President Pepler stated that David Hannah would be speaking to USC this Thursday.

5. Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held Wednesday, November 14th at 9:30 AM in the USSU Boardroom.

6. Adjournment

Move to adjourn.

OFB Motion18: Schultz/Olson. Carried.

Sustainability Board Minutes

Minutes for Wednesday, October 31, 2007

Present: Nicole Kenney, Shannon Dyck, Tyler Olson, Warren Kirkland, Kristina Lummerding-Driedger, Jeh Custer, Tamra Knaus, Mike Nemeth, Hussein Keshwani

Regrets: Jeremy Ring

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 3:30 PM

2. Call for Quorum

Quorum was present

3. **Introductions:** Hussein Keshwani from the College of Vet Medicine joined the board meeting.

4. **Business**

4.1 Vermicomposting presentation with Hussein Keshwani

4.2 Sustainability Policy and Sustainability Assessment

4.2.1 Sal Custer discussed his role as Sustainability Auditor for the 2006-2007 year. SAL Custer will do a formal presentation on the assessment framework and the 21 recommendations at the Nov. 21st meeting

4.3 Waste Audit Discussion and review

4.3.1 SAL Lummerding-Driedger stated that Waste audits are an effective way to educate students about waste reduction. SAL Kirkland stated the Waste Audits are a great initiative and should be expanded to include residences.

4.4 Cupless Campus Review and Discussion

4.4.1 SAL Knaus stated that the cups in the bowl were good publicity and created conversations about the use of cups among students, faculty and staff. SAL Dyck noted that the project received extensive media attention

4.5 Scholarships for the Building Saskatchewan Green Conference will be provided by Margret Asmuss, the Sustainability coordinator. The conference takes place in Regina on November 16, 2007.

4.6 David Bwakali

4.6.1 David Bwakali (the steering committee member of the Africa Youth Initiative on Climate Change and the national coordinator in Kenya) will be speaking at the Building Saskatchewan Green Conference in Regina and will be staying in Saskatoon from November 16-20th. He will be doing a formal presentation on campus.

4.7 Students for Sustainability conference (Sierra Youth Coalition)

4.7.1 SAL Custer discussed the conference briefly and noted that a meeting would commence at 215 Clarence Ave at 6 PM on Nov.1

- 4.8 VP Kenney reminded members that for the rough draft for the Integrated Plan will be due November 9th, 2007. The Integrated Plan will act as a focal point for institutional activities and resource allocation to 2011/12. VP Kenney asked board members to brainstorm ideas/ concepts regarding sustainability for the greater university community and will combine the ideas into one document.
 - 4.9 Saskatoon's New Waste Management Plan will be proposed at City Council on November 5th, 2007.
 - 4.10 Eco-bash will take place on November 8th 2007 at Louis. Eco-bash is a music fundraiser for sustainability initiatives on campus. All are welcome to attend,
5. The Sustainability Board meeting adjourned at 4:56 PM.

2007-2008 USC Attendance

Name	May	June	July	August	Sept. 6	Sep.13	Sep.20	Sep.27	Oct.4	Oct.11	Oct.18	Oct.25
Abdulla, Adam	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	R	P	P	R	P	P
Atkin, Michael	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	P	R	P
Cote, Jean-Paul	NM	NM	NM	A	P	R	P	P	P	P	P	R
Gentner, Breanne	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P
Harder, Megan	NM	NM	NM	R	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P
Horvey, Karla	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Kambeitz, Elvis	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P
Karkut, Neil	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P
Kenney, Nicole	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P
Kirkland, Warren	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P
Knaus, Tamra	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Kuspira, Keith	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P
Lawrence, James	NM	NM	NM	P	P	A	R	P	A	R	P	P
Leisle, Matt	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P
Levesque, Lindsay	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
McAuliffe, Katelyn	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P
Mitchell, Alex	NM	NM	NM	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	P	P	P
Olson, Tyler	NM	NM	NM	A	R	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Pepler, James	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P
Peti, Nick	NM	NM	NM	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	P	P	R	P
Ring, Jeremy	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Schultz, Ellyse	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P
Shibata, Satoshi	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Smith, Ashlee	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	A
Steeves, Josie	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	R
Wales, Jessica	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	A
Zubot, Kimberly	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P

P - Present; R - Regrets; A - Absence; NYA - Not Yet Appointed; NM - No Meeting

2007-2008 USC Attendance

Name	Nov.1	Nov.8	Nov.15	Nov.22	Nov.29	Dec.6				
Abdulla, Adam	P									
Atkin, Michael	P									
Cote, Jean-Paul	P									
Gentner, Breanne	P									
Harder, Megan	P									
Horvey, Karla	P									
Kambeitz, Elvis	P									
Karkut, Neil	P									
Kenney, Nicole	P									
Kirkland, Warren	P									
Knaus, Tamra	P									
Kuspira, Keith	P									
Lawrence, James	P									
Leisle, Matt	P									
Levesque, Lindsay	P									
McAuliffe, Katelyn	P									
Mitchell, Alex	P									
Olson, Tyler	P									
Pepler, James	P									
Peti, Nick	P									
Ring, Jeremy	P									
Schultz, Ellyse	P									
Shibata, Satoshi	P									
Smith, Ashlee	P									
Steeves, Josie	P									
Wales, Jessica	P									
Zubot, Kimberly	P									

P - Present; R - Regrets; A - Absence; NYA - Not Yet Appointed; NM - No Meeting

University Students' Council Agenda

Thursday, November 15th, 2007

- 1. Adoption of an Agenda**
- 2. Introductions and Announcements**
- 3. Council Address**
- 4. Minutes and Reports for Information**
 - 4.1 USC Minutes – November 8th, 2007**
 - 4.2 Executive Committee Minutes (Executive committee is Thursday, November 15th. Minutes will be handed out at USC)**
 - 4.3 Academic Affairs Board Minutes and Report**
 - 4.4 Appointments Board Minutes and Report**
 - 4.5 Board of College Presidents**
 - 4.6 Code of Ethics Disciplinary Committee Minutes and Report**
 - 4.7 Elections Board Minutes and Report**
 - 4.8 External Affairs Board Minutes and Report**
 - 4.9 Operations & Finance Board Minutes and Report – November 14th, 2007**
 - 4.10 Student Issues Board Minutes and Report – November 8th, 2007**
 - 4.11 Sustainability Board Minutes and Report – November 9th, 2007**
- 5. Motions Arising from the Minutes and Reports**
- 6. Business**
- 7. New Business**
- 8. Questions and Comments (30 minutes)**
- 9. Any Other Business**
- 10. Adjournment**

University Students' Council

Minutes for Thursday, November 8th, 2007

Present

James Pepler, President
Josie Steeves, VP Academic Affairs
Lindsey Levesque, VP External Affairs
Nicole Kenney, VP Student Issues
Jean-Paul Cote, Agriculture
Tyler Olson, Arts & Science
Ashlee Smith, Arts & Science
Warren Kirkland, Associated Residence
Katelyn McAuliffe, Commerce
Adam Abdulla, Dentistry
Breanne Gentner, Education
Elvis Kambeitz, Education
Michael Atkin, Engineering
Keith Kuspira, Engineering
Satoshi Shibata, International Students'
James Lawrence, Kinesiology
Neil Karkut, Law
Nick Peti, Medicine
Megan Harder, Nursing
Kimberly Zubot, Pharmacy & Nutrition
Karla Horvey, Physical Therapy
Tamra Knaus, St. Thomas More
Ellyse Schultz, St. Thomas More
WCVM, Jessica Wales

Also Present

Matt Leisle, Chair
Caroline Cottrell, USSU GM

Regrets

Jeremy Ring, VP Operations

Absent

Alex Mitchell, Commerce

Meeting was called to order at

- 1. Adoption of an Agenda**
Move to adopt the agenda
USC Motion66:

- 2. Introductions & Announcements**

VP Levesque noted the results of the Provincial Election were held on November 7th. She stated that the Meadow Lake Constituency is still not final.

President Pepler noted that the council address, regarding the CUPE strike, for this evening has limited time. However, if councilors come to the USSU office at 3:30 p.m. each day updates are being given by David Hannah.

3. Council Address

3.1 David Hannah, Barb Daigle, Ernie Barber and Ghislane McCleod

David Hannah, Barb Daigle, Ernie Barber and Ghislane McCleod were present to address council.

Move to go to informality.

USC Motion 67: Pepler/Schultz Carried.

Move to turn off the recording device.

USC Motion68: Pepler/Olson Carried.

Move to return to formality.

USC Motion69: Kuspira/Cote Carried.

5. Motions Arising from the Minutes and Reports

Move to approve the minutes as circulated.

USC Motion70: Schultz/Knaus Carried.

8. Questions and Comments

Member Galbraith wanted to know when representatives from the CUPE Union were going to come and address council.

President Pepler stated that an invitation has been extended to CUPE. The Executive is waiting to hear back from their representatives.

Councilor Lawrence proposed a moment of silence in recognition of Remembrance Day on November 11th.

9. Any Other Business

President Pepler asked councilors to bring forward specific issues and student concerns regarding the ongoing strike by CUPE workers. This will allow Council to have as much information as possible when addressing CUPE or the University, as the strike goes on. Tentatively the USSU is considering their own protest/Day of Action. This will be a non-partisan event, supporting the Students' Union view that the strike needs to end as soon as possible. The USSU will not choose sides.

Councilor Atkin stated that he and Councilor Kuspira sent out a mass email to the Engineering students to have them bring forward any concerns or problems that are due to the strike.

Councilor Kirkland agreed with finding out the students concerns. He did caution about inflaming the situation.

Member Galbraith wanted to encourage councilors to find out information from both sides of this issue. He also invited councilors to a rally in front of RUH on

November 9th. This rally is not just for strike supporters but for all those wanting to gather more information on the issue.

Councilor Abdulla noted that his college is directly impacted by the strike action. The student dental clinic has been closed. This is a huge impact for the 3rd and 4th year students who spend much of their days there. As of now the clinic has not been deemed an essential service.

President Pepler wanted to reiterate Member Galbraith's view that it is very important to seek out information on both sides of this dispute.

VP Steeves stated her belief that there is no benefit to enflaming the situation. One of her concerns is with the Professors who are choosing to not cross the picket lines.

The only consequence to this is that these Professors will not be paid. There will be a meeting tomorrow with the Deans to discuss academics and what will be done about the continuing effects that the strike has on all students' academics. There is a hope to set up an email so that all concerns can come through one instead of various people receiving emails.

10. Adjournment

Move to adjourn

USC Motion71: Olson/Kirkland

Carried.

Operations & Finance Board

Minutes for Wednesday, November 14th, 2007

Present: Jeremy Ring, Katelyn McAuliffe, James Pepler, Nicole Kenney, Ellyse Schultz, Ana Carolina Melendez

Regrets: Caroline Cottrell, Jean-Paul Cote, Tyler Olson, Cody Casey

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 9:30 AM.

2. Call for Quorum

Quorum was present.

3. New Business

3.1 – Funding Request

VP Ring introduced Tayler Krawczyk from the ISSA to make a presentation for funding of their event Friends of Loa.

Mr. Krawczyk gave an overview of the ISSA history of similar events, and noted that typically 400 people attend, pay a \$5 cover, and all money goes to an NGO. In this case, Friends of Loa is a student-run group from the University of Saskatchewan.

VP Ring asked why they changed locations from Lydia's to Louis'.

Mr. Krawczyk noted that Lydia's was booked, but they have always wanted to use Louis', because it was the campus pub, close to residence, it would seem natural that Louis' be the location.

Move to grant ISSA up to \$625 to cover the charge of sound equipment needed to be rented for Louis'.

OFB Motion19: Ring/McAuliffe Carried.

4. Other Business

VP Ring noted that he received a ratification form from APALA, however there are fees owing from the group, and therefore we have to wait until monies are received to ratify them.

5. Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held Wednesday, November 21st at 9:30 AM in the USSU Boardroom.

6. Adjournment

Move to adjourn.

OFB Motion20: Ring/Melendez

Carried.

Student Issues Board
Thursday, November 8, 2007

Present: VP Nicole Kenney, Councilor Keith Kuspira, Councilor Satoshi Shibata, SAL Sheila Laroque. SAL Micheal Magnussen, SAL Erin Gluckie, SAL Griff James

Regrets: VP Josie Steeves, Councilor Elvis Kambeitz

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 3:34 PM

2. Call for Quorum

Quorum was present

3. Introductions

3.1 VP Kenney - Any new ideas or projects for this group?

Councilor Shibata asked to have an agenda before meeting and to start at 4PM instead of 3:30PM?

VP Kenney stated that future meetings would be held Thursdays, 5 PM at Louis.

4. Business

4.1 VP Kenney - Coffeehouse's are a great opportunity to bring people together. Human conversation is the most ancient and easiest way to cultivate the conditions for change-personal change, community change, institutional change, planetary change. If we can sit together and talk about what's important to us, we begin to come alive. Coffeehouses create an environment that is open and not intimidating for students to express concerns and ideas.

SAL James discussed his idea of bringing awareness to Canada's military and their role internationally. James brought forward his vision for a coffeehouse on this topic and he is looking into bringing a military representative and peace activist to provide information from both perspectives.

VP Kenney noted it would be good to alternate between international and local student issues.

SAL Laroque asked to have a coffee house near December 6th or in February (V-day) about violence against women. SAL Laroque noted that it would be great to switch things up and do something different than Vagina monologues. Other schools do breast casting and post them around the schools. We need to raise awareness about women's issues in Saskatoon and on campus.

Councilor Shibata - suggested structuring the student issues board, like having a website would help a lot. The Student Issues board covers a wide range of responsibilities and it would help to work together with other university groups.

VP Kenney will discuss website with Scott the IT guy and suggested providing a link to the student issues board from the USSU website.

Councilor Shibata said that all USSU board's should have a website.

SAL Gluckie noted that March 21st is stop racism day and we could host a coffee house regarding racial issues or immigration laws.

SAL James suggested that we discuss capitalism and the Canadian economy at a future coffeehouse.

VP Kenney - We can try and tie discussions with other themes related to each month.

4.2 Councilor Kuspira said that providing information about the CUPE strike should be priority number one. He has received over 100 emails in complaints from the college of engineering.

VP Kenney - Students are pawns in the bargaining game and are not benefiting from the CUPE strike. We are paying for their services, and the services are unavailable.

What can we do about this situation?

SAL James suggested providing information kits for students from both sides.

SAL Gluckie suggested having tables in the tunnel.

VP Kenney - is getting daily updates from the administration and has met with CUPE Union reps.

Councilor Shibata - asked to have an information session for the strike. Ask a rep from admin and the CUPE union to sit on a panel for

discussion.

Councilor Kuspira stated that most of engineering is on the admin side.

VP Kenney - Will draft a student information package and look into getting a table at the top of the escalators in Place Riel. The Annual General Meeting for the USSU is next Wednesday. We could set the table up after the AGM or on Thursday. Library hours are going to be extended in the next week. We can divide the research up into both sides.

Councilor Shibata will do the CUPE research.

VP Kenney will do the Admin side, and tabulate it into a handout, with the intent to hand it out on Wednesday or Thursday afternoon depending on input from the rest of the USSU executive.

Councilor Shibata asked if we could contact the provincial government in an attempt to solve the strike problem.

VP Kenney suggested talking to VP External about it.

4.3 VP Kenney - the strike is affecting residence as well, and meals are on compostable plates. STM used to use all ceramic, and now they use disposable dishware. That is very discouraging. VP Kenney asked if we should address this issue and draft up a petition to spread around?

SAL Laroque is in support of starting a campaign against disposable dishware.

4.4 VP Kenney - David Balwalke is an activist from Kenya who specializes in Climate Change. He is coming to Saskatoon, and will be here from the 16th to the 20th. The board is all invited to come over and eat at a potluck, and he'll be doing a public presentation on the Monday or Tuesday, 19th and or 20th of November. Is there something we can do as student to teach him about Saskatoon?

Councilor Shibata noted that November 17th is international student day and will bring up David's visit to the International students executive.

4.5 VP Kenney discussed the integrated plan for daycare on campus. In order to attract and retain outstanding faculty, we need to pay daycare workers more. VP Kenney will send out the Daycare

submission for the integrated plan via the SIB email.

VP Kenney - will send out an agenda for next meeting and confirm the day via e-mail.

5. Closing

The Student Issues Board meeting was adjourned at 4:48 PM.

Sustainability Board Minutes

Minutes for Friday, November 9, 2007

Present: Nicole Kenney, Shannon Dyck, Kristina Lummerding-Driedger, Jeh Custer, Mike Nemeth, Imre Pallagi

Regrets: Jeremy Ring, Tamra Knaus, Tyler Olson, Warren Kirkland

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 1:30 PM

2. Call for Quorum

Quorum was present

3. Introductions

Imre Pallagi, a student passionate about sustainability issues on campus joined in on the board meeting.

4. Business

4.1 ECO-bash- reflections and discussion about the ESSA fundraiser that took place on the evening of November 8th, 2007.

4.2 Integrated Plan- Sustainability Board members discussed the format for the Integrated plan in great detail. Members agreed to focus on 6 main recommendations:

1. Designating a Sustainability Advisory Committee as an accountable advisory committee to the University administration (Sustainability coordinator, Waste Prevention coordinator, students)
2. The creation of a Vice President position focused on environmental and social sustainability
3. The creation of an office dedicated to environmental and social sustainability on campus
4. The democratic design of a Sustainability Policy for the University
5. Implementing Sustainability Assessment Program that utilizes student research in course work using best practice tools
6. Promoting a culture of sustainability through action

4.3 The Sustainability Board agreed to postpone next meeting until Wednesday November 21st at 3:30 PM.

5. The Sustainability Board meeting adjourned at 3:25 PM.

2007-2008 USC Attendance

Name	May	June	July	August	Sept. 6	Sep.13	Sep.20	Sep.27	Oct.4	Oct.11	Oct.18	Oct.25
Abdulla, Adam	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	R	P	P	R	P	P
Atkin, Michael	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	P	R	P
Cote, Jean-Paul	NM	NM	NM	A	P	R	P	P	P	P	P	R
Gentner, Breanne	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P
Harder, Megan	NM	NM	NM	R	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P
Horvey, Karla	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Kambeitz, Elvis	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P
Karkut, Neil	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P
Kenney, Nicole	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P
Kirkland, Warren	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P
Knaus, Tamra	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Kuspira, Keith	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P
Lawrence, James	NM	NM	NM	P	P	A	R	P	A	R	P	P
Leisle, Matt	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P
Levesque, Lindsay	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
McAuliffe, Katelyn	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P
Mitchell, Alex	NM	NM	NM	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	P	P	P
Olson, Tyler	NM	NM	NM	A	R	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Pepler, James	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P
Peti, Nick	NM	NM	NM	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	P	P	R	P
Ring, Jeremy	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Schultz, Ellyse	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P
Shibata, Satoshi	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Smith, Ashlee	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	A
Steeves, Josie	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	R
Wales, Jessica	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	A
Zubot, Kimberly	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P

P - Present; R - Regrets; A - Absence; NYA - Not Yet Appointed; NM - No Meeting

2007-2008 USC Attendance

Name	Nov.1	Nov.8	Nov.15	Nov.22	Nov.29	Dec.6				
Abdulla, Adam	P	P								
Atkin, Michael	P	P								
Cote, Jean-Paul	P	P								
Gentner, Breanne	P	P								
Harder, Megan	P	P								
Horvey, Karla	P	P								
Kambeitz, Elvis	P	P								
Karkut, Neil	P	P								
Kenney, Nicole	P	P								
Kirkland, Warren	P	P								
Knaus, Tamra	P	P								
Kuspira, Keith	P	P								
Lawrence, James	P	P								
Leisle, Matt	P	P								
Levesque, Lindsay	P	P								
McAuliffe, Katelyn	P	P								
Mitchell, Alex	P	A								
Olson, Tyler	P	P								
Pepler, James	P	P								
Peti, Nick	P	P								
Ring, Jeremy	P	R								
Schultz, Ellyse	P	P								
Shibata, Satoshi	P	P								
Smith, Ashlee	P	P								
Steeves, Josie	P	P								
Wales, Jessica	P	P								
Zubot, Kimberly	P	P								

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University Students' Council Agenda

Thursday, November 22nd, 2007

- 1. Adoption of an Agenda**
- 2. Introductions and Announcements**
- 3. Council Address**
 - 3.1 LEED**
- 4. Minutes and Reports for Information**
 - 4.1 USC Minutes – November 15th, 2007**
 - 4.2 Executive Committee Minutes**
 - 4.3 Academic Affairs Board Minutes and Report – November 1st & 15th, 2007**
 - 4.4 Appointments Board Minutes and Report**
 - 4.5 Board of College Presidents**
 - 4.6 Code of Ethics Disciplinary Committee Minutes and Report**
 - 4.7 Elections Board Minutes and Report**
 - 4.8 External Affairs Board Minutes and Report**
 - 4.9 Operations & Finance Board Minutes and Report – November 21, 2007**
 - 4.10 Student Issues Board Minutes and Report**
 - 4.11 Sustainability Board Minutes and Report**
- 5. Motions Arising from the Minutes and Reports**
- 6. Business**
- 7. New Business**
 - 7.1 LEED Certification**
- 8. Questions and Comments (30 minutes)**
- 9. Any Other Business**
 - 9.1 Discussion about the USSU's role in the Strike**
- 10. Adjournment**

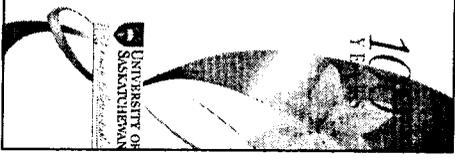
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University of Saskatchewan LEED Perspective



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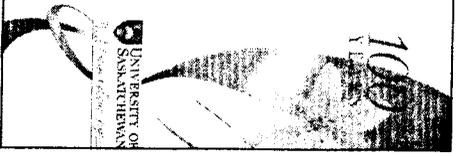
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- Sustainable
- Flexible
- Manageable
- Creative, Healthy & Productive
- Safe & Secure
- Economical - Lifecycle Costing



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LEED on Campus

- Province & City: Uptake Slow
- U of S: Recent Adopters & Leaders
- LEED for Commercial Interiors
- LEED for New Construction
- LEED for Existing Buildings (USGBC)
- FMD: 'Green' with LEED



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Certify - Why

- Formal Target: Engages and commits all involved with the project at all stages.



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Certify - Why

- Formal Target
- Third Party Recognition: Peer reviewed accepted industry standard.

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Certify - Why

- Formal Target
- Third Party Recognition
- Leadership & Credibility: Demonstrates commitment to local and global communities

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Certify - Why

- Formal Target
- Third Party Recognition
- Leadership & Credibility
- Recruitment: Assists with student and staff recruitment

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Certify - Why

- Formal Target
- Third Party Recognition
- Leadership & Credibility
- Recruitment
- Funding: Assists with financial campaign and support

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True Costs

- \$ Registration/Certification
- \$ Consultants
- \$ Documentation
- \$ Modeling
- \$ Time
- \$ Can we afford to?
- \$ Can we afford not to?

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Thank you Questions..?

"The LEED mandate to our consultants (and ourselves) has mobilized us in a way that wasn't happening when we operated on good intentions alone."

- Colin Tennent, Associate Vice President, Facilities Management Division

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University Students' Council

Minutes for Thursday, November 15th, 2007

Present

James Pepler, President
Josie Steeves, VP Academic Affairs
Lindsey Levesque, VP External Affairs
Jeremy Ring, VP Operations & Finance
Jean-Paul Cote, Agriculture
Tyler Olson, Arts & Science
Ashlee Smith, Arts & Science
Warren Kirkland, Associated Residence
Katelyn McAuliffe, Commerce
Alex Mitchell, Commerce
Adam Abdulla, Dentistry
Breanne Gentner, Education
Elvis Kambeitz, Education
Michael Atkin, Engineering
Keith Kuspira, Engineering
Satoshi Shibata, International Students'
James Lawrence, Kinesiology
Neil Karkut, Law
Nick Peti, Medicine
Megan Harder, Nursing
Kimberly Zubot, Pharmacy & Nutrition
Karla Horvey, Physical Therapy
Tamra Knaus, St. Thomas More
WCVM, Jessica Wales

Also Present

Matt Leisle, Chair
Caroline Cottrell, USSU GM

Regrets

Nicole Kenney, VP Student Issues

Absent

Ellyse Schultz, St. Thomas More

Meeting was called to order at 6 p.m.

1. Adoption of an Agenda

Move to amend the agenda to include 3.1 CUPE Members.

USC Motion72: Pepler/Levesque Carried.

Move to adopt the agenda as amended.

USC Motion73: Horvey/Pepler Carried.

2. Introductions & Announcements

President Pepler introduced Wayne Folley, CUPE Negotiating Committee, Lois Lamien, CUPE National Representative and Brad McKague, CUPE National Spokesperson.

VP Steeves noted VP Kenney sent regrets. She had a family emergency.

Councilor McAuliffe introduced Marc Dion who is an Executive member for the Commerce Students' Society.

Councilor Olson introduced Cameron Ewen who was a former MSC for the College of Engineering.

3. Council Address

3.1 CUPE Members

Move to informality.

USC Motion74: Pepler/Kuspira Carried.

Move to turn off the recording device.

USC Motion75: Pepler/Atkin Carried.

Move to formality.

USC Motion76: Kuspira/Shibata Carried.

4. Minutes and Reports for Information

4.1 USC Minutes

Councilor McAuliffe noted that last week she stated Councilor Mitchell sent regrets. This was not included in the minutes.

5. Motions Arising from the Minutes and Reports

Move to approve the minutes as amended.

USC Motion77: Olson/Levesque Carried.

8. Questions and Comments

Councilor Knaus would like to hear dialogue regarding the strike. She feels students are only hearing one side of the story and as a result they do not know what is going on. Students are only hearing what the University Administration has to say and she would like to see a balanced approach to this.

VP Steeves noted that the USSU has taken a non-partisan stance regarding the strike. It is the same problem the USSU faces in education their members. The USSU is allowed to use the University's PAWS twice per year. She understands what Councilor Knaus is saying but the USSU can't get the information out and it is not the USSU's place to do so.

Councilor Karkut noted that Council has heard both sides now. He has been providing students with the website links so that students take the responsibility for finding out information regarding the strike themselves. It is not his duty to tell students every detail of the strike and it is also dangerous.

President Pepler noted that the MSC hoodies are available at the USSU office for fittings. He asked councilors to stop by and ask for Jason Ventnor, Marketing Services Manager. The USSU is holding a rally on Tuesday, November 20th at

11:30 a.m. The purpose of the rally is to show support and help bring everyone back to the bargaining table because students' education is suffering. He encouraged councilors to hand out some leaflets, which are available from him tonight or in his office. It is a non-partisan view. There would be speakers at the rally. He asked if anyone knew of any professors that would be willing to speak at the rally and is non-partisan. The University's Administration and the USSU have decided that if the library won't extend their hours they would make photocopying free for the duration of the strike. It is not very sustainable but would help students who can't take books out. The University Administration will cover the cost.

Councilor Knaus discouraged this idea because of sustainability. Student energy should be going into ending this strike and not finding quick fix solutions.

Councilor Atkin suggested E-text, which is contacting publishers and getting books available online.

VP Steeves noted that publishers are not sympathetic to having the books online. Disabled students are required to buy textbooks and then receive the online edition. She does not see this ever happening.

Councilor Cote noted it is hard to get an entire library online. When researching journals from the 1970s he needs to be able to photocopy it because an online version is not available.

Councilor Peti would like to see pressure put on the University to have volunteers staff the library. He noted the gym is open all the time but the library closes at 4 p.m.

Member Hamilton noted the whole point of the strike is so the library hours are screwed. The University asks for about seventy staff to come back to work "essential services." The point of the strike is that the entire university is shut down. He agrees that making some decisions with the University is sort of taking a side because it is making the university function and if the strike is going to end then it must not function.

Councilor Peti noted that the University must not feel the library is that important.

Member Galbraith noted he doesn't think it is that easy. The people who are volunteering at the PAC specifically requested to volunteer there, not anywhere else. If you sent those volunteers to the library they would not stick around. If students really want the strike to end they would want fewer volunteers. Regardless of which side one is on if students want the strike to end it has to be hard on both sides.

Councilor Kambeitz stated that students can't take a book out of the library to make photocopies.

President Pepler stated it is important for a strike to put pressure on the students but he can't sit by watching student's education suffer. He will do anything he can to alleviate those sufferings. He knows the strike is awful and he wants everyone back at work but he doesn't know when it will end.

Councilor Knaus sent her apologies for being late tonight. She was at a forum for CUPE. It should be on the news tonight for anyone who is interested in finding out what happened at the forum. She asked if planning for the rally was done in coordination with the University of Regina Students' Union.

VP Steeves noted that the problem with working with URSU is that they have publicly taken a side. The USSU is taking a non-partisan approach to the strike.

Councilor Wales stated that yesterday the WCVM had a meeting with the Dean and the issue with the library hours was brought up. The WCVM library is not allowing students to volunteer in the library. The Dean noted the only way hours would be extended is to have staff come in on their weekends and volunteer. The students did not feel that was necessary because the Dean and Staff are already cleaning the washrooms. The library issue is pertinent because fourth years are trying to write their Board Exams and if they are in rotation all day and need to study from books they don't own they don't have access.

Councilor Harder asked why the AGM was held yesterday when the Constitution reads: "There shall be an Annual General Meeting of members of the University of Saskatchewan Students' Union held between the first day of the winter term and the thirty-first day of January. Members shall receive at least fifteen days notice of the Annual General Meeting." The timing of the AGM was not in effect. She asked why the AGM was held yesterday.

VP Steeves noted that the winter term starts September 1st and the spring term starts January 3rd. It was held in the winter term.

Councilor Kambeitz stated that tomorrow night there is a pub at the Hose and Hydrant.

VP Steeves thanked all the councilors who attended the AGM. The time of the AGM would be reconsidered in future years.

Chair Leisle noted that the AGM was scheduled at 12:30 p.m. and then at 2:20 p.m. there was an exam scheduled. Therefore, the AGM was rushed.

Councilor Cote was upset that the last two amendments were rushed. Those two amendments were important and should not have been rushed. He felt it was very

undemocratic that two resolutions were decided in two minutes because there was not time for debate. He encouraged the staff to plan better at future AGMs because that should not have happened.

Councilor McAuliffe noted that next time she suggests modifying the agenda so that more controversial items come first.

VP Ring noted that the agenda has to be presented in that order unless a motion is brought forward to modify the agenda. He agrees with Councilor Cote.

Chair Leisle noted that the most important thing to be passed at any AGM is to pass the Auditor's Financial Report.

Councilor Peti asked about the design of the future Place Riel. He noted that URSU has a beautiful multi-purpose room where they hold their AGM and it would be nice if the USSU had something similar.

Member Galbraith stated he is not on the Place Riel Steering Committee but he would love a multi-purpose room. In the meantime, one of the biggest and best rooms that students control is the Education Students' Lounge.

VP Ring noted that the where Global Commons is currently located in Place Riel. As the renovations get started the USSU is planning to have a general boardroom, council chambers and seating capacity for 100 people located in that space.

Councilor Harder noted that yesterday at the AGM the Executive spoke to fixing the Elections Bylaw. She asked what steps were being proposed to do so.

VP Ring noted that President Pepler and himself reviewed the Elections Bylaw in the summer. CFS would be contacted to ensure the two bylaws do not conflict. The Elections process has worked in the past. When people break the rules they break the rules. He invited people to submit amendments to it. The Executive feel it works fine.

Councilor Knaus asked why the U of R decided to side with CUPE.

President Pepler noted that the USSU has not spoke to Mike Burton yet. He assumes that maybe Mike Burton thought the strike would end sooner if they sided with CUPE. He would be in contact with Mike Burton.

Chair Leisle noted that Mike Burton is the President of the U of R.

VP Steeves stated that she emailed the URSU and has not received a response.

10. Adjournment

Move to adjourn.

USC Motion78: Ring/Cote

Carried.

Academic Affairs Board

Minutes for Thursday November 1st, 2007

Present: Joel Schindel, Janna Wong, Josie Steeves, Drew Dwernychuk, Ashlee Smith, J.P. Cote, Nicole Kenny, Deepak Grover
Absent: Megan Harder (Regrets)

The meeting was called to order at 4:34 PM

1. Adoption of Agenda

- Smith/Wong
- Motion carried

2. Adoption of the Minutes

- Schindel/Kenny
- Motion Carried

3. Report of the Vice President Academic

- See Josie Steeves Accountability Report

5. Business Arising

- Teaching Excellence Awards
 - New format was presented
 - Move to accept the new Format
 - Dwernychuk/Wong
 - Motion Carried
 - Members were requested to send their availability to the USSU Secretary
 - AAO Dwernychuk outlined the process of presenting an evaluation to a class for the TEAs
- Next Meeting
 - The next AAB meeting will be Nov. 15, 2007

5. Questions and Comments

- Reminder that the USSU AGM is on November 14, at 12:30 PM in Arts

241 (Neatby-Timlin Theatre)

6. Any Other Business

- None

7. Trivia

- What is the highest Academic Body at the University of Saskatchewan?

- University Council, Ashlee Smith was the first to answer.

8. Adjournment

- Wong/Cote

- Carried

Academic Affairs Board

Minutes for Thursday November 15th, 2007

Present: Joel Schindel, Janna Wong, Josie Steeves, Drew Dwernychuk, Megan Harder
Absent: Nicole Kenny (Regrets), J. P. Cote (Regrets) Ashlee Smith, Deepak Grover

The meeting was called to order at 4:44 PM

1. Adoption of Agenda

- Harder/Wong
- Motion carried

2. Adoption of the Minutes

- Harder/Wong
- Motion Carried

3. Report of the Vice President Academic

- See Josie Steeves Accountability Report

5. Business Arising

- Teaching Excellence Awards
 - VP Steeves thanked everyone for submitting their availabilities
 - VP Steeves noted that J.P. Cote and Ashlee Smith have yet to send in availabilities
- Integrated Plan
 - The final draft will be completed in one week
- Strike Update
 - VP Steeves updated the Board on USSU activities during the strike, including daily meetings with the University Administration and the planned Protest Rally
- ITS Meeting Update
 - Joel Schindel mentioned that ITS is looking into emergency text

messaging on Campus and better ways to prevent plagiarism

5. Student Protest and Rally

- VP Steeves answered any questions about the rally and gave the time and location as Tuesday November 20th, 2007 to meet in lower Place Riel.

6. Any Other Business

- None

7. Trivia

- When was the last time that CUPE 1975 went on Strike?
- 1974, Joel Schindel was the first to answer.

8. Adjournment

- Steeves/Schindel
- Carried

Operations & Finance Board

Minutes for Wednesday, November 21st, 2007

Present: Jeremy Ring, Katelyn McAuliffe, Nicole Kenney, Ellyse Schultz, Ana Carolina Melendez, Caroline Cottrell, Jean-Paul Cote, Tyler Olson,

Regrets: Cody Casey, James Pepler

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 9:30 AM.

2. Call for Quorum

Quorum was present.

3. New Business

3.1 – Presentation about LEED

VP Ring introduced Ray Plosker from SEA, Murray Guy from Integrated Design, and Michael Molero from FMD to discuss different aspects of LEED and how they fit into the Place Riel Expansion/Renovation.

Murray Guy introduced what LEED was and the benefits of certifying. It is also an indication to peer's that the USSU is dedicated to the environment and planning for the future. He specifically spoke to lifecycle costs.

Michael Molero spoke to the U of S and LEED, indicating that many buildings on campus and projects are becoming LEED certified projects. (Attached is his powerpoint)

Ray Plosker spoke to Place Riel specifics regarding LEED. This included the difficulty of a hybrid building, incorporating a renovation and expansion, and the possible fall backs we may realize because of it.

The major discussion was why certifying? There is a number of pro's and con's that were discussed, such as opportunity costing, possible funds that we could receive FOR certifying.

The Op/fin board did not feel comfortable generating a recommendation at this time; therefore we will do this next week.

3.2 – Ratifications

Move that the Op/fin board ratify Best Buddies U of S.

OFB Motion 21: Olson/Cote Carried.

4. Other Business

VP Ring noted that he received a ratification form from APALA, however there are fees owing from the group, and therefore we have to wait until monies are received to ratify them.

5. Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held Wednesday, November 28th at 9:30 AM in the USSU Boardroom.

6. Adjournment

Move to adjourn.

OFB Motion22:

Olson/McAuliffe

Carried.

2007-2008 USC Attendance

Name	May	June	July	August	Sept. 6	Sep.13	Sep.20	Sep.27	Oct.4	Oct.11	Oct.18	Oct.25
Abdulla, Adam	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	R	P	P	R	P	P
Atkin, Michael	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	P	R	P
Cote, Jean-Paul	NM	NM	NM	A	P	R	P	P	P	P	P	R
Gentner, Breanne	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P
Harder, Megan	NM	NM	NM	R	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P
Horvey, Karla	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Kambeitz, Elvis	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P
Karkut, Neil	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P
Kenney, Nicole	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P
Kirkland, Warren	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P
Knaus, Tamra	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Kuspira, Keith	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P
Lawrence, James	NM	NM	NM	P	P	A	R	P	A	R	P	P
Leisle, Matt	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P
Levesque, Lindsay	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
McAuliffe, Katelyn	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P
Mitchell, Alex	NM	NM	NM	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	P	P	P
Olson, Tyler	NM	NM	NM	A	R	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Pepler, James	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P
Peti, Nick	NM	NM	NM	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	P	P	R	P
Ring, Jeremy	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Schultz, Ellyse	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P
Shibata, Satoshi	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Smith, Ashlee	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	A
Steeves, Josie	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	R
Wales, Jessica	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	A
Zubot, Kimberly	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P

P - Present; R - Regrets; A - Absence; NYA - Not Yet Appointed; NM - No Meeting

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Name	Nov.1	Nov.8	Nov.15	Nov.22	Nov.29	Dec.6				
Abdulla, Adam	P	P	P							
Atkin, Michael	P	P	P							
Cote, Jean-Paul	P	P	P							
Gentner, Breanne	P	P	P							
Harder, Megan	P	P	P							
Horvey, Karla	P	P	P							
Kambeitz, Elvis	P	P	P							
Karkut, Neil	P	P	P							
Kenney, Nicole	P	P	R							
Kirkland, Warren	P	P	P							
Knaus, Tamra	P	P	P							
Kuspira, Keith	P	P	P							
Lawrence, James	P	P	P							
Leisle, Matt	P	P	P							
Levesque, Lindsay	P	P	P							
McAuliffe, Katelyn	P	P	P							
Mitchell, Alex	P	A	P							
Olson, Tyler	P	P	P							
Pepler, James	P	P	P							
Peti, Nick	P	P	P							
Ring, Jeremy	P	R	P							
Schultz, Ellyse	P	P	A							
Shibata, Satoshi	P	P	P							
Smith, Ashlee	P	P	P							
Steeves, Josie	P	P	P							
Wales, Jessica	P	P	P							
Zubot, Kimberly	P	P	P							

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University Students' Council Agenda

Thursday, November 29th, 2007

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- 9. Any Other Business**
 - 9.1 Strike Update**
- 10. Adjournment**

University Students' Council

Minutes for Thursday, November 22nd, 2007

Present

James Pepler, President
Jeremy Ring, VP Operations & Finance
Nicole Kenney, VP Student Issues
Jean-Paul Cote, Agriculture
Tyler Olson, Arts & Science
Warren Kirkland, Associated Residence
Katelyn McAuliffe, Commerce
Alex Mitchell, Commerce
Adam Abdulla, Dentistry
Elvis Kambeitz, Education
Michael Atkin, Engineering
Keith Kuspira, Engineering
Satoshi Shibata, International Students'
James Lawrence, Kinesiology
Neil Karkut, Law
Nick Peti, Medicine
Megan Harder, Nursing
Kimberly Zubot, Pharmacy & Nutrition
Karla Horvey, Physical Therapy
Tamra Knaus, St. Thomas More
Ellyse Schultz, St. Thomas More
WCVM, Jessica Wales

Also Present

Matt Leisle, Chair
Caroline Cottrell, USSU GM
Jeff Galbraith, Arts
Sheila Laroque, Arts
Dylan Rose, Arts
Akintona Sadiku, Engineering
Michael Molaro, FMD
Murray Guy Integrated Designs
Dave Dalibroda Integrated Designs
Chuck Hamilton, Sheaf

Regrets

Josie Steeves, VP Academic
Lindsey Levesque, VP External
Breanne Gentner, Education
Kimberly Zubot, Pharmacy

Absent

Ashlee Smith, Arts

*****Minutes were not recorded on the laptop, but were hand recorded by GM Cottrell.*****

Meeting was called to order at 6:08 p.m.

1. Adoption of an Agenda

Move to adopt the agenda.

USC Motion79: Horvey/Karkut

Carried.

2. Introductions and Announcements

VP Ring introduced Darcy Strinholm and Ray Plosker from SEA, Murray Guy from Integrated Designs and Michael Molaro from Facilities Management Division.

President Pepler noted VP Steeves and VP Levesque sent regrets.

Councilor Horvey noted Councilor Zubot sent regrets.

Councilor Kambeitz noted Councilor Gentner sent regrets.

3. Council Address

3.1 LEED

Move to informality.

USC Motion80: Pepler/Kuspira Carried.

Ray Plosker thanked councilors for allowing him to speak at council. He noted that a sustained design is very important and would like to incorporate it into the project. LEED, which is the standard for measuring sustainable design using a structured rating system based on third party validation, is widely accepted. Leadership in Environmental Energy design would like to adopt elements in the building and make it as green as possible within budget and the building site. Sustainable designs add new dimensions. Time, effort and money are required for research, certification and documentation. Objectives can be attained without LEED but a LEED rating system allows for measuring energy expenditure, indoor air quality and so on. The validation is very important in ensuring quality.

There is cost of certification but adopting the sustainable objective saves money in the long run. LEED certification can be used for fundraising. There are three levels of certification: silver, gold and platinum. Prerequisites must be accounted for. Modeling and commissioning will achieve some LEED credits without trying (ex. busmall, central chillers CFC coolant are roadblocks). Will need a go-forward or don't go forward design regardless. To certify is good to use LEED to track.

By its nature in-fill should be able to take advantage of protection, location, light, to north and south, mechanical systems appropriately designed, lighting, mechanical systems integrated with or without LEED we will have a good product. The cost of certification is \$75,000 to \$100,000. This is not especially significant in the overall project but money could also be used to achieve other efficiencies.

Michael Molaro, Sustainability Office
Slide 1 – Design Principles

- Durable - make lasting choices
- Sustainable – LEED is only 25% energy based
- Flexible – extend life of building to 50 or 60 years
- Manageable – look after with ease
- Creative, healthy, productive
- Safe and secure
- Economical life cycle costing – costs made back in energy and other savings

Slide 2 – LEED on Campus

- Province and city – slow on LEED update

- U of S recently adopted but should lead by examples
- LEED for commercial interiors
- LEED for new construction (Law)
- LEED for existing buildings (us green building council)
- FMD new at LEED but learning fast

Slide 3 – Why Certify

- Formal Tartet – engages and commits all involved with the project at all stages
- Third Party Recognition – Peer reviewed in the industry, open, transparent process
- Leadership and Credibility demonstrates commitment to global standards, selling point for external funders
- Recruitment of staff and students
- Funding assists with financial campaign
- Education and Awareness: promotes consistency and understanding

Slide 4 – Press Release on Law

Slide 5 – Green Building Resources

- greenbuild365.org
- usgbc.org – good site
- cagbc.org
- ulsf.org/programs_talloires.html
- buildgreen.com
- aashe.org – excellent site

Slide 6 – Resources Required

- \$ registration/certification with green building council
- \$ consultants – documents and design
- \$ documentation – eg. Law ??? diversion of 86% of site waste
- \$ modeling - \$10,000-\$12,000 cost
- \$ time – takes more to finish the project
- Must ask – can we afford to certify? can we afford not to?

Murray Guy, Engineering Degree, MBA

During his MBA he created plan for Integrated Design. He looked at how to model plan for high performance buildings. Energy buildings use 50 percent less energy without much more cost. He has now done eight buildings. If buildings are being well built you use the right tools and material it is very easy to get to LEED silver. Is there any money to be made on a dead planet? It is time to start thinking about the future. The Forestry Centre is LEED Gold. The entire city block recycled through Habitat for Humanity. LEED is about leadership and your future. Certification is not the same as auditing or taking classes for a degree. There will be plenty of economic opportunities.

Dave Dalibroda

LEED Score Card took the USSU through this. There are eighteen credits without trying. Pursuing certification requires people to be smart. The easier it gets the cheaper it gets. It costs money but the costs are declining. He feels certification would cost about \$30,000. People need to get used to asking the right questions, such as, where are the goods, which go into buildings and furnishings produced? Place Riel would be a little different because the USSU would be combining old and new. There are few unknowns but Place Riel could attain silver. He spends 90 percent of his time dealing with buildings.

VP Ring asked if the current Place Riel would qualify for LEED.

Dave Dalibroda stated no, but it could be made through proper renovation; however, there are some complications which requires further exploration. Place Riel may have to do new only and use principles in the renovation.

VP Ring asked if there is a penalty for not meeting LEED.

Dave Dalibroda stated to go forward on a cautions basis and well achieved quality if not full certification. Will know early in the process how the project is unfolding. It is possible that some credits that have been traded off against others. LEED project everyone gets engaged and is involved so it makes for greater commitment shared benefit/shared responsibility.

VP Kenney asked the minimal cost to certify compared to savings from energy.

Dave Dalibroda stated 1.86 percent. LEED Gold can be recovered in less than three years on energy along. Seventy-five percent of the benefit is in people's health.

VP Kenney asked if this would be the first LEED for a Students' Union.

Dave Dalibroda stated he didn't know.

Councilor Olson asked how much extra time it would take to get the building delivered.

Dave Dalibroda stated no more time to make the building happen just more design time. No additional construction time.

Councilor Harder asked if it would have to be recertified in twenty years.

Murray Guy stated no good for the life of the building but that building life is not always measured in decades.

President Pepler thanked the guests for coming.

Move to formality.

USC Motion81: Olson/Kuspira Carried.

4. Minutes and Reports

4.1 USC Minutes

The multipurpose room states where global commons currently is meant in the infill by the Information centre.

Chair Leisle noted Cameron Ewen was the MSC for Associated Residence not Engineering.

Chair Leisle stated Mike Burton is not the University of Regina President. He is the University of Regina Student Union President.

5. Motions Arising from the Minutes and Reports

Move to adopt the minutes as amended.

USC Motion82: Atkin/Harder Carried.

7. New Business

7.1 LEED Certification

Councilor Ring noted that in March of 2006 a motion was made that the Operations and Finance Board would make a recommendation on LEED Certification.

8. Questions and Comments

President Pepler thanked everyone who attended the Student Rally on Tuesday, November 20th. There was good media coverage and he received five emails. Three emails felt that it was pro-administration and two felt the rally was pro-CUPE. He even received a threatening phone call.

VP Kenney noted that the Food Centre participates in Adopt-A-Family every year. The Centre needs to raise \$500 for a food hamper. He asked councilors for assistance. There will be a coffee house in Browsers on November 29th at 3:30 p.m. discussing Canada's Role in the Global Environment in Afghanistan. She has information on the Making Canada Inclusive and Safe conference. City council has voted to extend notice from three to six months on condo conversion.

VP Ring stated that the USC bunny hug/hoodies are in Jason Ventnor's office. He asked councilors to stop ASAP and try on a hoodie so they could be ordered.

Member Galbraith asked if there is a limit on free photocopying for the duration of the strike.

VP Ring noted there is no limit.

Member Galbraith asked if paper use is a good thing. He hates not being able to take books out. He believes everything the USSU does to help the students is lengthening the strike.

VP Ring noted the Executive wants to ensure students are covered. He noted that as for the paper it is not the USSU's problem. He just wants Administration and CUPE to recognize that the students are suffering.

VP Kenney doesn't agree with the free photocopying and hopes it is post-consumer paper that is being used. She believes the USSU is siding with Admin.

Councilor Harder asked if staff could be asked to fill paper.

VP Ring stated no.

VP Kenney encouraged councilors to attend Engineers without Borders event.

Member Laroque noted that the room is filled with future leaders and unsettled labour are not second-class citizens.

Member Hamilton noted that not all union members are unskilled.

9. Any Other Business

9.1 USSU's Role in the Strike

President Pepler noted that bargaining ended with an agreement to go to a vote. CUPE will vote Monday, November 26th, 2007 in Regina and Tuesday, November 27th, 2007 in Saskatoon. ??? had choice of vote or third party mediations. The Administration chose vote to???. If majority vote in favour the strike will be over. CUPE states the offer is unfair and members would vote against the offer. The USSU's neutrality has been attacked and praised. If the offer is voted down the University Administration is not sure about conciliation.

VP Kenney believes they will be back to conciliations and encouraged student members to be there.

VP Ring stated that students couldn't attend; only student CUPE members could.

Member Galbraith stated that the new offer is worse than what was on the table. He asked if CUPE was coming in to give daily updates to the USSU or just Administration.

VP Kenney noted that Administration was only giving updates and they were everyday at 3:30 p.m.

President Pepler noted that he would try to set up meetings with CUPE in STM if the vote should fail.

Councilor Knaus noted she would be organizing a room in STM since is not considered being on campus. She asked other members of the Executive to help.

Member Galbraith asked what would happen if a student who was also a CUPE member attended.

VP Ring noted that when you step on campus you are a student first.

Councilor Knaus stated that it is underhanded of the Administration to publish documents on bargaining and it is not actually allowed.

Member Galbraith noted that there are unfair labour practices accusations on both sides. It gets a little dirty. Specific allegations refer to the conciliation process. Material on both websites really shouldn't be there. He encouraged councilors to educate themselves.

Member Hamilton encouraged council to debate this issue. He also feels the USSU is prolonging the strike.

Councilor Kambeitz noted that he finds it ironic that the university gave a sustainability presentation when the university is not involved in the sustainability with its unions or via the use of photocopiers.

President Pepler stated that the USSU has picked a side, the students. He reminded councilors that not every college supports CUPE or strike and councilors represent their colleges.

Councilor Kirkland stated that Residence is absolutely divided. The USSU is taking the right approach.

Councilor Knaus quoted that Paulo Freire "not taking a side means siding with the powerful."

Member Galbraith agrees that taking the students' side is good but sometimes a side must be taken.

VP Kenney noted that it would be helpful to create a fact sheet and have it available to students. She agrees with President Pepler that the USSU is on the side of the students; however the USSU may have to take a position to get the strike to end.

Member Hamilton noted that students have the power to end the strike.

Councilor Karkut agrees with neutrality but asked what would the USSU if they had to take a side.

VP Ring noted that the GSA took a stand and has done nothing. He asked what if the USSU took a side and it helped prolong the strike.

Member Galbraith noted that students have three options: general student strike, a class action lawsuit, or transfer out of the U of S.

Member Hamilton stated that doing something is strategic. He suggested shutting the university down and walking out. A general strike would get everyone's attention.

President Pepler noted that if a side is chosen it must be done with USFA to get things going. The Executive must wait for a vote and if CUPE stays out must get strategic support. He encouraged councilors to go to their college and get feedback.

10. Adjournment

Move to adjourn.

USC Motion83: Ring/???

Carried.

External Affairs Board Meeting

Friday, November 16, 2007

Present: Lindsey Levesque, Tamra Knaus, Satoshi Shibata, Sarah Shoker, Travis Lingenfelter, James Pepler, Tony Bassett.

Regrets: Katelyn McAuliffe, Shuo Zhang.

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 1:09pm.

2. Call for Quorum

Quorum was present.

3. Old Business

3.1 Provincial Election

The Provincial Election initiatives including the Education Forums and the Election information booth was a success. The Education Matters Forum was well attended, while the Alternative Leaders Debate was not as well attended but provided the students the opportunity to hear all parties equally. The Election information table was busy from October 31st, through November 7th and provided students with information about where and how to vote.

Councillor Knaus suggested that for the next Provincial Election, more information should be provided about out of province students and their eligibility to vote. Elections Saskatchewan also needs to provide more information available to students regarding specific questions such as out of province voters.

3.2 Canada's Next Great Prime Minister

VP Levesque stated that the EAB will no longer be planning anything for this.

4. New Business

4.1 CFS Terms of Reference

VP Levesque will be in Ottawa from November 20th until November 25th for the CFS Annual General Meeting and will be discussing the Terms of Reference regarding the CFS referendum with the National Chairperson Amanda Aziz.

The Elections policy was changed into a Bylaw at the Annual General Meeting. Board members are encouraged to look over this Bylaw for the next meeting on November 30th, and to bring concerns about what should be priority in the terms of reference. This information will also be brought forward to the USSU Executive and University Student Council at a later date.

4.2 International Forum

The EAB will be planning an International Forum in the spring to work with International Week. VP Levesque and Councillor Shibata sit on the International Week Planning Committee, which organizes all International Week activities. VP Levesque will also contact Ann Neufeld, the chair of the planning committee to confirm this as a potential option.

VP Levesque suggested that the topic of the forum could be on the local and global economies and what opportunities are available to students. Councillor Knaus also stated that a forum on global Sustainability Initiatives could be an option, which could be coordinated between the VP Student Issues.

Councillor Shibata stated that he is working on creating a sub-committee for the International Week Planning Committee, which would consist of students. This would provide more students with the opportunity to give input for the events.

The dates for International Week have not been confirmed yet but the possible dates are January 29-31, or February 5-7.

4.3 CUPE Strike

Councillor Knaus suggested that the USSU plan a regular meeting with CUPE, similar to the daily updates from administration. This meeting would strictly be for students to voice their concerns about the strike. This would also provide students with information from both CUPE and administration to give a balanced approach to the issues at hand.

There is a student rally being held on Tuesday (November 20th) at noon in Lower Place Riel, which will also allow students to gather information about the strike.

VP Levesque and Councillor Knaus will coordinate a meeting time and location at STM. The Board was also interested in assisting with this.

The USSU has been working on student reimbursements for their losses during the strike but this has not been confirmed from Administration.

Conciliation will also begin on Tuesday and Wednesday between both parties.

5. Questions and Comments

Councillor Shibata would like to see the Board work on reducing the differential fee for International students. VP Levesque will be contacting various individuals about the process of changing this and will give an update as soon as information is provided.

6. Adjournment

Operations & Finance Board

Minutes for Wednesday, November 28th, 2007

Present: Jeremy Ring, Katelyn McAuliffe, Nicole Kenney, Ellyse Schultz, Ana, Jean-Paul Cote, Cody Casey, James Pepler

Regrets: Tyler Olson, Carolina Melendez, Caroline Cottrell

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 9:30 AM.

2. Call for Quorum

Quorum was present.

3. New Business

3.1 – Ratifications

Move that the Op/fin board ratify the Campus Association for Baha’i Studies (CABS).

OFB Motion 23: McAuliffe/Kenney Carried.

3.2 – Funding Request

Move that the Op/fin board grant funding to The Transition Group in the form of \$67.80 of Coke Product for their Christmas Pot-luck.

OFB Motion 24: Cote/Casey Carried.

3.3 – LEED Certification

VP Ring introduced the motion from March of 2006 indicating that the USSU Operations & Finance board was to recommend to USC a suitable level of LEED to attain for the building. He noted that two presentations were held last week from three individuals: Murray Guy of Integrated Design, Michael Molero of FMD, and Ray Plosker of SEA, indicating the benefits of LEED and answered questions to why or why not to certify.

VP Kenney noted that just shadowing is really cheating us. We would still be putting money into shadowing, but not having that 3rd party recognition that really distinguishes us from others. On that same note, we would be one of the first student centres in Canada to champion this, something that would look very good for both the USSU and U of S.

Councilor Cote was concerned that this may delay the project and would it be fair to students in 2011. He also noted that U of S might ride our coattails on this, which everyone agreed would happen.

SAL Casey stated that we owe it to following generations, as the increase in utility costs each year hurts the USSU. This way, we leave a lasting legacy to the

students, showing that we were aware of the concerns that will most certainly arise in the future.

Councilor McAuliffe also stated how she is concerned about the delay, but that wouldn't be known until the moment it happens. Also, the possible funding opportunities significantly outweighs this potential.

VP Ring noted that while he is very conservative when it comes to the USSU budget, we may realize a lot of funding because of certifying, which would offset those costs needed to certify.

Move that the Op/fin board recommend that USC strive to target LEED silver certification.

OFB Motion 25: Ring/Kenney Carried.

4. Other Business

VP Ring noted that he received a ratification form from APALA, however there are fees owing from the group, and therefore we have to wait until monies are received to ratify them.

5. Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held in the event that there is any funding requests or ratifications. Please check your email.

6. Adjournment

Move to adjourn.

OFB Motion26: Schultz/Cote Carried.

Dear Members of the 2007-08 University Student Council:

We are writing to you as past members of the University Student Council from the 2005-06 academic year with some added insight into your upcoming vote on using LEED standards for the Place Riel project.

On March 9, 2006 University Students' Council passed a motion to increase the infrastructure fee by \$5 per term (at the time doubling it in one year), **contingent on the Operations and Finance Board pursuing LEED Standards for the Place Riel Renovations.**

That year the raising of students' fees was a very contentious issue. The infrastructure fee increases proposed by the USSU staff to us were well above \$5 a term, even up to \$50 a term. At the same time the College of Law had announced their plan to pursue a Gold LEED Standard for their addition.

In the end a compromise was reached - the infrastructure fee would be increased much less drastically than proposed (\$5 a term), and along with that a more environmental approach to the Place Riel Renovations being taken. **The only reason our council agreed to an increase at all was because of the addition to the motion making it contingent on pursuing LEED standards.** Many councilors at that meeting still voted against ANY fee increases at all, even with this amended motion to include LEED in the renovations.

After this school year the USSU will have taken in around \$300,000 in extra infrastructure fees from the \$5 per term increase we passed that year. This is a large amount of money and to not use that added income to pursue **proper certification of LEED standards** would be a slap in the face to students who have had to pay increased fees to the USSU the last two academic years.

We hope this year's USC will take these past events into consideration when deciding on LEED standards for the upcoming renovations. If the USSU is willing to go back on the intent of our motion that year, we would then question if they then intend to refund the added \$5 per term students agreed to pay with the understanding LEED standards would be pursued?

We wish you all the best in your decision making process and trust you will make a sound decision for the future of the USSU!

Sincerely,

Nicholas Ansaldo – STM MSC 05-06
Chris Gallaway – Commerce MSC 05-06
Terra Lennox-Zepp – Law MSC 05-06
Tracey Mitchell – Arts and Science MSC 05-06
Susan Yakimoski – Education MSC 05-06

University Students' Council Agenda

Thursday, December 6th, 2007

- 1. Adoption of an Agenda**
- 2. Introductions and Announcements**
- 3. Council Address**
- 4. Minutes and Reports for Information**
 - 4.1 USC Minutes – November 29th, 2007**
 - 4.2 Executive Committee Minutes – December 3rd, 2007**
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 - 4.7 Elections Board Minutes and Report**
 - 4.8 External Affairs Board Minutes and Report – November 30th, 2007**
 - 4.9 Operations & Finance Board Minutes and Report – December 6th, 2007**
 - 4.10 Student Issues Board Minutes and Report – November 22nd, 2007**
 - 4.11 Sustainability Board Minutes and Report – November 21st, 2007**
- 5. Motions Arising from the Minutes and Reports**
- 6. Business**
- 7. New Business**
- 8. Questions and Comments (30 minutes)**
- 9. Any Other Business**
- 10. Adjournment**

University Students' Council

Minutes for Thursday, November 29th, 2007

Present

James Pepler, President
Josie Steeves, VP Academic
Lindsey Levesque, VP External
Jeremy Ring, VP Operations & Finance
Nicole Kenney, VP Student Issues
Jean-Paul Cote, Agriculture
Tyler Olson, Arts & Science
Warren Kirkland, Associated Residence
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Also Present

Matt Leisle, Chair
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Shannon Dyck, Arts
Jeff Galbraith, Arts
Laura Keil, Arts
Sheila Laroque, Arts
Dylan Rose, Arts

Regrets

Ashlee Smith, Arts & Science
Adam Abdulla, Dentistry
Elvis Kambeitz, Education

Meeting was called to order at 6:01 p.m.

1. Adoption of an Agenda

Agenda adopted.

USC Motion84:

2. Introductions and Announcements

President Pepler introduced Brent Thoma who will be chairing the USC meeting tonight. He noted Councilor Kambeitz and Councilor Abdulla sent regrets.

VP Ring noted Councilor Smith sent regrets.

Councilor Lawrence noted that Kinesiology is holding a Golden Ticket Event at the Sutherland Hotel on Saturday, December 1st. Tickets cost \$5 for members and \$8 for non-members. This gets \$1.50 drinks at the bar. The theme is black and white.

5. Motions Arising from the Minutes and Reports

The minutes were approved as circulated.

6. Business

6.1 LEED Certification

VP Ring noted that the USC minutes from March 2006 state the Operations and Finance Board was charged with the responsibility to determine a suitable LEED level for the Place Riel Project. He read from a letter sent to the Executive Committee Which Said: “to increase the infrastructure fee by \$5 per term (at the time doubling it in one year), contingent on the Operations and Finance Board pursuing LEED Standards for the Place Riel Renovation.” He stated this was not the original motion. It read “the Operations and Finance Board determines an appropriate level of LEED”, He then read the motion the Operations and Finance Board is putting forward now. “Move that the Operations and Finance Board recommend that USC strives to target LEED Silver Certification for the Place Riel project.” The Board used the word “target” because in the event that LEED Silver is not met because of the existing building (ex. heating system).

Move that for the Place Riel Project the USSU target LEED Silver Certification.

USC Motion84: Ring/Steeves Carried.

Councilor Kirkland asked why the board chose Silver over Gold.

VP Ring noted that the increase from silver to gold costs \$300,000. He is not sure whether that is feasible. Silver is what the board feels is the highest appropriate level they could attain.

Councilor Olson asked for the difference in cost between attaining LEED Silver and a sustainable building.

VP Ring stated \$1,800 plus the cost of documentation that would cost approximately \$30,000.

Councilor Harder asked what is the latest date this decision could be made is.

VP Ring stated that is a tough question. The USSU is starting on the program and getting everything in line for Board 2. If this decision isn't made in time President Pepler will not be able to sit for Board 2. Saunders and Evans would have to provide a timeline.

Move to grant GM Cottrell speaking rights.

USC Motion85: Steeves/Kuspira Carried.

GM Cottrell stated the architects are applying pressure to the USSU and to the Place Riel Student Advisory Committee to make the decision. Completed

drawings are required to break ground in August. In order to break ground in August the USSU has to tender by the end of May. The architects are already feeling a time crunch in order to have the drawings complete for Board 2. In March the approval process begins. All the specifications and drawings must be complete in three and a half months. Delaying this decision would be problematic.

VP Kenney provided some of the reasons LEED Certification is better than just shadowing. LEED Certification is a formal target, is transparent, and is accountable. Certification requires third-party recognition. LEED Certification would help to recruit and retain students and staff. This would be the first Student Union building in Canada with LEED Certification. It would be good for funding purposes. For example, the College of Law received a lot of funding because they were pursuing LEED Certification.

Councilor McAuliffe is in favour of this motion. It is important for students to be leaders in environmental sustainability. It may cost more now but the operating costs of the building will be reduced significantly. It is important to sell and market LEED Certification because it is more expensive.

VP Steeves is in favour of this motion because it would be great for the University of Saskatchewan. The University is striving to be more sustainable. It may promote more sustainable degrees and create a more sustainable platform. This would be an excellent thing for the student body to do.

??? asked if more funding was available would LEED Gold be pursued.

VP Ring stated yes.

Councilor Harder stated that she does not feel USC has sufficient information to make this decision. As an elected representative it is her duty to become educated on this issue from both sides. The speakers at council last week were all in favour of LEED Certification. Earlier in the year Saunders and Evans addressed USC and noted there were several alternatives to LEED Certification and she would like this information.

Councilor Knaus stated that in 2006 a motion was passed that states student fees increasing by more than \$5 would only be passed provided that extra money was used for LEED Certification. Seventeen thousand students paying \$5 each would be approximately \$300,000 for LEED Certification. She feels that LEED Gold should be pursued.

Chair Thoma asked for clarification on the motion.

VP Ring stated that the motion does not specify that the money collected via the increased fee has to be put towards LEED Certification.

Councilor Knaus noted that she spoke to members who sat on that council they were adamant the extra money was to be used for LEED Certification. Since that motion was made \$300,000 has been collected.

Move to amend the motion to strike the word “Silver” and replace with “Gold”.

USC Motion86: Knaus/Horvey Defeated.

President Pepler asked for clarification on the motion.

Chair Thoma reiterated the amendment.

Councilor Harder asked if the motion should be amended to achieve the highest LEED Certification possible.

Councilor Cote noted that LEED has been determined. He asked why the USSU would pay \$300,000 more; in addition to the \$100,000 they are already paying. USC was only asked to give a commitment to LEED Certification. The USSU has a budget and if the recommendation is LEED Silver then go with LEED Silver. He is against trying to increase the budget to accommodate Gold.

Councilor Knaus stated that the motion would read to target LEED Gold. If USSU does not set goals it defeats the purpose of even certifying LEED. LEED could be used to get funding from people. In three to five years that money would be paid off from the money that is being saved from Utility costs. USC should look at the bigger picture.

GM Cottrell stated that the USSU will spend an enormous amount of money on this project. The USSU has no idea at this point what LEED would cost because there are several unknowns. The architects need to be able to do some work on this project to provide solid numbers. There is a budget in place that the staff feel is going to work. The costs are escalating at a rate of 2.5% per month. She advised USC not to make hard and fast decision without having the proper data.

Councilor Harder asked if a LEED level needs to be decided on or if the USSU could just state they want to work with the LEED program.

Chair Thoma encouraged councilors to keep debate relevant to the motion.

VP Ring stated that the infrastructure fee goes toward paying the interest on the \$16 million dollar loan. If he could he would strive to hit the top. The architects have stated that a lot of extra money would need to be available to achieve LEED Gold. The architects for the past two years have recommended LEED Silver. The only reason it was brought up was so LEED Silver could be targeted.

Councilor Olson noted that if the USSU could get LEED Platinum he would be in favour of that but USC should take into consideration that students money is being used. This cost information is unknown and numbers shouldn't be thrown around until all the hurdles are known.

VP Kenney noted that if LEED Silver is the target and if extra funding is available then LEED Gold is a possibility. If the USSU is going to build this building it should be done right.

VP Steeves noted that going for and achieving Gold is ideal; however, the money is not available upfront. The last Place Riel campaign raised no money so there is no guarantee that money would be raised.

Member Laroque noted that she used to work for University Advancement and her job was to phone University Alumni and ask for money. Whenever she would phone Law Alumni it was so easy to get money from them. People are willing to give their credit card number because they see their investments are creating sustainability.

Councilor Cote reiterated that this costs money. Making uninformed decisions in an untimely matters costs money. The College of Law has alumni; therefore, they have money. The USSU does not have alumni. Law is a University building, which was built on the University's dollar and Place Riel is being paid for student money. The last building received no funding. A target of LEED Silver is a more attainable goal on student dollars.

GM Cottrell noted that the fundraising campaign would be launched on January 3rd or 4th and the Marketing Manager and Communications Manager would be running the campaign. Currently there are zero dollars.

Councilor Karkut stated he is in favour of the LEED Silver due to the nature of the building. He does not feel that LEED Gold should be ruled out but that depends on fundraising. LEED Silver is more realistic.

President Pepler noted that a lot boards decided LEED Silver and a lot of plans were made for LEED Silver. He asked when LEED Silver became a bad idea. He noted both LEED Silver and Gold are great goals. He would love to have LEED Gold but Silver is a great accomplishment.

VP Kenney suggested creating a fundraising committee to assist the Marketing Manger with the fundraising project. She feels that if the future allows the USSU to have LEED Gold that would be wonderful but encouraged councilors to let the fundraising dollars make that decision.

Councilor Cote noted that it is important to have a standard to give to the architect from the beginning. If down the road LEED Silver is changed to LEED Gold the

architects have to change the drawings to reflect that decision, which in turn costs students more money. The USSU should not just change their mind halfway through the project.

7. New Business

7.1 MSC Ratification

Move to Ratify Dylan Rose as the new MSC for Indigenous Student Council.

USC Motion87: Pepler/Levesque Carried.

8. Questions and Comments

Member Galbraith asked for a CFS update. He is aware that the USSU has twenty-four months to hold a referendum but that really isn't too far away.

VP Levesque stated she attended a CFS Conference last week and spoke with the National Chairperson and the National Organizer. The understanding between the three was that the contract that is negotiated for the referendum would be discussed between the ACRO, CRO, National Chairperson and National Organizer. She hasn't set anything up yet but is looking into doing so in the next few months.

Member Galbraith noted that it would be a good idea to get something in writing. The ROC is the reason the USSU wound up in court the last time. The Referendum Oversight Committee (ROC) is part of the CFS Bylaws and it may be hard for CFS to set that aside. He would like to see a firm timetable in writing about this especially in the event he is no the ACRO. The new ACRO would have to scramble to put that together. He is not sure how long it would take to conform the two sides.

VP Levesque noted that she did not get an official confirmation that the ROC is dispensable. She would be more comfortable with the CRO and ACRO going with the details instead of her. She would rather set up a meeting for them to discuss those issues.

VP Steeves stated CFS is member driven organization. The National Chairperson can't just decide on a whim to suspend the ROC. It would be really unethical for someone to unilaterally suspend some or part of the bylaws. They can't do that.

Member Galbraith said that this is his point. If the USSU has to wait for CFS to hold an AGM then the USSU needs to get rolling. There needs to be something in writing from CFS so that the USSU is protected. The USSU can't afford to be sued again over the exact same issue.

VP Kenney announced that the Food Centre is preparing hampers for Brent and Penny's Adopt a Family. She asked USC to donate toys, food or other items. Donations can be dropped off at the USSU office.

VP Steeves stated that she emailed councilors regarding the Integrated Plan. The email encompasses all of the University's themes and a survey is enclosed. The survey is due in January. The Integrated Student Plan is very important to the student body and asked everyone to submit their survey.

9. Any Other Business

9.1 Strike Update

President Pepler pointed that 85 percent of CUPE members voted against the University's last offer. The USSU has decided to strategize to see what it can do to end the strike as quickly as possible. He never once stated that he would side with the Administration. Both CUPE and Administration propagate different things. He is likely the most informed student and he still does not know the entire story. One thing he does know is that CUPE members have been yelling and screaming and the only people who can change that is the people at the bargaining table. He spoke with the Chris Axworthy, USFA (University of Saskatchewan Faculty Association) and discussed what could be done. He asked about a general strike. Chris Axworthy stated that the USFA could not just walk out because that was illegal. Any collective action that stops the USFA from coming to the U of S was illegal and they would be fined hundreds of thousands of dollars. He asked CUPE what they would want the USSU to do to show support if the USSU decided to support CUPE in a way that would not compromise education. The response he received was to continue doing what has been done, continue to inform President Mackinnon of student concerns and pressure him in good faith bargaining. He met with Peter Mackinnon and David Hannah who made some promises. He will be speaking tomorrow with the new government, who may legislate CUPE back to work. He has received emails suggesting the USSU donate money to CUPE for coffee and donuts. He is not willing to donate that money to the people on strike because they are gone and he does not want to use student money to purchase that when they are not providing services. He should be giving that money to students. If he were going to support someone in the strike it would be the students. Another idea that was suggested was a tuition boycott, which he discussed with Chris Axworthy. When the USFA had a rally only a handful of people showed up and when the USSU had a rally about one hundred and fifty people showed up, which is approximately one percent of students. This is a sad reality. He feels helpless because so much has been done and nothing seems to work. He has come up with a few more ideas that the USSU may be able to be put in place. The first is when CUPE does return to work put forward initiatives to make them feel welcome. The employees deserve to feel welcome. He encouraged people to have a roundtable about how the University treats unions and union relations. Also suffering are CUPE member families and he thought Christmas hampers might be an idea. The hampers would be similar to the Brent and Penny's Adopt a family and would be available to the families who haven't been able to find another job for the duration of the strike. He would love to hear similar ideas.

VP Kenney stated that the Student Issues Board decided they would like to have a student representative present at the bargaining. She is aware that it is illegal to have a student present at the bargaining table but no one has even asked to sit at the table. That may make their conversation transparent. The SIB is also going to prepare a fact sheet regarding the strike.

Councilor Schultz stated that President Mackinnon sent out a letter regarding the strike and she has received student concerns about that. ??? (too quiet)

President Pepler stated that he reviewed the policy on PAWS and one principle is that it is the student duty to receive all PAWS announcements. For the University Administration to send out propaganda and then to have a principle stating students are obliged to read that is wrong. He suggested having a spam category so that students do not have to read. This is being looked into.

VP Steeves noted that is a huge concern and there is a letter in the Sheaf and the Executive has also received a few emails with concerns about that. It will be discussed.

??? reiterated what VP Steeves stated. She stated student email addresses are also property of the U of S. Anything you type is property of the Administration.

VP Kenney feels that the tuition reimbursement is something that should be discussed when the strike is over because CUPE salaries tie into about \$3 million. The University should be challenged after the strike.

President Pepler stated that student reimbursement was discussed with Peter Mackinnon. Some people feel that a class-action suit is needed and he is hesitant because there are a lot of unknowns. He asked students to think about who the strike affects more, what services were lost, do certain colleges get more reimbursement, and what about students on student loans. He noted it would take months to get any money. Every time the Executive meet with the Administration reimbursement is discussed. The Administration is scared about the reimbursement.

Councilor Knaus asked councilors what students are considering doing to make CUPE members feel welcome. This is an important topic. Every student can see they are valued.

Member Galbraith stated that CUPE salaries total \$1.5 million a week, which totals about \$6 million. He doesn't feel the University Administration has lost \$6 million in revenue. Usually the money is divided on a liquidated basis. That has never happened in any university. Another issue is Premier Wall possibly legislating CUPE back to work. It is not collective bargaining and is typically binding. In the long run it defeats the purpose of collective bargaining.

Councilor Shibata stated that the SIB would be distributing a fact sheet when the strike is over that way students would understand what happened and also welcome them back to the university.

VP Steeves noted that just because a university has never reimbursed students after a strike does not mean it would not happen. A Student Union has never had LEED standard before and the USSU will. If students fight for it, it may happen.

Councilor Knaus asked if something could be put on the USSU page of the Sheaf with websites listed.

Councilor Harder stated that she is in favour of bargaining with the Administration to reimburse students. She is not sure it should be publicly announced. It is a great aspiration but she can see it blowing up in students' faces.

Councilor Cote noted that maybe a letter should be put together and emailed it to Peter Mackinnon and that way his inbox could be full of spam.

Councilor Kirkland noted that people are not aware of whether or not the university is even saving money. He knows of several ASPA members who have had to put in a lot of overtime. He encouraged waiting to see what the numbers are.

Councilor Atkin stated that there is need for USC and the USSU to remain neutral during the strike.

President Pepler stated that he agrees but there are things that could be done to ease the situation on both sides. He encouraged council to try thinking of ways to make them feel welcome.

VP Levesque noted making CUPE feel comfortable is huge because some of the members may not have wanted to be on strike. At the same time making them feel welcome would make them more productive to students.

Councilor Harder asked if the Executive discussed food hampers with CUPE. She is concerned that may not be appropriate.

Councilor Schultz stated that if CUPE is legislated to go back to work they may not be happy and not want to be on campus. It works both ways.

President Pepler stated this strike is very difficult for everyone. He has examined this strike so many ways and there is no solution that would satisfy everyone. He would like everyone to know that this is problematic for everyone. He thanked everyone for fighting and making things run smoothly. He is constantly getting emails and some praise the USSU and some attack the USSU. He would like to

thank everyone for their patience and President Mackinnon also needs to tell students that, which he did at the meeting.

Councilor Harder asked when the last USC meeting would be held.

President Pepler noted that USC has to have one meeting per month; therefore next Thursday, December 6th would be the last USC meeting for 2007.

10. Adjournment

Chair Thoma adjourned the meeting.

Executive Committee

Minutes for Monday, December 3, 2007

Present: James Pepler, Jeremy Ring, Josie Steeves, Lindsey Levesque,
Caroline Cottrell
Regrets: Nicole Kenney

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 p.m.

2. Call for Quorum

Quorum was present

3. Roundtable

President Pepler

- EDO
- ADO X2
- BOCP
- USC (hurray for acronyms)
- Meetings with Faculty Association
- Undergrad Forums
- Op/Fin Board
- Place Riel Steering Committee
- Health Care Review
- Meetings with admin and CUPE
- Class
- Preparation for loads of media coverage
- Planning and Priorities Review Committee
- Mails, calls, angry emails

VP Levesque

- Math 121 x 3
- George Foufas going away lunch-Louis
- Healthcare Review Meeting
- Meeting with Peter Mackinnon regarding CUPE strike
- ADO
- External Affairs Board Meeting
- USC
- BOCP

VP Steeves

- Roundtable on Academic Materials - Toronto
- Administered Teaching in Excellence Evaluation

- Daily Briefings with David Hannah RE: Strike
- DISOrientation Planning Meeting
- Centre Volunteering
- Health Care Review
- Supper with Studentcare
- Provost Announcement
- USC

VP Ring

- Class
- Meeting with Joel of the MSA
- Ratification Data
- Place Riel Design Team Meeting
- AGM Meeting
- Place Riel survey finalizing
- Interview with the Sheaf
- Staff Christmas photo
- Meeting with Amnesty International
- November EDO
- Information Centre Supervisor Interviews x2
- Executive Dinner
- AGM
- Louis'/Browsers planning meeting
- Communications Meeting
- Information Centre Supervisor Interview
- Meeting with IVCF
- Student Protest Rally prep
- Protest Rally to stop the strike
- Meeting with LSA
- President's breakfast
- Meeting with SEA, FMD, Intergrated Design re: LEED
- Meeting with IVCF
- Food & beverage manager interview
- USC
- Help Centre Volunteering
- ½ sick day
- October Accountabilities
- Strike update
- Admin Team
- Op/fin board
- Op/fin minutes
- George's going away lunch
- Place Riel Steering Committee
- Self-insurance meeting with Studentcare
- Place Riel Student Advisory Committee
- Dinner with Studentcare

- Meeting with Ashlee Smith re: AGM
- Financial Accountabilities meeting (October)
- November birthday party
- Coke Merch November
- Meeting with Merv Dahl regarding Insurance
- BOCF

GM Cottrell

- Management meetings: Communications, Finance, Marketing, Management Team, Admin Team, UPASS
- University Meetings: Strike communication, Place Riel Renovation
- Governance Meetings: USC, Executive, Studentcare
- Board Meetings: Alumni, Student Relations, USSU Daycare
- Human Resources: Posting, short listing, interviewing, hiring – multiple meetings and paperwork; Centres meetings
- Routine GM duties

VP Kenney

- AGM
- Executive Dinner
- Coffee House Planning (Canada's International Role with the Military)
- Meeting with International Studies Students Association (composting proposal)
- Communications Meeting
- Protest Rally to stop the strike
- Strike updates
- President's breakfast
- Opfin board meeting
- Meeting with Tamra Knaus (Sustainability Board Member)
- Sustainability Board meeting
- Sustainability Board minutes
- Meeting with Chris Gallaway (Concerned about LEED certification)
- Student Issues Board meeting
- Student Issues Board minutes
- Meeting with SEA, FMD, Intergrated Design re: LEED
- USC
- Meeting with Kristina Lummerdinger-Drieder (Sustainability Board Member)
- October Accountability Report
- Sheaf Interview
- International Week Planning
- Meeting with Alison Welin (Engineers with-out borders)
- University Council Integrated Planning meeting
- Funeral Leave
- Daycare committee update
- Met with Shannon Dyck (Sustainability Board Member)
- Met with Dylan Rose (Funding for conferences)
- USSU Christmas Party

- Meeting with 2 Engineers With-out Borders Students
- Meeting with Edward's School of Business USC member
- Coffee with Cheryl Sedwick, Room Scheduling
- Meeting with Faculty Association president
- CBC Interview on CUPE strike
- StarPheonix Interview on CUPE strike
- Helping with Food Center Bake Sale
- Meeting with Joanne Horsely, Victim Advocate
- Lunch with Kristin Foster, Student Care

4. Hoodies/Bunnyhugs

Jason Ventnor asked that the Executive or USC make a decision very shortly on the design they want on the back of the hoodies/bunnyhugs.

5. Election Schedule

Jason Ventnor presented the proposed Election Schedule for 2008. The voting will occur on March 26th and 27th. A full schedule is attached to these minutes.

6. Health and Dental Surplus

On April 5th USC passed Motion 270 “that the USSU keep the Health and Dental plan fee of \$243.25 with the extra \$10.42 going toward the contingency fund with the goal of self-insurance.” On November 28th, Lev Buchman, an insurance expert from Studentcare.networks, provided an afternoon workshop on various forms of extended health care insurance to the USSU Executive. He pointed out that Studentcare, the current provider, has no vested interest since it makes no difference to their relationship with us. He presented four options – full second party insurance, full self-insurance, refund accounting and a modified fully insured plan underwriting structure. In the latter, the insurance company takes 100% of the risk, but shares any surpluses with the USSU.

The Executive will bring forward a recommendation to USC early in 2008.

7. Graphic and Media Designer

The position of Communications Assistant has been modified to meet current needs. The position is now called Graphic and Media Designer and is now a permanent part time position, 28 hours per week. Formerly, the position was twenty hours a week from September to April and then full time from May to the end of August.

EXEC51 Ring/ Pepler	Move to accept the position profile change for the Communications Assistant to Graphic and Media Designer
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Carried

8. Minimum Wage Increase

GM Cottrell mentioned that minimum wage was increasing and that this means Executive salaries also need to increase to keep pace. She recommended doing a percentage market adjustment effective May 1st of 10% plus CPI.

9. Food and Beverage Manager Ratification

VP Ring asked for the Executive to ratify hiring Jason Kovitch as the new Food and Beverage Manager and Dominique Taillon as the new Assistant Manager.

EXEC52 Pepler/Ring	Move to ratify Jason Kovitch and the new Food and Beverage Manager and Dominique Taillon as the new Assistant Manager. Carried
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10. Policy Revision

GM Cottrell asked that the Executive ensure that the policy revisions started in the fall were sent to the requisite Boards and USC for ratification. This will be done throughout the New Year with a projected completion at the end of February.

USSU General Election Schedule 2008

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| Monday, February 25 | Reading Week ends - EB begins meeting weekly, or more often, as necessary. |
| Tuesday, February 26 | Begin calling for nominations for Executive & Senate positions. |
| Monday, March 3 | WCVM break ends – remind them about nominations. |
| Wednesday, March 5 | Finalize forum locations, dates, and times. |
| Thursday, March 6 | All executive candidates MANDATORY Orientation Meeting, chaired by the USSU GM.
Takes place in Room 77, Lower Saskatchewan Hall at 4 p.m. |
| Monday, March 10 | Nomination forms for Executive & Senate available at the USSU office. Executive nominees shall be responsible for paying a refundable fee of \$100.00 before ratification. Senate nominees shall be responsible for a non-refundable fee of \$10.00 |

- Tuesday, March 11** Nominations must be received **by 4:00 p.m. NO EXCEPTIONS!**
- Tuesday, March 11** All candidates MANDATORY Procedures Meeting, to be chaired by the Chief Returning Officer. The meeting will take place in Room 77, Lower Saskatchewan Hall **at 4:30 p.m.**
- Wednesday, March 12** GMD to begin checking academic standing of executive candidates.
- Friday, March 14** Finish checking academic standing of executive candidates.
- Monday, March 17** Campaigning shall begin **at 12:01 a.m.**
- Friday, March 21** Easter Friday – University closed.
- Wednesday, March 26** Voting beings **at 9:00 a.m.** There shall be no campaigning of any kind, by, or on behalf of, any candidate, within 30 feet of any fixed, internet-connected computer on voting days.
- Thursday, March 27** Voting ends **at 4:00 p.m.** EB meets **at 4:30 p.m.** to discuss urgent disciplinary matters and to ratify the results, which will be emailed from PAWS to the ACRO **by 5:00 p.m.**
- Thursday, March 27** Election results, subject to further discipline, are announced at Browsers’ **at 5:30 p.m.**
- Thursday, March 27** All campaign material must be removed **by 11:59 p.m.**
- Thursday, April 3** Formal complaints must be received **by 4:00 p.m.**
- Thursday, April 24** Names of elected MSCs must be submitted for ratification **by 4:00 p.m.**

External Affairs Board Meeting

Friday, November 30, 2007

Present: Lindsey Levesque, Satoshi Shibata, Sarah Shoker, Travis Lingenfelter, Shuo Zhang, Tony Bassett.

Regrets: Katelyn McAuliffe, James Pepler, Tamra Knaus.

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 1:03pm.

2. Call for Quorum

Quorum was present.

3. Old Business

3.1 CFS Terms of Reference

VP Levesque attended the CFS Annual General Meeting from November 21st-24th. The CFS Referendum Terms of Reference will need be negotiated between the CFS and the USSU CRO and ACRO, but the board can make recommendations. VP Levesque will be setting up a meeting between the two parties to start laying down some referendum groundwork.

3.2 International Forum

Ann Neufeld, chair of the International Week Planning Committee has given the External Affairs Board the go ahead to plan an International Forum on the local and global economies and what is available to students. International Week is January 28th until February 8th. The agenda has not been confirmed yet but VP Levesque will begin contacting various speakers.

Suggestions include contacting the Open Door Society, Foreign Affairs, and also presenting Developing World information.

3.3 CUPE Strike

VP Levesque and President Pepler will create a draft of what comepnsation students are asking for as a result of the strike. There will be specific information about services lost and how much students should be reimbursed.

4. New Business

4.1 International Student Differential Fee Reduction

Councilor Shibata suggested at the last meeting that he would like to see the Board pursue reducing the International Differential Fee. VP Levesque will contact Laurie Pushor from Student and Enrollment Services about the process of doing this. Councilor Shibata will also contact members from the International Students Association (ISA).

5. Questions and Comments

Councilor Shibata commented that students living in the 2720 and 2710 Greystone Apartments have moved to the Bateman Apartments, and everyone else must move out by June 2008. The City of Saskatoon will also be changing the zoning bylaw requirements for apartment buildings.

6. Adjournment

Student Issues Board
Thursday, November 22, 2007

Present: VP Nicole Kenney, Councilor Keith Kuspira, Councilor Satoshi Shibata, SAL Sheila Laroque. SAL Micheal Magnussen, SAL Erin Gluckie, SAL Griff James, Councilor Elvis Kambeitz

Regrets: VP Josie Steeves

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:03 PM

2. Call for Quorum

Quorum was present

3. Introductions

3.1 VP Kenney – The meeting took place in the Women’s Center, and other students currently in the center were invited to take part in the meeting.

4. Business

4.1 VP Kenney – Coffeehouse is presently scheduled for Browsers, November 29th at 3:30 PM. The topic will be on Canadian international relations and the militaries role.

SAL James is still looking into bringing a peace activist to provide information at the coffeehouse.

4.1 Strike- Update & Feedback about Student Rally

VP Kenney noted that the University of Saskatchewan’s Student Union hosted a rally/protest on Nov.20, 2007. It was non-partisan. The USSU did not support CUPE 1975 or administration, but put equal pressure on both parties in order to end the labor disruption.

SAL Gluckie said that the student rally was very positive and united students from all colleges.

SAL Laroque stated that by maintaining “neutrality” we are actually aiding administration.

VP Kenney is opposed to the free photocopying service because it not comply with our sustainability policy.

Councilor Kambeitz related information from CUPE's perspective to the board members. Administration's second offer to CUPE is worse than the initial offer. A discussion on inflation and pay increases commenced.

Councilor Laroque stated that Union's should unite in solidarity and that CUPE supported our Day of Action (tuition freeze).

SAL James suggested providing information kits for students from both sides. SAL James made the point that most jobs require performance reviews.

VP Kenney will talk to the Executive about drafting a student information package with CUPE's and administration's perspective.

Councilor Shibata stated that International students are being hit hard by the strike and it is impacting their experience in Canada (negatively).

The board discussed the bigger issues at play with the strike. The University is becoming increasingly more corporate and research based.

4.2 VP Kenney - David Balwalke is an activist from Kenya who specializes in Climate Change. He was scheduled to speak to U of S students and Saskatoon community members about global warming and the impact it is having on individuals in Africa. Unfortunately, David experienced difficulty with the Canadian embassy in Kenya and despite the fact that he has traveled extensively in Europe, Latin America, India and Africa, the embassy feels that his travel history is not sufficient proof that he will in fact return home after his public lectures in Canada. For now, David will be mailing VP Kenney the documentary that he would have shown at his presentation. This documentary explores possible solutions to the climate predicament and she will arrange to play it in a lecture theatre at a later date.

4.3 VP Kenney stated that City Council agreed to increase the notice period of condo conversions from 3 months to 6 months. There will be a public hearing on this issue on December 3rd at the Council chambers.

4.4 Engineers With-out Borders will be holding its first ever Fair Trade Fair. There will be free coffee/tea samples and draws for prizes! Also, you can find lots of local businesses who support Fair Trade and ethical purchasing, great gifts, jewelry, clothing, books, coffee and chocolate. The event will run from 11-4pm Tuesday, November 27 to Friday, November 30 in the Geology Atrium.

4.5 The Food Center will be holding a bake sale in the tunnel next Monday November 26, and Tuesday November 27, in support of Brent and Penny's adopt a family campaign. VP Kenney encouraged members to either make or purchase goodies. The proceeds of the bake sale will go towards creating Christmas Hamper's of food, toys and other household gifts.

4.6 VP Kenney encouraged members to attend the Making Canada Inclusive and Safe Conference occurring Friday November 23- Saturday November 24.

5. Closing: The next Student Issues Board meeting will take place in the USSU's Women's Center on November 29th at 5 PM.

The Student Issues Board meeting was adjourned at 5:50 PM.

Sustainability Board Minutes

Minutes for Wednesday, November 21, 2007

Present: Nicole Kenney, SAL Shannon Dyck, SAL Kristina Lummerding-Driedger, SAL Jeh Custer, Councilor Tamra Knaus, SAL Mike Nemeth, SAL Imre Palligi

Regrets: VP Jeremy Ring, Councilor Tyler Olson, Councilor Warren Kirkland

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 3:30 PM

2. Call for Quorum

Quorum was present

3. Introductions

4. Business

4.1 Strike- Update & Feedback about Student Rally

The University of Saskatchewan Student Union hosted a rally/protest on Nov.20, 2007. It was non-partisan. The USSU did not support CUPE 1975 nor administration, but put equal pressure on both parties in order to end the labor disruption.

The board discussed the bigger issues at play with the strike. The University is becoming increasingly more corporate and researched based.

4.2 LEED Certification- will be voted on at Council on November 29th.

On March 9, 2006 University Students' Council passed a motion to increase the infrastructure fee by \$5 per term (at the time doubling it in one year), contingent on the Operations and Finance Board pursuing LEED Standards for the Place Riel Renovations. That year the raising of students' fees was a very contentious issue. At the same time the College of Law had announced their plan to pursue a Gold LEED Standard for their addition.

In the end a compromise was reached - the infrastructure fee would be increased much less drastically than proposed (\$5 a term), and along with that a more environmental approach to the Place Riel Renovations being taken. The only reason USC agreed to an increase at all was because of the addition to the motion making it contingent on pursuing LEED standards. Many councilors at that meeting still voted against ANY fee increases at all, even with this amended motion to include LEED in the renovations.

Murray Guy (Integrated Designs) and Micheal Moloro (FMD) came to speak to the OP/Fin Board about LEED Certification on November, 21st and to council on November 22nd.

4.3 Fair Trade Fair is next week, hosted by Engineers with-out borders

EWB is holding its first ever Fair Trade Fair. There will be free coffee/tea samples and draws for prizes! Also, you can find lots of local businesses who support Fair Trade and ethical purchasing, great gifts, jewelry, clothing, books, coffee and chocolate. The event will run from 11-4pm Tuesday, November 27 to Friday, November 30 in the Geology Atrium.

4.4 Integrated Plan will be sent out to members for review. SAL Nemeth will create an online work site to make modifications to the plan.

4.5 Everyone's Downstream: Tar Sands Realities and Resistance Conference.

Everyone's Downstream will be a conference designed to explore the links between oppression and self-determination on many levels: indigenous land rights, gender, ecological rights, workers democracy, anti-racism and anti-border perspectives as they relate directly to the tar sands of Northern Alberta. Speakers from a multitude of indigenous nations, social justice groups, and environmental organizations will discuss the social impacts of the tar sands on workers, women, indigenous nations, ecology, migrant populations, homelessness, and the anti-war movement.

4.6 The next sustainability board meeting will be postponed until January.

Sustainability Board Meeting adjourned at 5:05 PM

2007-2008 USC Attendance

Name	May	June	July	August	Sept. 6	Sep.13	Sep.20	Sep.27	Oct.4	Oct.11	Oct.18	Oct.25
Abdulla, Adam	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	R	P	P	R	P	P
Atkin, Michael	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	P	R	P
Cote, Jean-Paul	NM	NM	NM	A	P	R	P	P	P	P	P	R
Gentner, Breanne	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P
Harder, Megan	NM	NM	NM	R	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P
Horvey, Karla	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Kambeitz, Elvis	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P
Karkut, Neil	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P
Kenney, Nicole	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P
Kirkland, Warren	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P
Knaus, Tamra	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Kuspira, Keith	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P
Lawrence, James	NM	NM	NM	P	P	A	R	P	A	R	P	P
Leisle, Matt	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P
Levesque, Lindsay	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
McAuliffe, Katelyn	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P
Mitchell, Alex	NM	NM	NM	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	P	P	P
Olson, Tyler	NM	NM	NM	A	R	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Pepler, James	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P
Peti, Nick	NM	NM	NM	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	P	P	R	P
Ring, Jeremy	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Rose, Dilyn	NM	NM	NM	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA
Schultz, Ellyse	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P
Shibata, Satoshi	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Smith, Ashlee	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	A
Steeves, Josie	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	R
Wales, Jessica	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	A
Zubot, Kimberly	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P

P - Present; R - Regrets; A - Absence; NYA - Not Yet Appointed; NM - No Meeting

2007-2008 USC Attendance

Name	Nov.1	Nov.8	Nov.15	Nov.22	Nov.29	Dec.6				
Abdulla, Adam	P	P	P	P	R					
Atkin, Michael	P	P	P	P	P					
Cote, Jean-Paul	P	P	P	P	P					
Gentner, Breanne	P	P	P	R	P					
Harder, Megan	P	P	P	P	P					
Horvey, Karla	P	P	P	P	P					
Kambeitz, Elvis	P	P	P	P	R					
Karkut, Neil	P	P	P	P	P					
Kenney, Nicole	P	P	R	P	P					
Kirkland, Warren	P	P	P	P	P					
Knaus, Tamra	P	P	P	P	P					
Kuspira, Keith	P	P	P	P	P					
Lawrence, James	P	P	P	P	P					
Leisle, Matt	P	P	P	P	R					
Levesque, Lindsay	P	P	P	R	P					
McAuliffe, Katelyn	P	P	P	P	P					
Mitchell, Alex	P	R	P	P	P					
Olson, Tyler	P	P	P	P	P					
Pepler, James	P	P	P	P	P					
Peti, Nick	P	P	P	P	P					
Ring, Jeremy	P	R	P	P	P					
Rose, Dilyn	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	P					
Schultz, Ellyse	P	P	A	P	P					
Shibata, Satoshi	P	P	P	P	P					
Smith, Ashlee	P	P	P	A	R					
Steeves, Josie	P	P	P	R	P					
Wales, Jessica	P	P	P	P	P					
Zubot, Kimberly	P	P	P	R	P					

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James Pepler, *President*

I. September - January Report

General Activities

Office Hours:

Monday to Friday: 8:30am – 4:30pm

Many evenings and weekends, 13-hour days during Orientation and Welcome Week

Daily Activities:

The many daily activities of this portfolio span from phone conversations with other student unions, meetings with students, preparing reports, plenty of press work, emails, phone calls, to a myriad of other events.

Portfolio Duties:

The President portfolio oversees all activities of the USSU, coordinates the executive, acts as the student representative on the Board of Governors, is the chief spokesperson for the USSU, is the liaison with other student unions, and ensures all governance documents are up to date among other duties.

To try and provide USSU members with a better understanding of some of the duties within the Presidential portfolio I have provided a monthly report of the major issues I have dealt with.

President's Report: September 2007

First Year Orientation

I was Master of Ceremonies for this two-day event, where I spoke in front of thousands of students and volunteers. I did mostly microphone work, that included directions, inspirational speeches, stand-up comedy, prize give-aways, and loads of one-on-one help for first year students. I was pulled hither and thither with a myriad of different tasks to complete. The whole thing was so hustle bustle that I scarcely remember eating.

Welcome Week

Wow what a busy week this was. I handed out survival guides all week, introduced bands, supervised the games, and general running around. Students were just returning and had loads of questions, so the amount of normal day busy work was exponentially multiplied.

Housing Crisis

The housing Crisis hit Saskatoon pretty fast and hard. There were horror stories about how and where people were living. There were problems with regular apartments being turned into condos, and a general increase in rent. All these symptoms made for a potential disaster when university students returned in September. I set up a boarding registry and announced it as much as possible through media outlets and the result was amazing. Not one student went without a home and there were still over 360 available and affordable places for students to live.

Having our members housed was only the first step, we then needed to have a demonstration to show that many low income people were suffering due to this housing boom. So we had a Camp Out in the Bowl, that was a media stunt to inform the public that the students, although properly housed, found this to be a long-lasting crisis. We met with city councilors and government officials in order to make this as successful as possible.

Undergraduate Forum

Associate Vice President of Student Enrollment and Services Division, Dave Hannah, and Provost Michael Atkinson began the creation of said forum in order to address non-academic university-wide problems. I am one of the executive members on this Forum, there is also a representative from Faculty and administration. The forum is made up of all college deans and student representatives. We discuss issues such as Transfer Credits, Student Code of Conduct, and the general student experience. This is a new forum and so there is plenty of hammering out to do, but it will hopefully be a fruitful endeavor.

Student Leadership Conference

For two days I was the guest speaker at the Warman high school. There VP Kenney and I spoke about the university life in a positive and encouraging fashion, emphasizing the freedom through transition. We fielded plenty of questions that the students were concerned about. It was a great experience and I feel that we put a bunch of the kids at ease, crushing the apprehension they may have felt about the high school-university transition.

ACUI (Associated College Unions International) Conference in Michigan

See attached accountability Report

McCall Report

Minister of Advanced Education, Warren McCall sent out his Interim Report on advanced education. I went to Regina for a Student Loans conference and was able to give my own submission of recommendations to his own, focusing more so on granting higher allowances for rent and less subject to family income. Also I emphasized the importance of aboriginal retention in post secondary education. But as the NDP Party is no longer the provincial government, the report may not be as fully implemented.

Place Riel Student Steering Committee

Lots and lots of planning has gone into the creation of this committee. It consists of 10 Student's at Large, VP Ring and myself as non-voting members, and any other USSU member that wishes to sit in as non-voting as well. This committee meets weekly and discusses such topics as the LEED certification, the program, the sponsorship parameters, general look and design, and much much more. Through this standing committee we have created a mission, values, and vision statement. We have also put together a website, a facebook site, and most importantly a student survey to ensure ample student input into the project. The Place Riel Renovation project is an ongoing process that takes up plenty of time.

Karaoke Night at Louis'

I suppose I ought to add this since I do it every Monday night. I don't get paid to do it, so I suppose it's part of my job to increase bolster the patronage of USSU run businesses. I can't really sing, so it's mostly comical when I try, which hopefully has brought in extra business.

Planning and Priorities Committee

These sessions are largely focused on the running of the university. My input is most notably heard when fighting to get the Place Riel Renovation on track, or even simply running smoothly. The constant message is that students are the ones who will actually pay for the building, so it ought to go straight to the top of the university's planning and priority list.

College Planning and Review Committee

Each college has had to send in their proposal for the new Integrated Plan, and at these meetings we discuss and review them. It is my growing concern that this university is moving toward a corporate mould, straying from education and focusing more so on research and profit. I convey this message every chance I can at these meetings, making in clear that the future must be about producing quality degrees rather than increasing a profit margin.

CUPE 1975 Strike

The labour dispute essentially took up the majority of November. I received many emails and phone calls daily, they consisted of confused or angered students who needed answers. The problem was that the information that was available conflicted when matched to what each side was saying. Essentially there were rampant rumours, propaganda coming from both sides, unclear agendas, and all around unease. We chose to place web-link to this information, since an attempt at breaking it down and presenting it would be dangerous, since neither side would be properly represented. It would be very dangerous for the USSU to mediate the information, due to our neutral stance. The best option was to offer the information untainted by our hands.

During the month of November I met with David Hannah, of SESD everyday for about an hour, sometimes having Barb Daigel of Human Resources, Ernie Barber Acting Provost, and even Peter Mackinnon come and speak to any member that wished to show up. These meetings were purely to express our concern about services that we were not receiving yet paying for. On the other side, we also met with CUPE 1975 members at their Head Quarters and on campus when they were allowed to do so. When meeting with both parties, both wanted our support in their cause, both were merely attempting to advocate for their own members, as were we. Our meetings were purely to inform them of student suffering and how that suffering could be ameliorated.

As a University Student's Union we had to represent our members in the most equitable way, that way was neutrality, putting equal pressure on both sides, letting them know of our hardships, pleading with them to end the strike by any means possible. There were students who were pro-CUPE, pro-admin, and those who simply didn't care, thus choosing a side was not in the best interest of the majority of students. When the CUPE 1975 members were given a contract to vote on, I booked the USSU van with the intention of being a shuttle service for student CUPE members to go and vote, not one person came.

We held a rally with our members' interests in mind, making signs, slogans, organizing the media coverage, and getting the message out to as many students as possible became the focus of our office. In the end the message was clear that our rights and services were being compromised, and that we were not receiving what we paid for. The rally included a march that was deliberately routed through college drive so that CUPE members saw, and then ended in front of the college building so that administration saw it as well.

In the end it was pressure from the provincial government that got the CUPE members back to work, so I feel justified in not compromising our neutrality, since it was those at the bargaining table who had the power to end the strike. The month of November was an extremely hectic month due to the strike. Many of our previous initiative had to be pushed back, suspended, and some time-sensitive ones were discarded. Students simply suffered during this labour dispute, and it saddened me to see. I also came to a couple revelations about administration and the student body, that I'd be happy to tell you in person, but are merely opinion so I will leave it out of this report.

September

09/03/07

First-Year Orientation

09/04/07 First Year Orientation
09/04/07 Camp-out Planning
09/05/07 Welcome Week MCing and Survival Handout
09/05/07 Carless Drive-in Supervision and take-down
09/06/07 Welcome Week MCing and Survival Handout
09/07/07 Welcome Week MCing and Survival Handout
09/10/07 U-life 101 class
09/11/07 Class
09/12/07 Press Packaging
09/13/07 USC
09/14/07 USSU Reunion MC
09/15/07 Football game first catch
09/17/07 Student Code of Conduct Work
09/18/07 Class
09/18/07 Student Advocacy Network
09/19/07 Meeting with University Council Chair
09/19/07 Meeting with Minister of Advanced Education
09/20/07 Went to Warmen High School to speak on Student Leadership
09/21/07 Went to Warmen High School to speak on Student Leadership
09/24/07 Student Loans Work
09/25/07 Class
09/25/07 Appointments Board
09/26/07 Board of Governors Retreat
09/27/07 Board of Governors Retreat
09/28/07 Board of Governors Retreat
09/29/07 ACUI conference in Michigan
09/30/07 ACUI conference in Michigan

October

10/01/07 ACUI conference in Michigan
10/02/07 ACUI conference in Michigan
10/03/07 ACUI conference in Michigan
10/04/07 Undergraduate Executive Forum
10/05/07 Warren McCall Report Summary
10/08/07 Thanksgiving
10/09/07 Class
10/10/07 Information Fair
10/11/07 Information Fair
10/12/07 Place Riel Student Steering Committee
10/15/07 United Way Presentations
10/16/07 Policy Review
10/17/07 Planning and Priorities Review
10/18/07 USC
10/19/07 Undergrad Forum
10/22/07 Recreation and Athletic Board

10/23/07 Class
10/24/07 Place Riel Advisory Board
10/24/07 Volunteer for Safewalk
10/25/07 Greatest Canadian Prime Minister Meeting
10/25/07 Student Advocacy Network
10/25/07 USC
10/26/07 Student Code of Conduct
10/27/07 Fall Convocation
10/28/07 BOCP
10/29/07 EDO
10/30/07 Class
10/31/07 Planning and Priorities
10/31/07 Trick or Eat

November

11/01/07 USC
11/02/07 Polar Bear Dip for Commerce
11/05/07 Integrated Plan Dissection
11/06/07 College Plan Review Committee
11/07/07 Undergrad Forum Exec
11/07/07 Place Riel Student Steering Committee
11/08/07 Transfer Credit Meeting
11/08/07 USC
11/09/07 President's Review
11/11/07 Remembrance Day Event
11/12/07 Closed for Remembrance Day
11/13/07 Class
11/13/07 Coke Meeting
11/14/07 AGM
11/15/07 Strike Forum
11/15/07 Meeting with Faculty Association
11/16/07 Scholarships and Awards Committee
11/18/07 Student Advocacy Meeting
11/19/07 Meeting with Admin and CUPE
11/20/07 Student Strike Rally
11/21/07 Should have been in Ottawa, instead dealing with the Strike
11/22/07 Should have been in Ottawa, instead dealing with the Strike
11/23/07 Should have been in Ottawa, instead dealing with the Strike
11/26/07 EDO
11/27/07 Class
11/28/07 Health Care Review
11/29/07 ADO and USC
11/30/07 ADO

December

12/03/07 Meeting with Faculty Association
12/04/07 Meetings with Admin about Reimbursement
12/05/07 Louis' and Browsers Planning Meeting
12/06/07 Planning and Priorities review
12/07/07 Was Santa for daycare children
12/10/07 In Regina for the Throne Speech
12/11/07 Meeting with Rick Bunt about PAWS
12/12/07 Board of Governors Review
12/13/07 BOG
12/14/07 BOG
12/17/07 Undergrad Forum Exec Meeting
12/18/07 Place Riel Steering Committee
12/19/07 Review of Exec Goals
12/20/07 Formulating Reimbursement Document
12/21/07 Cleaning up the office for the Holidays
12/22/07 Christmas Holiday
12/23/07 Christmas Holiday
12/24/07 Christmas Holiday
12/25/07 Christmas Holiday
12/26/07 Christmas Holiday
12/27/07 Christmas Holiday
12/28/07 Christmas Holiday
12/29/07 Christmas Holiday
12/30/07 Christmas Holiday
12/31/07 Christmas Holiday

Josie Steeves: VP Academic Affairs

2007-2008

General Activities

Office Hours:

Monday to Friday: 8:15 am – 4:30 pm

*Along with various evenings and weekends as necessary

Class Times:

Monday, Wednesday, Friday: 10:30 am – 11:30 am

Tuesday: 2:30 pm – 5:00 pm

Daily Activities:

- Email/Telephone correspondence
- Casework for students
- Research
- Liaising with students
- Project planning
- Committee preparation
- Report Writing
- Meeting with Drew Dwernychuk (Academic Affairs Officer)
- Front desk work

Portfolio Duties:

This fall has been an extremely busy time for the Vice-President of Academic Affairs. In addition to many of the same duties I had during the summer, there is an influx of students who have a wide range of problems to help them with. But along with the Academic Affairs Officer, I feel that these problems have been resolved to the best of our abilities. It is extremely frustrating at times because the University is extremely de-centralized, and many colleges do not have their academic policies and process written out. Furthermore, there are not many avenues for students to have their rights heard on this campus, and that just adds to the frustration levels.

One of my projects for the next term is to find out what academic policies the colleges have written down, and attempt to make them write them all down. It is not fair to students to have to deal with policies that do not exist anywhere on paper, and can therefore be changed on the fly.

We have also been having a lot of problems with the University Bookstore, who for some reason views Browsers' as direct competition on campus that must be wiped out. They have been extremely uncooperative, especially in the area of the booklist. Every other year the Bookstore has supplied us with the list of textbooks for the next term, but this year they have decided not to even though it is public information. This has forced us to manually copy and paste the list from the Bookstore website, something that has taken us 12 hours to do. Relations are beginning to sour, but hopefully we will be able to solve this problem in the next term.

For the next term I have some exciting ideas of things to do. I plan to continue pressing for mandatory teaching evaluations, as this is the only method of recourse students have. The excuses I have been provided with as to why they cannot be made mandatory are weak and unacceptable, and I have concluded that there is no reason why they cannot be made mandatory across the board.

I also will be looking into a forum to discuss exam schedules. This has been a USSU election issue for many years but there has been no movement on it. A forum would be an excellent venue for the administration to explain why the schedules are the way they are, and to allow students to question that. At this point I am not sure if the administration would be willing to participate in something like this, but I am willing to push for it.

My last main project for the next term will be surrounding textbooks and the Bookstore. This will be discussed in my conference report for the Roundtable on Academic Materials that I attended in Toronto.

Vice-President Academic Affairs Report: September

Orientation

On Monday, September 3, Orientation commenced! Over 2000 first year students graced the bowl to start a journey that will be one of a lifetime. While James took the microphone in stride, the rest of the executive handed out over 2000 survival calendars to eager first years for them to schedule their lives in. It was a great start to yet another academic year that is ahead of us.

Welcome Week

Welcome Week resulted in an incredible success, despite a few days of rainy weather. Students were able to partake in a host of activities, including bands, beer gardens, and games! We also handed out over 11,000 survival calendars during Welcome Week as well as USSU lip balms and bottle openers.

Homecoming

The University is 100 years old this year, and therefore is an exciting time to be on the USSU executive. Our executive, and a few staff members, attended the Centennial Celebration Dinner and Dance to join in the festivities. It was a pretty swanky evening, but it allowed us to interact with senior administration in a more social setting.

USSU Executive Reunion

In the spirit of homecoming, the USSU invited over 70 years of executive members (with the oldest hailing from the executive of 1946) back to the U of S for our own reunion spectacle. With Roy Romanow (President from 1961-62) as the keynote speaker and President Pepler as our MC, decades of executive members were able to celebrate almost 100 years of student governance at the U of S. This also marked the launch of our book detailing the history of the USSU. It is an incredibly interesting book, as the issues in 1910 were housing, affordable automobiles for students, and tuition prices. Seems as if students are fighting the same fights every year!

Camp Out In The Bowl

The Day of Awareness was successful in showcasing the concerns that students have about housing in Saskatoon. Along with the Honourable Warren McCall (Minister of Advanced Education and Employment), the Honourable Lorne Calvert, President MacKinnon, and city councilor Charlie Clark, students discussed housing in a productive manner. Minister McCall was even kind enough to grace us with his presence overnight at the actual campout! He was one of over 60 tenters who spent the night, and the rainy morning, helping to raise awareness about the issues that still plague our city. The event was very successful, with students and others asking if we can do it again next year.

Fell in Council: 3rd x-ray in 3 months. Check out the website to hear the audio recording of it.

Vice-President Academic Affairs Report: October

CUPE 1975 Strike

The strike basically took over my life. There were many students on campus who were not able to access services, but my real concern where those who were not able to access their education. Professors not crossing the picket line, clinics being closed, labs not running, and an inability to access academic materials were my chief concerns, for students are here to get an education. We met daily with AVP of Student Enrollment and Services Division, David Hannah, to talk about services and the impact that the strike is having on students. We also met regularly with CUPE 1975 to ensure both sides are aware of the impact of the strike on students. These meetings, in addition to meeting and speaking with

students, took the majority of my time. Many projects were put on the backburner to deal with this crisis.

AGM

We got quorum! WOO!!! After that excitement passed we were able to get into the meat of it. There were many interesting debates and some great amendments were made, in particular the change made to the method of voting. I am excited to see how these pan out in the next couple of years.

Lobby Days – Ottawa

As it was the middle of the provincial election, VP Leveque was unable to attend the CFS Lobby Days in Ottawa and asked me to go in her place. Please see my conference report.

Trick or Eat

This year was a resounding success with over 350 volunteers from the U of S and SIAST Kelsey going door to door and over \$500 and 4.1 tonnes of food collected for those less fortunate. I took part in Trick or Eat last year and had a fabulous time, so I was raring to go this year! Councilor Shibata and I filled the trunk of my car up with non-perishable items very fast as people were extremely giving this year.

Sprained Ankle #3: Culprit, nothing (I was standing...). No x-ray, mainly because of embarrassment.

Vice-President Academic Affairs Report: November

CUPE Strike

Still consumed my life...

National Roundtable on Academic Materials - Toronto

Please see my conference report – it's riveting!

Integrated Plan

One of the most important things that the USSU will do this year is to prepare a submission to the Universities Integrated Plan. This document is basically the Universities four year strategic plan, and I am amazed at how closely they follow it. Many of the things that are occurring that students disagree with were initiatives in the Integrated Plan, and the only way to stop them is by changing the plan. This is why VP Kenney and myself prepared an extensive plan in consultation with multiple groups on campus. I am interested to see what the University takes from our plan to implement, for they were very excited to get a student submission. I expect that we will see some change on campus in the next few years to the benefit of undergraduate students.

Teaching in Excellence Awards

Every year students nominate professors who they think are doing an outstanding job. This year is no different, and the Academic Affairs Board took on the challenge of administering the evaluations in the classrooms. The winners will be announced in the end of the year event in Marchish.

Vice-President Academic Affairs Report: December

CUPE Strike

It ended! At the beginning of December CUPE 1975 workers went back to work. Now that things are slowly starting to return to normal, we have turned our attention to reimbursement of services and education not received.

Finals

As I am a student as well as an executive member, I had finals to write in December! I took a few academic days off to prepare, and I am happy to announce that I think I did well. Also, I had quite a few students in at the office with concerns about their finals – including issues relating to the strike. This casework took up a large portion of my time.

Academic Affairs Officer

The old Academic Affairs Officer, Drew Dwernychuk, received an excellent job offer that he could not turn down, and we had to sadly say good-bye to him. He did an excellent job and has left large shoes to fill. The last half of December therefore has been a bit busier for me for I had to deal with a lot more student issues. We are currently accepting resumes for the new AAO, and hope to have them in place by the middle of January.

Day-to-Day Activities

September 2: Orientation

Wrote Parliamentary Training Test

September 3: Admin Team

Orientation at Royal West College

Executive Committee

September 4: Welcome Week Festivities

First Class

Academic Integrity Week Planning Meeting

September 5: Welcome Week Festivities

Provost/VP Academic Search Committee

September 6: Welcome Week Festivities

C95 Radio Interview about Welcome Week

RSAW Committee

Exec Committee

Student x4

- September 9:** PAL Peer Mentoring Training - Sunday
- September 10:** Ulife Presentation
 Exec Committee
 USC Board Presentations
 Student
- September 11:** Breakfast with Peter MacKinnon
 Camp out in the Bowl
 Meeting with Susan Bens and Student
- September 12:** Camp out in the Bowl
 Student
 Ulife Presentation
- September 13:** Powwow 2007
 Communications Review
 Student
 Honourable Warren McCall Presentation
 Academic Support Committee
 Meeting with Susan Bens and Student
 Academic Support Committee
- September 14:** Political Studies Open House Homecoming Event
 USSU Reunion Dinner
 Interview with Globe and Mail RE: Housing
 Academic Programs Committee
- September 15:** President's Gala Homecoming – Saturday
 Tailgate Party – Saturday
- September 17:** CFS Discussion
 Student Code of Conduct Working Group
 Student
 Maggie de Vries Presentation
- September 18:** Admin Team
 Exec Committee
- September 19:** Campus Career Expo
 Meeting with Consumer Services
 Student Members of University Council Orientation
 Lunch with Brett Fairbairn and University Council Committee
 Chairs
- September 20:** Communications Review
 University Council Orientation
 University Council
 University Student's Council
- September 21:** RSAW Committee
 Lawyer Meeting
- September 24:** EDO
- September 25:** Integrated Plan Preparation Meeting
 Student Advocacy Network

Student x3

- September 26:** Student Code of Conduct Meeting
 Meeting with David Hannah, Kelly McInnes, Russ Isinger RE:
 Exam Schedules
 Safewalk Orientation
 Wireless Announcement
- September 27:** Communications Review
 IT Advisory Board
 Film Festival Planning Meeting
 Instructional Development Committee
 Student x2
- September 28:** Academic Programs Committee
 Interview with On Campus News RE: Declaration of Student
 Rights
- September 30:** Volunteer Orientation Training Retreat – Sunday
 BOCP – Sunday
- October 1:** Student’s Rights Handbook Meeting
 Meeting with Shea Peterson RE: CABIS Appointment
 Karaoke Hosting at Louis
- October 2:** Case work
- October 3:** Exec Committee
 DISorientation Meeting with Andrea Eccleston
 Provost Interviews
 Pride Centre Volunteering
- October 4:** Communications Meeting
 Provost Interviews
- October 5:** EDO
- October 9:** ½ Vacation Day
 Meeting with Students RE: Liberal Arts programs
- October 10:** President’s Breakfast
 Student x2
 Film Festival Meeting with Jason Ventnor and Jason Kovitch
- October 11:** Communications Meeting
 Academic Support Committee
 Instructional Development Committee
 Experience US!
 Centre Volunteering
 USC
- October 12:** Academic Programs Committee
 RSAW Committee
 Experience US!
- October 15:** Exec Committee
 Meeting with Susan Bens RE: Safety Alerts
- October 16:** Admin Team

- University Council Student Caucus
- October 17:** Academic Integrity Week Planning Meeting
Lunch with Vera Pezer
Women's Centre Volunteering
Meeting on Louis
- October 18:** Communications Meeting
Academic Affairs Board Meeting
Student Advocacy Meeting
University Council
USC
- October 19:** Centre Volunteering
Peter Stoicheff RE: Humanities at the U of S
- October 20:** Senate - Saturday
Provost Search Committee - Saturday
- October 22:** Lobby Days - Ottawa
- October 23:** Lobby Days - Ottawa
- October 24:** Lobby Days - Ottawa
- October 25:** Lobby Days - Ottawa
- October 26:** Student Academic Integrity Week Event
Election PSE Forum
- October 29:** Exec Committee
Dave Hannah and Susan Bens RE: Strike
- October 30:** Admin Team
Andrea Eccleson: DISOrientation Planning Meeting
- October 31:** Centre Volunteering
Trick or Eat
- November 1:** USC
- November 2:** Place Riel Student Steering Committee
- November 5:** ADO
- November 6:** ADO
- November 7:** Centre Volunteering
Meeting with CUPE RE: Strike
Ulife Presentation
AGM Planning Meeting
Daily Briefings with David Hannah RE: Strike
- November 8:** Election Post-Mortem with the Political Studies Department
Meeting with David Hannah RE: Transfer Credits
Christmas Picture
Daily Briefings with David Hannah RE: Strike
USC
- November 9:** Academic Programs Committee
- November 13:** EDO
- November 14:** AGM
DISorientation Planning Meeting

- Student Members of University Council Meeting
- November 15:** Exec Committee
 Communication Meeting
 Academic Affairs Board
 University Council
 Daily Briefings with David Hannah RE: Strike
 USC
- November 16:** RSAW Committee
 Daily Briefings with David Hannah RE: Strike
- November 19:** Administered Teaching in Excellence Evaluation
 Daily Briefings with David Hannah RE: Strike
- November 20:** Student Strike Rally
- November 21:** Roundtable on Academic Materials - Toronto
- November 22:** Roundtable on Academic Materials - Toronto
- November 23:** Roundtable on Academic Materials - Toronto
- November 26:** Administered Teaching in Excellence Evaluation
 Daily Briefings with David Hannah RE: Strike
- November 27:** DISOrientation Planning Meeting
 Exec Committee
 Daily Briefings with David Hannah RE: Strike
- November 28:** Administered Teaching in Excellence Evaluation
 Centre Volunteering
 Health Care Review
 Daily Briefings with David Hannah RE: Strike
 Supper with Studentcare
- November 29:** Provost Announcement
 Daily Briefings with David Hannah RE: Strike
 USC
- November 30:** Daily Briefings with David Hannah RE: Strike
- December 2:** BOCP Meeting - Sunday
- December 3:** Exec Committee
 Student
- December 4:** ½ ADO
 Student
 Preparation of Final Draft of Integrated Plan
- December 5:** ADO
- December 6:** CUPE/ASPA/USFA Meeting
 Academic Support Committee
 Communications Meeting
 Film Festival Planning Committee
 USC
- December 7:** Wrote Final
 Academic Programs Committee
- December 10:** Throne Speech - Regina

- December 11:** DISOrientation Planning Meeting
Admin Team
Meeting with Rick Bunt RE: USSU usage of PAWS
Meeting with Mark Jagoe RE: Roundtable Discussion
- December 12:** Academic Programs Committee Christmas Party
- December 13:** Librarian Review Committee
Academic Support Committee and Instructional Development
Committee Christmas Party
Instructional Development Committee
Communications Meeting
- December 14:** Research, Scholarly, and Artistic Work Committee
- December 17:** Wrote Final
Review Retreat Goals
- December 18:** Christmas Breakfast
Integrated Plan Event
Student Advocacy Network
- December 19:** Mini Retreat
- December 20:** Vacation Day/University Council
- December 21:** EDO
- January 2:** Vacation Day

CFS Lobby Days

I. Meeting

- A.1. Attended by: Josie Steeves (VP Academic Affairs)
- A.2. Date and Location:
October 22nd – 26th, 2007
Ottawa, ON

II. Overview

A. Meeting Information

- A.1. Purpose and Objective:

There are many Post-Secondary Education (PSE) issues that need to be addressed on a national level. Lobby Days is an event that the CFS holds each year, where student representatives from across Canada come together to meet with over 100 different Members of Parliament to bring PSE concerns to the surface.

- A.2. Budget Summary:
All costs covered by the CFS.

B. Format

- B.1. Itinerary:
October 22nd: Left for Ottawa
October 23rd – 26th: Met during the day with Members of
Parliament
October 26th: Left for Saskatoon

C. Benefit

- C.1. Fulfillment of Objectives:
Although education is a provincial responsibility under section 92 of the Constitution Act, 1982, the Federal government has increasingly held funding responsibilities, generally with strings attached. In the past 15 years, the Federal government has made significant funding cuts to social programs in provincial

jurisdiction because of budget constraints. This has caused tuition fees to increase 215% in the past 15 years in Saskatchewan alone.

We were lobbying the Federal government for four main things:

1. A dedicated transfer of funds to the provinces specifically for PSE;
2. A Post Secondary Education Act;
3. Replacement of the Canadian Millennium Scholarship Fund with a set of needs based grants tied to student loans;
4. The removal of the 2% funding cap for Aboriginal students.

These four things would make PSE more accessible for all, and would clarify the federal government's role in funding and directing it. We were successful in many ways, as we convinced a member to make a statement about PSE in the House of Commons, and meetings with MPs went very well for the most part.

III. Recommendation

Although lobbying is not in my portfolio, I found this to very interesting to me on a professional and on a personal level as I am studying political studies. It also enabled me to bring a different perspective into the meetings. In the future I would suggest that the VP External Affairs make every attempt to attend this meeting.

National Roundtable on Academic Materials

IV. Meeting

- A.1. Attended by: Josie Steeves (VP Academic Affairs)
- A.2. Date and Location:
November 21st – 23rd, 2007
Toronto, ON

V. Overview

D. Meeting Information

- A.1. Purpose and Objective:

Academic materials are an issue in Canada. Students already pay an incredible amount of money to attend Post-Secondary Education (PSE), and with the added rising costs of academic materials, accessibility and affordability is becoming a practice of the past. Student Unions/Associations from across Canada are currently banding together to fight cost of tuition fees and are in some cases being successful, but the issue of academic materials has been largely ignored by publishers, SUs/SAs, bookstores, faculty, and administration. With the National Roundtable on Academic Materials these partners were able to get together to have a real discussion as to what the issues are.

Costs for academic materials have increased at a rate around 2-4x higher than CPI. As an example, the Steward Calculus, the most widely used textbook, was \$50 in 1996 when the original price survey was conducted. Using CPI, this textbook should only be \$78. However, it is now \$150. In addition, Access Copyright, the fee students' pay on course packs, has increased from \$0.03 to \$0.10. This has caused course packs, once an affordable alternative, to now cost undergraduates upwards of \$100 in certain cases.

We were hoping to begin a dialogue between the invested parties to try and eventually come to a resolution on this issue.

- A.2. Budget Summary:
All costs covered by the University Bookstore.

E. Format

- B.1. Itinerary:
November 21st: Left for Toronto
November 22nd: Conference Activities
November 23rd: Left to visit a friend

F. Benefit

- C.1. Fulfillment of Objectives:

What came of the conference was a common interest in continuing the discussion on a local as well as a national level. Prior to this conference, some bookstores had never met the VP Academic Affairs (or equivalent) for their SU, and VPs had never seen a publisher before, imagining them to be some sort of hell beast. This conference offered the opportunity for the various sectors to understand each other and engage in meaningful discussions. The conversation was definitely heated at times with impassioned exchanges occurring, but all in all it was extremely productive.

A working group was established on the last day of the conference that involves each party. This group will work to produce a document that sets out the issues and presents solutions and will hopefully be a springboard to get the issues out to the general academic community. Furthermore, each party agreed that annual reoccurrences of this roundtable are necessary to bring this issue the attention that it deserves.

I have some of my own recommendations for the USSU, University, Provincial government, and Federal government that student leaders need to fight for. They range from things dealing exclusively with academic materials, to processes that indirectly affect this fight. They are as follows:

USSU

- 1) Academic materials are an incredibly important aspect to a student's education that can run into the thousands of dollars. The problem with student unions is that every year there is a new executive in running the show. This issue needs to be stressed from one Vice President Academic to the next as a pressing issue on par with the cost of tuition fees. This issue is a part of a larger problem for the executive as a whole: transition. There needs to be a more formalized transition from one executive to another, with the possibilities ranging from a simple binder and meeting, to a paid two weeks or more. Without this, ideas and problems are lost from one executive to the next, and the efficiency of the entire student's union is jeopardized.

- 2) Become a leader in creating a national VP Academics group; such as it existed in the past. Discussions were had in both the Student Edge conference in Halifax as well as at the National Roundtable on Academic Materials. Until student leaders are able to band together and have these incredibly important discussions at least once a year, progress will continue to be slow in the arena of academic materials.

University Level

- 1) Currently there is no formalized interaction between the University Bookstore and the Student's Union, in particular the Vice President of Academic Affairs. Numerous other institutions across Canada have formed a steering committee/overview mechanism that includes Administrators, Managers, and student leaders. The University of Alberta is the best example, for they have exemplary communication between the Student's Union and Bookstore. Through this relationship, they have managed to keep textbooks at a low cost and to spearhead numerous textbook initiatives across Canada.

I suggest that the University of Saskatchewan embrace the Stakeholder Model that has been so successful at the University of Alberta. Its members would be comprised of the Vice President Academic Affairs of the University of Saskatchewan Student's Union, the President of the USSU or designate, the Bookstore manager, and a few other persons the Manager sees fit. This body would be in charge of directing the philosophy and mandate of the bookstore, which would encompass reviewing finances and making recommendations to the University Administration. Communication is key in all workings of the bookstore, for students make up the large majority of customers, and unlike many other businesses, the Bookstore's customers largely have no other option to take their business. Student's need to be included in the processes, and this is one incredibly important part.

- 2) In addition to students being involved in the working of the Bookstore, it is integral for students to be involved in the Library. This is another aspect of campus that is a huge part of a student's education, and there needs to be direct input into the workings of it. This steering committee/overview mechanism would look very similar to the Bookstore's committee, involving both students and management/administration. Student's pay fees that allow them access to online journals, as well as for providing books to the bookstore. We need to ensure that our fees are being spent responsibly and in a way students will agree with. In order to do so students need to be involved in the process.

- 3) Professors are the main targets of Publishers, for they choose the textbooks for their classes. This can translate into thousands of dollars of revenue for the Publishing companies, but also means thousands of dollars out of the pockets of students. Many times professors are not aware that lower cost options exist, or are not aware of the impact that these decisions are having on students. Professors need to be educated on how the publishing industry works and be given pointers on how to reduce costs for students. A motion needs to be passed at Council urging professors to use other lower cost academic materials, as well a handbook must be produced for professors educating them on why textbooks are currently skyrocketing in prices.
- 4) The mandate of the University Bookstore must change. Considering the high cost of PSE in Canada, textbooks are simply another 'user fee' that students are forced to pay. Therefore, not only does the Bookstore need to be run on a cost-neutral model (only making enough revenue to cover operating costs), but it needs to have the philosophy of 'providing academic materials for the lowest cost possible.' Managers need to seek out the cheapest source of academic materials, provide links to competitors on its website where prices may be cheaper, educate professors and printing services about 'fair dealing', and urge professors to use low cost alternatives to regularly priced textbooks.

Any money that the bookstore happens to profit at the end of the fiscal year should be reinvested into the bookstore to provide better services to students. This is the policy at many other campus bookstores across Canada. Furthermore, the University must cease to take out large sums of money from the Bookstores budget for auxiliary fees and the like. Money that the Bookstore makes must remain in the bookstore. Athletics and scholarships need to be funded, but not at the additional expense of students. This is stressed especially in the area of athletics, for students already pay two dedicated fees to Huskie Athletics and Campus Rec.

- 5) A University Council Taskforce needs to be established to examine academic materials at the University of Saskatchewan and present recommendations to the University community on ways to offer less expensive academic materials. This taskforce would be able to investigate in detail every aspect of textbooks and other academic materials on campus and on a national level.
- 6) The University Bookstore needs to cease attempting to wipe out 'competition' on campus. The majority of campuses in Canada have student run bookstores and there are no attempts by other Bookstores to put them out of business. In fact, many Bookstores work with the student

run store to provide exemplary service to students. This includes allowing student stores to run on the same system as the bookstore, providing links to the student store on their website, and providing book lists in a reasonable time. Students do not need to be told where they are to buy textbooks, and if they wish to sell them consignment they should be allowed to do so without going to a private distributor off campus.

- 7) Academic materials are an integral part to the students' experience in the classroom. Their effectiveness is vital to a positive student experience, and in order to ensure this is happening is by having academic materials a key component on all teaching evaluations. This would provide the professor with valuable feedback on the materials they have chosen for the class. In order to make this most effective, all professors need to have evaluations filled out by every one of their classes. Teaching evaluations need to be mandatory, something that is the norm at most PSE Institutions across Canada. Without them being mandatory, students miss out on the opportunity to rate the academic materials that were assigned to them for that particular class.
- 8) The Universities contract to Access Copyright needs to be examined. Access Copyright is a group mandated under the Copyright Act of Canada that is meant to license the use of various copyright materials through administering royalties or other fees. Eight representatives from the publishers and eight authors govern it. Due to its governing body, it does not take into account the interests of the user, especially in regards to students and course packs. Although Access Copyright is a legislated body meant to fight for the interests of the user, its actual "strength" is unknown.

Under the Copyright Act is a provision known as Fair Dealing. It's meant for educational institutions to teach and is common in jurisdictions around the world (the United States has Fair Use). Under Fair Dealing, **photocopying of academic materials is permitted if it is for private study and/or research.** It should be noted the Fair Dealing provision also calls for "reasonable use", thus you cannot photocopy an entire textbook but you can photocopy various pages for the aforementioned reasons.

Access Copyright signs contracts with nearly all of the universities in Canada. These contracts include various provisions including a "gag clause" where faculty members and librarians are not allowed to discuss Access Copyright. In addition, these contracts outline the procedures for photocopying in libraries (basically the signs you see above all photocopy machines) and contain a "head tax" on undergraduates.

For these reasons, the University needs to explore all its options in regards to copyright. There is the potential that changes in policy and contracts have the potential to save students and the University substantial amounts of money. Finally, the University needs to supply the USSU with a copy of the Access Copyright contract so that the student leaders know exactly what they are dealing with.

- 9) Again, academic materials are extremely expensive for students to have to purchase each term. The most expensive textbooks that students have to purchase are generally in the 100 and 200 levels. The best thing would be to have all the textbooks on reserve in the Library, but it is understood that there are space issues. What would be a good compromise would be to have the most used textbooks on reserve in the Library, and to encourage professors to use the same textbook as the year before to reduce costs. There is no issue in terms of legality, as the Library has the right to procure any book they so wish. Students would greatly appreciate this, as those students who are the least financially able to purchase textbooks would make use of this service. The eventual goal would be to have all textbooks available on reserve at the Library.

Provincial Level

- 1) The Provincial government can help students in this mission by providing them with lobbying support to the Federal government. Copyright laws are in the federal jurisdiction, but with pressure from many different sectors will provide the motivation necessary for the Federal government to move on the issue.

Federal Level

- 1) The practice of publishing companies offloading costs of supplementary materials to support faculty is reprehensible. Students pay their tuition with the expectation that their professors are knowledgeable in their field and capable of commanding a classroom. Professors are paid to transmit their knowledge to the students in a clear and informative manner. The single professor decision has such a profound impact on the costs of the academic material and the factors that he/she utilizes could play a profound role enhancing the affordability of undergraduate education. The publishers have simply taken advantage of that as they spend money on increasing their market share, but pass those costs onto undergraduates who are essentially hit twice for the same thing: once for tuition, which is meant to cover the **academic** costs of the institution, and again for the academic material that are now used as a crutch for overworked instructors. With all these 'supplemental' materials, students are paying to teach their professors how to be a professor. This training needs to be provided at the Universities costs instead of being put on the backs of

- students. The federal government needs to pass legislation making it illegal for costs such as this to be passed down by publishers to the students. If the institution is unable to provide knowledgeable and high quality professors, it should be on their dime that they are trained. Under the current model, it makes just as much sense to give the class a textbook for them to read, and an automated test that the publishing company has prepared for their midterm and final. The professor is completely unnecessary, and this is a frightening concept.
- 2) Copyright laws need to be publicized more and liberalized in favour of academia. Access Copyright gives information that is clearly slanted and incorrect, which increases costs for students in terms of course packs and journals. This organization needs to be reigned in so that students and institutions are not overcharged or charged multiple times for the materials that they need. For example, the current price of photocopying pages from a copyrighted article/textbook is atrocious. Within the last five years, the cost to photocopy a journal article or other material has increased from \$0.03 to \$0.10, more than triple the rate of inflation. This is unacceptable and the Federal Government needs to reign in these costs, for it makes the creation of course packs financially impossible. Furthermore, many of these materials are 'fair dealing' or may have been paid for already by student fees to access online journal databases and are therefore charged twice for the same material.

VI. Recommendation

This conference taught me a lot about academic materials. I would not have been able to learn all of this on my own, for there were people there that have been involved in this fight for many years and have a wealth of knowledge. It is integral that future VP Academic Affairs attend this roundtable and become heavily involved in the creation and running of a national body of VP Academic Affairs/University Affairs. For far too long this industry has run unchecked, and the prices of academic materials have skyrocketed, at the expense of students.

Lindsey Levesque, Vice President (External Affairs)

Fall Accountability Report

General Activities

Office Hours:

Monday to Friday: 9:00 am – 4:30 pm

*Along with various mornings, evenings and weekends as necessary

Daily Activities:

- Email/Telephone correspondence
- Meetings with various professionals and students
- General office work
- Committee work
- Project creation
- CFS planning

Portfolio Duties:

The Vice President (External Affairs) is responsible for lobbying on behalf of University of Saskatchewan students to the local, provincial, and federal governments. As prospective members of the Canadian Federation of Students, we are set to hold a referendum within 24 months. The CFS assists the USSU in federal lobbying efforts and holds various campaigns in regards to post-secondary issues. Local and provincial campaigns are initiated by myself, and in some cases, I also worked with the Vice President External from the University of Regina Students' Union (URSU), Jessica Sinclair.

The fall months were filled with various obligations including regular meetings and events. This includes planning for a provincial election, CFS planning as provincial chairperson, and other International initiatives. Day-to-day activities include extensive research on post-secondary issues, meetings with municipal, provincial and federal representatives and extensive work on the U-Pass implementation. Although the U-Pass was previously under the Vice President (Student Issues), transportation has been moved under the Vice President (External Affairs) portfolio due to the relation with the City of Saskatoon. This change was made at the USSU Annual General Meeting on November 14th 2007.

In addition to my Vice President (External Affairs) position, I worked closely with the CFS-SK component to plan for the Provincial Election but did not hold

meetings due to busy schedules and awaiting the decision from the lawsuit appeal. I will begin holding meeting for the CFS-SK again in January.

The implementation of U-Pass was successful in September but brought issues up for discussion. I attended many meetings with regards to logistics and advertising, as well as answered a large portion of emails from students and faculty.

Vice-President (External Affairs) Report: September 2007

Orientation

The USSU executive was present at various Orientation events and handed out survival guides to all new students. We also presented at the Royal West College orientation about the USSU and its services.

Welcome Week

Welcome Week festivities began on Wednesday, September 5th until September 7th. The USSU executive and staff planned various activities including games, bands, and beer gardens. The executive was responsible for handing out student Survival Guides from 11:00am until mid afternoon on all three days, and also introducing bands in the bowl.

U-Pass

U-Pass was successfully implemented for the beginning of the academic year. I presented at Parent Orientation regarding U-Pass and answered specific questions about the program. Implementation was busy for all staff and students. There were specific issues around crowded buses, as well as the exemption date and other issues arising in the Office of the Registrar. Saskatoon Transit increased the number of buses throughout the city and is looking at other means to decrease crowding at peak times. The USSU is continuing to work with the City of Saskatoon to make the bus system more effective for students for January 2008.

Camp Out in the Bowl

The "Camp Out in the Bowl" was an event planned between the Vice President (Student Issues) and myself. The event began on September 11th at 6:00pm and ended on September 12th at 11:00am. Fifty-seven students were officially registered to camp out and between 60-70 participants from the USSU staff, University of Saskatchewan faculty and SIAST came out to take part in the event, whether they were sleeping overnight or just mingling with students. The evening activities included yoga and a musical jam session. It was the perfect night with clear skies and a warm atmosphere with a total of 25 tents. Warren McCall,

Minister of Advanced Education, arrived later in the evening and stayed overnight. The morning activities included speeches from the Honourable Warren McCall, Premier Lorne Calvert, President Peter MacKinnon, and City Councilor Charlie Clark. CBC, CTV and Global were also present, giving the event great media coverage. Overall, the event was successful and was a great way to create campus community for a good cause.

Canadian Federation of Students

On September 12th, the USSU received the opinion from our lawyers that we were no longer prospective members of the CFS, as a result of the appeal that was lost by the USSU. The CFS disagreed with the opinion and still believed the USSU was a prospective member despite the results of the appeal. The executive met with Greg Walen, our lawyer, to discuss potential options, which would be taken to the University Student Council to decide whether or not to walk away from the CFS altogether or to hold a fair and legal referendum.

USSU Reunion and U of S Centennial

On September 14th, the USSU held their reunion, which worked in conjunction with the U of S Centennial Weekend. The History of the USSU book was released and alumni Tom Maloy and Row Romano were the key speakers of the night and overall it was a very successful event. The executive also attended the U of S Homecoming Banquet on September 15th with alumni from the University of Saskatchewan.

Maggie de Vries Presentation

On September 17, 2007, I hosted an event at Browsers with Maggie de Vries, a renowned writer from Vancouver. Ms. de Vries' sister, Sarah, was one of the women whose DNA was found on the Robert Picton farm. The presentation was based around Sarah's life, looking at women dealing with poverty and the sex trade. The event itself was well attended, with forty people overall. Maggie de Vries was a very inspiring speaker, presenting for approximately forty-five minutes and then having a question and answer period.

Saskatchewan Connected WI-FI Event

On September 26th, the Government of Saskatchewan held an opening event for the Saskatchewan Connected Wireless Internet Service, which had been expanded across the University of Saskatchewan campus. I was asked to present about how this service benefits students and enables them to expand their learning environment, not only across campus but also around the city of Saskatoon. Frank Quennell, Minister of Justice and Minister responsible for Information Technology, also presented, along with Rick Bunt, Associate Vice

President of Information and Communications Technology at the University of Saskatchewan.

Other

Throughout September I attended various meetings including:

- International Activities Committee of Council (IACC)
- Committee of Council on Outreach and Public Services (CCOPS)
- USSU Communications Meetings
- President's Breakfast
- Executive Committee Meetings
- University Student Council (USC)
- Daycare Board Meetings
- Admin. Team
- Integrated Planning Meetings
- Board of College Presidents (BOCP)
- VOTR Orientation Training
- Meeting with David Karwacki-Leader of Saskatchewan Liberal Party
- Meeting with Dustin Duncan-Post-secondary critic for the Saskatchewan Party
- A Women's luncheon with Rona Ambrose, Minister of Intergovernmental Affairs and Western Economic Diversification.

I attended Math 121 classes Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings, and also a Math Tutorial Thursday afternoons.

Vice-President (External Affairs) Report: October 2007

McCall Final Report Release

On Tuesday, October 9 2007, I attended the release of the Post-Secondary Education Accessibility and Affordability Review. Warren McCall, Minister of Advanced Education compiled this report with submissions from secondary and post-secondary institutions across Saskatchewan, including the USSU. The report provided 51 recommendations for the future government of Saskatchewan, which were very thorough addressing the educational needs of Saskatchewan.

The Canadian Federation of Students

On October 11th, the decision to be prospective members of the CFS or not was brought before the University Student Council. The Motion was "Move that the USSU recognize prospective membership with the Canadian Federation of Students and will hold a referendum within twenty-four months". VP Ring presented the No side, while I presented the YES side. There were a lot of discussions but the overall result was 17 councilors in favour of the motion, four

opposed.

Education Matters Forum/Alternative Leaders Forum

On October 26th, I coordinated an Education Matters Leaders Forum and Alternative Leaders Forum in Convocation Hall. The Education Matters Forum began at 11:00am with Rob Norris from the Saskatchewan Party, Ryan Androsoff from the Liberal Party, and Warren McCall from the New Democratic Party, in attendance. It was very well attended by students and other interested parties, and a lot of good questions were asked. Matt Leisle was the moderator for this event.

At 1:00pm, the Alternative Leaders Forum began, and leaders from the Green, Progressive Conservative, Western Independence and Marijuana Parties were in attendance. Although this forum was not as well attended as the Education Matters Forum, there were still interested students who asked questions and listened to the various issues from all parties. Brent Thoma moderated for this event.

Minimum Wage Increase

On October 3, 2007 the Government of Saskatchewan Minister of Labour, David Forbes, announced that the minimum wage would be increasing in three stages. On January 1, 2008 minimum wage will increase from \$7.95 to \$8.25; May 1, 2008 will see an increase to \$8.60; and, on May 1, 2009 there will be a final increase to \$9.25. The announcement was made at the Rainbow Community Gym in Saskatoon and was attended by VP Kenney and myself. This increase will benefit the many students who work minimum wage jobs throughout the school year.

Other

I attended Math 121 on regular basis, while attending tutorials and tests. During October I began holding External Affairs Board meetings on Friday afternoons at 1:00pm. I also met with Kathleen Wilson, the Provincial Election Organizer through the CFS-SK, to discuss Election materials and events. The Election Information table started up on October 31st, which ran into November. I also volunteered at each of the Centres.

Other engagements included:

- Communication Meetings
- Executive Committee
- IACC Meetings
- Admin. Team
- International Week Planning Committee
- BOCF

- USC
- Meeting with Studentcare
- A Presentation by the United Way
- Financial Reviews
- CFS discussions
- Lunch with Vera Pezer
- A meeting discussing Louis and its services
- Breakfast with Canada's High Commissioner of Mozambique.

Vice-President (External Affairs) Report: November 2007

CUPE 1975 Strike

On November 2nd, job action by CUPE 1975 took place on both the University of Saskatchewan and University of Regina campuses. The USSU took a neutral stance on the issue and voiced their concerns from students to Administration and CUPE leaders. Both parties were also invited to come to University Student Council to provide their sides of the strike. On November 28th, Peter Mackinnon met with student leaders and expressed his concerns for the students at this University.

Provincial Election

The General Provincial Election ended on November 7th, 2007. The USSU and CFS-SK component provided information to students across campus, as well as hosting the Education Matters Forum and Alternative Leaders Forum (as stated above). An Election Information Booth was set up in Upper Place Riel from October 31st until November 7th. The purpose of the booth was to provide students with information on their constituencies, candidates, polling stations, advance polls, and specific post-secondary policies that each party proposed.

CFS-SK provided a report card, which was released on November 2nd at a press release in Regina. Unfortunately, the CUPE Strike began the same day on both the U of S and U of R campuses, so coverage around the report card was limited. There were various newspaper and radio advertisements, including a few in the Sheaf, which provided basic information about our student platform. The student platform included tuition fees, affordable housing, student debt and access for aboriginals as key priorities for students in Saskatchewan. We also distributed iVoted stickers to students that they could wear so that they would not be bombarded with other campaign information after voting.

I also met with Peggy Schmeizer from the University of Saskatchewan Government Relations regarding posters and other campaign material on campus. She would be developing a policy for future elections, but also for any material put up by Government Officials outside of election periods.

Annual General Meeting

On November 14th, the USSU held an Annual General Meeting where amendments were made and the executive was placed on a panel to answer questions. Unfortunately, the meeting ended early due to a final that was being held. Thus, students were unable to ask specific questions during the question and answer period. In the External Affairs portfolio, the main change was that Saskatoon Transit was moved from the Student Issues portfolio. This allows the External Affairs portfolio to include all Municipal initiatives including the U-Pass. The Election /Referendum Policy was also changed to a Bylaw in order to ensure that the next CFS referendum is ran by USSU rules and regulations.

CFS Annual General Meeting

From November 20th to the 24th, I attended the Canadian Federation of Students 26th Annual General Meeting in Ottawa. For more specific details, a conference report has been prepared.

Other

November was still busy with Math 121 classes, tutorials and exams. I also volunteered at each Centre. Meetings included:

- USC
- Executive Committee
- Admin Team
- IACC Meetings
- External Affairs Board Meetings
- Healthcare Review Meeting with Studentcare

Vice-President (External Affairs) Report: December 2007

CUPE Strike

On December 1st, it was announced that CUPE 1975 employees would be returning to work on December 3rd. Both Administration and CUPE agreed on arbitration with back to work, in order to avoid the new government from implementing back to work legislation. The External Affairs Board agreed that the USSU should provide the administration with a letter requesting funding back to students due to services lost during the strike. President Pepler and myself will be preparing this document.

Other

During December, I wrote my Math 121 final on December 8th, and continued to volunteer at the Centre. I attended meetings including:

- BOCF

- USC
- Executive Committee
- Communications
- Admin. Team
- Unions Working Together
- IACC
- International Week Planning Committee

Day-to-Day Activities

September 2007

03/09/07- Orientation, handed out student planners, spoke at two Parent Orientations

04/09/07- Orientation at Royal West College, Admin Team, Camp Out in the Bowl Meeting

05/09/07- Attended Math 121, Welcome Week

06/09/07- Welcome Week, Math Tutorial

07/09/07- Welcome Week, Presentation by Rona Ambrose at the Radisson, Attended a Wedding at 1:00pm

10/09/07- Attended Math 121, Camp Out in the Bowl planning, USC Board Presentations

11/09/07- Attended President's Breakfast, Daycare Board Meeting, and Camp Out in the Bowl

12/09/07- Presented for the Camp Out in the Bowl, Spoke with CBC Radio and Global News, CCOPS Meeting

13/09/07- Warren McCall Presentation at Browsers, Attended Math Tutorial

14/09/07- Math 121, Meeting with David Karwacki, IACC Meeting, USSU Reunion Dinner

15/09/07- U of S Homecoming Banquet

17/09/07- Math 121, CFS Discussions, Maggie de Vries Presentation at Browsers

18/09/07- EDO

19/09/07- ADO

20/09/07- Communications Meeting, Math 121 Test, USC

21/09/07- Math 121, ISO Candidate Presentation by Derek Tannis, Meeting with Greg Walen, Education Matters Leaders Debate planning

24/09/07- Math 121, Executive Committee, Meeting with Dustin Duncan- Post-secondary Critic for the Sask Party

25/09/07- Integrated Plan Prep Meeting, Prepared speech for Saskatchewan Connected WI-FI Event, Finalized General Provincial Election Survey, Survey Meeting

26/09/07- Math 121, Saskatchewan Connected WI-FI Event

27/09/07- Communications Meeting, Math Tutorial, USC

28/09/07- Math 121

30/09/07- VOTR Orientation Training Retreat, BOCP

01/10/07- Math 121, IACC Meeting, Went home sick at lunch.
02/10/07- Sick Day
03/10/07- Math 121, Attended Minimum Wage Increase Announcement- David Forbes, Minister of Labour, External Affairs Board planning
04/10/07- Communications meeting, Math Tutorial, USC
05/10/07- Math 121, Executive Committee, Teleconference call with Minister Warren McCall, President Pepler and myself.
09/10/07- Release of McCall Report- Regina
10/10/07- Math 121, Financial Review
11/10/07- CFS Discussion, ADO, Math 121 Test, USC
12/10/07- Math 121, External Affairs Board Meeting
15/10/07- Math 121, United Way Presentation, Executive Meeting, Meeting with Kathleen Wilson-Provincial Organizer for CFS (Election Discussions)
16/10/07- Volunteer at the Pride Centre, Meeting with Studentcare
17/10/07- Math 121, Lunch with Vera Pezer, Meeting on Louis
18/10/07- Communications Meeting, FISH Meeting, Math Tutorial, USC
19/10/07- Breakfast with Canada's High Commissioner of Mozambique, External Affairs Board Meeting
22/10/07- Math 121, Executive Meeting
23/10/07- Volunteer at the Help Centre
24/10/07- International Week Planning Committee, Poster Meeting
25/10/07- ADO, Math Test, USC
26/10/07- Math 121, Education Matters Forum, Alternative Leaders Forum
28/10/07- BOCF
29/10/07- EDO
30/10/07- Admin Team, Volunteer at the Women's Centre
31/10/07- Math 121, Worked the Election information table in Upper Place Riel
01/11/07- Worked at the Election information table in Upper Place Riel, Meeting with Peggy Schmeizer-U of S Government Relations, Math Tutorial, USC
02/11/07- Press Conference for Election Report Cards-Regina
05/11/07- Math 121, Executive Meeting, Worked at the Election information table in Upper Place Riel
06/11/07- Worked at the Election information table in Upper Place Riel
07/11/07- Worked at the Election information table in Upper Place Riel
08/11/07- Vacation Day
09/11/07- EDO
13/11/07- IACC Meeting, Admin Team, Volunteered at the Help Centre
14/11/07- Math 121, AGM
15/11/07- ½ ADO, Math Test
16/11/07- Math 121, External Affairs Board Meeting
19/11/07- Math 121, CFS Conference Preparation
20/11/07- CFS Annual General Meeting Delegate Preparation- Ottawa
21/11/07- CFS Annual General Meeting Begins- Ottawa
22/11/07- CFS Annual General Meeting- Ottawa
23/11/07- CFS Annual General Meeting- Ottawa
24/11/07- CFS Annual General Meeting- Ottawa

25/11/07- Return to Saskatoon
26/11/07- Math 121, Math Study Session
27/11/07- Admin Team, Executive Meeting
28/11/07- Math 121, George Foufas going away lunch, Healthcare Review Meeting, Meeting with Peter Mackinnon regarding CUPE strike.
29/11/07- ADO, USC
30/11/07- Math 121, External Affairs Board Meeting
2/12/07- BOCF
3/12/07- Math 121, Executive Meeting
4/12/07- ADO
5/12/07- Worked on Fall Accountability Report
6/12/07- Communications Meeting, Unions Working Together Meeting
7/12/07- ADO
8/12/07- Math 121 Final
10/12/07- Going Away Lunch for Drew Dwernychuk, Volunteer at Pride Centre
11/12/07- Admin Team
12/12/07- International Week Planning Committee
13/12/07- Volunteer at the Women's Centre
14/12/07- IACC Meeting
17/12/07- Prepared Accountability and Conference Reports
18/12/07- Christmas Breakfast, Volunteer at the Help Centre, Co-op Housing Meeting, Birthday Party
19/12/07- Executive Mini Retreat-Saskatoon Inn
20/12/07- Meeting with Maxym Chaban regarding International Week, Review of Retreat Goals
21/12/07- EDO
24/12/07- University Closed
25/12/07- University Closed
26/12/07- University Closed
27/12/07- University Closed
28/12/07- University Closed
29/12/07- University Closed
30/12/07- University Closed
31/12/07- University Closed
01/01/08- University Closed

Jeremy Ring: VP Operations & Finance

Term 1 Accountability

General Activities

Office Hours:

Monday to Friday: 8:30 AM – 4:30 PM

*Along with various evenings and weekends as necessary

Daily Activities:

- Responding to emails & telephone calls
- Signing Cheques
- Meetings with campus clubs
- Executive Committee
- General Office organizing
- Project creation
- Input of Campus Groups
- Approval of money transfers
- Meetings with Administrative staff as required

Portfolio Duties:

During the summer, the role of the VP (Operations & Finance) is to become aware of the financial, administrative, and governing factors that my position is responsible for. In term 1, it is the act of putting these to the test. The first and most important duty is that of the Operations & Finance Board. My board is responsible for a multitude of factors, not the least of which is approving funding requests and ratifying Campus Groups. Since the Campus Clubs Policy changed last year to increase funding request amounts from \$300 to \$1000 per year, it was the first year that this was in practice. It also stipulated that amounts over and above \$300 were subject to a presentation, which really had no format. It was the board's position to evaluate these in our pre-determined format, granting clubs funding only based around their ability to meet our requirements. In addition to ratifying and evaluating funding requests, the Operations & Finance Board also must review the monthly financial statements to ensure that the USSU is running efficiently and effectively.

With students on campus, it was important that the Executive be readily available to meet and answer student questions. For my role, this was primarily focused around campus club questions. This was part of my election promise of being accountable and professional. They came to me or emailed me and received very timely responses to help them in facilitating their success of their group.

USC also started meeting weekly in September, in which my role was to convey a seemingly infinite amount of information each week with regards to the finances, and, most importantly, information about the Place Riel Expansion.

Finally, the VP (Operations & Finance) sits on the hiring committee for many administrative positions. Again, due to a high turnover during the 1st term, I sat on the hiring committee for a new Food & Beverage Manager, Facilities & Events Assistant, and Information Center Supervisor.

Vice-President (Operations & Finance) Report: September 2007

Welcome Week

As with every year, the USSU puts on a Welcome Week bash, filled with local bands, beer gardens, and of course the handing out of the Survival Calendars. In addition to helping out in the Bowl during the week, there was an overwhelming amount of questions relating to what the USSU does, Campus Club questions, and just generally helping students get adjusted to campus.

Place Riel Expansion/Renovation

This has been occupying an incredibly large amount of my time throughout the 1st term. In September, we had our first meetings after officially hiring SEA to be our architect for the Place Riel project. The month was also filled with fighting for SEA to be our Project Manager, meeting with subcontractors, and setting up the Place Riel Student Advisory Committee, which is comprised of 10 SAL's who will be primarily driving the decisions behind this project.

U of S Homecoming

This month was also filled with a number of activities and events celebrating the 100th anniversary of the University of Saskatchewan. As such, the USSU held its own reunion dinner, which saw over 80 past and present Executive members come together to mingle. The night was capped off by speeches by former Chancellor Tom Molloy and Past President Roy Romanow. In addition, the Executive had the opportunity to attend the official U of S Homecoming Gala, which included dinner, a dance, and the Amati Quartet.

Other

Room scheduling and our Marketing Services Manager had relayed that last year the Campus Club Website was not kept up to date and made it difficult to verify if groups had actually ratified and therefore would have been allowed to schedule a room. In September, Scott Henderson and I revamped the Campus Club website to look more attractive and ensured that it was up-to-date.

Vice-President (Operations & Finance) Report: October 2007

ACUI Conference

President Pepler and I, in the midst of our renovation, had the opportunity to visit three student union buildings (Eastern Michigan, Bowling Green, and Michigan) to gather ideas as to how we can make this building the main hub for all students. It was extremely helpful, having gathered nearly 200 pictures that our architects are using to help design our building. The conference also had a number of informative sessions to help with our transition into the new building, budgeting, LEED, etc.

BOARDS!!!

In early October our boards were struck and started meeting weekly. This occupied a lot of timing, organizing binders for the members of the board, passing information onto them, typing up minutes, and through their decisions, executing the given plan.

Place Riel Expansion/Renovation

To help our architects further the design of the program of the building, President Pepler and I began working with the Place Riel Student Advisory Committee to develop the terms of reference for the group, working on the survey, and taking information back to them from our Committee meetings with Admin.

Other

October was a very busy month, having a number of groups begin applying for funding, an influx of questions relating to the finances of the USSU, and, at the end of the month, the first discussions relating to the possible CUPE 1975 Strike.

Vice-President (Operations & Finance) Report: November 2007

Strike!

November got started with a bang, having 1800 workers on campus take to the streets in what turned out to be a month long strike. It proved to be extremely stressful for the USSU, having daily briefings with administration and the status of the collective bargaining, a number of angry students about the library, cancelled classes and labs, and lost services. For the operations of the USSU, there was a large increase of traffic, having many food services closed due to the strike. It was the biggest topic every week at USC, however the USSU was commended for its neutrality over the issue and the workers returned back to work in early December.

Place Riel Expansion/Renovation

November saw another fun filled month of getting news about the project being pushed back. It was indicated that no longer the USSU would be taking the project to Board 2 in December, which potentially bumped the project back a year. However, we had to continue working and launched the survey in mid-November. At the same time, we continued meeting with the Place Riel Student Advisory Committee (PRSAC) to receive ideas and debate issues such as the escalators, and LEED.

LEED

Having been given the task of identifying a suitable target of certification for the Place Riel project, the Operations & Finance Board and USC heard from Murray Guy of Integrated Design, Michael Molero of FMD, and Ray Plosker of SEA about what LEED is, how it fits in with the U of S, and most importantly, how it fits in with our project. The decision was made in late November that the USSU would target LEED silver certification.

Vice-President (Operations & Finance) Report: December 2007

Place Riel Expansion/Renovation

December was a very busy month during finals. With the survey receiving over 600 responses, SEA was very eager to receive the Program from the USSU. I decided to take on the task of evaluating all 600 surveys and putting together what needs to be in the new Place Riel. This was culminated in middle December, presenting the ideas to SEA and the potential Construction Manager's.

Finals

Pretty self-explanatory, I wrote my two finals early in the month, and didn't really get back to work until the middle of December. I did well too, with an 87% and a 77%!

Other

Just finished off any projects and loose ends prior to the end of the first term, as the 2nd term becomes very busy for my role, as budget meetings happen weekly and gets very time consuming come February and March.

Day-to-day activities

September 2007

09/03/07 – Orientation
09/03/07 – Parliamentarian Training Exam
09/04/07 – Admin Team
09/04/07 – Orientation at Royal West College
09/04/07 – Meeting with Jesse of Young NDP
09/04/07 – Meeting with Garrett of U of S Debate Society
09/04/07 – Exec Committee
09/04/07 – Meeting with Marc Pituley of Campus for Christ
09/05/07 – Class
09/05/07 – Welcome Week
09/05/07 – Meeting with Ore Gangue
09/06/07 – Welcome Week
09/06/07 – Class
09/06/07 – USC
09/06/07 – Meeting with Colin Hartl and SEA regarding Place Riel
09/07/07 – Class
09/07/07 – Welcome Week
09/07/07 – Exec Committee
09/07/07 – Ratified Campus Clubs inputting
09/10/07 – Class
09/10/07 – Interview with Global TV
09/10/07 – Exec Committee
09/10/07 – Meeting with Kim Jones
09/10/07 – USSU Board Presentation preparation
09/10/07 – USSU Board Presentations
09/11/07 – President's Breakfast
09/11/07 – Class
09/11/07 – Meeting with U of S Cheerleading
09/11/07 – Ulife 101 Presentation
09/11/07 – Campout in the bowl
09/12/07 – Class
09/12/07 – Campout in the bowl
09/12/07 – Ulife 101 presentation
09/13/07 – Class
09/13/07 – Place Riel Steering Committee Meeting
09/13/07 – Subcontractors meeting regarding Place Riel
09/13/07 – Met with SCSS to pick-up Coke product
09/13/07 – University Students' Council
09/14/07 – September EDO
09/14/07 – USSU Reunion Dinner
09/15/07 – President's Dinner
09/17/07 – Class

09/17/07 – Meeting with Rolanda from Coke
09/17/07 – Meeting with James and Lindsay regarding CFS
09/17/07 – Telephone meeting with USSU Lawyers
09/18/07 – Class
09/18/07 – Admin Team
09/18/07 – Exec Committee
09/19/07 – Breakfast meeting with Consumer Services
09/19/07 – Class
09/19/07 – Lunch meeting with Brett Fairbairn
09/19/07 – Louis'/Browsers planning meeting
09/20/07 – Class
09/20/07 – Compensation Committee meeting
09/20/07 – USC
09/21/07 – Class
09/21/07 – Ratification input
09/21/07 – Meeting with USSU lawyers
09/24/07 – Class
09/24/07 – Interview with the Sheaf
09/24/07 – Exec
09/25/07 – Class
09/25/07 – Integrated Plan meeting
09/25/07 – Occupational Health & Safety Meeting
09/26/07 – Class
09/26/07 – Student Code of Conduct meeting
09/26/07 – Meeting with Brent Thoma
09/26/07 – USC preparation
09/27/07 – Class
09/27/07 – Communications Meeting
09/27/07 – Ratification input
09/27/07 – September birthday party
09/27/07 – USC Meeting
09/27/07 – Appointments Board Meeting
09/28/07 – Class
09/28/07 – Coke Inventory
09/28/07 – Appointments Board Minutes
09/28/07 – Appointments Board Meeting
09/29/07 – ACUI Conference
09/30/07 – ACUI Conference

October 2007

10/01/07 – ACUI Conference
10/02/07 – ACUI Conference
10/03/07 – ACUI Conference
10/04/07 – Class
10/04/07 – Facilities and marketing assistant interview

10/04/07 – Op/fin Board binder preparation
10/04/07 – USC meeting
10/05/07 – Class
10/05/07 – Meeting with SADD
10/05/07 – Meeting with Lutheran Students Society
10/05/07 – Volunteering at Pride Centre
10/05/07 – USC Board binder preparation
10/05/07 – Ratification input
10/05/07 – Financial Accountabilities for Summer 2007
10/09/07 – Class
10/09/07 – Meeting with ESS
10/10/07 – President’s Breakfast
10/10/07 – Class
10/10/07 – Facilities and marketing assistant interview x 2
10/10/07 – Operations & Finance Board meeting
10/10/07 – Financial Accountability review
10/11/07 – Class
10/11/07 – CFS referendum meeting
10/11/07 – USC Meeting
10/12/07 – Class
10/12/07 – Help Centre Volunteering
10/12/07 – Place Riel Student Advisory Board meeting
10/15/07 – Class
10/15/07 – Plasma pictures
10/15/07 – Interview with The Sheaf
10/15/07 – United way presentation
10/15/07 – Exec committee
10/16/07 – Class
10/16/07 – Admin Team
10/16/07 – Meeting with Student Care
10/17/07 – Class
10/17/07 – Op/fin board meeting
10/17/07 – Op/fin board minutes
10/17/07 – Lunch with Vera Pezer
10/17/07 – Louis’ Browser’s planning meeting
10/17/07 – Louis’ meeting
10/18/07 – Class
10/18/07 – FISH Training
10/18/07 – Ratification Input
10/18/07 – USC Preparation meeting
10/18/07 – USC
10/19/07 – Class
10/19/07 – Volunteer at Women’s Center
10/19/07 – Place Riel Student Committee meeting
10/22/07 – Class
10/22/07 – Cheque Req’s for Campus Club Funding

10/22/07 – Place Riel survey work
10/22/07 – Exec Committee
10/23/07 – Class
10/24/07 – Class
10/24/07 – Op/fin board meeting
10/24/07 – Op/fin minutes
10/24/07 – Place Riel Steering Committee meeting
10/24/07 – Meeting about constitutional changes
10/25/07 – Class
10/25/07 – USC Prep
10/25/07 – Meeting with guy from Canada’s Next Great Prime Minister
10/25/07 – USC
10/26/07 - Class
10/26/07 – Education Matters debate
10/26/07 – Place Riel Student Advisory Board meeting
10/28/07 – BOCP Meeting
10/29/07 – Class
10/29/07 – September Accountabilities
10/29/07 – AGM Amendment work
10/29/07 – Place Riel survey work
10/29/07 – Meeting with Dave Hannah re: CUPE 1975
10/30/07 – Class
10/30/07 – Admin Team
10/30/07 – Meeting with Amnesty International re: Funding
10/31/07 – Class
10/31/07 – Op/fin Board Meeting
10/31/07 – Op/fin Minutes
10/31/07 – Meeting with Calysta Adams of SPNSS
10/31/07 – Coke Merchandise
10/31/07 – Ratification data

November 2007

11/01/07 – Class
11/01/07 – Coke delivery to Education
11/01/07 – Meeting with JSA
11/01/07 – Financial Accountabilities – September
11/01/07 – Meeting with Dave Hannah re: CUPE 1975
11/01/07 – USC
11/01/07 – USC Social
11/02/07 – October EDO
11/05/07 – Class
11/05/07 – Conference Report – ACUI
11/05/07 – Meeting with Sue Long re: Place Riel Budgeting
11/05/07 – Exec
11/05/07 – Meeting with David Hannah re: Strike Update

11/06/07 – Class
11/06/07 – Meeting with Joel of the MSA
11/06/07 – Meeting with David Hannah re: Strike Update
11/07/07 – Class
11/07/07 – Op/fin Meeting
11/07/07 – Op/fin Minutes
11/07/07 – Ratification Data
11/07/07 – Place Riel Design Team Meeting
11/07/07 – AGM Meeting
11/07/07 – Place Riel survey finalizing
11/07/07 – Place Riel Student Advisory Board Meeting
11/08/07 – Class
11/08/07 – Interview with the Sheaf
11/08/07 – Staff Christmas photo
11/08/07 – Meeting with Amnesty International
11/09/07 – November EDO
11/13/07 – Class
11/13/07 – Admin Team
11/13/07 – Information Centre Supervisor Interviews x2
11/13/07 – Executive Dinner
11/14/07 – Class
11/14/07 – Op/fin board
11/14/07 – Op/fin minutes
11/14/07 – AGM
11/14/07 – Louis'/Browsers planning meeting
11/15/07 – Class
11/15/07 – Communications Meeting
11/15/07 – Information Centre Supervisor Interview
11/15/07 – USC
11/16/07 – Class
11/16/07 – Meeting with IVCF
11/16/07 – Student Protest Rally preparation
11/19/07 – Class
11/19/07 – Student Protest Rally prep
11/19/07 – Strike update with David Hannah
11/20/07 – Class
11/20/07 – Protest Rally to stop the strike
11/20/07 – Meeting with LSA
11/20/07 – Strike update
11/21/07 – Class
11/21/07 – President's breakfast
11/21/07 – Opfin board
11/21/07 – Meeting with SEA, FMD, Intergrated Design re: LEED
11/21/07 – Meeting with IVCF
11/21/07 – Strike update
11/21/07 – Place Riel Advisory Committee

11/22/07 – Class
11/22/07 – Communications Meeting
11/22/07 – Food & beverage manager interview
11/22/07 – Strike update
11/22/07 – USC
11/23/07 – Class
11/23/07 – Help Centre Volunteering
11/26/07 – ½ sick day
11/26/07 – October Accountabilities
11/26/07 – Strike update
11/27/07 – Class
11/27/07 – Admin Team
11/28/07 – Class
11/28/07 – Op/fin board
11/28/07 – Op/fin minutes
11/28/07 – George’s going away lunch
11/28/07 – Place Riel Steering Committee
11/28/07 – Self-insurance meeting with Studentcare
11/28/07 – Place Riel Student Advisory Committee
11/28/07 – Dinner with Studentcare
11/29/07 – Class
11/29/07 – Communications meeting
11/29/07 – Meeting with Ashlee Smith re: AGM
11/29/07 – Financial Accountabilities meeting (October)
11/29/07 – November birthday party
11/29/07 – USC
11/30/07 – Coke Merch November
11/30/07 – Meeting with Merv Dahl regarding Insurance

December 2007

12/02/07 – BOCP
12/03/07 – Exec meeting
12/03/07 – OH & S meeting
12/04/07 – Student asking about Studentcare
12/05/07 – Coke Pick up from Transition Group
12/05/07 – On Campus News Interview
12/05/07 – Op/fin Board Meeting (Quorum not present)
12/05/07 – Louis’/Browsers Planning Meeting
12/06/07 – Telephone meeting with SEA
12/06/07 – USC
12/07/07 – December EDO
12/10/07 – ADO
12/11/07 – ADO
12/12/07 – ADO
12/13/07 – Place Riel Design Team Meeting

12/13/07 – Student
12/13/07 – MAC OSX Leopard orientation
12/13/07 – Place Riel Program report
12/13/07 – Place Riel Survey Analysis
12/14/07 – Place Riel Program report
12/17/07 – Program Meeting with Brian Saunders RE: Place Riel
12/17/07 – RFP Meeting for Construction Managers
12/18/07 – USSU Gift Exchange
12/18/07 – Accountability report
12/18/07 – Meeting with Edwards School of Business
12/18/07 – Place Riel Steering Committee meeting
12/19/07 – USSU Exec mid-year retreat at Saskatoon Inn

Accountability Report
Nicole Kenney, VP Student Issues
Fall 2007

General Activities

Office Hours:

Monday to Friday: 8:30 am – 4:30 pm

*Along with various evenings and weekends as necessary

Daily Activities:

- Various Committees and Boards
 - o Daycare Board
 - o Ad hoc Daycare committee
 - o Student Advocacy Network
 - o Waste Management Taskforce
 - o Chair of Sustainability Board
 - o Chair of Student Issues Board
 - o Vice-chair Op/Fin Board
 - o Vice-chair Academic Board
 - o Executive Committee
 - o USSU Centers
- Ongoing Projects
- Sustainability Research
- Assisting disgruntled students
- Student outreach
- Email/Telephone correspondence
- College events
- Yoga

Class:

- Term1: Environmental Anthropology 329

Portfolio Duties:

The Vice President (Student Issues) is a very demanding and dynamic role at the USSU. VP (Student Issues) is responsible for a number of non-academic issues involving students on and off campus. The portfolio includes parking, housing, sustainability, security, equity and disability issues. The VP (Student Issues) is the liaison for all USSU Centers (the Help Centre, Pride Centre, Women's Centre and Victim Advocate). VP (Student Issues) also oversees the USSU's Health and Dental Plan.

As VP (Student Issues), I am challenged by the workload but I embrace the opportunity to make a difference. Or as they proclaim in Latin, “pro bono publico”, meaning for the public good. I focus most of my energy on sustainability initiatives to create a greener and healthier campus community for everybody. I am utilizing various creative methods to raise awareness and consciousness about environmental issues.

It is with great pleasure to be VP (Student Issues) for the 2007-2008 year.

Projects/ Major Issues from September-December 2007

U of S Homecoming- September 2007

This September the University of Saskatchewan celebrated its 100th Anniversary. The USSU held its own reunion dinner, which saw over 80 past and present Executive members come together to mingle. I created 20 centerpieces for this event and the material used was either recycled or locally produced. I co-hosted the evening with James Pepler. Former Chancellor Tom Molloy and Past President Roy Romanow said a few words and this was the icing on the cake.

The Executive also had the opportunity to attend the official U of S Homecoming Gala, which included dinner, a dance, and the Amati Quartet.

Camp Out in the Bowl- September 11th 2007

The University of Saskatchewan Students' Union created awareness about the student housing shortage by hosting a "Camp Out in the Bowl". Students were encouraged to pitch a tent in the bowl on September 11, 2007 commencing at 6 PM. There was a tenting registration process prior to the camp out and we gathered information from students about their past and present housing cost and location. There was a press conference the morning of September 12th and speakers included President McKinnon, Premier Lauren Calvert and Charlie Clark (Ward 6 councilor). The camp-out was featured on 3 channels and numerous radio stations.

"Camp Out in the Bowl" was intended to bring students together to gain activism experience and make valuable connections with others sharing a willingness to get behind a cause. Campers participate in a starlit session of yoga and a jam session to follow. We enjoyed muffins, fruit and coffee the next morning (drenched in the rain). It was a very positive experience.

Sierra Youth Coalition Sustainable Campus' Annual Conference
London Ontario- September 27-30, 2007

At the Sustainable Campuses Conference, I gained inspiration and knowledge of other post-secondary sustainability initiatives. The Sierra Youth Coalition (SYC) offered me support in the form of resources and models, as well as national and international friendships.

Students are the heart of a university campus. WE are the primary reason why post-secondary institutions exist. For this reason, our ideas and initiatives are invaluable to campus sustainability efforts. The Sustainable Campuses Conference promoted student awareness and action on university and college campuses across Canada. The SYC conference encouraged the implementation of environmentally sustainable practices and policies.

Might I add that I tented (the most sustainable option) throughout the duration of the conference. Funding for this conference was not supplied by the USSU but it was worth every penny!

Cupless Campus Project- October 23-25, 2007

A disposable coffee cup is treated with polyethylene plastic to prevent leakage and is neither recyclable nor compost-able. My sustainability board, and other eager volunteers collected hundreds of disposable coffee cups for an eco-education illustration. We used art as a medium to display the high volume of coffee cups wasted on campus. We strung the cups together from the trees in the bowl and it certainly "raised" awareness. Many students, faculty and staff stopped and inquired as to what we were doing, thus providing an opportunity to educate people about the environmental impact of disposable coffee cups. This project received media coverage by 2 television stations, 1 radio station and 3 newspapers. I strived to get the message out to the campus and Saskatoon community. I have attached the Sheaf article about the cups as well as a coffee cup study conducted at the UBC.

Campus Sustainability Day- October 24, 2007

I organized the USSU Waste Audit that took place on Campus Sustainability Day (Wednesday, October 24) in Lower Place Riel from 12-1pm. Hosting the Waste Audit at 12 pm was ideal because Place Riel was bustling with activity. Eight (fearless) student volunteers committed to helping out. The Facilities Management Division Waste Management Coordinator (Kelly Goyer) was onsite to ensure that the Waste Audit was done safely. Kelly provided safety gear for all volunteers to protect skin and clothing including: Tyvec (white/ space) suits, gloves and booties.

The waste (from the morning of and the previous night) was divided into four categories: compostable materials, recyclable materials, coffee cups,

paper and Styrofoam. Once the garbage was sorted it was weighed and the percentage-by-weight of garbage falling into each category was calculated.

In addition to providing the USSU with really useful information in measuring and assessing sustainability performance indicators, the Waste Audit was a really fun and theatrical way to communicate a positive message: reducing consumption and waste are in the best interest of the Earth and its people.

College of Law Human Rights Conference- November 1-2, 2007

I was asked to speak at the College of Law Human Rights Conference. I sat on a panel with experienced female environmentalists. It was quite the honor! I spoke about opportunities to improve sustainability on campus and empowering students through activism (because student apathy is a serious problem). I ranted for about 5 minutes about my experience in the Student's Union. "Whatever you can do, or dream you can do, begin it. Boldness has genuine, power and magic in it. Begin it now"

ECO-Bash- November 8th 2007

The U of S Environmental Studies Student Association (ESSA) is one of the largest multi-disciplinary undergraduate student associations at the University of Saskatchewan. Open to all students, ESSA's goal is to promote concern for the environment and increase awareness. I have been an executive member of ESSA for 2 years. ESSA and the USSU partnered to bring students the 2nd Annual ECOBASH. This feel-good concert included Tara Stadnyk, Paul Kuzbik, The Chase, Sexually Attracted to Fire, The Sheepdogs and Bunnyhug. We gave out Eco-friendly prizes (a MEC tent, bike gear, coffee mugs exc.) to those who correctly answered environmental trivia. Proceeds from the event went towards the first Sustainable Campus's Conference and the "We Are Many Festival" <http://www.wearemanyfestival.com/>.

CUPE 1975 Strike-November to December 2007

In the midst of midterms and papers, the CUPE 1975 workers on campus voted to collectively strike. 1800 employees walked off the job and proceeded to strike for 1 month. The strike was unpleasantly stressful for the USSU, having daily briefings with administration and the status of the collective bargaining, and the issues affecting students. For the operations of the USSU, there was a large increase of traffic, having many food services closed due to the strike. On a plus side there was much less waste created by the food services (especially Tim Horton's) and students came to appreciate all the services offered by CUPE 1975. The USSU remained neutral which actually aided administration, however there was no way to appease every student on either side. The workers returned back to work in early December when the Sask

Party government threatened back to work legislation.

Integrated Planning Submission-November to December 2007

My sustainability board and I focused a lot of energy on a submission for the Integrated Plan (a comprehensive document guiding the direction of the university for the next 4 years). I am quite pleased with the final document and the hard work certainly paid off (as the Dean of Arts and Sciences commended the sustainability aspects). I have attached the submission for your viewing.

Meetings et al.

2007/09/03- Handing out Survival Guides

- Sheaf Interview
- Reviewing Designated Parking Forms
- Meeting with Wendy Novakouski- Campus Parking Services

2007/09/04

- Reviewing Designated Parking Forms
- Admin Team
- Executive Committee
- Orientation at Royal West College
- "Camp Out in the Bowl" Meeting
- STM 1st Year Dance

2007/09/05 Handing out Survival Guides

- Carless Drive-in
- Camp-out Planning
- Various Welcome Week Duties

2007/09/06- Handing out Survival Guides

- Communications Meeting
- Meeting with Kristin Foster- Student Care (Health and Dental Plan)
- First Sask Credit Union- Sponsorship for Bike compounds
- Meeting with Brent Thoma about Robert's Rules of Order
- Various Welcome Week Duties
- USC

2007/09/07

- Phoning Designated Parking Recipients
- Handing out Survival Guides
- Various Welcome Week Duties
- Camp Out planning
- International Students' Orientation and presentations

2007/09/09 (Sunday)

- Creating 20 center pieces for U of S Reunion Dinner

2007/09/10

- Sheaf Article

- Meeting with Laura Lacey- (Quint Development; an organization with programs for low-income housing)
- USC Board Presentations
- Commerce BBQ

2007/09/11

- President's Breakfast
- Childcare Budget meeting
- Interview with CBC (French station) about Security on campus
- CAMP OUT IN THE BOWL Registration & Community building activities

2007/09/12

- CAMP OUT IN THE BOWL Media Release
- Interview with CBC News World (Calgary)
- Camp out clean up

2007/09/13

- Jane Goodall Workshop
- Center's Meeting
- USC

2007/09/14

- USSU Executive Reunion Dinner

2007/09/15

- U of S 100th Anniversary Gala

2007/09/17

- Met with 2 students regarding sustainability issues
- Advertising for Maggie de Vries

2007/09/18- III

2007/09/19- III

2007/09/20

- Meeting with Phaedra Hitchings
- Meeting with Pride Center Coordinator, Women's Center Coordinator and Victim Advocate
- USC

2007/09/21

- Travel to Warmen to speak to high school students about non-academic aspects of University
- Class

2007/09/22- Footprint Design Symposium

- Not Sponsored by Cameco Gala

2007/09/23- Charlie Clark

- Arranging for David Bwalakali- (Africa Youth Initiative on Climate Change) to speak at the U of S

2007/09/24

- Exec meeting
- SYC Conference preparation

2007/09/25

- CFCR meeting
- “We are many” festival meeting with coordinators

2007/09/26

- Student Code of Conduct
- Dealing with Student Health and Dental Plan concerns
- Safe walk orientation

2007/09/27-Sierra Youth Coalition Sustainable Campus' Conference

2007/09/28- Sierra Youth Coalition Sustainable Campus' Conference

2007/09/29- Sierra Youth Coalition Sustainable Campus' Conference

2007/09/30- Sierra Youth Coalition Sustainable Campus' Conference

October 2007

Meetings et al.

2007/10/01- Sierra Youth Coalition Sustainable Campus' Conference wrap up

2007/10/02-Admin Team

- Lunch with Kristine Spence- Waste Management Intern

2007/10/03

- Political minimum wage announcement
- Meeting with Peter Prebble (NDP)
- Volunteering at Saskatoon Food bank

2007/10/04

- Exec meeting
- Waste Reduction council
- USC
- Take Back the Night (Violence against Women protest)

2007/10/05

- ADO

2007/10/08

- Thanksgiving

2007/10/09

- EDO

2007/10/10

- Meeting with Kelly Goyer- Requested Recycle bins for bus mall
- Financial Review
- Sustainability Board Meeting

2007/10/11

- Communications Meeting
- Exec meeting
- Pride center volunteering
- Experience US
- Centers Meeting
- Environmental Students Society Association meeting
- USC

- Waste Reduction project (Coffee Cups in the Bowl)
- 2007/10/12- Trick or Eat meeting
- Waste Reduction project (Coffee Cups in the Bowl)
 - SYC Conference Call
- 2007/10/15 &16
- Holidays
- 2007/10/17
- Op/Fin Board meeting
 - Meeting with Satoshi (International Students)
 - Lunch with Vera Pezzer
 - Campus Safety meeting (Victim Advocate/ Safe walk coordinator)
 - Meeting on Louis Study
 - Sustainability Board meeting
 - Human Rights conference meeting
 - Daycare board meeting
- 2007/10/18
- Communications meeting
 - Waste Audit meeting
 - Meeting with 2 waste audit volunteers (Matt and Heidi)
 - Help Center Volunteering
 - Rights and Democracy Meeting
 - Academic Affairs
 - USC meeting
- 2007/10/19
- Working on “Cupless Campus” project
 - Meeting with Julia Laforge (Meewasin Valley Authority)
- 2007/10/20
- Working on “Cupless Campus” project
- 2007/10/23
- Sheaf article
 - Trick or Eat volunteering in the tunnel
 - Student Issues Board Meeting
 - Cupless Campus project
 - Meeting with Charlie Clark- Ward 6
- 2007/10/24
- Op/Fin Board meeting
 - Campus Sustainability Day
 - Community, the Campus and Deep Economy web seminar
 - Carbon Inventory and Reduction process
 - Waste Audit in Lower Place Riel (11:30-1)
 - Vermi-composting presentation
 - Curbside Recycling presentation
 - Greenhouse gas forum
 - Reception with Margret Asmuss, Kelly Goyer and crew
- 2007/10/25

- Media Interviews about “Cupless Campus” project:
 - o CTV News
 - o CBC News
 - o CBC Radio
 - o On Campus News
 - o CKOM Radio
- Center’s Meeting
- Orientation reception
- USC meeting

2007/10/26-

- Sheaf Interview
- Lunch with Grad Student’s Association
- Critical Mass
- Political Leaders Debate
- Rooftop Gardening meeting

2007/10/29-

- Sheaf Interview
- Meeting about Waste Audit with Dr. Bailey (Vet. med Dean)
- Met with Student (Katie)
- Vermi-composting education
- Ad Hoc Daycare meeting

2007/10/30-

- Exec Meeting
- Financial Review
- Admin Team
- Met with student (Anjali Hill) about student health and dental concern
- Rick Mercer- Canada’s Greatest PM

2007/10/31

- Op/Fin Board meeting
- Sustainability Board meeting

November 2007

2007/11/01

- Communications meeting
- Human Right’s Conference
- Eco-bash planning
- USC and social

2007/11/02- Human Right’s Conference

2007/11/05-

- Working on Integrated Plan submission
- David Bwalkali proposal
- Exec Meeting
- Met with 2 students about CUPE strike
- David Hannah (CUPE Update)

2007/11/06

- Daycare meeting
- Working on Integrated Plan submission
- Met with 2 students regarding eco-bash
- Christmas Social Planning Committee
- Met with Engineers With-out Borders

2007/11/07

- Op/Fin Board meeting
- CUPE Strike meeting
- Meeting with Ken Flad, Library associate Dean
- Coffee house proposal

2007/11/08

- Communications meeting
- Centers meeting
- Student Issues Meeting
- USC
- Eco-bash

2007/11/09

- Sustainability Board meeting
- Compiling strategies to reduce Greenhouse Gas emissions on campus

2007/11/13

- Preparing minutes from board meetings
- Sheaf Interview

2007/11/14

- International students
- Op/Fin Board meeting
- AGM
- Engineers with-out borders
- University Council Integrated Planning meeting

2007/11/15-funeral leave

2007/11/16-funeral leave

2007/11/19- funeral leave

2007/11/20

-Strike

-Daycare committee update

-Integrated Planning Meeting

2007/11/21

-President's Breakfast

-Op/fin board

Meeting with SEA, FMD, Intergrated Design re: LEED

-Sustainability Board Meeting

2007/11/22-ADO

-Student Issues Board Meeting

-USC

2007/11/23-

-Met with Shannon Dyck (Student)
-Met with Dylan Rose (Scholarships)
-USSU Christmas Party

2007/11/26

-meeting with 2 students
-meeting with USC member

2007/11/27

- Coffee with Cheryl Sedwick, Room Scheduling
- Meeting with Faculty Association president
- Meeting with Joanne Horsely, Victim Advocate
- Lunch with Kristin Foster, Student Care
- Exec Team

2007/11/28

--Op/fin board
--Health and Dental Plan Self Insurance presentation
--Meeting with the International Studies Student's Association
--Dinner with Student Care
George's (Louis manager) going away lunch

2007/11/29

- Meeting with Margret Asmuss about Green Career Fair
- Student Issues Board meeting
- USC
- November birthday party
- Integrated Planning Submission

2007/11/30

- Class
- Integrated Planning Submission

December 2007

2007/12/03

- Met with student regarding feasibility of Campus wide composting

2007/12/04

- ADO

2007/12/05

- Student parking concern
- Meeting with campus crusade for Christ
- Composting Task force

2007/12/06

- National Day of Remembrance and Action on Violence Against Women
- Sheaf Interview
- Victim Advocate Survey

2007/12/07

- ADO

2007/12/10

- Environmental Anthropology Final Exam
- 2007/12/11
- Holiday
- 2007/12/12
- Holiday
- 2007/12/13
- Holiday
- 2007/12/14
- EDO
- 2007/12/17
- Accountability Report
 - Met with student about Disability Student Services
- 2007/12/18
- Co-operative housing meeting; U of A PH. D Student
 - Student Advocacy network
 - USSU Gift Exchange
- 2007/12/19
- USSU Exec mid-year retreat at Saskatoon Inn
- 2007/12/20
- Prairie's Sustainable Campus' Conference Planning
 - Met with Campus Crusade for Christ; booking of convocation hall
- 2007/12/2
- Prairie's Sustainable Campus' Conference Planning
 - House keeping

Student Submission to the Second Integrated Planning Cycle
Prepared by the University of Saskatchewan Students' Union
December 2007

Planning is a very important aspect to a University, and we as students are thrilled to be involved in the process. The University is comprised of Students, Administration, Faculty, and Staff and it is important to get all these viewpoints when something of this importance is being undertaken. This submission is structured to include comments on the themes and specific recommendations to the Plan that may or may not fall within the themes that were identified. We expect that the student's voice will be heard and taken into account, as this institution is our home for four years or more and we deserve to have a substantial say in how it is governed and run.

Comments on Themes

Enhancing the Student Experience

The 'Student Experience' has been a pretty popular buzzword around campuses all across Canada. One thing that is lacking is a substantive definition as to what the 'student experience' entails. Some people, including influential administrators, identify the 'student experience' as a purely academic experience. We at the USSU defines the student experience as follows:

“The student experience encompasses both experiences in and outside the academic arena.”

This experience is integral to what they obtain from their education at the University of Saskatchewan. Being involved in campus clubs, student governance, social activities, or simply having a great place to eat lunch is all a part of the student experience. Many research-intensive universities in Canada are trying to improve the student experience at their institutions. Places such as the University of Toronto are attempting to construct better places for students to spend time while at the university instead of hopping on a bus to go home. The University of Saskatchewan does a poor job at creating a sense of community among the students. Generally students identify with their colleges, or in the case of Arts and Science, their specific program. In order to create a community at the University of Saskatchewan students first need to feel respected by the University, something that CUSC (Canadian Undergraduate Survey Consortium) shows is not happening. One way of doing this is providing ample campus club space and a central area for students to spend time in. On our campus, this is Place Riel, a building that is in dire need of a multi-million dollar facelift and expansion.

Another way to foster community in a University is through the creation of smaller spaces around the University for students. There used to be many of these, but throughout the years they have been turned into office and other administrative spaces. These areas are important for students to have some much-needed down time and for them to do some homework. The creation of these spaces, in addition to improving

existing student spaces, could do a lot in convincing students to stay at University after classes instead of taking off on the bus to go home. This would help to create more of a community on campus.

The University of Western Ontario is given the title every year of having the best 'student experience' in Canada by the Globe and Mail. They pride themselves on providing the best climate for students to be involved in activities both on and off campus, something that gives students more of a sense of belonging.

The University of Saskatchewan needs to look at Western to see what they are doing right, and try to duplicate that here. One of the biggest differences between Western and the U of S is residence life. It is no secret that residence students are the most active on campus and the most likely to be involved in activities on and off campus. Western has added 1,768 new residence spaces since 1997 **and** guarantees a residence space to every first-year student, something that 85% of the first year class does (Globe and Mail, How Western Stays on Top). The U of S pales in comparison with residences, where only 8% of students have the opportunity to live (Student Satisfactory Inventory, 2003). There are not enough, and the ones that do exist are pretty grungy and old, and this is shown in CUSC, where only 53-67% of students are satisfied with University residences. This is extremely important in fostering a community at a University, and it is an area the University needs to improve in. Especially considering the current housing market making it so difficult for students to find quality housing in Saskatoon, residences are needed, both family units and single/shared units. For many young people looking at post-secondary institutions to attend, this may be a deterrent for the U of S. In the past year, there have been at least 951 units converted into condos in the city, representing 951 less units available on the market for students to rent (Canada.com, City sees big growth in condo conversions). What this does not reflect is the increased cost of renting in Saskatoon. Students need the stability that residence is able to offer them in order to have a great student experience, and allow them the time to focus on their academics.

1. Teaching and Learning in the Classroom

- a. This part of the themes speaks of teaching evaluations. This is an extremely important part to a student's experience on campus. In many cases, a Professor will make or break a class for a student. If you get a bad Professor, your experience with that subject and with University as a whole will be tainted. The only mechanism that exists for students to express their discontent with a Professor is through teaching evaluations. One problem that exists is that there is no continuity throughout the University in regards to teaching evaluations; they are not mandatory. There are 26-24% of students on campus, according to CUSC, that are not given a chance to evaluate their courses and professors in most of their classes. This number does not reflect those students who may fill out three teaching evaluations in a term and not fill out evaluations for the other two classes that they have taken.

The majority of Universities across Canada already have mandatory teaching evaluations, and many are working towards publicizing them (something that the College of Law here at the University of Saskatchewan already does). The University of Alberta evaluations are both mandatory and public. The University of British Columbia has mandatory evaluations and is working to make at least part of them public. Dalhousie University, Brock University, British Columbia Institute of Technology, Saint Mary's University, Red Deer College, and a host of others have mandatory teaching evaluations. In fact, when a survey was done by the USSU, the only institution that replied that did not have mandatory teaching evaluations was the Saskatchewan Institute of Applied Sciences and Technologies.

The main argument against mandatory teaching evaluations is that the Collective Bargain for the Faculty Association does not account for them, and therefore they are unable to be forced upon faculty. This is a misnomer, for many units at the University of Saskatchewan already have mandatory evaluations, such as Computer Science, the School of Physical Therapy, and the college of Engineering. If these departments/schools/colleges are able to make evaluations mandatory without having it in the collective bargain for the USFA, the rest of the University should be able to as well. It is our recommendation that the University work to implement teaching evaluations as mandatory for all faculty, sessional lectures, teaching assistants, lab technicians, and any other persons who are paid and teach students in some way. Furthermore, these evaluations need to be taken seriously by department heads and deans, because again this is the only mechanism that students have to express discontent with a professor. Currently many professors are not held accountable for these evaluations, even though they are used in promotion. Quality of education is integral to a positive student experience, and this is one way in which it can be achieved.

- b. Another issue with Professors is that although they may be extremely learned in their subject matter, a PhD does not guarantee that they know how to properly convey information to students. Some completely focus on their research, and while it is important to have faculty that is up to date and knowledgeable in their subject, these people do not put the time or energy into learning to how teach, and many times rely on supplementary materials provided by publishers and paid for by students. There needs to be some sort of mandatory class for all new faculty, TAs, and Lab Technicians to take upon hiring that could be facilitated through the Gwenna Moss Centre for Teaching and Learning to teach them how to teach. Already there exists a class very similar to this, but it is extremely underused.

Someone may have a wealth of information, but if they are unable to transmit that information properly it is lost and it is at the students detriment.

2. Experiential Learning

Exchanges, co-op programs, and any type of work experience is a huge benefit to those students who are able to access it. The USSU supports expansion in this area whole-heartily.

3. Student Services

- a. Currently it is extremely expensive to attend University. Tuition prices have risen 217% in the last 15 years and living costs have skyrocketed in Saskatoon even within the last two years. There should not be more barriers made to students who wish to access the University of Saskatchewan. The cost of textbooks is one more barrier to attaining an education at the U of S. It is not unusual for an Arts and Science student (arguably the student who would spend the least amount on textbooks) to spend upwards of \$1000 for textbooks in a single year. The mandate of the University Bookstore must change. Considering the high cost of PSE in Canada, textbooks are simply another 'user fee' that students are forced to pay. Therefore, not only does the Bookstore need to be run on a cost-neutral model (only making enough revenue to cover operating costs), but it needs to have the philosophy of 'providing academic materials for the lowest cost possible', as is the philosophy of the bookstore at Queen's University. Managers need to seek out the cheapest source of academic materials, provide links to competitors on its website where prices may be cheaper, educate professors and printing services about 'fair dealing', and urge professors to use low cost alternatives to regularly priced textbooks.

Any money that the bookstore happens to profit at the end of the fiscal year should be reinvested into the bookstore to provide better services to students. This is the policy at many other campus bookstores across Canada. Furthermore, the University must cease to take out large sums of money from the Bookstores budget for auxiliary fees and the like if it is doing so. Money that the Bookstore makes must remain in the bookstore. Athletics and scholarships need to be funded, but not at the additional expense of students. This is stressed especially in the area of athletics, for students already pay two dedicated fees to Huskie Athletics and Campus Rec.

- b. There is no formalized interaction between the University Bookstore and the Student's Union, in particular the Vice President of Academic Affairs. Numerous other institutions across Canada have formed a steering committee/overview mechanism that includes Administrators, Managers, and student leaders. The University of Alberta is the best example, for they have exemplary communication between the

Student's Union and Bookstore. Through this relationship, they have managed to keep textbooks at a low cost and to spearhead numerous textbook initiatives across Canada.

We suggest that such a body be created at the University of Saskatchewan. Its members would be comprised of the Vice President Academic Affairs of the University of Saskatchewan Student's Union, the President of the USSU or designate, the Bookstore manager, and a few other persons the Manager sees fit. This body would be in charge of directing the philosophy and mandate of the bookstore, which would encompass reviewing finances and making recommendations to the University Administration. Communication is key in all workings of the bookstore, for students make up the large majority of customers, and unlike many other businesses, the Bookstore's customers largely have no other option to take their business. Student's need to be included in the processes, and this is one incredibly important part.

- c. The University Bookstore needs to cease attempting to wipe out 'competition' on campus. The majority of campuses in Canada have student run bookstores and there are no attempts by other Bookstores to put them out of business. In fact, many Bookstores work with the student run store to provide exemplary service to students. This includes allowing student stores to run on the same system as the bookstore, providing links to the student store on their website, and providing book lists in a reasonable time. Students do not need to be told where they are to buy textbooks, and if they wish to sell them consignment they should be allowed to do so without going to a private distributor off campus.
- d. We hope to work with the University in the future to match the needs of the student body. One way in which this would be possible is by allowing students to use their meal cards at Louis'. This is something that the Residence Association and the USSU has been asking for for quite awhile now. It is understood that Food Services needs to maintain their current levels of production, but allowing students to use their meal card at Louis' for two meals a week will not have a noticeable impact on business at Marquis. By allowing students to eat at Louis', it would give them one more option in a very different setting then they are currently allowed and perhaps improve their student experience.
- e. Another issue that pertains to residence life is that of the food quality. For years there have been persistent complaints from residence students in regards to the quality of the food they are offered. Those in Consumer Services who provide food services to residence students

need to have regular meetings with residence student leaders, as well as the USSU, to address these issues.

- f. These meetings between residence student leaders and the USSU will also enable a conversation to happen around the management of residence in general. Over the past year, the USSU has tried to get residence students to be included in provincial legislation that would give them the same rights as other tenets. This is just one indication of the unrest among students in relation to how their residence is managed, and these concerns need to be heard.

4. E-learning

We have seen a trend at the University of Saskatchewan to offer more E-learning classes. This is absolutely wonderful, as it allows some students to attend university outside of Saskatoon, possibly allowing them to remain in their home community. Not only does this address costs of attending post-secondary education, but it also lessens the shock that university can give a person. There are even students who live in Saskatoon who prefer to take classes online because of work schedules.

Although E-learning has the opportunity to improve accessibility for post-secondary education, the needs of the students on campus must not be ignored. We are starting to see classes moved to completely online and the in-class version is being cut. This has a drastic effect on some people's quality of education, because many need that in-class experience to fully understand and comprehend the material. There are online tools that attempt to ease this issue, but there is still no substitute for an in-class experience. We at the USSU fully supports this move to put classes online, but opposes cutting in-class experiences in favour of online ones.

Practice Effective Enrolment Management

We at the USSU understand that it is forecasted that the U of S will be in an enrolment crisis in the next 15 years. With a stagnant and possibly declining enrolment there are significant concerns regarding funding. The improvements to the student experience could have a significant impact on retention, as well as recruitment.

The University of Saskatchewan Administration has identified the U of S as a graduate and research-intensive University on many occasions. Although it is understood that graduate studies and research is important to the quality of undergraduate education, there needs to be a renewed focus on undergraduate education. Many programs currently are extremely under funded, and this contributes to feelings of unimportance from the students at the University as a whole.

The current trend at the U of S is to produce new and innovative curriculum in an attempt to attract out of province and in province students to our University. Although this is important, it is equally important to remain at the top in regards to the quality of our core programs, such as mechanical engineering, religious studies, agriculture economics, anthropology, etc. Without these programs, the U of S is only a research and graduate university. Through the creation of all these new programs, resources are being taken away from the existing programs, which is unacceptable.

For example, the new School of Public Policy is going to offer a Masters in Public Administration. This is a great initiative that has the potential to benefit students, but in a draft document for the program indicates, “it is expected that at a minimum there would be faculty from agriculture economics (1.0 FTE), political studies (1.0 FTE), and history (0.5 supernumerary FTE) that would wish to transfer to the School... Sociology (1.0 FTE) and the other is in Commerce (1.0 FTE).” (School of Public Policy Proposal, pg 10) Furthermore in the Master of Public Policy proposal package, it indicates that there will be “no plans to ‘backfill’ positions.” This is extremely alarming that this is the direction that the University is headed in. With resources being taken from our undergraduate education, there is going to be a continued decrease of classes available for students, something that is already identified as an issue by students in CUSC.

Resources need to continue to be invested in the current programs offered in our undergraduate education in order to maintain current quality levels, as well as to attract students to these programs.

Accelerate Research Momentum

Refer to “Practice Effective Enrolment Management”.

Foster an Engaged University

1. Engaged Learning

As was stated earlier, any opportunity for a student to engage in real world experience is extremely beneficial to their education, and to their student experience.

2. Engaged Scholarship

a. Again, awesome.

Enhance Aboriginal Programming and Scholarship

With a possible enrolment crisis looming in the next 15 years, it is only logical to increase the opportunities for Aboriginal peoples to attend the U of S. Anything that can be done to achieve this is excellent. It is also important to create an environment where Aboriginal peoples will feel accepted and comfortable in. One method in doing so would be to educate current students about Aboriginal issues, and by making the Aboriginal community more visible on campus. There is the Pow Wow that is hosted every year by the University, but these types of things need to happen more often.

Champion Faculty Recruitment and Retention

As stated earlier, a professor can make or break a learning experience for a student. Quality professors translate into a quality education, which is integral to achieve an excellent education. But, again these faculty need to be trained in how to properly convey information to students, through a mandatory class on how to teach.

Build a High-Performance and Environmentally Sustainable Organization

1. Service Quality

- a. Library hours are always a contentious debate with students. Many students have different schedules, and many prefer or are only able to do homework during the night. There is no space on campus that is available to students during the night for them to safely study and do work. With the renovations proposed to the Library, one floor needs to be always open for students with security services to ensure safety. There does not need to be the capacity to check books out of the library, it only needs to be a safe and secure place for students to study and access material and the computers.
- b. Another issue on campus relates to Student Central. The move to centralize the majority of student services in one area was a great accomplishment and has benefited students immensely. Where the problem lies is in the hours of operation of Student Central. Currently, students in professional programs and those with a heavy course load have mandatory classes and clinical responsibilities during the day, so an 8 to 430 pm workday at Student Central is not convenient for them. This problem also transmits over to off campus students who may be on their internship, on a co-op, or a work placement. These students pay fees just like the rest of the student body and they need access to these services as well. By having Student Central open for one evening a week until 7 or 8 pm, these students would be able to access the services that they need. Furthermore, continuing to put as many services as possible online also help those students who may not be able to access student central for whatever reason.

3. Environmental Sustainability

- a. Designating a Sustainability Advisory Committee as an accountable advisory committee to the University administration

The 2002 Sustainability Assessment recommended the implementation of a Sustainability Advisory Committee consisting of administrators, staff, students, and faculty to act as a multi-stakeholder body to advise the University on issues relating to social and environmental sustainability. For the University to fulfill its responsibilities toward sustainability,

campus community leaders representing different roles on campus must all be enabled to work together to ensure efficiency and effectiveness.

The University of Calgary recently embarked on a comprehensive strategy for campus sustainability. Under the organizational structure of the Sustainability Stewardship Working Group 13 interdisciplinary teams have a mandate to research, identify, implement, and report on initiatives that directly address priorities for campus sustainability. The teams address the following issues: governance and senior administration; curriculum and research; participation, collaboration, and communication; student clubs; procurement; transportation and mobility; energy and atmosphere; water management; land planning and new buildings; existing buildings; operations and maintenance; solid waste management; and health, safety, and wellness.

Each team is comprised of students, faculty, and staff representing a cross section of faculties and departments, in addition to being co-chaired by both a staff and a faculty member. By including all campus stakeholders, important cross-disciplinary solutions are developed, pan-campus dialogue is fostered, opportunities for leadership emerge, and the journey toward sustainability is furthered in a comprehensive way (<http://www.ucalgary.ca/sustainability/portfolios>).

- b. The creation of a Vice President portfolio focused on environmental and social sustainability

The creation, or reorganization, of a Vice President portfolio to focus on campus sustainability would visibly affirm the University's commitment to set sustainability as an institutional focal point. University administrators have the ability to establish campus-wide expectations for institutional changes by encouraging the development and implementation of processes and programs designed to bring about institutional change focused on sustainability. This Vice President could be tasked with developing working relationships among campus community members, organizing multistakeholder meetings, building ideas based on new input, writing project proposals, drafting budgets, timing funding requests, ensuring that campus community members and other stakeholders are satisfied and supportive, and generating solutions to problems that emerge along the way.

The University of Winnipeg recently displayed its commitment to sustainability by developing a Vice-President (Human Resources, Audit & Sustainability) portfolio to provide leadership on campus sustainability issues (<http://www.uwinnipeg.ca/index/admin-vp-hr>).

- c. The development of an Sustainability Office dedicated to environmental and social sustainability on campus

The development of a Sustainability Office would provide a central working point from which sustainability initiatives can grow out of and connect to. A Sustainability Office establishes applied resource support, in terms of real estate, which translates into funding, a significant place in organizational structure, increased partnership, and transparent working point. Applied support throughout an institution is needed if institutional inertia and opposition to change are to be overcome and a Sustainability Office can help to facilitate that. Numerous universities in Western Canada have successfully developed Sustainability Offices including the University of British Columbia (<http://www.sustain.ubc.ca/about.html>), the University of Calgary (<http://www.ucalgary.ca/sustainability/aboutus>), and the University of Winnipeg (<http://www.uwinnipeg.ca/index/sus-index>).

d. The democratic design of a Sustainability Policy for the University

The 2002 Sustainability Assessment recommended the formulation of a Sustainability Policy statement for the University that would include specific actions and outputs. Policy is a critical component of an effective sustainability strategy as it provides the justification and impetus for organizational change. When the campus community members who will carry it out design a policy democratically, a policy captures the potential to become a living document.

The University of Saskatchewan Students' Union set a precedent for student unions in North America with the adoption of the USSU Sustainability Policy which outlines details regarding environmental and procurement standards, assessment and reporting, and community collaborations. Facilities Management Division has also created an internal policy that could be utilized as the basis to design a University Sustainability Policy from.

The University of British Columbia's Sustainable Development Policy enabled the CSO to develop an award-winning Sustainability Coordinator Program to provide important opportunities for staff and faculty from across the UBC campus to socialize, network, and learn to implement sustainable practices in their work. The Sustainability Coordinator Program is now a foundation implementing the UBC's Sustainable Development Policy in each of the university's 300 departments (<http://www.sustain.ubc.ca/sc.html>).

e. Implementing Sustainability Assessment Program that utilizes student research in course work using best practice tools

The 2002 Sustainability Assessment recommended that the University monitor progress towards sustainability through the reassessment of

implementation strategies so that continued improvements can be made. Numerous organizations including the Association for the Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education, the International Organization of Standardization, the Sustainable Endowments Institute, and the Sustainable Campuses Project all recognize the importance of assessment in facilitating more effective and efficient action on campus sustainability performance improvements.

Numerous examples at the University provide evidence that support this conception. The mandated development of the USSU's Sustainability Management System through the USSU Sustainability Policy has helped to facilitate annual assessment and reporting on the organization's social and environmental sustainability. Facilities Management Division also recently released a report with findings from a greenhouse gases inventory that was conducted through student internships over the course of two summers. These types of assessments could be completed in other areas to help renew the University's organizational vision.

The Sustainability Assessment Program concept strives for continuous improvement of sustainability on campus. Research enhances campus operations; operations provide opportunities for applied research; and the new knowledge informs curriculum development and the creation of future leaders, and that can be used as working definition of campus sustainability.

f. Promoting a culture of sustainability through practical application:

Academics and Research

- Only a decade or so ago, the university had two surface climate specialists. Now, there are none. Surface climate specialists are central to learning about climate change and global warming. Saskatchewan needs these specialists to study the province and monitor our effects on the environment. The university should re-institute specialists in the field and develop a surface climate area of study.
- Corporate sponsorship that comes from companies that violate the environment should be minimized.
- Create cognate classes between Environmental Studies and other areas of study. For example, create classes such as Sociology and the Environment; The Gendered Environment; The Environment in Literature; etc.
- Faculty needs training on saving resources such as paper. Academics should be revolutionized so that double-sided printing and electronic submission of assignments is acceptable, and handouts in class are unacceptable (since almost everything is posted on PAWS anyways or can be displayed using digital technology).

- Faculty should be encouraged to use the same text and edition for as many years as possible because new texts every other year create heaps of useless, wasted books.
- There should be a scholarship specifically for environmental scholarship or activism but it should not be restricted to Geography or LUEST.
- Each department should develop a .3 credit class that relates sustainability to the subject area, and the class would be a mandatory part of all degree levels.

Education and Awareness

- Sustainability is only now becoming a major issue with our provincial and federal governments; therefore many students, faculty, staff and administration are still unaware what environmental sustainability implies. The University of Saskatchewan's role in education about sustainability and global citizenship cannot be underestimated. When members of society are educated about the importance of sustainability, they are more likely to put their energy and income behind sustainable initiatives. It is important for our University to be in alignment with the UN Decade of Education for Sustainable Development (2005-2014).
- The USSU promotes the Sustainability Pledge and the Ways to be Sustainable at the U of S through the USSU Survival Guide, website, LCD monitors and one on one consultation. The USSU plays a critical role by increasing environmental awareness and stewardship at the U of S. The USSU also hosts public events, such as the USSU Waste Audit, and ECOBASH were held in 2006 and 2007. The Cupless campus project showcased the insane volume of disposable coffee cups discarded daily. These projects are effective ways to attract and engage the attention of the campus, the community, and the media.
- The University of Saskatchewan needs to expand education program to cover simple life changes to Reduce Reuse and Recycle (ex. bring your own mugs, walk to school (health and well being etc.) cycle to school, running routes, etc.)

Energy Efficiency

- Sensor lights - (lights dim or turn off in areas where there is no motion and re-activate upon sensor tripping)
- Computers need to be shut down at night, except for certain designated 24 hour computer rooms
- Re-evaluation of University heating methods (ex. heaters by all the doors, doors that do not seal (leaking energy), Heating during summer time etc)
- Less energy/time/fuel should be spent cutting grass and irrigating it. Longer grass, even if just slightly longer, cools the earth

dramatically more and retains more moisture.

Food Services

- Annually audit the waste that food services produces preparing food.
- To reduce the unnecessary waste, implement recycling and composting programs behind the counters at all food services. Food services should receive some sort of reward for reducing waste.
- Train all present and future employees about waste prevention and reduction.
- Phase out the use of Styrofoam cups, bowls, etc.
- Napkins, plates, bowls, etc. should be sourced from environmentally managed forests or recycled paper.
- Food that gets thrown in the garbage at the end of the day because it did not sell should be delivered to/picked up by the Food Bank or given to students, who are surely hungry. Lots of perfectly good food is thrown away because of over-cautious regulations.
- Beverages that people can dispense in a mug should cost substantially less than if they used a paper cup. By the end of the five-year plan, food services should have phased out throwaway cups completely.
- Make space in the Place Riel Renovations for the Farmer's Market to set up during an afternoon once per week.
- Require the food services commercial provider to phase out food and beverages that are not organic, local, or fair trade where options are available. If options are not available, require food services to make a public announcement that the U of S is in the market for an organic, local, or fair trade product that does not yet exist. Given the university's buying power, producers may develop the product because they know there is a guaranteed buyer.

Greenhouse Gas Recommendations

- The University of Saskatchewan's Greenhouse Gas inventory was released on Campus Sustainability Day; October 24, 2007. The full greenhouse gas inventory may be found at:
<http://facilities.usask.ca/sustainability/Documents/FinalUofSGHGReport2007.pdf>
- Sustainability research that examines our own current production of greenhouse gases is important, however a comprehensive action plan is still needed. Large reductions in greenhouse gas emissions are required to avoid serious consequences for the University community and city of Saskatoon.
- Recommendations to reduce GHG at the University of Saskatchewan:
 - 1) Ensure all of the University of Saskatchewan's new and replacement electricity generation facilities are either emission-free or fully offset by emission credits.
 - 2) Develop strategic conservation criteria to reduce the University of Saskatchewan's electricity load (IE. Through turning off

computers at night, motion censored lighting, eliminating escalators)

- 3) Work with the College of Engineering to develop E-85 (fuel blends of 85% ethanol and 15 % gasoline) to use on campus
 - 4) Develop biofuel projects for grad/ undergrad students
 - 5) Implement a vehicle purchasing policy that requires all University of Saskatchewan vehicles to be hybrid-electric, alternative or flex fuel, or within the top 20% efficiency in their class
 - 6) Plant more trees on campus to act as carbon sinks
 - 7) Support research for carbon capturing technologies in the oil, gas, and electricity sectors
 - 8) Integrate concepts and principles of sustainable development into university degree requirements
 - 9) Create classes focused on energy efficiency retrofits, solar, wind, and biomass applications
 - 10) Utilize Saskatchewan's most abundant resource (WIND) and build wind turbines.
 - 11) Expand UPASS to include faculty and staff.
 - 12) Reduce solid waste through campus wide composting and expanded recycling services.
 - 13) Re-examine the use of agricultural fertilizers and sprays on university grounds.
 - 14) Reduce idling and write tickets for idling cars.
 - 15) Start a car-sharing co-op and online database for students, faculty and staff
 - 16) Build enclosed bike compounds to encourage all season biking and reduce bicycle theft
 - 17) Local food purchasing
 - 18) Rooftop gardens on existing buildings
- Experiential learning: Footprint Design, the engineering for sustainability student group, has designed a proposal for an on campus student built wind turbine project. Over \$2000 of the projected \$5000 wind turbine cost has already been raised through fundraisers. The wind turbine should be capable of producing 7 KW of renewable energy at high wind speeds and steadily produce approximately 1 KW every hour. Over the course of a year the wind turbine would produce 8760 KWH of renewable energy, which is enough to power 2 houses. For every 1 KW of electricity made with a renewable energy source, 4.58 kg of green house gasses are saved. The proposed wind turbine would cut green house gas emissions by 800 tons over its 20-year life span. The wind turbine diagram shown below is available on the Footprint Design website:
<http://www.footprintdesign.usask.ca/windmill/>
 - Students are currently working on renewable energy projects to

reduce GHG's and the University of Saskatchewan should recognize that renewable energy is of utmost importance to the campus community.

Sustainable Development

- **Green Building and LEED Development:**
A number of studies that consider the life cycle cost of green buildings suggest that a 9,300 m² (100,000 ft²) building can achieve a \$1,000,000 operational savings over a 20 year period by incorporating green design principals into its construction, not including the net benefit of increased property values or staff productivity. The College of Law Building expansion is striving for the Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) Gold Certification and should be the first building on the U of S campus to be LEED Certified. The upcoming Place Riel renovation provides an opportunity for the USSU to showcase leadership in sustainable building design and technologies.
- Adherence to LEED should be required of all new construction projects. If it's not economically viable for new buildings to get LEED certification, the university should aspire to the standards.
- The LEED rating system can verify that a building has achieved an established environmental standard. Some LEED strategies include:
 - a. Instillation Low flow toilets
 - b. Instillation of low flow sensor faucets
 - c. Green roofs
- Buildings should have green space, using the Vet Med atrium as an example. Greenrooms could be designed for comfortable studying. Plants should also be in corridors such as in Arts where there are lots of windows and plenty of sunlight. Plants could easily blend into building despite high traffic. Future buildings should definitely have plants throughout.

Sustainability Management System

- A Sustainability Management System is needed to address sustainability issues at the University of Saskatchewan. Aside from the Sustainability Coordinator position, there is currently no staff person dedicated to monitor sustainability within the University of Saskatchewan. A Sustainability Management System is a large responsibility that requires a full time position. A Sustainability Management System will benefit the University of Saskatchewan by:
 1. Enabling triple-bottom line accounting (economic, social, and environmental) that can help to balance the service operations with the business operations of the University of Saskatchewan;
 2. Establishing a direct link to the University of Saskatchewan governance structures, to help make decisions regarding

- sustainability more efficiently;
3. Providing greater accountability and enforcement capability for the implementation of Sustainability on campus.
 4. Creating sustainable performance targets for University sustainability, to align the direction of the governance, services, and operations.

Sustainable & Ethical Purchasing

Separate accounting codes should be created for items such as:

- Organic, non-GMO, local, or fair trade food
- Sustainable paper products
- Equipment that is energy efficient
- Purchases that have undergone a life-cycle cost analysis

The Board of Governors, having the responsibility for the management and control of the University and ensuring accountability to stakeholders, is committed to seeing that the University operates in an economically, socially and environmentally responsible manner (the "triple bottom line"), while recognizing the interests of its stakeholders.

The University of Saskatchewan needs a framework to guide Administration's actions in achieving, recording and reporting on corporate social responsibility objectives at the University of Saskatchewan.

The U of S accountant's can adopt the USSUs' simple Purchasers' Checklist (In Appendix 4 of the USSU Sustainability assessment) to be used as part of a Campus wide Sustainable Purchasing Strategy. A great example of a sustainable purchasing sheet can be found on the Sustainability Solutions Group's website:

<http://www.sustainabilitysolutions.ca/downloads/13.%20Sustainability%20Data%20Sheet.pdf>

Transportation

- New incentives for bikes, such as bike lanes with any new road construction and bike compounds to increase security.
- U of S students voted the UPass in with a solid majority (59%) and the largest voter turnout in USSU history (43%). The UPass referendum made public transit much more affordable for students by lowering the cost of a bus pass for the fall and winter terms from \$398 to \$118. Campuses across North America have experienced great success with the implementation of a campus UPass and the UPass should be reevaluated to include faculty and staff members of the University of Saskatchewan.

- In addition, the U of S Administration should help subsidize the implementation of UPass because it significantly decrease the University's ecological footprint in terms of greenhouse gas emissions and the built environment of parking infrastructure.

Waste Reduction

- Composting: The U of S campus composting program, that began more than a decade ago, has paid dividends economically and environmentally by saving the U of S hundreds of thousands of dollars a year in reduced landfill charges, tipping fees, and lower grounds maintenance costs. The program has traditionally composted yard waste, grass clippings, leaves, and greenhouse refuse. Facilities Management Division is planning a pilot composting plot for food scraps which the USSU food services could provide food waste for. The Simon Fraser Student Society, have significantly reduced their daily waste output and waste costs by implementing a successful composting project. The University of Saskatchewan needs to expand pilot composting and have further discussions with food services.
- Recycling
 - The recycling center is small—it needs a much larger facility.
 - All paper used by Administration, IT, the USSU, etc. should be non-bleached, post-consumer.
- Other suggestions for Waste Reduction
 - Sticker campaign (in washrooms) to reduce paper towel use (UBC has a similar education program)
 - Husky stores to sell 'husky' branded reusable bags
 - Financial incentives - bring your own mug to receive a discount
 - Campus wide waste audit to be conducted by the Waste Prevention Coordinator at Facilities Management

Water Conservation

- Install Low flow shower heads in the PAC
- Use gray water for irrigation
- Maximize water absorption through evening irrigation

Other Recommendations

Academic Advising

Students come to University to get an education. This education is what is going to propel them through their lives, and it is critical that they take the right classes at the right time. Not doing so will hinder their academic careers, and add extra time onto the completion of their degree that puts many students further and further into debt. This is

why quality and access to academic advising is critical to the success of a university student.

In CUSC, 74-75% of undergraduate students were satisfied with academic advising. This appears to be an adequate number, but when one considers the 25-26% of students who are not satisfied with academic advising, it translates into roughly 4,680 students who have had issues with the quality of their advising. This is unacceptable for an institution that exists to educate people.

Furthermore, although the majority of students are satisfied with their academic advising, there are problems in accessing academic advising in the first place. CUSC reveals that only 58-60% of first years had a least 'some success' in getting academic advising. If students are unable to access academic advising, their academic future is in jeopardy.

One of the themes of this round of Integrated Planning is "Practice Effective Enrolment Management", which includes retention. As CUSC indicates, 87% of graduating students accessed the services of an academic advisor, while the Retention Study in 2006 shows that only 63% of early leavers accessed this service. Therefore, it is imperative that students are able to easily access academic advising in their early years. This would contribute to a greater retention rate, along with a better student experience for the undergraduate population.

There is a problem on campus concerning academic advising. Undergraduate students believe that this services needs improvements, as it is integral to their success at University. These advisors need to be properly trained in requirements for students' majors, as well as being accessible for students.

Processes

Many of the recommendations that have been laid out in this submission are fairly large endeavors, although they are extremely important and integral to the student experience. There are smaller things that the University could focus on that would have a fairly drastic change on the way that students perceive the University administration and experience. This would include processing forms faster. Although this seems like its so small, it actually has a huge effect on how a student's experience is. If an academic advisor gives the wrong advice to a student, which is entirely possible even with the best training, there are mechanisms in place. But these things, such as grad checks and applications for graduation, should not take four months to get a response. This is not enough time for students to rearrange their classes in order to graduate when they were planning on and enter the workforce. There should be a six-week turnaround period for forms such as this in order to enable the student to properly plan their university career.

Accessibility for Students

It is important for students to be able to use university facilities, and access services, regardless of location of studies, or level of workload.

University is an incredibly expensive endeavor for students. There is a need for more needs based grants to assist those in lower income situations to access University. Tuition fees have increased 217% in the past 15 years, and this is a huge barrier for a large portion of the population. This is one way in which the University Administration could increase enrollment at the University of Saskatchewan.

In addition to more needs based grants, there is a huge lack of scholarships and bursaries for those students who are involved in the community and the University. Although it is incredibly important to reward those who excel academically, many students sacrifice time that could be used for studying to be involved in the community and the University. These students are just as deserving as those who are academically inclined to achieve exemplary grades. Some volunteer upwards of 20 hours a week to organizations and causes that are very important. This would encourage student involvement on campus, which would lead to an increased feeling of community among students at the U of S and therefore create a positive student experience.

Student Involvement in the University Community

In addition to scholarships and bursaries for those who are involved in the community, there needs to be flexibility for those students who wish to be involved in University governance. Firstly, University Council needs to occur at a time when students from every college have an opportunity to attend. With the current time of Thursday at 2:30, students from professional colleges are faced with the choice of skipping classes in order to attend and represent their students. Secondly, faculty needs to be lenient with those students who wish to be involved in the University community. Student societies, University governance structures, and other campus activities are integral to a positive student experience as well as the development of a University community. This is not to say that students should be allowed to miss lectures and labs at any time, but currently there is little flexibility for these activities.

Student Health/Safety

It is important for students to have opportunity to stay healthy, and live in a healthy and safe environment.

The campus should be mostly non-smoking. Saskatoon Health Region property already follows this policy, and the USSU believes that it would be beneficial to the University community to utilize this policy on campus. Smoking outdoors leads to littering, possible fire hazards, and unpleasant odors other students and staff must deal with. The University of Saskatchewan could take a leadership role in healthy lifestyles by doing much more to

discourage smoking. We do understand that making the entire campus non-smoking would be absolutely impossible, for asking staff and students who have this addiction to walk off campus grounds to smoke is unreasonable. What has been done at other universities such as Concordia and UBC – Okanagan is that specific places are designated smoking areas, and you may only smoke in these areas. Concordia has smoking pads with a bench and an ashtray with a line drawn around it to indicate where smoking is permitted. If the smoker smokes somewhere else other than these designated areas they are given a ticket.

Another issue is that of the health clinic. Having this on campus is spectacular for students, but the current hours do not make it easy for many students to access the health clinic. As with Student Central, it would be very beneficial if the hours were extended for one or two nights a week to accommodate those students who have a busy day and are unable to make doctor appointments.

Place Riel

For nearly 30 years, Place Riel has been the hub of excitement amongst students on campus. This is the centre of campus, where students and staff engage in chitchat, and utilize the many businesses and services of the USSU. This draws directly into enhancing the student experience. What better way to enhance the student experience than by taking initiative and aiding the students by giving them a student centre they are proud of?

Right now, the USSU is struggling to get the renovation project off the ground. Repeated delays are drastically hurting the bottom line for this project, and with the increasing construction costs, this seems to only add to the problems. As of now, the USSU has \$16 million to do this project ... a renovation, an addition, and a relocation of essential services. This is simply becoming unfeasible because of things that we must put in the building at Administrations request. We have been doing everything we can, and feeling that our good deeds are not being reciprocated. This is THE most essential service on this campus, and we need this building to not only be for the students, but also be the front door of this campus.

The USSU would like that for the services that administration is requesting, be paid for by administration. This ensures that USSU essential services can be properly looked after within the constraints of our current financial position. We would appreciate if administration would understand the time sensitive nature of the project. Construction to Place Riel in September cannot happen. This would mean that for the nearly 20,000 trips taken through Place Riel daily, we would have to divert them through -30 Saskatchewan weather, something that is simply unfeasible. We need help in expediting the process so that construction will be able to commence in May.

Accountability of Administration and Governance

This University exists because there are students to educate. Administrators need to be accountable to the students, and student input needs to be valued and sought after at all times. Currently, reviews of senior administration are not conducted until the penultimate year of their term. In the case of administrators at the level of dean and below, this is unacceptable. Deans and anyone who falls under them and classified, as senior administration should be reviewed yearly with considerable student input from the relative student societies. Furthermore, if an incumbent wishes to seek another term, a meeting of faculty is conducted to discuss the progress the dean has made. There needs to be provision for a similar meeting of students to be conducted to discuss progress as well. Lastly, all administration and faculty needs to be held to a code of conduct becoming their interpersonal conduct and a process needs to be created to reprimand members who can be proven to have violated this code of conduct.

Conclusion

We submit this student commentary on the themes and recommendations for the second round of Integrated Planning here at the University of Saskatchewan. As students, we expect that these recommendations and comments will be heard and will influence the plan for our University for the next four years. Thank you for hearing us.

Daycare at the University of Saskatchewan A Submission to the Integrated Plan

Over the summer and fall of 2007 an ad hoc group was formed on campus based on a shared concern over the state of childcare at the University of Saskatchewan. Briefly, the initial concern was that the USSU Childcare Centre and the Campus Day Care Centre were informed that their leases (which have always provided for a nominal rent) were proposed to change to accommodate an increase of thousands of percent in order to compensate the university for utilities. In the case of the USSU Childcare Centre this would have meant an increase from \$1.00 per year to \$18,000.00 per year by the end of a three-year phase in. The ad hoc group challenged this proposal and was informed that since the childcare centres each had healthy bottom lines, they could afford the increase. When the centres further challenged this assertion it became immediately apparent that Corporate Administration had no understanding that:

1. *The Childcare Act* of Saskatchewan and its accompanying regulations require a three month operating reserve be maintained by any licensed childcare facility in the province hence the appearance that campus centres have healthy bottom lines. (see: *The Childcare Regulations, 2001*, <http://www.qp.gov.sk.ca/documents/English/Regulations/Regulations/C7-3R2.pdf>)
2. Despite putting every available dollar into staff wages, the wages of trained childcare workers at the two centres averages at about \$12.00 per hour. (For the norm in Saskatchewan, see: <http://www.learning.gov.sk.ca/>) This has far reaching implications for recruitment and retention of staff and consequences regarding quality of care.
3. Based on the above mentioned and other criteria, **any increase in operating costs for the centres would be borne solely by the students, faculty and staff** of the University of Saskatchewan who have children in the USSU Childcare Centre and the Campus Day Care.

As a result of our protestations, the university agreed to leave the leases as they are for a year and to re-visit this later. However, this prompted a decision to have a much more fulsome discussion about the broader issues and on October 29, 2007 a now expanded group met to explore the philosophical foundation of childcare at the University of Saskatchewan and a decision was reached to prepare a submission to the *Second Integrate Plan*. In our submission we intend to address the four critical goals and to establish why childcare is a crucial component of meeting those goals Additionally we will establish why the university must go on providing institutional support for the existing centres and the essential need for more spaces.

Before proceeding however, we wish to note our profound disappointment with the university's apparent lack of understanding about how seriously childcare support is needed. The *Second Integrated Planning Cycle: Emerging Trends and Themes* from February 2007 does not even mention childcare and, despite discussing emergent

demographic trends and the obvious need to engage Aboriginal students, the *Foundational Document on Aboriginal Initiatives* from 2003 only mentions the issue twice – once on page six where daycare is mentioned in relation to the number of Aboriginal students who are women and again on page nine when the document states that the university needs to consider a student daycare which recognizes the higher proportion of female Aboriginal students. The only other recent mentions of childcare are as follows: the February 19th, 1999 cover story of *On Campus News* announced, with significant fanfare, that then president George Ivany had endorsed the “Family Care Committee” which had been struck to “...conduct a mini-survey of faculty, staff, and students, inviting input on a host of questions concerning how such matters as childcare and care of the elderly affected work performance...”. In February of 2003 this committee released *Work-Life Balance at the University of Saskatchewan: A Report on Family Care Issues and Onsite Childcare*. Among other things, this report recommended that “The University should provide additional infant and toddler care spaces for students and create some infant and toddler spaces for its employees.” The report further recommended that the university develop a policy on family care. An Internet search of the university’s policies on October 31st, 2007 revealed only one policy on care that dates from 1993 (revised 2001) and which speaks only about reimbursement for care if an employee has to travel. Otherwise, the university has been and remains silent on this extraordinarily pressing issue.

Currently at the University of Saskatchewan there are 66 childcare spaces at the USSU Childcare Centre and 44 spaces at the Campus Daycare for a total of 110 spaces to accommodate the childcare needs of over 19,000 students and nearly 4000 staff and faculty members. (see http://www.usask.ca/ia/statistics/summary_pdfs/2005-2006_summary.pdf) The wait lists reported by the two centres attest to the complete inadequacy of these spaces. The USSU Childcare Centre reports 150 infants, 175 toddlers, and 140 pre-schoolers on their September/October wait list, while the Campus Daycare Centre has 90 preschoolers and 40 two and a half year olds on their wait list. In other words, the University of Saskatchewan is not proving to be an inclusive institution to at least 595 potential staff and students with young children. This number errs on the modest side as both directors report having phone calls from many, many more, most of whom do not even bother to leave their names. It is self-evident that the university would cease to function without the thousands of women who attend, teach and work here and while childcare is not exclusively a women’s issue, it remains absolutely clear that women continue to be the ones who assume primary responsibility for children by interrupting their education and jobs or careers to care for them.

Because the issues are now so well documented, it is unnecessary to provide more than a cursory reminder of the issues. What is, however, exceptionally needful is for the university to make a priority of remedying the shortfalls in childcare for the next Integrated Plan. Therefore, *we propose that the existing centres continue to be supported and that provision is made for expansion of spaces and an increased flexibility of daycare hours.*

University Wide Implication: This proposal impacts all sectors of the university – faculty, researchers, staff, graduate and undergraduate students alike. Accessible quality childcare clearly has the capacity to connect to the priorities of all departments where parents are engaged and it clearly supports the four critical goals of the University.

1. *Attract and retain outstanding faculty.* The days when faculty members were primarily male and had stay-at-home wives to look after children are long gone. Not only are there far more female faculty members, but married couples are also being jointly recruited. New faculty members are often young, in their childbearing and childrearing years and accordingly have enormous need for high quality childcare. The peripatetic nature of these individuals often means that they do not have extended family support in the same city as their careers take them. The need to provide childcare services for these new demographics is apparent as they are highly likely to want their children to have the enriched early childhood experience which we know now is intimately linked to greater success throughout the primary and secondary school years. The university will be far more likely to attract and retain outstanding faculty if able to guarantee them accessible quality care on-campus for their young children.

2. *Increase campus-wide commitment to research, scholarly and artistic work.* The contributions of undergraduate and graduate students, researchers, faculty and staff to research, scholarly and artistic work is without question, but for those with children, much more difficult to achieve when appropriate care is lacking. In not adequately supporting on-campus childcare, the University is erecting a barrier to the accomplishment of this goal by limiting, and in some cases excluding, the participation of the growing demographic of working, and/or studying, parents. Any campus-wide commitment must, by the very nature of being ‘campus-wide’, be inclusive of all demographics.

3. *Establish the University as a major presence in graduate education.* Even more than undergraduate students, graduate students are likely to be parents. Many graduate students, particularly those at the doctoral level, are likely to be juggling the competing demands of coursework, examinations, and thesis/dissertation preparation with the demands of having and/or raising children. In the case of foreign students, there may be less need for care if one or other partner is unable to work in Canada. However, this does not obviate the need for childcare for families where both parents are engaged in graduate work, where one parent is working to support the educational ambitions of the other, or where graduate students are also single parents.

4. *Recruit and retain a diverse and academically promising body of students and prepare them for success in the knowledge age.* Inherent in preparing students for success is the need to support them in a wide variety of ways, not the least of which is ensuring that their children are in safe, secure, and enriching environments while they attend school. Ask any student who has tried to prepare for a final exam while also attempting to secure a reliable babysitter for their child because their exam was scheduled at 9:00 a.m. on a Saturday or 7:00 p.m. on a weeknight if they believe they are being prepared for success; or ask the parents of the hundreds of children on wait lists for on

campus childcare if they believe their demographic is being adequately recruited, retained, and prepared for success. Our belief is that parent students will tell you they are currently disadvantaged at the University of Saskatchewan by lacking the support necessary to be successful in the knowledge age.

Objectives/Outcomes by 2012

We suggest that this initiative must be compelling for University-wide consideration since it intersects all colleges, departments, and units on campus. Moreover, appropriate levels of childcare become powerful tools for attracting and retaining faculty, graduate and undergraduate students, as well as Aboriginal students from across Canada and from the northern reaches of Saskatchewan.

Revenues and Costs:

1. *Describe the revenues that will be generated for the University if the initiative is implemented.* It is very difficult to assess projected revenues for the university as a result of either new daycare spaces or sustained daycare at the current levels. What we can assert is that there are students who are not coming to the U of S and who are not paying tuition because they are unable to obtain childcare. Each daycare space at the USSU Childcare Centre equates to at least one tuition-paying student.
2. *Describe the existing resources that will be utilized or internally re-allocated to support the initiative.* We would like to see the existing childcare spaces in the RJD Williams Building and the College of Education maintained and, ideally, would like to expand the USSU Centre to accommodate 90 children, the maximum allowed under the *Childcare Act* for one Centre. It would also be ideal to see the university develop other space for childcare, perhaps as an investment in the renovated Place Riel Student Centre or in another core area of campus.
3. *Describe any new resources and sources of funding/support for the initiative.* Licensed childcare spaces in the province of Saskatchewan are at a premium as they are largely subsidized by the provincial purse. The USSU Childcare Centre would apply to Saskatchewan Learning, Early Learning and Childcare branch for an expansion grant to acquire additional licensed childcare spaces from the provincial government. If the University chooses to open a newly created childcare centre to provide a greater level of support to students, that centre would also be able to apply for provincial funding to offset some of the costs of childcare. (for more information see: *The Childcare Regulations, 2001*, s.76, Start-up grants – centres, at: <http://www.qp.gov.sk.ca/documents/English/Regulations/Regulations/C7-3R2.pdf>)
4. *Describe capital and infrastructure implications for the initiative.* If the status quo is maintained, there will be no additional costs. However, if expansion of childcare spaces occurs there will be significant costs either to renovate or to create appropriate space. Depending upon who takes primary responsibility for the addition of new spaces,

this will have more or less impact on the university and the non-profit corporations which manage existing day care spaces.

Performance Measures/Metrics

1. *Describe the comparator group and the precise targets (such as enrolments) to be achieved by 2011/12.* The Ad Hoc Childcare group would like to see a significant increase in childcare spaces by the year 2011 to accommodate the obvious and growing need from students as well as new faculty and staff members who must be hired to replace those soon to retire. Ideally we would like to see the number of spaces tripled within this time. We recognize that the university is likely anticipating flat-line enrolment but since nearly 600 children are on the waiting list we do not see this suggested lack of enrolment growth and reducing the need for childcare

Responsibility

1. *Identify two people who will be responsible for leading this initiative*
There are a number of people who could take primary responsibility for this initiative, but for these purposes, we would like to see VP Student Issues from the USSU and the USSU General Manager take the lead on the initiative, in cooperation with the Daycare Directors and members of the Ad Hoc Committee.

Timeline

1. *Describe the milestones and timeline for the completion of this initiative.*
This description is dependent upon whether or not approval is provided to maintain the status quo or to seek ways to increase childcare spaces on campus. If the former, then the daycares would anticipate no change in their relationship with the university for the duration of this iteration of the Integrated Plan. If, however, the university approved the centres to seek new space and new spaces, there would be numerous milestones to monitor: negotiations with the university; acquisition of physical space; acquisition of staff; acquisition of childcare spaces; parameters for childcare use and so on. This would become a very complex project with multiple stakeholders that would require significant consultation. The timeline will depend upon these other factors. Ideally, we would like to see a commitment to the following:

a. Immediately: The two childcare centres on campus require a commitment of support from the University and a guarantee that there will be no increase in our nominal rents and no flow through of utility costs in the foreseeable future so that the on campus centres can remain viable.

b. September, 2008: If the process is started as soon as possible, it is feasible to provide care to an additional 24 children by expanding the USSU Childcare Centre to 90 spaces in time for the incoming students in September, 2008. This would require some modifications to the RJD Williams Building.

c. September, 2011: At least one new childcare centre (90 spaces) should be open by September of 2011 to accommodate the under-supported and growing demographic of parent students and working parents at the University of Saskatchewan.

Comments

1. *Describe any opportunities that the initiative provides for collaboration with other colleges/units to further leverage impact for the university.* In the early years of the twenty-first century, with well over 50% of all university students being women and a steady increase in the number of female staff and faculty members, the University ignores the childcare needs of these individuals at their peril. The leverage that is provided is automatic when parents feel they are safely able to leave their children in care in order to study and work. Moreover, in an environment which demands more than ever before, providing women (and let's face it, we are talking primarily about women) the opportunity to go to a nearby centre to nurse their baby or to spend time with their children in other ways during the day, is an enormous recruiting and retention tool for all women with pre-school children.

2. *Describe whether any other unit is required to make this happen.* Yes – this will require cooperation from a wide variety of stakeholders including the President's Office, the Vice-President of Finance and Operations, the Vice-President of Human Resources, the SESD, the two daycares, the USSU, GSA and the Government of Saskatchewan.

3. *Describe any other critical issues for consideration.*

Our recommendation is premised on the principle that the University of Saskatchewan would be remiss if they neglected the childcare needs of students, faculty and staff. We submit this document to Integrated Planning in the fervent hope that the university will take seriously the needs we have identified and articulated. We believe the need to support existing childcare operations and the opportunity to expand is urgent and accords perfectly with the four critical goals:

- Attract and retain outstanding faculty
- Increase campus-wide commitment to research, scholarly and artistic work
- Establish the University as a major presence in graduate education
- Recruit and retain a diverse and academically promising body of students and prepare them for success in the knowledge age.

We also believe the University has an ideal opportunity to provide leadership in this crucial area and to demonstrate nation-wide that the institution is giving an old discussion new life by adopting this initiative. If the University of Saskatchewan is truly committed to recruiting and retaining exceptional staff, faculty, graduate and undergraduate students of diverse backgrounds, childcare is not merely a suggestion, but an absolute necessity in achieving the stated institutional goals.

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**UBC FOOD SYSTEM PROJECT:
FOOD WASTE MANAGEMENT –
THE HOT BEVERAGE CUP**

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ABSTRACT

This report aims to evaluate the current practices of waste management at UBC and to focus on the reduction of waste. The disposable hot beverage cup is one major component of the 12 tonnes of waste produced at UBC per day, and it is used to represent UBC's waste problem. **(source for this statistic?)** Waste management programs like "WasteFree UBC" have been implemented to encourage consumers to reduce the amount of waste produced. A survey was conducted by our group to determine trends associated with the purchase of hot beverages. To measure the sustainability of waste management, measurable ecological, social, and economic indicators have been developed. Based upon the results of our survey and research, we have included recommendations and research alternatives for the future regarding waste management at UBC.

Introduction

Currently, the Greater Vancouver Region District (GVRD) is producing upwards of 2.7 million tonnes of garbage per year, all of which is entering our finite landfills (GVRD, 2002). These waste sites constitute a large area of land in the district, and if this situation continues, it will lead to serious damage to our environment. As the population grows exponentially in the district, we are quickly running out of the land and natural resources that are necessary to sustain our community.

As part of the GVRD, the University of British Columbia (UBC) contributes a considerable amount of garbage to the district's landfill. Approximately 12 tonnes of garbage are produced each day by the UBC community, and **should be singular this wast** these wastes are exported and reallocated to landfills off campus (WasteFree UBC, 2002). Even though these wastes are not disposed of physically on campus, the UBC community still remains responsible for the wastes it produces and the potential damage it creates. The UBC Community should strive to reduce the amount of wastes on campus, and, in order to achieve this goal, a sustainable waste management system should be established and implemented.

In general, a sustainable system should be viable for an extensive period of time, and it should “meet the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs” (Bomke, 2000). Since UBC’s current practices in waste management do not meet the requirements of a sustainable system, we believe it is necessary to alter these practices. A sustainable waste management system should consider both the short-term and long-term consequences of its policies and actions, and it should work towards maintaining or even improving the health and safety of current and future generations, as well as our environment.

Sustainable waste management at UBC remains a complicated and intricate problem, one that requires intense research from many aspects of the UBC community. As a model of this system, we have chosen disposable paper cups, which are currently being used to dispense beverages such as coffee, tea, and hot chocolate, as a representative of the current waste practices at UBC. In the 2000/2001 year, there were approximately 38,621 students, full-time faculty and non-faculty employees at UBC (UBC Department of Plant Operations, 2001). If each of these individuals purchased a cup of coffee every day, for 261 working days, this would total 164,564,081 cups of coffee purchased per year. Eighteen percent of the garbage produced at UBC is composed of disposable containers, and hot beverage cups represent a large portion of this waste (WasteFree UBC, 2002). Our main objective in writing this report is to determine the current methods of waste reduction on campus, and how these methods can be changed to make waste management more sustainable at UBC. We believe that by taking a small step and focusing on one type of waste, namely hot beverage cups, we can more effectively analyze the current practices and make recommendations to promote a more sustainable waste management system.

In this report, we will first explain the underlying value assumptions of this project. Secondly, we will describe the current practices in waste management at UBC, focusing on disposable hot beverage cups. Thirdly, we will present our research methods and results, and, by using sustainability indicators, we will evaluate the current practices of waste management of these cups. Lastly, we will

provide our recommendations to reduce disposable container waste at UBC.

Very good introduction. Well written and clear.

Underlying value assumptions

Our group decided to take an ecological approach to analyze the problem of waste management within the UBC food system. We believe that waste management at UBC does not only affect the UBC community, but the communities outside campus as well. A sustainable waste management system should consider every aspect that relates to the system as a whole, which includes the environmental impacts of the system.

The improper management of disposable waste at UBC is largely due to the number of consumers that choose convenience over the well-being of the environment. It is our belief that the reason consumers choose to purchase disposable cups is because of the cups aesthetic quality and for personal convenience. For example, Andrew Parr, director of UBC Food Services, stated that “customers prefer using paper cups, probably due to the Starbucks phenomenon” (Parr, 2002). Our fear is that these individuals are not considering the negative impact they are having on the environment due to the amount of waste generated from these disposable cups.

Since the decision to use disposable cups is based upon individual choice, our recommendations for the future are geared towards individuals. **Good** We hope that in the future, community-based approaches will be designed to increase the awareness of consumers regarding the environmental impacts of improper waste management.

We believe that waste management is a subsystem within the UBC food system. The components of this subsystem that are important to our group are the consumers, the waste produced on campus, the landfill (where UBC waste is deposited), and the land that ultimately produces UBC’s food.

In terms of the entire UBC food system, we are supporters of local food systems that can provide

nutritious food that is grown locally (within the GVRD) to the UBC community. We also believe that food safety and food security are important aspects of the food system because without them, the health of the UBC community may be compromised. Ultimately, we want the UBC food system to provide food that is accessible, safe, and nutritious for all and we believe that better waste management practices, such as reducing the amount of waste produced on campus, is a step towards providing food in this capacity.

Current UBC Practices in Waste Management

Although there are a number of stores **Do you mean retail outlets including restaurants?** throughout the UBC campus that sell a variety of items, there is one product whose popularity never declines. Coffee is sold at almost every location at UBC, and is generally dispensed in paper disposable cups. The Waste Management division of UBC imposed a program in the year 2000 entitled “WasteFree UBC,” in order to encourage consumers to bring their own reusable mug to school, rather than purchase a disposable mug every day. The incentive that is offered is a decrease in the purchase price by \$0.15 for every cup of coffee. UBC Food Services has also initiated “happy hours,” when, on certain days of the month, individuals who bring their own mug to school will receive a free cup of coffee from participating outlets. Unfortunately, these have not had a great effect on the number of disposable coffee cups purchased daily on campus. In a survey done by UBC Food Services on the amount of coffee cups purchased in the month of October, 2001, over 40,765 cups of coffee were purchased from stores associated with UBC Food Services (Aziz, pers.com.). Of this number, only 4, 476 cups were purchased from individuals that brought their own mug (Aziz, pers.com.). Another option provided by the Food Services outlets are china cups, or “for here” mugs. In the same month, only 514 students purchased these mugs, even though they were also sold at a reduction of 15 cents in price (Aziz, pers.com.).

Although the concept of a “WasteFree UBC,” is ideal, one can’t help wonder why these paper cups

can't be recycled like so many other food-associated products in the Lower Mainland. The reason is that each paper coffee cup has a protective moisture-resistant coating that is added during production, and since the coating is not recyclable, the processing plants will not accept them (Moffit, 2002). The only acceptable way to recycle these cups would be if a municipality chose to build a proper processing plant that could manage these cups. At present, the city of Vancouver will recycle plastic milk jugs, but will not take milk cartons, nor tetrapak milk and juice containers (Aziz, pers.com.). These products contain more than one material (ie. paper and wax), and therefore cannot be recycled in the current processing plants.

Survey Evaluation

A survey was conducted by our group pertaining to the purchase of hot beverage cups at UBC. The survey respondents included 76 UBC students, professors and related people on campus [Appendix 1].

The survey results are shown in Tables and Figures 1, 2 and 3 in Appendices 2 and 3. Overall, most respondents purchase at least one hot beverage from UBC campus per week. Over three quarters of the respondents realized that there is a discount involved if they bring reusable mugs to school, but 72 percent of the respondents still chose to purchase disposable cups. Our results exhibited that the \$0.15 price discount did not take precedence over the convenience of a disposable cup.

Sustainability Indicators

i. Ecological Indicator

The percent reduction of disposable garbage at UBC over time provides an indicator of the ecological sustainability of the Waste Management system. We believe that the amount of waste produced on UBC campus can have an impact on the local ecosystem especially if space in landfills is becoming limited. By annually measuring the reduction in disposable container waste on campus, the Waste

Management division of UBC can determine whether the “WasteFree UBC” program is effective.

ii. Social Indicator

The key to waste reduction at UBC is dependent on the education and awareness of consumers. If the Waste Management division were to count the number of individuals that purchase beverages in reusable mugs as compared to disposable mugs, they could determine the awareness of the general UBC public pertaining to the reduction of disposable container waste. If the number of reusable coffee mugs does not increase over time, then the sustainability of the system needs to be reconsidered.

iii. Economic Indicator

By initiating a “cost-benefit analysis,” the UBC Food System can determine whether the current “WasteFree UBC” practices are sustainable over the long term. According to this program, customers can save \$0.15 per cup (ie. \$60 a year) if they choose to bring their own mug to school, and the stores save money with a reduction in the purchase of paper cups. The cost-benefit analysis allows the stores to determine whether the program is economically viable, in order to determine if they can continue to sell coffee at a reduced price. If the outlets begin to lose money because of this program, then the Waste Management division may need to consider other sustainable options.

Recommendations to the UBC Sustainability Office

The Waste Management Division of UBC has implemented many programs throughout campus that address the issue of waste reduction. These programs, although beneficial, may need to be readdressed in order to confirm that they are minimizing all wastes at UBC. In terms of food waste management, it should be mandatory for all food outlets, such as Pizza Pizza, Subway and The Bread Garden to participate in reduction incentives. These stores are not otherwise forced to participate

because they are franchises and do not fall under UBC Food Service regulations (Parr, 2002). A large number of customers flow through these establishments and it would be highly beneficial to have them participate in contributing to the education of waste reduction at UBC.

Other recommendations extend from the overall non-participative action of students buying hot beverages in disposable cups. As previously discussed, students are aware of the discounted option of bringing a reusable cup to school, yet many choose not to. To counter this, several suggestions have been made:

1) *Recyclable hot beverage cups*

The hot beverage cups that are currently available on UBC campus are not recyclable. There are some companies such as Starbucks that are working towards developing a recyclable cup and once these products are made available, UBC food services should implement them in their stores. **Is there a link to find out more information on this? Who is the source of this information?**

2) *Environmental Tax*

If UBC is going to continue to serve beverages in non-recyclable cups, an added “environmental tax” could be implemented on hot beverage cups. This tax, and the rationale behind it, should be clearly advertised so customers are aware that they are paying extra.

3) *“Mug Card”*

UBC Food Services could consider implementing a “Mug Card” that would work like existing bonus cards by offering a free cup of coffee after a certain number of purchases. Since a card of this nature already exists on campus, the Mug Card could offer a free coffee with fewer purchases than the other. This may encourage those who “sometimes” bring their own mug to bring it more often.

Conclusion

Based upon our findings, the current programs designed to reduce the purchase of disposable hot beverage cups on campus do not provide a large enough consumer incentive. It is our hope that, in

the future, alternative practices can be designed to reduce the amount of waste produced and thus ensure the sustainability of the UBC food system.

Recommendations for future research

- Focus on other components of waste produced on UBC campus such as disposable plates, utensils, soup containers, etc.
- Conduct surveys with larger samples sizes and include open-ended questions in order to receive input from the consumers as to what they believe can be done to reduce the amount of waste produced on campus.
- Conduct research on alternatives to waste management such as recyclable cups that are also economically feasible.
- Develop initiatives to make consumers more environmentally aware of where their waste is going and the impact it may have on their food system.

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Appendix 1

Survey of hot beverage cups purchases on UBC campus

1. How many cups of hot beverages such as coffee or hot chocolate do you purchase on campus per week?

None:

1 cup:

2 cups:

3 cups:

4 cups:

5 cups:

6 cups or more:

2. If buying hot beverages such as coffee, tea or hot chocolate on campus, do you bring/use your own mug?

Yes:

No:

Sometimes:

3. Did you know that you can get a discount when purchasing hot beverages such as coffee or hot chocolate on campus? (If yes) How much do you think the discount is?

\$0.05:**\$0.15:****\$0.20:****\$0.30:****\$0.50:****Appendix 2**

Table 1:

Hot beverage consumption on UBC campus per week	
Do not purchase any hot beverages	25%
Buy at least one hot beverage per week	75%

Table 2:

Bring own mug for hot beverages	
No	70%
Yes	19%
Sometimes	11%

Table 3:

Knowledge of the discount associated with bringing own mug and value of the discount	
Don't know about the discount	28%
Know there is a discount	72% (63% à \$ 0.10 to \$0.20 discount)

Appendix 3

Figure 1: Hot beverage consumption on UBC campus.

Figure 2: Usage of own mug for hot beverages.

Figure 3: Knowledge of estimate of the discount associated with using own mug.

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Group #: 8 ubc food system project:

Food waste Management- the hot beverage cup.

Total mark (30 % of final mark): 89%

- team paper: 87%
- website: 91%

Marking Template for UBC Food System Project

The Team Paper: 87%

a. Introduction (25%) *Very clear and very well organized. 'Waste' should be used in the singular not plural most of the time.*

22/25

b. Underlying Value Assumptions (25%) *Again, well done. You have placed you value laden ideas right up front leaving little confusion for the reader.*

22/25

c. Group's position(s) in relation food system sustainability. Include an identification and description of your assigned subsystem or aspect of the UBC food system, your method of data collection and your findings, using ecological, economic and social perspectives. (30%)

You have done a good, small scale well focussed research project. You did a very clever thing in keeping the scope narrow enough to be workable in a short time, and a relatively short paper. Obviously there is a problem with the cups on campus and they are a huge barrier, easy enough to correct (in theory!) and are worth further investigation.

25/30

d. Conclusions or final reflections (20%)

Well done. 18/20

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Web Page: 91%

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Attractive graphical presentation (20%) Excellent use of graphics. The 3 links of sustainability is a little out there on its own, but otherwise it is really very good.

18/20

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Identification/description of your assigned subsystem or aspect of the UBC food system (20%):

Super! It is all very clear and up front. It is well written and easy to follow.

19/20

Summary of the content of your group's paper and be divided into sections similar to those in the group paper. Represent main aspects of food system sustainability that were included in your study (50%)

Your divisions are really good. The use of ubc colours is clever and allows for easy identification as part of the faculty. You have included useful links including that help a lot in finding further information. Once people start to use this site they will have lots of options to continue on in their research.

45/50

Grammar, Punctuation, Spelling and Sentence Structure. (10%)

9/10

Don't be a thug, bring your mug!
Nicole Kenney

I enjoy my afternoon spot of tea very much. I delight in my morning cup of joe. However, I continue to be very concerned about the environmental impact posed by the immense amount of disposable coffee cups used on this campus. It drives me crazy, so crazy in fact that my subconscious self is seriously bothered. I had a dream that I opened my front door only to be toppled over by a mountain of cups. My entire house was surrounded in cups and I had to tunnel my way out of the stench. Of course, I woke up screaming and decided that *enough was enough*. The only way to ease my mind was to take formal action and give birth....to the CUPLESS CAMPUS project. I started collecting disposable coffee cups and other eco-warriors joined in. The creativity snowballed and we strung the cups together, using art as a medium to express a very important message.

My lovely friends and fellow cupateers (Shannon Dyck and Kristina Lummerding-Driedger) dressed up in sexy white nylon suits and dedicated our Friday night to the cause. In 2 hours we collected 6 garbage bags full of disposable coffee cups from the College of Arts. Again, I will emphasize that in only 2 hours we gathered hundreds of cups in a very small area. Shannon, Kristina, and I aborted the mission due to our bodily stench and personal disgust. Disposable coffee cups outnumbered other drink containers by a ratio greater than ten-to-one. A disposable coffee cup is treated with polyethylene plastic to prevent leakage and cannot be recycled in Saskatchewan. I dare you to peak your eyes in the trash; you will mostly find Tim Hortons cups. The coffee lid is recyclable, but this is completely futile because how many people take the time to recycle just the lid?

Why do we, as aspiring scholars, willingly subject ourselves to slavery? Every time you buy a coffee in a Tim Hortons cup, you are advertising for the Big Bro, free of charge. In the case of Tim Hortons, the brand has been portrayed as being the quintessential Canadian icon, and yet its production and profits remain in the United States. Starbucks and Tim Hortons only give .10 off if your bring your re-usable mug. I find this pretty lame, given that these are two wealthy and ruthless corporations, sucking money from starving students just needing a pick me up!

But what's a caffeine fuelled eco-girl on the run to do? Clearly a de-tox headache to save a paper cup is not an option but a reusable mug is, and this

is my narly solution! You will have to remember to rinse it out between caffeine top ups but at least you'll be able to enjoy your coffee safe in the knowledge you've only ripped off a small Ethiopian family (unless you choose fair trade) and not contributed to killing a tree.

P.S. Bring your mug, don't be a thug.

Executive Conference Report

I. Conference

- A.1. *Conference name:* ACUI: Association of College Unions International, 2007
- A.2. *Attended by:* James Pepler, Jeremy Ring
- A.3. *Date and Location of Conference:* September 30 – October 3, 2007. Eastern Michigan University, University of Michigan, and Bowling Green State University.

II. Overview

A. Conference Information

A.1. *Conference theme or purpose:*

ACUI is an association that focuses on the partnership for planning and success. This particular conference was focused on Renovation and Construction of Student Unions. The goal is to provide the members with workshops, tours, architectural expertise, roundtable discussions, and informal conversations in order to help us with our current Place Riel Renovation.

The conference revolved around ideas and perspectives from University administration, architects, construction, and, most importantly, students. The themes encompassed working as a united front with many different groups, student involvement, food services, safety, value engineering, and timeless style.

A.2. *Conference budget:*

Transportation:	\$1,161.58
Per Diem (\$60/day * 5X2):	\$600
Accommodation:	\$587.36
Registration (\$400 * 5):	\$646.33
TOTAL	\$2,995.27

B. Conference Format

B.1. *Conference itinerary:*

The ACUI is a combination of various educational sessions and presentations related to different aspects of the planning and construction processes. There were more than one presentation during the sessions, so the three of us had to break up in order to cover most of what the conference had to offer.

Attached is a list and schedule of sessions for each stream.

B.2. *Sessions attended:*

Report by James Pepler

Travel:

To minimize the cost of travel we spent all of Saturday travelling from 5:30am until 6:30pm. We flew to Winnipeg, Chicago, Detroit, then over to Ypsilanti, Michigan where we stayed.

Sunday, September 30, 2007

Meet and Greet and Welcoming Reception

On the first day of the conference all the delegates met in at the Eastern Michigan University Student Centre. There was an Opening facilitated discussion where each table debated their projects and their concerns for each project.

Before dinner there was an architecture and design showcase. This was followed by dinner and then a tour of the Centre's game room called Savage Geckos. Getting used to the American accent was tough.

Monday, October 1st, 2007

8:30-10am – Facility tour of the EMU Student Centre Complex.

After a quick breakfast we split up into groups and toured the complex. It was huge and had plenty of group space, office space, dining space, study space, and lots of greenery. I was extremely jealous at how many amenities they had. One side of the complex was a glass curtain looking out onto a huge lake.

10-11:45am – Educational Session I: Keeping Students Involved in the Planning Process

The theme behind this session was to get a sense of the process by a panel of student leaders who were present during the planning and processes of the construction. The students raved about how great the building was. I asked tougher questions about how they dealt with the increased fees. Their student fee was designated by the amount of classes the student took on a credit hour basis. Their advice about those who complained was that those people will always complain and never be satisfied, so just listen and wait until the fee becomes the standard. Then I inquired if there was ever a time where they felt that their perspective was ignored or a process that they needed to be more involved

in. Quite simply they said no, which didn't help me much. The difference was that their administration built the building with the help of students, rather than our students building the building and combating with administration to get help. I realized that our complex will have far more student involvement than any Union we toured in the States.

12:00-1:30 – Lunch and Roundtables.

We sat with the students from the panel and probed them deeper about the inner workings and hierarchy of the project. We were surprised to discover that what they considered 'student involvement' was having one student sit on a committee and give input. In reality their administration had final say over every decision with possibly one student who very likely was too shy to speak. Our administration has little input, and I truly realize just how much student compliance we will have. All the same their centers were great and their administration surely understood what students needed.

1:30-3:30 – Travelled to University of Michigan and toured the facility.

This was a very old building and still had an 'old boys' cigar lounge feel. Their student governance was dismal, no one was there and it was far out of the way, although they did have lots of club space, which I was very jealous about.

3:30-4:45 – Sustainability in the college Union

The presenters of this session spoke to the demand and standardization of sustainable and LEED projects. Most of the session was informational and implored colleges to make sustainability an encompassing theme that begins in the planning of the project. There were lots of pretty graphs and pie charts that told us of environmental dangers. Informing students of the processes and procedures of LEED standardization was paramount, since students can be very head-strong and not realize the ups and downs of having certain sustainable initiatives. For example having a sheet wall of glass saves energy by providing natural light, but come winter this glass is not well insulated and you would end up spending more on heating. There are many examples like this, and students must be in the know if they are to participate in the planning and procedures.

5-6 – Reception in Kalamazoo

Kalamazoo... enough said.

Tuesday, Oct 2nd, 2007

8-10:30am – Travel to Bowling Green State University in Ohio

10:30-11:30 – Welcome and facility tour

As we toured the complex it became more and more clear how little student input must have gone into this complex since it seemed more like convention center than a student

center. Although the amount of club space was quite intimidating. Their student government was no where to be found, and when the president did show up, he had no time for our questions. What was interesting to note was that each room designated for club space was paid for through sponsorships, and thus the room was named after the donor. This is a great idea to increase revenue for our building.

11:30-12:45 – Lunch and roundtables

During lunch I spoke with the student center staff and inquired about student staff, and not surprisingly around 99% of the staff were also students.

1:00-2:15 – Phase II- If we only knew then what we know now.

This session was intended to instruct us on problems that arose after construction. The theme was assessment and circumvention. It was mostly based around materials used in construction, more expensive choices that needed to stay, and how to avoid traffic problems within the building. One thing that did come up was that there ought to be a crest or emblem in the main area, something classy with a great inspirational quote.

2:30-3:45 – Project cost and value engineering.

Value engineering is the process where you fine-tune value and engineering to stay within budget. Essentially the presenters were talking about what materials can be substituted and what are essential costs. The difference was they their projects start off with excessive spending, whereas our project is already stretched to the limits.

4:00-5:15 – Interactive Programming for a Successful Project

Much of this session focused on getting all different types of groups to help with the project, under the understanding that a group that is involved is supportive and adds greatly to the project. The presenters showed plenty of slides where students were in some kind of arts and crafts session putting colourful dots on part of the project they support or needs work. It seemed a little childish and focused mostly on what amenities the center would have. We were then asked to write a letter to our future significant others about how the project turned out. Only the three of us actually participated and we all loved the fact that students were so involved in the project.

5:30-7:00 – Dinner and speech from the FMD AVP

During dinner the University brought in their mascot Freda the Falcon, who sat with each table, we enjoyed her antics. WE also loved the fact that Freda Salikin sounds a lot like Freda Falcon.

7:00-8:30 – Bus back to the hotel

I slept

Wednesday, Oct 3rd, 2007

8:30am-9:30pm – Travelled back home through many airports. I was stopped at customs for being a suspicious character. I hate travel.

C. Benefit

C.1. *The benefit of this conference to my portfolio is:*

James Pepler

As a student leader this conference did help teach valuable skills in getting students excited and engaged in a student run project. It was very important that I was able to speak with other student union leaders and get feedback from their perspective. I thought it was quite valuable touring the complexes to get ideas to bring forth to students. I also observed the interaction between student leaders and administration in order to help our own organisation find balance.

Jeremy Ring

This conference was incredibly beneficial to my portfolio as it relates to the operational side of Place Riel. Many of the sessions focused on how students were kept engaged, what problems others ran into, and what remedies were used to solve these problems. In addition, having the ability to see other student union facilities offered many different ideas as to what Place Riel could be and how focused these other buildings were on enhancing the Student Experience.

C.2. *The benefit of this conference to students is:*

James Pepler

Obviously, this conference was based on how to get student involvement and gauge the parameters of their input on other building projects. It was actually quite surprising to understand that their Student Unions are all run under Administration, whereas our SU is completely separate. This is both good and bad. The bad part is that because they were under the umbrella of administration, they have far more support and coordination between the groups, and we lack this. On the plus side, we are very independent, and the students have far more actual input than the face value input from other unions. We are lucky to have as much control over the project as we do. The results of this conference will truly help to incorporate the student opinion into the new renovation.

Jeremy Ring

The benefit to students regarding this conference is two-fold: First, they sent members of the Executive who brought back an increased understanding as to the importance of keeping students engaged in the planning process for this building. Being that is 100% funded by students, we learned valuable techniques that increase collaboration from nearly every undergraduate student. Second, students are, for the first time, seeing Place Riel become closer and closer to reality. They will see an increased accountability to all space allocation decisions, thereby increasing the usefulness to the end user, which are students.

D. Recommendations

James Pepler

I would recommend that the ACUI conference be attended by future staff and executive whenever a project involving construction and student involvement are issues. Sending more than three individuals may not be necessary, we absorbed as much as we could and were excited about the results and findings.

Jeremy Ring

While the ACUI Conference changes in scope from year to year, if it fits within the mandate of the Executive, then I would strongly recommend that they attend. Being that there were only 3 students who attended the conference (2/3 being from the USSU), we were given an extremely large amount of time to speak and be heard. Everyone was really interested to hear from the students and see what really affects them. This facilitated the learning for me and would do the same for others!

Executive Conference Report

I. Conference

A.1. Conference Name:

Canadian Federation of Students 26th Annual National General Meeting

A.2. Attended By:

Lindsey Levesque

A.3. Date and Location of Conference

November 20th – 24th, 2007 Best Western Jacques Cartier, Gatineau, QC.

II. Overview

A. Conference Information

A.1. Conference Theme or Purpose:

The CFS Annual National General meeting is the second general meeting members of the USSU Executive 2007/08 has attended, including the meeting in May. Locals conduct business for the organization as a whole, with each local counting as one vote. This conference was similar to the one attended in May, but includes more in depth analysis of current procedures and policies. There are also forums to attend to discuss future business of the organization.

A.2. Conference Budget:

Accommodations, Transportation and Registration (\$): 1005.75

Per Diem (\$60/day): \$360

B. Conference Format

B.1. Conference Itinerary:

There were many meetings to attend including: delegate preparation with Manitoba, subcommittee meetings, opening and closing plenary sessions, panels, caucus meetings, provincial component meetings, seminars, and guest speakers.

November 20, 2007

Delegate Preparation with Manitoba/Saskatchewan Locals

3:00pm-10:00pm

November 21, 2007

Registration

11:30am-1:30pm

Welcoming Remarks/Opening Plenary

2:30pm-6:00pm

Seminar: Current Issues in Higher Education

7:30pm-9:30pm

November 22, 2007

Meeting: Constituency Groups

9:00am-10:30am

Meeting: Women's Constituency Group

10:30am-11:30am

Meeting: Caucus of Large Institute Associations

11:30am-1:00pm

Briefing: Public Opinion Polling

2:00pm-3:00pm

Panel: Provincial Election Round-Up

3:00pm-5:00pm

Meeting: Provincial/Regional Meeting

5:00pm-6:00pm

Meeting: Campaigns and Government Relations Forum

7:00pm-9:30pm

November 23, 2007

Meeting: Constituency Groups

9:00am-10:30am

Meeting: Women's Constituency Group

10:30am-12:00pm

Meeting: Provincial/Regional Meeting

12:00pm-1:00pm

Guest Speaker: Michael Geist

2:00pm-3:00pm

Panel: Public Transit Advocacy

3:00pm-4:00pm

Workshop: Ethical Purchasing

4:00pm-5:00pm

Briefing: McCall Review of PSE

5:00pm-6:00pm

Election Forum

7:00pm-8:30pm

Meeting: Campaigns and Government Relations Forum

8:30pm-11:00pm

November 24, 2007

Meeting: Constituency Groups

9:00am-10:30am

Meeting: Caucus of Large Institute Associations

10:30am-12:00pm

Meeting: Provincial/Regional Meeting

12:00pm-1:00pm

Closing Plenary: Part 1

2:00pm-6:00pm

Closing Plenary: Part 2

7:00pm-10:00pm

C. Benefits and Recommendations

C.1. The benefit of this conference to my portfolio is:

Attending this conference allowed me to expand my knowledge around post-secondary issues, as well as taking other student union practices into consideration. Not only were many of the sessions useful for VP External Affairs, but also some sessions directly involved the work of the USSU and the CFS-SK component. This includes the review of the McCall report, which the USSU made a submission to, as well as the Election Forum, which included Provincial Election information from Saskatchewan, Ontario and Newfoundland/Labrador.

C.2. The benefit of this conference to students is:

The CFS Annual General Meeting is a great opportunity for students to become engaged at their University. The USSU holds many great campaigns and attending this conference allowed me to take other campaigns into account, which could potentially mobilize students on current issues across the country and the University of Saskatchewan campus.

C.3. Recommendations:

I would recommend this conference for the next Vice President External Affairs to attend, at least until the next referendum for full membership is held. The conference was useful in order to fully understand this position and also become more acquainted with students across Canada to learn from their successes and failures.

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Thursday, January 3rd, 2008

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University Students' Council

Minutes for Thursday, December 6th, 2007

Present

James Pepler, President
Josie Steeves, VP Academic Affairs
Lindsey Levesque, VP External Affairs
Jeremy Ring, VP Operations & Finance
Nicole Kenney, VP Student Issues
Tyler Olson, Arts & Science
Warren Kirkland, Associated Residence
Katelyn McAuliffe, Commerce
Alex Mitchell, Commerce
Adam Abdulla, Dentistry
Elvis Kambeitz, Education
Michael Atkin, Engineering
Keith Kuspira, Engineering
Satoshi Shibata, International Students'
James Lawrence, Kinesiology
Neil Karkut, Law
Nick Peti, Medicine
Megan Harder, Nursing
Kimberly Zubot, Pharmacy & Nutrition
Tamra Knaus, St. Thomas More
Ellyse Schultz, St. Thomas More
WCVM, Jessica Wales

Also Present

Matt Leisle, Chair
Caroline Cottrell, USSU GM
Jeff Galbraith, Arts
Drew Dwernychuk, USSU

Absent

Jean-Paul Cote, Agriculture
Ashlee Smith, Arts
Breanne Gentner, Education
Dylyn Rose, Indigenous
Karla Horvey, Physical Therapy

Meeting was called to order at 6:01 p.m.

1. Adoption of an Agenda

VP Ring stated that the December 6th, 2007 Operations and Finance Minutes could be removed from the agenda because there was no quorum.

Move to adopt the agenda as amended.

USC Motion88: Knaus/Levesque

Carried.

2. Introductions and Announcements

President Pepler introduced Drew Dwernychuk. He has been the Academic Affairs Officer at the USSU for the past few years.

4. Minutes and Reports for Information

4.1 USC Minutes

Councilor Harder stated that she wanted the minutes of November 29th changed to read: "blowing up in our faces" rather than "blowing up in students faces."

Chair Leisle stated that he was absent from the November 29th USC meeting and the minutes state he was present. It should be noted that he was absent and that Brent Thoma chaired.

5. Motions Arising from the Minutes and Reports

Move to adopt the minutes as amended.

USC Motion89: Pepler/Harder Carried.

8. Questions and Comments

President Pepler stated that the USSU is actively pursuing reimbursement for students from the University Administration due to the duration of the strike. He spoke with Dave Hannah and the Administration is looking into how much money they saved and how much they had to pay out to determine how much money is left over. Once this is known the Administration will let the USSU know what their offer is. At that time the USSU will give a list of grievances to the Administration to let them know how the strike affected students. The Administration will meet with the USSU once options are available.

Councilor Olson asked if that meeting would be open to students.

President Pepler stated it would be open.

Member Galbraith stated that he was in Regina this morning and one concern facing them was whether the U of R would pay students directly or if it would go to the URSU. He asked if the USSU had discussed this with Administration.

President Pepler stated nothing had been decided. He is not sure what would be decided.

Member Galbraith suggested that the Administration put \$1,000 credit on each students account.

VP Steeves stated that would not satisfy all students. She noted that wouldn't satisfy students who are graduating. It also wouldn't be fair to give students who start school in January that credit.

Councilor Olson stated that if the Administration couldn't find a way to fairly reimburse students the Administration should contribute a dollar amount to the Place Riel Renovation because that would be fair to all students.

President Pepler stated that was discussed. No matter what happens people will not be satisfied.

Member Galbraith stated he would like to keep the reimbursement issue separate. He was hoping the Administration would contribute to the renovation anyway. He noted some may think that contributing is letting Administration off the hook.

VP Steeves suggested doing what the U of R did. The University of Regina Administration made a contribution to the URSU. The URSU held a meeting with students to discuss how the money would be spent.

Councilor Harder asked what about the timeline for the reimbursement.

President Pepler stated David Hannah noted it would be decided before or in early January.

VP Steeves stated VP Levesque and herself met with all other unions on campus to discuss how they deal with unions. Basically the remaining unions have a lot of the same ideas as the USSU. ???

Councilor Knaus stated that today is the National Day of Remembrance and Action on Violence against Women. This is a night of reflection in recognition of the fourteen women killed at l'Ecole Polytechnique in Montreal on December 6th, 1989. These women were killed because they were women. It was an act of gender violence. She invited councilors to attend the service tonight at the Third Avenue United Church at 7 p.m. If councilors are unable to attend she asked they take about two minutes in the last six hours of the day to think about gender and violence.

Councilor Shibata stated exams have started and several students are using the Commerce Reading Room to study after the library has closed. He has heard several complaints that the room is too dark. He counted the lights and 100 bulbs are dead and eighteen are working. He asked when or if these bulbs would be replaced.

VP Ring noted that if students are concerned SafeStudy is located in the Arts Wing, which is open from 10 a.m.-6 p.m. It is a safe place for students to study with refreshments.

VP Kenney stated that the USSU Victim Advocate has created a survey. She asked councilors to take a poster back to their colleges. The Victim Advocate is just trying to collect stats. The survey is on PAWS and students can receive gift certificates for completing the survey.

Councilor Knaus noted that the USSU website needs to update the USC Members webpage because several councilors have information missing.

VP Steeves stated she would let IT Staff know.

Chair Leisle wished councilors good luck with their exams and wished everyone happy holidays.

10. Adjournment

Move to adjourn.

USC Motion90: Ring/Olson

Carried.

2007-2008 USC Attendance

Name	May	June	July	August	Sept. 6	Sep.13	Sep.20	Sep.27	Oct.4	Oct.11	Oct.18	Oct.25
Abdulla, Adam	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	R	P	P	R	P	P
Atkin, Michael	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	P	R	P
Cote, Jean-Paul	NM	NM	NM	A	P	R	P	P	P	P	P	R
Gentner, Breanne	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P
Harder, Megan	NM	NM	NM	R	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P
Horvey, Karla	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Kambeitz, Elvis	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P
Karkut, Neil	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P
Kenney, Nicole	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P
Kirkland, Warren	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P
Knaus, Tamra	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Kuspira, Keith	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P
Lawrence, James	NM	NM	NM	P	P	A	R	P	A	R	P	P
Leisle, Matt	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P
Levesque, Lindsay	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
McAuliffe, Katelyn	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P
Mitchell, Alex	NM	NM	NM	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	P	P	P
Olson, Tyler	NM	NM	NM	A	R	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Pepler, James	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P
Peti, Nick	NM	NM	NM	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	P	P	R	P
Ring, Jeremy	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Rose, Dilyn	NM	NM	NM	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA
Schultz, Ellyse	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P
Shibata, Satoshi	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Smith, Ashlee	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	A
Steeves, Josie	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	R
Wales, Jessica	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	A
Zubot, Kimberly	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P

P - Present; R - Regrets; A - Absence; NYA - Not Yet Appointed; NM - No Meeting

2007-2008 USC Attendance

Name	Nov.1	Nov.8	Nov.15	Nov.22	Nov.29	Dec.6				
Abdulla, Adam	P	P	P	P	R	P				
Atkin, Michael	P	P	P	P	P	A				
Cote, Jean-Paul	P	P	P	P	P	A				
Gentner, Breanne	P	P	P	R	P	A				
Harder, Megan	P	P	P	P	P	P				
Horvey, Karla	P	P	P	P	P	A				
Kambeitz, Elvis	P	P	P	P	R	P				
Karkut, Neil	P	P	P	P	P	P				
Kenney, Nicole	P	P	R	P	P	P				
Kirkland, Warren	P	P	P	P	P	P				
Knaus, Tamra	P	P	P	P	P	P				
Kuspira, Keith	P	P	P	P	P	P				
Lawrence, James	P	P	P	P	P	P				
Leisle, Matt	P	P	P	P	R	P				
Levesque, Lindsay	P	P	P	R	P	P				
McAuliffe, Katelyn	P	P	P	P	P	P				
Mitchell, Alex	P	R	P	P	P	P				
Olson, Tyler	P	P	P	P	P	P				
Pepler, James	P	P	P	P	P	P				
Peti, Nick	P	P	P	P	P	P				
Ring, Jeremy	P	R	P	P	P	P				
Rose, Dylun	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	P	A				
Schultz, Ellyse	P	P	A	P	P	A				
Shibata, Satoshi	P	P	P	P	P	P				
Smith, Ashlee	P	P	P	A	R	A				
Steeves, Josie	P	P	P	R	P	P				
Wales, Jessica	P	P	P	P	P	A				
Zubot, Kimberly	P	P	P	R	P	P				

P - Present; R - Regrets; A - Absence; NYA - Not Yet Appointed; NM - No Meeting

University Students' Council Agenda

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- 2. Introductions and Announcements**
- 3. Council Address**
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 - 9.1 Outreach Report**
 - 9.2 Sierra Youth Coalition Prairie Conference**
 - 9.3 Survival Guides**
- 10. Adjournment**

University Students' Council

Minutes for Thursday, January 3rd, 2008

Present

James Pepler, President
Lindsey Levesque, VP External Affairs
Jeremy Ring, VP Operations & Finance
Nicole Kenney, VP Student Issues
Ashlee Smith, Arts & Science
Alex Mitchell, Commerce
Adam Abdulla, Dentistry
Breanne Gentner, Education
Elvis Kambeitz, Education
Keith Kuspira, Engineering
Dylan Rose, Indigenous
Neil Karkut, Law
Kimberly Zubot, Pharmacy & Nutrition
Karla Horvey, Physical Therapy
Ellyse Schultz

Also Present

Matt Leisle, Chair
Caroline Cottrell, USSU GM

Regrets

Josie Steeves, VP Academic
Jean-Paul Cote, Agriculture
Tyler Olson, Arts & Science
Warren Kirkland, Associated Res.
Katelyn McAuliffe, Regrets
James Lawrence, Kinesiology
Megan Harder, Nursing
Nick Peti, Medicine
Tamra Knaus, Regrets

Absent

Michael Atkin, Engineering
Satoshi Shibata, International
Jessica Wales, WCVM

Meeting was called to order at 6:01 p.m.

1. Adoption of an Agenda

Move to adopt the agenda.

USC Motion91: Schultz/Mitchell Carried.

2. Introductions and Announcements

President Pepler stated the Councilor's Cote, Olson, Kirkland, McAuliffe, Lawrence, Peti, Harder and Knaus sent regrets.

4. Minutes and Reports for Information

4.1 USC Minutes

Councilor Schultz noted the December 6th, 2007 USC minutes stated she was present but she was absent because she had a final exam.

5. Motions Arising from the Minutes and Reports

Move to adopt the minutes.

USC Motion92: Ring/Schultz Carried.

7. New Business

7.1 Studentcare – Self Insurance

President Pepler stated that due to the lack of attendance and importance of the issue he would like to table the issue until next week's meeting.

Move to table Studentcare until next week.

USC Motion93: Pepler/Kenney Carried.

7.2 Place Riel – Approval of Steering Committee & Survey

Recommendations

VP Ring stated he would also like to table approval of Steering Committee until next week. The survey results are back. He will email the information out.

Move to table Place Riel until next week.

USC Motion94: Ring/Kuspira Carried.

8. Questions and Comments

President Pepler reminded councilors that following next week's meeting there is a USC Social at Louis' at 7 p.m.

9. Any Other Business

9.1 Outreach Report

President Pepler stated the Executive is planning an outreach project to different regional colleges that are USSU members. They Executive are going to La Ronge to speak with NORTEP and NORPAC students who are USSU members as well as visiting Northlands Regional College. A full report will be provided following the project. The Executive are also planning trips to North Battleford, Yorkton and Prince Albert.

VP Ring stated that the La Rong trip is next week.

10. Adjournment

Move to adjourn.

USC Motion95: Schultz/Kuspira Carried.

Executive Sponsorship

I. Event

- A.1. Event name: International Week, January 28 – February 9, 2008
- A.2. Proposed by: Lindsey Levesque, External Affairs

II. Analysis

A. Background Information and Need

- A.1. History: The USSU has organized and helped to fund International Week for the last 17 years in collaboration with the ISO and the International Student Associations. Sponsorship this year would confirm the USSU's commitment to International students and the internationalization of the University of Saskatchewan campus.
- A.2. Issues: The ISO has a limited amount of money to cover expenses for this year's International Week. Thus, USSU co-sponsorship would assist with the finances and to legitimize the activities in the eyes of students.
- A.3. Research: The ISO knows which activities has been successful in previous years and which activities to avoid. The USSU will also benefit from being identified with International Week.

B. Target Group and Characteristics

- B.1. Primary Target: University of Saskatchewan students
- B.2. Secondary Target(s): Faculty and staff across campus

C. Vision and Mission

- C.1. Vision: To raise awareness about the many International students on campus, the cultures they represent and the contribution they make to the University as a whole.
- C.2. Mission: To present activities and programs that will:
 - Promote cross-cultural understanding and learning
 - Support USSU initiatives to educate the student population on diversity issues
 - Encourage U of S students to consider work/study abroad opportunities
 - Promote U of S Exchange and International Internship programs

D. Key Considerations

D.1. Detailed Budget:	
Brochures	888.00
Speaker	3750.00
Banners and Posters	1015.00
Sheaf	752.00
Food Services	1000.00
Entertainment	300.00
Meeting Refreshments	100.00
Tunnel Displays	2000.00
Total Expenses	9805.00

III. Recommendation

The ISO requests that the USSU assist by covering the cost of advertising to a maximum of \$500 to cover the cost of printing, and also allow the use the USSU plasma screens for advertising, as well as use of the tunnel during the course of International Week.

ALTERNATIVE UNDERWRITING OPTIONS



An overview of financial models (underwriting) for health plans

	Fully Insured	Refund Accounting	Self-Insured
Also known as	Prospectively Rated	Retention Plan Retention Accounting	Administrative Services Only A.S.O.
How claims volume is determined	Claims volume and claims lag are determined by coverage and demographics of group. Claims are independent of and are in no way influenced by the underwriting structure.		
Risk Structure	Insurer carries full risk	Risk ultimately borne by policy holder	Risk borne directly and immediately by policyholder
What happens to deficits	Insurer fully liable for any deficit	“Carried over” into future years, must be repaid through higher premiums, or lower coverage.	Deficit must be immediately funded from current funds.
What happens to surpluses	Insurer absorbs any surplus	“Carried over” into future years: can build up reserves, reduce premiums or increase coverage.	Surpluses remain the property of the policyholder, as the funds never leave their account.
IBNR (claims lag) Reserve	Built into Premiums	Must carry IBNR reserve, approximately 10% of claims	Must hold IBNR reserve, approximately 10% of claims
How Plan costs are set	Budget prospectively to “break even”: projected claims + insurer expenses	Budget prospectively and retrospectively to account for any surpluses/deficits	Projected claims and expenses
Target Profile	Plans with unstable claims experience or changing coverage, low risk tolerance, or low political support for carrying reserves.	Plans with stable claims experience, moderate risk tolerance, prepared to accumulate moderate reserves (15% to 30% of claims + 10% IBNR).	Plans with long record of very stable claims experience, high risk tolerance, limited coverage, prepared to accumulate large reserves (30% - 70% of claims + 10% IBNR).
Other comments	The most common structure for student groups.	A good option for stable plans with appropriate reserves	Can limit risk through stop-loss insurance, which should only be on an ‘aggregate basis’. (Not “individual”).

IBNR = Incurred-but-not-reported (this is the claims lag: e.g. claims incurred in August 2005, but submitted in October 2005, the next policy year)



Survey Results: USSU: 2007 Place Riel Needs Assessment Survey

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Questions marked with a **[Required]** were required.

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Survey Time Stats

Average Completion Time: 6min 27sec (Min: 1min 2sec, Max: 55min 22sec)

Average Time before Quit: 3min 43sec

The USSU Executive and Place Riel Student Advisory Committee wants you to tell them what you want in the renovated and expanded Place Riel Student Centre.

Give us your feedback and be entered to win three cool prizes:

1 - \$100 Cash

1 - \$50 Louis' Gift Card

1- \$25 Louis' Gift Card

Thank you for your feedback

Current Use of Place Riel

1. [Required] How often do you visit Place Riel?

Once a day	- 359		59.05%
2-3 times each week	- 144		23.68%
Once a week	- 65		10.69%
Once a month	- 33		5.43%
Once a term	- 6		0.99%
Never	- 1		0.16%

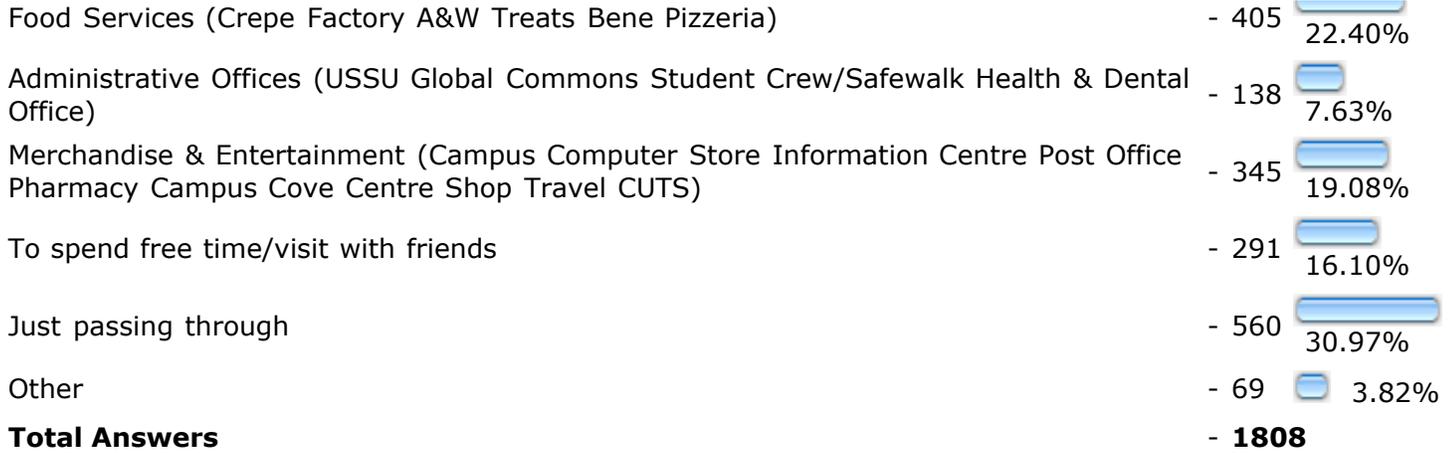
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2. Why don't you visit Place Riel?

Total Answers - 1

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3. [Required] When you visit Place Riel, What services do you use? Please check all that apply.

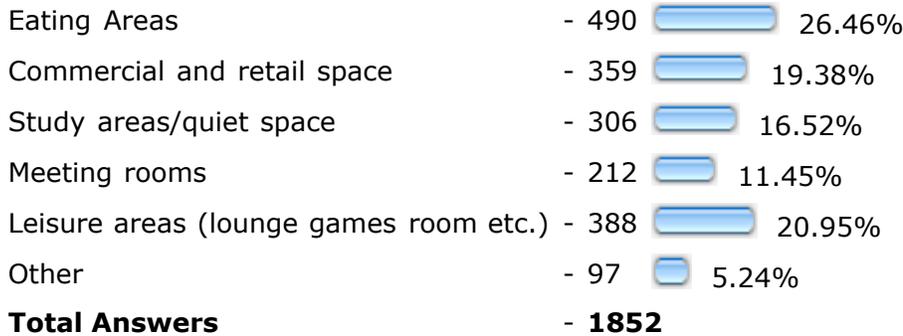


4. What other services do you use?

Total Answers - 51

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5. [Required] What types of spaces would you prefer in Upper Place Riel? Please rank the following of importance to you. (Select your top 3 preferences)



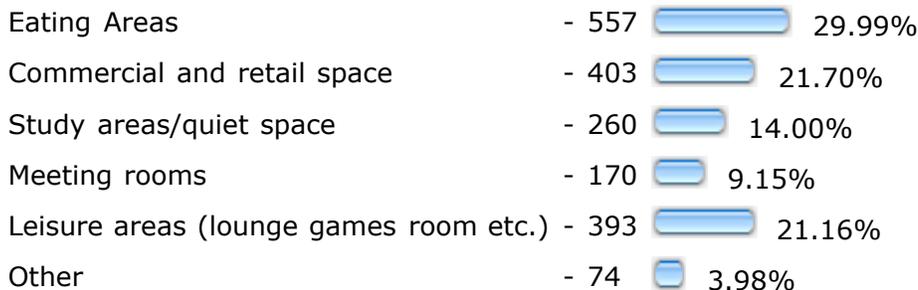
Changes for the future

6. What other type of spaces would you prefer in Upper Place Riel?

Total Answers - 272

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7. [Required] What types of space would you prefer in Lower Place Riel? Please rank the following of importance to you. (Select your top 3 preferences)



Total Answers - 1857

8. What other type of spaces would you prefer in Lower Place Riel?

Total Answers - 37

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9. [Required] Are there any other businesses and/or services you would like to see located in Place Riel?

Total Answers - 608

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10. [Required] Is there anything lacking in your college that you would like to see located in Place Riel?

Total Answers - 608

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11. [Required] What would you change about Place Riel?

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12. What would you NOT change about Place Riel?

Total Answers - 394

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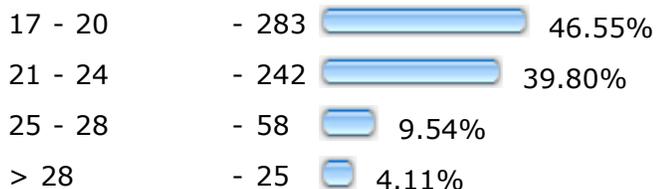
13. The USSU is currently investigating corporate and private sponsorship for Place Riel. What should the Place Riel Student Steering Committee consider when evaluating sponsorships?

Total Answers - 390

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Demographics

14. [Required] What is your age group?



Total Answers - 608

15. [Required] Which college/school are you enrolled?



Edwards School of Business	- 114		18.75%
College of Dentistry	- 2		0.33%
College of Education	- 15		2.47%
College of Engineering	- 85		13.98%
College of Kinesiology	- 18		2.96%
College of Medicine	- 5		0.82%
College of Nursing	- 18		2.96%
College of Law	- 13		2.14%
College of Pharmacy & Nutrition	- 21		3.45%
Centre for Continuing and Distance Education	- 3		0.49%
School of Physical Therapy	- 2		0.33%
Western College of Veterinary Medicine	- 1		0.16%
Total Answers	- 608		

16. **[Required]** What is your year of study?

1st Year	- 112		18.42%
2nd Year	- 164		26.97%
3rd Year	- 150		24.67%
4th Year	- 101		16.61%
5th Year	- 51		8.39%
> 5th Year	- 30		4.93%

Total Answers - 608

17. Do you have any additional comments about Place Riel?

Total Answers - 178

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Meeting rooms	lounge
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OtherBusServLocatedinPR

A McDonald's a Starbucks

A real pharmacy chain, fresh foods (fruit, veggies, baked goods)

No.

More restaurants like taco time

no

n/a

not in particular but any service is welcome

booster juice

mabye a small store

n/a

Tanning Salon

no.

I think it would be great to have an optometrist somewhere, or some other health-related venue.

No

more food stores and a larger campus computer store

No

McDonald's or Quizno's or another microwave

McDonalds

More food businesses.

more places to eat

no

no

more vegetarian food options. Ethnic foods.

Ethnic Food

hair/aesthetics HEALTHY food options (health food store or healthy restaurant)

More healthy choice for food, like subway

I can't think of any in particular

Small convenience-like store, that sells milk, bread etc.

No, maybe a help booth.

More Microwaves

A small grocery store of some kind- i.e. somewhere that sells milk, bread, fruit, veggies- the staples

more food places to select from

More food services, especially ones that stay open past 6pm.

Pita Pit (get rid of extreme pita), ice cream!, organic and local market (could be a co-op run by the

Other than relocating the bar, I would provide decent Council chambers, and if space permits, a mu

health food resturant

I don't think so

No

additional services would be appreciated and they should be instated along similar lines to those alr

put in a sub place, like quiznos TD bank machine, most of the other major banks have machines th

an ice cream shop

A healthier vegan/vegetarian place to eat/food options

subway

A grocery store (convenience store where I can pick up a carton of milk on my way home)

more food services Subway

optical groceries

Another Tim Horton's - maybe full service? More computer access

Starbucks

Not that I can think of.

no

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computer lab

Whatever the U of R has.

printing and photocopying

Starbucks.

MICROWAVES!!!! There is one microwave in Place Riel for general use, and it is provided as courte

subway

chinese food place, buffet style

hair salon

a vegetarian friendly restaraunt

not that i can think of, although i currently avoid place as the strike gives me no reason as most se

More places to eat, store items, more entertainment.

None in particular

no

No additional businesses/services.

Taco Time

Mcdonald's, Quizno's, Tim Horton's

No

No.

Not really.

More food options and more seating (maybe even more bar type seating because lots of ppl sit alor

Healthier food options beyond the muffins and stuff at Treats. Extreme Pita is healthy but it would t

No not really, its got all the services that are needed. I don't think that there is a need to spend mo

No

not to my knowledge

I like everything that is in it now.

Another restaurant location

a photocopier

no

no

TD CANADA TRUST ATM!!!! Myself and I'm sure many others would really, really appreciate if there

Hot water dispenser for noodles, somewhere comfortable to sit, somewhere WITHOUT ADVERTISEMEN

place to add printing money and photocopying money

Starbucks

Subways, a place to get a haircut!

subway,

no

Not really..

Other food franchises.

I can't think of any

No not really.

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Just more SPACE...it is usually so hard to get through

clothing stores restaurants

don't know

internet cafe

More access to healthy food.

can't think of any right now...the ticket master is good, keep that...how about a food place that has no

A mall! Just kidding - but sometimes I just need a break and like to browse through shops. Even w/ subway

Healthier food options, washrooms in upper place riel, and more seating areas.

more healthy food choices

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Another coffee outlet

Starbucks and another Tim Hortons

No

No

No.

no

Taco Bel

An actual Starbucks

possibly an athletic business

Businesses are fine; although another lunch restaurant could be a welcomed addition, perhaps a Su

I want printing/binding services to come back from hiding out past vet med. I often get my softcov

a directory of where all the services are on campus- if you don't know where they are they are harc

no

Not too much retail space. It's still a University, and student areas should take priority. I don't pay 1

VEGAN FOOD

A TD Canada Trust banking machine

hair salon

A place that sells healthy food alternatives. We don't need any more fast food.

We need something like Walmart that has a little bit of everything including some groceries that are

No there is a good range of services provided.

Optometrist and space for the student health centre

Subway

More healthy restaurants

browsers books

no

cant think of specifics

more eating facilities

Some type of grocery store

-Not really, maybe a CD plus! -We have a Tim Hortons, but holy, people sure do line up for that pla

#NAME?

Wider variety of food services. I would like to see more televisions. They dont have to be big but th

Some healthier food options. There are to many greasy food stores (ie. Pizza and A&W)

TD Atm. High end coffee shop.

more healthy eating restaurants...NON UNIONIZED so we can still eat during strikes

small grocery type store

A TD Canada Trust teller

More food services.

MORE FOOD.

#####

no

No

A TD Bank ATM machine. A coffee shop of some sort....preferably a Starbucks....but since that is hi

More food stalls. The selection is way too limited.

No

no

nothing i can think of

Not really.

no

no

No, everything is adequately covered.

movie/music store

hairstylist/esthetics

Bank deposits option on ALL ATMs.

no

no

More coffee vendors; a place where you can go and fill up a water bottle without having to use the
#VALUE!

More food services that allow you to use meal plan at

No.

More options for food services.

just more places to eat and study if you chose to. the only place with tables right now is right by th

No

Copy Services

Booster Juice

a job board would be nice

Shopper's Drugmart

Another Timmies.

subway, booster juice

Basic convenience store

no

More healthy food options.

no

No

no

No

No

Maybe more places to eat, like a food court.

no

A small grocery store where I can get milk on the way home might be nice.

taco time

Nothing in particular. Just healthy food/vegetarian options.

subway

no idea

td canada trust

no

drink or snack machines with healthier choices, that don't eat money, and are not owned by coca-c

More food choices

I like the businesses in Place Reil

none

no

Services and businesses thus far have been more than enough for me because of the variation in s

#####

You got it set up pretty dang good:)

Personally I'm happy with it the way it is now.

A grocery store?

More open and free lounge areas

no

booster juice would be great in place. sometimes all u want is a smoothie and going all the way dor

A layout that allows maximum traffic flow

more tv's, more computers... and in more locations than just the tunnel

Grandma Lees Bakery for sure.

Movie rental/store.

sports store, laundromat, hair stylist

McDonalds

no

shopper's drug mart grocery store

Honestly, it's fairly well set up as is.

Subway

more options for food

Vegetarian or Vegan restaurant.

More places to sit and eat or meet with people.

More selection for food, small convenience store

A tv room for ppl who don't want to just watch the news or sports.

mcdonald's, quizno's, edo

subway

no

Subway, quiznos,

More healthy food-type vendors.

Sushi Restaurant Taco Time! A (larger variety) pharmacy

subway

no

other fast food venues.

A TD bank machine,

No

more food options, other than that what is there is good

taco-time.

Starbucks

Expand the services the pharmacy provides More late lunch vendors (with decent prices to get a m

TD Bank machine

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Nothing comes to mind at the moment.

computer rooms, and more variety of food stores.

More variety of eating places to choose from. Better set up for seating arrangement. More room to not that i can think of

student oriented services - help desks and such broadway roasteries *** a place where random pe

more variety of merchandise

Something Vegetarian

The Health Center

Subway, healthier food choices, more eating areas

More food services would be a huge plus. a TD ATM would also be nice.

STARBUCKS!

Not sure

A bank, perhaps?

a post for campus security. post would provide students with security persons all the time. STARBU

It would be nice to have a place that offered soup and homemade sandwiches.

no

Grocery store

Unique restaurants/fast food places.

a grocery store

Small food store.

I would like to see more seating for studying and doing homework.

No.

no

No

An offsale would do well, in my opinion

no

Not that I can think of.

No everything is great!!

No

A TD Canada Trust bank machine!!!!

Group Meeting rooms

More variety of food services

a healthier meal choice that isnt too pricey. I think a salad store that charged like 3 or 4 bucks a sa

None that come to mind.

More healthy food choices. Both A&W and Bene Pizza are very greasy, and the Crepe Factory isn't a dental office or optometrist; there is a PHARMACY!

no i think all areas are well covered.

Off the top of my head, none that I can think of.

Healthier food outlets, possibly a small grocery type store to buy fresh fruit and veggies.

No.

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no.

Better places to eat with a more healthier food choice. I would also like a better selection of shops i

I'm pretty satisfied with the services already offered. A banking machine for TD Canada would be h

N/A

taco bell

More fast healthy food options would be great.

No.

Not really

unsure

Grocery Store, healthy food alternatives, magazine shop, coffee house

More food services offering healthier food.

booster juice

yes,if we want to meet each other ,and not familiar with other places,we often choose PLACE RIEL,I

a subway

some places like meeting places and pingpang room

no

no

No

more food services

#####

extreme pita that has a grill

no

no

Not that I can think of

a good place to eat, not greasy burgers or pizza

Outdoor/indoor sports and recreation store.

Unsure--I am fairly satisfied with current services. (when workers are not on strike and everything

no

no

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More variety in the "food court"

No, place Riel has the all the needed types of services

no

Bookstore should be open 7 days a week!

cheaper, healthier food restaraunt

TD Canada Trust ATM

Having attempted to attend USSU election forums in Lower Place, It would be nice to see a layout v

a laundry matt for the non Res students would be a good thing to try out. A grocer/convenience stc

More microwaves

tim hortons, a sit-down restaraunt

No

Just more places to purchase food and seating areas.

More healthy food.

Academic services ie. Math help centre

local food service (CHEP)

More variety in food services.

subway, grandma lees

None that I can think of.

some sort of chinese food

Yes, i would like to see either Burger King or McDonalds open. or basically any other popular major

No.

subway

More variety of food places

More food choices

I would like to see a few more choices for food establishments

More variation in food services.

chinese/japanese food

no

More healthy restaurants.

a confectionary-type store

A technologically focused store like "The Source" or along those lines.

More variety in food. A taco time or new york fries.

McDonalds

a computer lab

Hairdresser.

No

A better eating establishment maybe.

Not really. Maybe a little healthier choices other than Pizza and Burgers.
Relocate the Tim Horton's.
McDonalds food service like in Marquis Hall but better tasting TD ATM
No.
computers more tables
No, all that I use are there
I would like a Mcdonalds
Possibly more food options. Definatly a lot more places to sit.
More food options, such as a Chinese or Greek restaurant. Something that isn't fast food and may a
entertainment store
nope
hair salon
place to watch tv
more food selection...subway on campus would be better than across the street
I would like to see an electronics store similar to Future Shop which provides the electronics that th
Perhaps more food vendors
Taco Time
Not really
Liquor retailer
no
no
more food selections
A mini convenience/grocery store for quick grocery shopping needs.
fair trade/ organic vendor.
Tim Hortons
not sure
local food options
more food
not that I can think of
Another TIM's
No.
none that I can think of
no
no
A MacDonaldis would probably do pretty well at the university.
No
no
tim hortons
Mc'donalds!!
A full service tim hortons where you can get soup and sandwiches
No.
dunno
Copy/print shop, chinese food/sushi
It would be nice to see a larger variety of food services.
Student Health, Food Centre, General Access to student services in a one stop place.
A small grocery store
I would like to see a hair salon on campus.
Grocery shops.
not really, a booster juice or pita pit maybe

Perhaps a photocopier. More than one free phone. Having more than one microwave and toaster in
Booster Juice
Vegetarian-friendly food establishment of some sort
more food services
Another place to sit down and eat in Upper Place Reil.
No
Booster Juice Subway
none
a TD canada trust ATM machine
Again, likely just different varieties of food.
I don't think that there is anything imparticular that is needed in terms of businesses or services. It
No
Grocery store, more food choices
More vegetarian options;locally owned food services; affordable food options.
another RBC ATM
subway, or other healthy options
Anything but another copprotate store. It seems wrong to support things like A and W on campus.
Tim Hortons; convenience store to buy milk and such items; research area; subway
International food shops
No
Starbucks
GROCERY STORE!!! A place that we could buy local produce would be wonderful. A music store feat
Dollar Store, or a store that sells cheap stuff.
a subway would be nice, instead of an A&W. a student co-operative selling fair trade foods and drin
An OPA! would be sweet
No just a better llayout of the existing student accessible areas
Subway would be nice
english communication, games
more food variety
#NAME?
more place where can buy food in the evening.
I would like to see more eatery places.
more Bank ATM,more food retail
Carrier service
another tim hortons
More food places
Deli or sandwich shop
photocopying, cheap meal options, bathrooms in upper place?
sandwich shop with good healthy food
More food variety
what they have is fine
no
no
KFC or Macdonald's A magazine and newspaper store Some free computers
yes
no
more of a lounge area, kinda of like the cafeteria downstairs, but with comfy chairs and stuff. A TV
grocery/convenience store
more healthy food options, a lounge, more seating for eating areas

more different kinds of style of food.such as chinese food,indian food...

No.

DVD sales

I would like to see the current services actually operating.

subway, wendys, health food options

Not that I can think of.

I think it is fine as is

Banks it would be good if we could convince various banks to have tellers located in Place Reil.

subway, McDonalds and a hair salon place

subway

May you could have more water fountains.

More variety of food places.

no

Food services with good vegetarian options, leisure areas besides tables

...

Tim Horten's with all the food available at normal Tim Horten's

Better food service selection.

I would prefer fewer private businesses on campus.

A mini grocery store for basic daily items.

More affordable food services. Benne is good, but some of the prices at A&W are ridiculous.

no

Some food and retail stores would be nice. A more defined backing area.

Student Co-op shop Good coffee shop

A book shop.

Perhaps a place we can pay parking tickets at in Place riel instead of having to drive all the way to r

ee burritos, arbys, tea shop, astrology shop,

no

No

NONE

none that i can think of

Coffee shops

Starbucks

more food choices, another convenience-type store

a grocery store so that fresh fruit,vegetables and acutal healthy choices are available for students a

McDonald's, some sort of restaurant

better selection of food might be nice

Not that I can think of

No

Starbucks!!!!

Grocery Store (NOT convenience store); Copy Centre (a REAL one, with SERVICE, not stupid cards)

Photocopier machines A welcoming person that welcomes students and gives directions

Study areas

starbucks! another restaurant, maybe taco time? or a buffeteria.

A different variety of food services that can be used with the meal plan.

sushi lounge

no

Another restaurant that has healthier food so you don't have to run to the Arts Buff or Louis. Perhaj

Its pretty good actually. IF it was actually available. I suppose that will happen again after the strik

subway

no

Tim hortons

a booster juice would be nice. not a fan of jugo juice or whatever

no

TD Canada Trust Bank, Grocery Store

more restuarants

A pharmacy

Wendy's

nope

Some sort of Ice Cream outlet The Games Room should have Guitar Hero (and more than one stati

undecided

Food services

no

no

Booster Juice

not in mind up to now

A place that serves healthy choice alternatives.

It would be good to have more restaurants in the food court, so students can have more selection.

No

#VALUE!

Bank, Starbucks

Store with fresh food and tea (store and lounge).

no

No

No

No i wouldnt because place riel is already packed as it is. I like the set up of place riel.

more healthy eating choices

more variety of food services

services that we have now is good enough

A convenience-style store would be awesome. At the Univ of Iowa we had such a store in the stude

Subway, would be great, and it will give us, te students, the more convinient choise to eat healthier

No.

bank retailer, more food restaurants

A Macdonald's, but i am sure that that is not going to happen.

More food places

Sasktel

cultures (healthy fast food option)

Clothing stores.. vintage!

first aid station

Hair Salon

More eating options.

I really like the idea of meeting rooms that can be open for campus club use. A Booster Juice would

a health food restaurant that isn't extreme pita (i.e. pita pit)

It would be nice to see a subway right on campus. Also a booster juice would be amazing. Maybe a

hairedresser. bike shop?

Convenience store, open after other stores close.

fuller drug store

none

subway

no
no
more choices of restaurants
CIBC DEPOSIT banking Local restaurants
coffee shop, sit down area
Alcohol Store
Taco Bell
No, Everything pretty much is there for you right now.
no, not really
Bank Canada Trust.
no
University store, computer store. Ussu services. Not a lot more commercial than we already have.
more food outlets than are currently there
A convenience store maybe
Computer spots to jack in laptops to wired internet with external keyboard, mouse and monitors
mini grocery store with reasonable prices.
copying/printing services
Subway
No, the existing businesses/services are adequate enough.
not really, somewhere a bit more quiet
have more fast food stores
I'd like to see more options as far as places to grab a bite, preferably places that are willing to stay
More food items, mcdonalds, MRS.VANELLIS
More restaurants.
Natural foods/ vegetarian options. The food on campus is so bad. Fair trade coffee. More of a Browns
No
food
No.
A small bookstore for casual reading.
Booster Juice, Orange Julius, McDonalds, Subway, LUSH handmade cosmetics, Shoppers Drug Mart
no
Better food establishments...more variety.
way more seating to eat
Booster Juice, Quizno's
no

none that I can think of
TD Bank atm, more fast foods
Starbucks
More food service diversity
no
No, I think what is there is enough.
Place Riel Theatre.
nothing that comes to mind
More healthy food alternatives
Booster Juice, Starbucks
No, I think all the basics for services are met.
No
starbucks

Nope

no

more shopping

no

Booster Juice, clothing stores that are not necessarily selling Huskies clothing, and a music store.

no

more healthy food choices

Healthier food vendors

no

more restuarants with longer hours

edo japan

Maybe a coffee shop/light lunch style eatery

more food service

subway (at least 4 of em)

Not that I can think of.

A larger variety of food services so that students have a variety of options to choose from for their

Starbucks

more food places

possibly some kind of convenience store.. where we could buy milk to take it home with us so we d

a td bank machine! more food services

Subway.

Lacking in College	Change Place Right	Not Change	Abstract	Eval Sponsorship	Demographics	Age Group
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health food res	drabness of th	outside lightin	Sustainable an			25 - 28
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A fountain	Look more like	High speed es	Money so that			21 - 24
more food ser	The color The	Treats				21 - 24
optical, grocer	not sure		ethical and mc			> 28
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Lounge space.	It would be nic		The ethical prc	17 - 20
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bookstore with	have paintings	some strip of c		17 - 20
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video game ro	bigger eating	the food servic		17 - 20
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Place Reil isn't	Place Reil just That the busin They should ev	21 - 24
none	none Its not too bac amount of moi	25 - 28
no	more quiter sp	17 - 20
Nothing comes	Make it look le The dispersion Consider the b	17 - 20

Student Centre	The lighting in Bank machine: #####	17 - 20
a TV would be	It's my favorite! The escalators I like the idea	17 - 20
No	Maybe a few b The space to s I have no idea	17 - 20
No, i am very	Make it bigger THE people, e That it should	25 - 28
More open and	Nothing really, The easy acce: That there are	21 - 24
no	The number of	21 - 24
booster juice a	a touch more I i like the layout environment fi	17 - 20
Donuts	Its design, a n Anything but C	> 28
more microwa	The way it lool the stores What is offered	21 - 24
XM Radio.	Main level sho ATMs on the r Don't matter a	17 - 20
new furnishing	new furnishing Scholarships p	21 - 24
microwaves, g	##### its atmosphere supporting tho	21 - 24
A Dean thats	c The colour sch I like the open Who can give i	21 - 24
no	nothing	21 - 24
no	i dunno	21 - 24
Not really.	Nothing in par	21 - 24
Not really	Nothing, we d good how it is something bes	21 - 24
no	more seating i	17 - 20
No	Make it cheap	21 - 24
No.	Everything is c Nice to have a	21 - 24
no.	look at the wa ethical policies	17 - 20
Not really	Escalators that clean bathroom Sponsors who	17 - 20
variety of food	add more food	17 - 20
no	get rid of the s	17 - 20
no	nothing places to eat not sure	17 - 20
A REAL Studer	The darkness.. The Bookstore Corporate resp	17 - 20
No.	More light and The variety of I believe that t	21 - 24
College-based	The traffic patl A lot of the sei - Environment	17 - 20
more compute	more seating r	21 - 24
no	make it a gree no "Coca-Cola	21 - 24
other fast food	more seating i	> 28
hookers	where the sitti a company tha	21 - 24
More convenie	Make it look ni	21 - 24
no	update it, it lo the escalators #####	21 - 24
a place like bo	better tables a an eating area -	17 - 20
no	i said already	21 - 24
Summer job r	e Area behind th Healthy choice	17 - 20
No	Automatic doo the open layout Don't give into	21 - 24
-	#NAME? -	21 - 24
I don't really u	##### Post office, ba Please ensure	21 - 24
coffee shop.	make it bigger	> 28
A comfortable	Make it more u It is "the place Are they bindii	17 - 20
nope	nothing really	17 - 20
not really	open up space Change everyt Do not rename	17 - 20
ATMs	better use of s	17 - 20
Nah	The front door No big corpora	25 - 28
No. I can't thir	the amount of The name. #####	17 - 20
Student club s	More space, m The layout dov #####	17 - 20
In the college	Nothing at this The Cove is th Consider the a	17 - 20

nothing i can t	I think that it	Don't change t	17 - 20	
Don't know	Don't know		21 - 24	
No.	Bigger. Upgrad	Get sponsorsh	21 - 24	
all the above	all of theabove?	ethical actions	25 - 28	
Not that I can	#####	Keep Treats ar	Please consid	17 - 20
no	more windows	banking, crepe	They should n	25 - 28
store that cont	make a bigger			17 - 20
Meeting space	Moving atm's t	Local compani		17 - 20
more informat	More natural li	the free phone	Don't change t	21 - 24
Not anything i	Better floor pl			17 - 20
I cannot think	New seating (i	I like how ther		17 - 20
No.	I would leave i	See above.	#####	17 - 20
no	Needs better li	The fact that i	Corporate prac	25 - 28
No	Nothing	Getting rid of t		17 - 20
Not really	Modernize the	The financial ir		25 - 28
no	I'd like there t	Go with coke		17 - 20
Maybe another	It's not a very	I wouldn't like	#####	25 - 28
Nothing everyt	Nothing.			> 28
No	Bigger	Degree of cons		17 - 20
A TD Canada T	#####			21 - 24
Not that I can	More Eating Ar	the Cove	What the net t	21 - 24
No	Nothing			17 - 20
healthy meal c	Get people out			17 - 20
No	Improve traffic	Company's en		21 - 24
Student locker	Stop hosting tl			21 - 24
optometry	more private r	everything?	money; lots of	17 - 20
its already the	make the esca	the ladies was	the conditions	17 - 20
My biggest bot	I'd have more	I wouldn't add	Make sure tha	17 - 20
A quiet enclos	The amount of	There is a goo	Perhaps envirc	21 - 24
Not that I can	Less busy.	It's location.	I'm not sure.	21 - 24
no	An eating area	Bene Pizza anc	I don't know w	17 - 20
no	brighter, more	the businesses	the relavance	17 - 20
Cleaner faciliti	Cleaner facility	I like how it is	What can they	> 28
Not particulari	#####	The businesse	#####	17 - 20
N/A	make it bigger			17 - 20
no	traffic			25 - 28
A reading roor	#####	#####	It would be gr	21 - 24
No.	bathrooms in	the stairs	accountability,	21 - 24
A bathroom up	Brighter and n	Nothing really	What do they	21 - 24
unsure	#####	There are valu	#####	17 - 20
good coffee an	everything		do it carefully.	21 - 24
More seating.	Increase the s		How it will affe	17 - 20
no	.	atms	no idea	21 - 24
yes,especially	to add more s	all the things r		21 - 24
Overall the uni	the lighting	the way you al	making sure it	17 - 20
i think every t	no change ,it i			21 - 24
no	nothing much			17 - 20
no	I want it clean	free-style	have no idea s	17 - 20
No	Remove those	The cove. The		17 - 20

more seating	more seating	t.v.		21 - 24
Engineering de	If you want an	The computer	No idea becau:	17 - 20
no	nothing			21 - 24
no	????	the name	Whether or no	21 - 24
variety of prod	There need to			21 - 24
No	Walking throug			17 - 20
No	More places to			25 - 28
SPACE. It's so	The tables and	The current st	Who this is rea	17 - 20
No	I would get rid			17 - 20
no	nothing			21 - 24
no	more lights	its specific atr		21 - 24
Im in the colle	#####	I like the ATM	#####	25 - 28
No	More places to			17 - 20
a place for the	more space to	the cove!	it sh the amount of	17 - 20
more eating pl	more room	post office	what the stud	17 - 20
Nothing really.	More light (noi		go with the hig	17 - 20
More sitting ar	More eco-frien	not sure	my only sugge	17 - 20
Lost and Foun	modernized	escalators	stay local	17 - 20
Our college lac	The kiosk at th	I would not ge	Who ever give	21 - 24
can't think of	#####	All of the busir	A) how much r	17 - 20
Not that I can	Remove greas	Keep the healt		21 - 24
no	more options f	the big screen	items to help l	17 - 20
No	Nothing	Nothing		21 - 24
A clothing stor	I would chang	I would not ch		17 - 20
Just more tabl	More space for	Keep the resta	If a company i	25 - 28
open space	N/A			17 - 20
local food serv	take out the e:		If there is corp	17 - 20
No, maybe mo	Maybe more fc		Relevance to s	17 - 20
some extra co	a few more for	i would not wa	if they would r	17 - 20
A quiet study	Would like to s	The bus drop-	Commitments	17 - 20
certain debit	n seating availa			17 - 20
Not sure	Add a bit more	Upper place ri	The ethical sta	21 - 24
No.	Not sure.			17 - 20
subway	nicer environm	openness	i have no clue!	17 - 20
NO.	more space to			17 - 20
More food choi	Scrap campus			21 - 24
No	Create a lager			17 - 20
No.	Would update	There is lots of	Benefits receiv	17 - 20
no	nothing	tim hortons		> 28
no	The seats at th	It's actually pr	When sponsor:	> 28
Seating	Nothing, it has	Nothing, see a		17 - 20
more food opti	take out the e:	#####		21 - 24
More choice in	Update it is wf	The openness.	Look at the int	17 - 20
A change macl	Nothing quit r	The eating spa	How much mo	17 - 20
Computers	Have escalator	the eating tabl	How it is bene	17 - 20
more healthy	I find it very d		to make sure t	25 - 28
No.	Make it a brig	It's never craz	Choose sponsc	17 - 20
No	Bigger			21 - 24
yes but i don't	It looks too olc		I don't think it	17 - 20

Not that I can	The seating in		17 - 20
No.	Make it bright	Keep the TV b	> 28
no	more open spa	escalators and they don't ove	21 - 24
No.	Working escal	I believe the d	21 - 24
couches	needs more ta	keep treats an	17 - 20
comfy chairs	more food	easy access to corporate soci	17 - 20
Bigger eating	Lack of seating	The eating est	21 - 24
Not really.	More seating s	The tuck shop	17 - 20
My college (Ed	#####	I like having b	21 - 24
computers with	more space	the flow, it's n	17 - 20
support staff!!	not a lot	most, it's chea	17 - 20
tim hortons	make it more i	environmental	> 28
food court alre	nothing	the cove, food	17 - 20
proper vending	the colours, it		21 - 24
I'm currently p	#####	I found the inf	21 - 24
Nope	Prune the tree	Its name	25 - 28
Not that I can	No real "need"	post office and	17 - 20
We don't have	Make it more	The Bank mac	17 - 20
24 hour quiet	The name	The Ticketmas	21 - 24
no	Improve the a	Its location	17 - 20
no	nothing	Everything	21 - 24
not enough fo	more eating s	nothing	25 - 28
A safe meditat	#####	escalators, tim	17 - 20
no	#####	Please evaluat	21 - 24
Study areas or	Have more sea	The lounge are	21 - 24
not sure	nothing	not sure	21 - 24
campus club s	more food opti	it's a high traff	21 - 24
study room/lor	chairs are dirt	hte businesses	17 - 20
I'm an art stud	For the most p	how socially re	21 - 24
More microwav	More Microwav	Treats and Car	21 - 24
No.	No.	Consider givin	17 - 20
no	unsure	the escalators	17 - 20
no	more tables to	Company imag	17 - 20
no	update	nothing	17 - 20
Not that I can	I would maybe	The businesse	25 - 28
Couches, rest	Make sure the	I like the natu	17 - 20
no	i would add m	Where the cor	17 - 20
no	i would take o	the services, li	21 - 24
we need more	make the stair	the escalators	17 - 20
more public fr	perhaps make the	existing bu	21 - 24
Places to eat.	More space for	Make sure the	21 - 24
dunno	dunno	dunno	21 - 24
no.	the lighting	the bus termin	25 - 28
NO, other than	I would not ch		21 - 24
A general loun	A greater amo	Having the spc	17 - 20
Grocery store	Clean the chai	Whatever is gc	21 - 24
N/A	a total facelift	Food services	17 - 20
Nothing.	Nothing.	Don't allow mc	21 - 24
nope	the escalators		21 - 24

Nothing I can	The brightness	Commitments	25 - 28
Not at the mori	would like it t	the openness	17 - 20
The engineerir	It's fairly dark	Post office, ba	Trying to keep
exam files in o	more relaxing		17 - 20
No.	Place Riel neec		17 - 20
No	Nothing	The restaurant	17 - 20
N/A	Just to clean it	I'd keep all the	Contributions t
none	dirty seats at t		> 28
maybe more c	Nothing, Place		17 - 20
Nothing glarin	Size. There is	Location.	Students have
No, I'm fairly	it does need st	The name, the	They should ev
No	Decor		They should cc
There is no wh	I think it need:	I like how ther	17 - 20
same as above	A wider variety		I would prefer
quite study ar	the escalators	post office and	21 - 24
photo copy/ in	brighter, more		1) what the co
I feel everythi	nothing	the seating av	sponsors that
more compute	put more eatir	the food outlet	the well being
nope!	make it bigger	TV!	Get more inter
No	Not Much		21 - 24
no	more seating i	relaxed atmos	campus involv
No.	Increase natur	Location.	Sponsorship fr
more clubs pr	The seating. MI	would not ch	sponsors that
a place to get	nothing much	the center sho	#####
nope	fine as is		17 - 20
the mascot, te	the colors		Who is CUPE b
More study ar	Update the se		Corporate Soci
coffee and hot	NO	Keep it as a pt	Money support
more food	get rid of the €		21 - 24
no	#NAME?		Whether or no
more microwa	I expect more		25 - 28
I don't know if	I would just up		17 - 20
food stores	make it bigger	student servic	money and be
nope	The tile maybe	The waiting bu	any kind of foc
More TV's tun	make it larger	escalators	Saskatchewan
drug store	better lighting		17 - 20
no	More windows,	The big TV	The values anc
Ares to sit and	Get rid of the	Flowthrough ft	Fair trade, ethi
nope	the smell of fa	location of sto	the committee
better food se	the look		21 - 24
what they hav	colors, seating	I like the big	What will we o
no	more places to	the sofas info	???
no	nothing	nothing	17 - 20
no	Add some com		The operation
more choices	cleanliness		17 - 20
no	a designated p	the goods and	goals and serv
no	A subway wou		The reputation
good lighting	more good se	the convenien	17 - 20
not that I can	Brighter, more	the amount of	21 - 24

big,clean locke	make it much		17 - 20
No.	More cleanline Seating.	Sponsors valu	17 - 20
Extra meeting	If a second flo	Don't make w/ #####	17 - 20
More comforta	get rid of the /	The Center Sh	21 - 24
more seating,	more seating,	sponsorships a	21 - 24
?	?	I like that ther	> 28
no	I would put m	the access to t	25 - 28
Clocks	Clocks	A highspeed E	21 - 24
no	make it more		17 - 20
N/A	more space to	The Cove in LFA sponsor that	17 - 20
I would just pr	Nothing really.	The facilities it	17 - 20
no	Having meetin		21 - 24
More seating f	Add more light	The food servi	17 - 20
Study/leisure	:Streamline tra	Good place to	17 - 20
study space	the colour and ...	community invol	> 28
No	I like it how it	No	21 - 24
none.	70's style look	Large, open sp	21 - 24
-	-	I enjoy the pr	17 - 20
Would like to s	Have more se		21 - 24
Unsure.	Usually quite c	The amount of	21 - 24
no	nothing	the variety of '	17 - 20
I would really	Better lighting	Information bc	21 - 24
no	Enivornmental	computer row	21 - 24
Healthier resta	I would want t	I like the large	21 - 24
More food plac	Lower place is	The people!	17 - 20
iq tests more	(it needs a the	the crepe plac	17 - 20
no	have more ret.	keep the infro	21 - 24
More healthy €	??	The escalators ?	21 - 24
NONE	WHEN DOING	I LIKE WHERE THAT THEY AR	21 - 24
commons roo	- the awful foot	time hortons,	17 - 20
Library break	(Nothing	I like you can	21 - 24
Deli-type resta	Bathrooms in	Good atmoshp	21 - 24
no	more shops/bu	the post office	21 - 24
a grocery stor	upper place sh	the number of	21 - 24
no	more tables	keep the food	17 - 20
n/a	more seating	the seating, w/ #####	21 - 24
No	I would add m	Please don't g	17 - 20
No	Nothing. Why		21 - 24
Starbucks	make it more :		17 - 20
Hot girls?	the dingy base ?	see above ? #####	25 - 28
no	I think it is a p	I like all the sp #####	25 - 28
Coffee shops	More places to	Don't know	17 - 20
information ce	more tables!!	treats is great! #####	21 - 24
no.	Brighten it up,	The variety of	17 - 20
no	the design, an	the services pr	17 - 20
no	move the bus	Make sure the	21 - 24
Cheaper food.	Bigger. More s	A&W	21 - 24
Nah, not really	Not much	I like the pres	17 - 20
a quiet study	s escalators real	the arcade, its	17 - 20

No	Those ugly fuc do not touch T	Make sure we	25 - 28
a better suply	more seating r food ect.	local conection	17 - 20
nothing	more seating t		17 - 20
no	update the dec	that it won't lir	21 - 24
No	A more nutriti	The Post Office	17 - 20
better food suc	bigger	overall cleanin money	17 - 20
No	More eating sp	Its accessabilit	25 - 28
no	placement of /	ability to quick	17 - 20
more clocks, it	i'd move the A	Things that ar	21 - 24
No	The colors and	History of the	17 - 20
undecided	no complaints		17 - 20
more seats	increase open	food services	21 - 24
no	More seating!		17 - 20
no	table area is d		21 - 24
no	make traffic fl		21 - 24
same with the	increasing moi	most are perfe	17 - 20
More natural li	I would like to	#####	25 - 28
TV screens ad	Lower Place Ri	I like the centr	17 - 20
More Food Opt	Better Escalat	Crepe Factory	17 - 20
no	#NAME?	#NAME?	17 - 20
Change machi	Drabby colour	Bank machine:	17 - 20
More microwa	Is dark with gr	Nothing from c	25 - 28
no	nothing	eating	25 - 28
No	Nothing		17 - 20
NO	Nothing comes	i don't know	25 - 28
from the collec	i'd remove the	the game roon	17 - 20
no	more seating	place riel shou	25 - 28
escalators	more room for	escalators	25 - 28
no	nothing	post office, ph	25 - 28
not that I can	#####	post office, Ce	25 - 28
No	A little more si		17 - 20
No.	Fewer escalat	The amount of	21 - 24
dental supply :	Expansion of t	The amount of	21 - 24
no	more seating i		21 - 24
N/A	Nothing. Great	The layout. Th	17 - 20
No	stairs	Free money? v	21 - 24
more seating	Finish the wall	I think it's fine	21 - 24
no	more restaura	the escalators	21 - 24
more courtesy	having the esc		21 - 24
No	More places to	I like the Post	21 - 24
No	Update the loc	I'm not sure.	25 - 28
A roomy stude	More space in	The fact that t	17 - 20
card swipe int	card swipe int	healthy food	21 - 24
not that i can	i think it need	I like that its a	17 - 20
TD ATM.	better use of c	free computer	21 - 24
Other food spa	more seating	Escalators and	> 28
No	make it larger	kiosks	17 - 20
none	direct the flow	Lots of space	21 - 24
no	more stores	escalators	17 - 20

no	no	a&w, pizza pla does the comp	17 - 20
no	sofa,they are t		17 - 20
more art suppl	better lighting, the atmospher i	would rather	25 - 28
Art exhibit spa	Lighting-it see Info kiosk, esc	Integrity, socia	> 28
no	the flow of pec	easy access to sponsors that	17 - 20
no	I would take u	Carbon Footpri	17 - 20
Taco Bell	Make it more r	Avoid monopo	17 - 20
Healthier choic	Nothing its per	Esceator, Love sorry not too s	17 - 20
It's a nice plac	more sitting at the open door	????	25 - 28
No.	It's looks good	I am not sure	21 - 24
no	nothing		21 - 24
It would be nic	Less bad fast f	Do not turn it #####	21 - 24
no	Lower Place Ri	I would keep t	25 - 28
No since Place	more lighting	The sitting are I'm not sure it	21 - 24
Campus Club	More student	Location #####	17 - 20
no	cleaner seats i		25 - 28
more available	more space, it		25 - 28
no	make it more	(nothing environment, :	17 - 20
No.	More events in	I would not ad The sponsors r	21 - 24
no	too crowded. \		21 - 24
walk way need	the interior de		17 - 20
No, not really	I'd want it to t		25 - 28
more places tc	just more food	the food we ha	17 - 20
More meeting	Nothing.		17 - 20
Good food/ ve	#####	A place to buy #####	> 28
I am in comm	More seats	Don't allow on	21 - 24
not that i can	more space, r		17 - 20
No.	More seating i:	Availability to f	21 - 24
No, my college	I'd brighten it	Activity to imp	17 - 20
my college lac	THE FLOORIN	(A&W, Treats, C Companies/bu	17 - 20
no	Probably nothi		17 - 20
I'm in Kin....w	Make it have n	Nothing	> 28
better hot foo	bigger and mo	the concept The ethics of t	21 - 24
not particularil	It's too dark, i	Their commitr	21 - 24
no	how traffic flov	the services w What kind of ir	17 - 20
Meeting areas.	Larger seating	That those spc	17 - 20
none that I ca	there is a lot o	I like the food as long as it is	> 28
more fast food	make it much		17 - 20
Quiet Study sp	Not so brown, All the service:	Any type of sp	17 - 20
A board room	More space for	Keep most of t #####	21 - 24
no	nothing	The sitting arr:they should co	21 - 24
No.	I do not like th	I like being ab Companies the	21 - 24
The old Place	I Bring back the		21 - 24
nope	i like place riel		25 - 28
more seating	more seating,		21 - 24
more study ro	newer couches	the huskie sto: make sure tha	17 - 20
No, but coin o	Place reil is go	leave escalato: People that ar	21 - 24
No	Take A&W out!	As a building, Don't ask mult	21 - 24
more variety o	the lighting	the tunnels	21 - 24

Greater variety	Make it more s	Location. Haha	Personally, I th	17 - 20
no	either less traf	the info center	what benefits	21 - 24
no	bigger, more f	most of the cu		21 - 24
Lounge space.	Cleaner, more		Ethical, local b	21 - 24
a campus radi	Change the de	The escalators	Human rights	21 - 24
no	it would be mc	the banking ar		17 - 20
more healthy f	more tables to			17 - 20
Public comput	More spacious,	Services curre	They should cc	17 - 20
no	seating capaci	places to eat	do not restrict	21 - 24
a cash machin	appearance, a	current emplo	contributions t	17 - 20
different types	a sit down res	location	environmental	25 - 28
not really	The decor is d	#####	-the sponsors'	25 - 28
more choice fc	brighter			25 - 28
subs	better seats re	amount of sea	I don't wanna	17 - 20
Not really.	If it's the main			21 - 24
As commercial	I would make			21 - 24
No	More tables an			17 - 20
more eating rc	make it so you	the establishm	if they want th	17 - 20
Kinesiology lac	Have more op	I like the Cam	They should cc	21 - 24
i dont think so	well.....more p			17 - 20
nope	Better Chairs.	nothing	Ethical busines	21 - 24

College	Yearofstudy	FinalOtherCorr	Datetime
College of Eng	1st Year		37940.50069
Edwards Schoo	3rd Year	Keep the USS	37940.54167
College of Arts	5th Year	None.	37940.54236
College of Eng	1st Year		37940.54792
College of Eng	1st Year		37940.55
College of Arts	4th Year		37940.58819
College of Eng	1st Year		37940.68681
College of Eng	1st Year		37940.69167
College of Eng	2nd Year		37940.70347
College of Eng	1st Year		37940.72847
College of Law	1st Year		37940.78194
College of Arts	5th Year		37940.80347
College of Arts	3rd Year		37940.81736
College of Eng	4th Year		37940.82778
College of Eng	1st Year		37940.85972
College of Eng	2nd Year		37940.91597
College of Arts	4th Year	I don't care I v	37940.94514
College of Arts	2nd Year		37941.09375
College of Arts	4th Year		37941.12222
College of Law	2nd Year		37941.50556
College of Eng	1st Year	no	37941.58333
College of Eng	1st Year		37941.61528
College of Arts	3rd Year	I hate the per	37941.66806
College of Arts	3rd Year		37941.99097
College of Law	2nd Year		37942.62569
Edwards Schoo	3rd Year	I think the pha	37942.69653
College of Arts	3rd Year		37942.83125
College of Arts	3rd Year	St Thomas Mo	37942.88056
College of Arts	1st Year		37942.96181
College of Arts	4th Year	Subway?	37942.98681
College of Law	5th Year		37943.00278
College of Arts	1st Year		37943.03472
College of Eng	> 5th Year		37943.11736
College of Arts	4th Year		37943.37361
College of Arts	4th Year	Compared to €	37943.50903
College of Arts	3rd Year	#####	37943.58819
College of Arts	2nd Year		37943.65972
College of Agri	1st Year	I don't mind it	37943.66597
College of Arts	3rd Year		37943.66736
College of Agri	4th Year		37943.67292
College of Arts	2nd Year		37943.67292
College of Arts	2nd Year	I like place riel	37943.67778
College of Arts	1st Year		37943.67847
College of Eng	3rd Year		37943.67847
College of Kin€	4th Year		37943.67917
College of Arts	2nd Year		37943.68264
College of Arts	3rd Year	#####	37943.68264
College of Arts	2nd Year		37943.68542

Edwards Schoo	2nd Year		37943.68889
College of Arts	3rd Year	no	37943.68958
College of Eng	4th Year	Make it a plac	37943.69167
College of Med >	5th Year		37943.69236
College of Arts	5th Year		37943.70278
College of Arts	3rd Year		37943.70694
College of Arts	3rd Year		37943.70903
College of Arts	4th Year		37943.71042
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2007-2008 USC Attendance

Name	May	June	July	August	Sept. 6	Sep.13	Sep.20	Sep.27	Oct.4	Oct.11	Oct.18	Oct.25
Abdulla, Adam	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	R	P	P	R	P	P
Atkin, Michael	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	P	R	P
Cote, Jean-Paul	NM	NM	NM	A	P	R	P	P	P	P	P	R
Gentner, Breanne	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P
Harder, Megan	NM	NM	NM	R	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P
Horvey, Karla	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Kambeitz, Elvis	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P
Karkut, Neil	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P
Kenney, Nicole	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P
Kirkland, Warren	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P
Knaus, Tamra	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Kuspira, Keith	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P
Lawrence, James	NM	NM	NM	P	P	A	R	P	A	R	P	P
Leisle, Matt	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P
Levesque, Lindsay	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
McAuliffe, Katelyn	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P
Mitchell, Alex	NM	NM	NM	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	P	P	P
Olson, Tyler	NM	NM	NM	A	R	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Pepler, James	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P
Peti, Nick	NM	NM	NM	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	P	P	R	P
Ring, Jeremy	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Rose, Dylun	NM	NM	NM	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA
Schultz, Ellyse	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P
Shibata, Satoshi	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Smith, Ashlee	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	A
Steeves, Josie	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	R
Wales, Jessica	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	A
Zubot, Kimberly	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P

P - Present; R - Regrets; A - Absence; NYA - Not Yet Appointed; NM - No Meeting

2007-2008 USC Attendance

Name	Nov.1	Nov.8	Nov.15	Nov.22	Nov.29	Dec.6	Jan.3	Jan.10	Jan.17	Jan.24
Abdulla, Adam	P	P	P	P	R	P	P			
Atkin, Michael	P	P	P	P	P	A	A			
Cote, Jean-Paul	P	P	P	P	P	A	R			
Gentner, Breanne	P	P	P	R	P	A	P			
Harder, Megan	P	P	P	P	P	P	R			
Horvey, Karla	P	P	P	P	P	A	P			
Kambeitz, Elvis	P	P	P	P	R	P	P			
Karkut, Neil	P	P	P	P	P	P	P			
Kenney, Nicole	P	P	R	P	P	P	P			
Kirkland, Warren	P	P	P	P	P	P	R			
Knaus, Tamra	P	P	P	P	P	P	R			
Kuspira, Keith	P	P	P	P	P	P	P			
Lawrence, James	P	P	P	P	P	P	R			
Leisle, Matt	P	P	P	P	R	P	P			
Levesque, Lindsay	P	P	P	R	P	P	P			
McAuliffe, Katelyn	P	P	P	P	P	P	R			
Mitchell, Alex	P	R	P	P	P	P	P			
Olson, Tyler	P	P	P	P	P	P	R			
Pepler, James	P	P	P	P	P	P	P			
Peti, Nick	P	P	P	P	P	P	R			
Ring, Jeremy	P	R	P	P	P	P	P			
Rose, Dilyn	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	P	A	P			
Schultz, Ellyse	P	P	A	P	P	A	P			
Shibata, Satoshi	P	P	P	P	P	P	A			
Smith, Ashlee	P	P	P	A	R	A	P			
Steeves, Josie	P	P	P	R	P	P	R			
Wales, Jessica	P	P	P	P	P	A	A			
Zubot, Kimberly	P	P	P	R	P	P	P			

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University Students' Council Agenda

Thursday, January 17th, 2008

- 1. Adoption of an Agenda**
- 2. Introductions and Announcements**
- 3. Council Address**
- 4. Minutes and Reports for Information**
 - 4.1 USC Minutes – January 10th, 2008**
 - 4.2 Executive Committee Minutes – January 14th, 2008**
 - 4.3 Academic Affairs Board Minutes and Report**
 - 4.4 Appointments Board Minutes and Report**
 - 4.5 Board of College Presidents**
 - 4.6 Code of Ethics Disciplinary Committee Minutes and Report**
 - 4.7 Elections Board Minutes and Report**
 - 4.8 External Affairs Board Minutes and Report**
 - 4.9 Operations & Finance Board Minutes and Report – January 15th, 2008**
 - 4.10 Student Issues Board Minutes and Report**
 - 4.11 Sustainability Board Minutes and Report**
- 5. Motions Arising from the Minutes and Reports**
- 6. Business**
 - 6.1 Studentcare – Self Insurance**
 - 6.2 Place Riel – Approval of Steering Committee & Survey Recommendations**
- 7. New Business**
- 8. Questions and Comments (30 minutes)**
- 9. Any Other Business**
 - 9.1 Budget Update**
 - 9.2 Councilor Removal**
- 10. Adjournment**

University Students' Council

Minutes for Thursday, January 10th, 2008

Present

James Pepler, President
Josie Steeves, VP Academic Affairs
Lindsey Levesque, VP External Affairs
Jeremy Ring, VP Operations & Finance
Nicole Kenney, VP Student Issues
Jean-Paul Cote, Agriculture
Tyler Olson, Arts & Science
Warren Kirkland, Associated Res.
Katelyn McAuliffe, Commerce
Alex Mitchell, Commerce
Adam Abdulla, Dentistry
Breanne Gentner, Education
Elvis Kambeitz, Education
Michael Atkin, Engineering
Keith Kuspira, Engineering
Satoshi Shibata, International
Neil Karkut, Law
Nick Peti, Medicine
Megan Harder, Nursing
Kimberly Zubot, Pharmacy & Nutrition
Karla Horvey, Physical Therapy
Tamra Knaus, St. Thomas More
Ellyse Schultz, St. Thomas More
Jessica Wales, WCVM

Also Present

Matt Leisle, Chair
Caroline Cottrell, USSU GM

Regrets

James Lawrence, Kinesiology

Absent

Ashlee Smith, Arts & Science
Dylan Rose, Indigenous

Meeting was called to order at 6:02 p.m.

1. Adoption of an Agenda

Move to adopt the agenda.

USC Motion96: Kupsira/Kirkland Carried.

2. Introductions and Announcements

President Pepler reminded councilors that there is a USC Social at Louis' immediately following the meeting.

Councilor Kambeitz stated that tomorrow there is a Mock Wedding at Credit Union Centre.

5. Motions Arising from Minutes and Reports

Move to adopt the minutes.

USC Motion97: Schultz/Ring Carried.

7. New Business

7.1 Studentcare – Self Insurance

VP Ring stated that last year there was a motion to move to a self-insurance program with Studentcare. He asked councilors to read over the handout provided by Studentcare, which explains three different options. There is a fourth alternative, which will be presented based on information provided by Studentcare next week. He stated that if councilors have any questions about the options to stop by the office.

7.2 Place Riel – Approval of Steering Committee & Survey Recommendations

VP Ring stated there was a pretty good response from students. The comments provided by students can reviewed at the USSU office. The document was too large to print at about 120 pages. The information was provided to the architects on December 13th, 2007, which they took to their boards to start the conceptual drawings. This probably should have appeared under Any other Business on the agenda instead of under New Business.

8. Questions and Comments

President Pepler announced that there is an International Cultural Event and Trivia Challenge at 7 p.m. on February 7th, 2008 at Louis' sponsored by the ISSA, U of S International, SCIC and USSU. If anyone is interested in attending they should meet with him and he would provide the event details. The USSU Executive is on a team. He stated snacks and refreshments would be provided.

VP Steeves noted that DISorientation is a joint event put on every year by the USSU and U of S Alumni. It assists students who are in their last year with making decisions. Some of the topics covered are: working/traveling overseas, Master's programs, buying/selling a house, etc. This year the event is going to be different. It is normally held in March but this year there will be sessions held in January and February. The event on January 23rd at 4 p.m. will discuss study and travel abroad. It is put on by Travel Cuts.

President Pepler stated Councilor Lawrence sent his regrets. He is still in Hawaii on his honeymoon.

Councilor Harder asked VP Steeves where the January DISorientation event would be held.

VP Steeves stated she wasn't sure but it would be advertised in the Sheaf on Thursday.

9. Any Other Business

9.1 Outreach Report

VP Levesque stated that the Executive drove to La Ronge the morning of Tuesday, January 8th and returned the evening Wednesday, January 9th. They met

with NORPAC and NORTEP students. The Executive addressed a few of their concerns. One concern the students had was with their student fees. They weren't aware of how this money was being used. VP Ring informed them of the Campus Club funding that is available. VP Levesque informed them of the Canadian Federation of Students. VP Steeves and President Pepler told them they should get student cards because they are U of S students. If they had student cards they would be eligible for discounts in certain stores in Saskatoon and would be able to vote in the USSU General elections. On Wednesday they met with Northlands College Students, also in La Ronge. These students also had the same concerns with the fees. NORTEC and NORTEP were also concerned with the Infrastructure Fee. However, they were impressed that the Executive went up and addressed their concerns since it had not been done before.

VP Kenney stated that some of the students are unable to receive health and dental coverage through Studentcare. She would be discussing this with Kristen Foster, Studentcare.

President Pepler stated that a full report would be provided at a later time.

VP Ring stated the regional students would like to have a voice on campus. He would be looking into having a student from Extension Division represent these 300+ students.

Councilor Knaus asked if any students enrolled through the Extension Division were able to vote.

VP Steeves stated that the Executive were under the impression that they had voting rights; however, the students informed them they did not have those rights. The Executive learned a lot from this Outreach. She stated these students have likely been overlooked in the past. These students have not had any kind of voice in the USSU.

Councilor Knaus asked what would be done to ensure those students are able to vote this year.

VP Steeves stated the Executive just returned at 6 p.m. last night so nothing had been decided yet.

Councilor Harder stated that another group of students that have been overlooked at the SIAST nursing students. They aren't eligible to vote and don't have student cards. She would be willing to work with the Executive to assist those students to receive the same rights.

VP Levesque stated the Executive will also be traveling to Prince Albert, Yorkton and the Battlefords. The Executive will provide council with a full report.

9.2 Sierra Youth Coalition Prairie Conference

VP Kenney stated this year the U of S would be holding the first ever Sustainable Campuses Conference in collaboration with Sierra Youth Coalition on January 18th to 20th. She encouraged all councilors to attend the conference. The registration fee is only \$10 and she has registration forms available if anyone would like to attend. The intention of this conference is to build new and more effective sustainability initiatives, share organizing experiences and successes, learn about specific prairie sustainability initiatives and challenges and plan for future collaboration between campuses in the region. She is very excited to be part of the conference. She stated she emailed her accountability report to councilors in the interest of sustainability.

9.3 Survival Guides

VP Ring stated there are still seventeen boxes of Survival Guides left. He asked councilors to stop by the USSU main office and pick up a box to take back to their college.

Councilor Olson noted that he has had students stop by the ASSU office looking for the Survival Guides.

VP Ring noted that the small calendars in the Survival Guides have forgotten that this is a leap year. However, in the large calendars where there is room to write the leap year is included.

VP Kenney stated she would be curious to know how many students actually use the day planners. She asked councilors to do a little survey in their college to determine how many use the day planners. She stated it is a waste to have seventeen boxes remaining.

President Pepler noted that if councilors have not been fitted for the USC hoodies to do so. He brought hoodies for councilors to try on for size.

Councilor Knaus stated that if the USSU does become a member of CFS they make day planners that are made of 100 percent recycled paper. They cost approximately \$1.00 per student and are easily recycled.

VP Ring stated that he spoke to the USSU Marketing Manager to try and have some stores/restaurants in La Ronge advertise in the Survival Guide to benefit the NORTEC/NORPAC students.

10. Adjournment

Move to adjourn.

USC Motion98: Schultz/Kirkland

Carried.

Executive Committee
Minutes for Monday, January 14, 2008

Present:, James Pepler, Jeremy Ring, Nicole Kenney, Caroline Cottrell

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 1:40

2. Call for Quorum

Quorum was present

3. Roundtables

GM Cottrell

- Admin Team
- Meeting re. Insurance with AON
- Renovation meetings X 5
- Budget Brainstorming
- Regular meetings with USSU managers
- Communications meeting
- Executive meeting
- USC meeting
- Meeting with CRO and ACRO
- Election planning
- Other GM duties

VP Kenney

- Executive Committee
- La Ronge Outreach
- Communications meeting
- Class
- Meeting with student about student health and dental concern
- Meeting with Griff James (SAL of Student Issues Board)
- Meeting with student about Conference social at Louis
- Meeting with Margret Asmuss- (Sustainability Coordinator) about Green Career Fair-Feb 6, 2008
- Volunteering at Women's Center
- USC
- USC social
- Meeting with Rita (Student Health) about Move US Campaign
- Meeting with Greg Fowler about new and existing Residences
- Sustainable Campus' Conference Planning
- EDO

President Pepler

- First Year Orientation for Term 2
- International Student Orientation
- EDO (Dec)
- In La Ronge connecting with distance students
- Place Riel meeting on the leases and rent philosophy
- USC
- Karaoke Maniac
- Meeting with Consumer Services Greg Fowler
- Place Riel Workshop with admin

4. SCIC Trivia Sponsorship

The USSU has been asked to put in a team and to provide prizes for the Trivia Contest for SCIC.

EXEC57 Move to provide \$75.00 in prize sponsorship for SCIC Trivia
Pepler/ring Contest.

Carried

5. Vector Marketing

Vector Marketing rents table space from us but there have been complaints about their presence in classrooms. Jason Ventnor noted that the USSU has no say over what goes on in classrooms in terms of their recruiting drives, but he will write a letter letting them know that it is inappropriate for them to put information in classrooms or on black/white boards within classrooms.

6. Sustainability Conference Lunch

Studentcare provides sponsorship money to the USSU for various initiatives. Most of this normally goes to Welcome Week but some was held back this year and VP Kenney would like to have sponsorship, from that money, for her lunch for the Sustainability Conference and for some morning snacks. The lunch will be at Louis', the snacks will be provided by other vendors.

EXEC58 Move to provide up to \$1281.00 from Studentcare sponsorship
Kenney/Pepler money to buy lunch for the Sierra Youth Coalition Sustainability
Conference for the Prairies.

Carried

7. Green Career Fair

VP Kenney is working in conjunction with FMD to put on a Green Career Fair. It will take place in the tunnel between Place Riel and Arts on February 6th from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. there will be 15 exhibitors. VP Kenney would like \$200.00 in advertising sponsorship for plasmas, posters and the website and credit at XL

EXEC59 Move to sponsor the Green Career Fair for \$200.00 worth of
Kenney/Ring plasma, poster and website advertising and printing.

Carried

University Students' Council Agenda

Thursday, January 24th, 2008

- 1. Adoption of an Agenda**
- 2. Introductions and Announcements**
- 3. Council Address**
 - 3.1 Campus Challenge**
- 4. Minutes and Reports for Information**
 - 4.1 USC Minutes – January 17th, 2008**
 - 4.2 Executive Committee Minutes January 21st, 2008**
 - 4.3 Academic Affairs Board Minutes and Report**
 - 4.4 Appointments Board Minutes and Report**
 - 4.5 Board of College Presidents**
 - 4.6 Code of Ethics Disciplinary Committee Minutes and Report**
 - 4.7 Elections Board Minutes and Report**
 - 4.8 External Affairs Board Minutes and Report**
 - 4.9 Operations & Finance Board Minutes and Report – January 22nd, 2008**
 - 4.10 Student Issues Board Minutes and Report**
 - 4.11 Sustainability Board Minutes and Report**
- 5. Motions Arising from the Minutes and Reports**
- 6. Business**
 - 6.1 Studentcare**
- 7. New Business**
- 8. Questions and Comments (30 minutes)**
- 9. Any Other Business**
 - 9.1 MSC Ratification & Appointments**
 - 9.2 Budget Walkthrough**
- 10. Adjournment**

University Students' Council

Minutes for Thursday, January 17th, 2008

Present

James Pepler, President
Lindsey Levesque, VP External Affairs
Jeremy Ring, VP Operations & Finance
Nicole Kenney, VP Student Issues
Jean-Paul Cote, Agriculture
Tyler Olson, Arts & Science
Warren Kirkland, Associated Res.
Katelyn McAuliffe, Commerce
Alex Mitchell, Commerce
Adam Abdulla, Dentistry
Breanne Gentner, Education
Elvis Kambeitz, Education
Dylan Rose, Indigenous
Satoshi Shibata, International
James Lawrence, Kinesiology
Neil Karkut, Law
Nick Peti, Medicine
Megan Harder, Nursing
Karla Horvey, Physical Therapy
Tamra Knaus, St. Thomas More
Ellyse Schultz, St. Thomas More
Jessica Wales, WCV

Also Present

Matt Leisle, Chair
Caroline Cottrell, USSU GM

Regrets

Josie Steeves, VP Academic Affairs
Kimberly Zubot, Pharmacy & Nutri.

Absent

Michael Atkin, Engineering
Keith Kuspira, Engineering

Meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

1. Adoption of an Agenda

Move to adopt the agenda.

USC Motion99: Ring/Horvey

Carried.

2. Introductions and Announcements

VP Ring asked all councilors to sign the MSC sign-up sheet and take the number that corresponds with their name. This would be used for voting tonight. He noted that the pages would have to be returned at the end of the night.

President Pepler stated that Councilor Zubot and VP Steeves sent regrets.

President Pepler asked Councilors Lawrence, Kambeitz and Rose to stop by the USSU office to try on hoodies.

5. Motions Arising from the Minutes and Reports

Move to adopt the minutes as circulated.

USC Motion100: Horvey/Levesque Carried.

6. Business

6.1 Studentcare – Self Insurance

Move to rescind USC Motion270 from the year 2006-07.

USC Motion101: Ring/Levesque Carried.

VP Ring stated that last year there was a decrease in insurance premiums and there was a motion to leave the fees the same and take the extra \$10.42 and move towards a contingency fund with the goal of self-insurance, which would generate profit. The intention of this was to use this extra money and put it towards certain external projects away from the health and dental plan. This is not the case and they can't use profits from the health and dental plan for external projects. If the USSU went to self-insurance the Executive would also incur some risk if there was an epidemic and more people claimed. This money would then come out of students' pockets rather than insurance.

Councilor Olson asked if the students wouldn't be able to go to self-insurance because there is no contingency fund.

VP Ring stated that would be the case. The Executive would like to remove the wording "moving toward a self-insurance fund." Then approximately \$72,000 from the contingency fund of this year would be reinvested into the health and dental plan.

President Pepler stated the Executive had meetings with Studentcare and moving towards self-insurance has the possibility of bankrupting the union and this has happened to other unions in the past. He encouraged councilors to vote in favour of this motion because he would hate to see the USSU go bankrupt.

VP Kenney reminded councilors that the USSU has had a good relationship with Studentcare. When they met with Kristen Foster, Studentcare, she explained that self-insurance is very risky. The USSU exists to serve the students and not to make a profit.

Councilor Harder apologized for being late and asked to have the motion restated. She asked if refund accounting option had been removed as an option

VP Ring stated the motion is to rescind USC Motion270 from 2006/07.

VP Ring stated that on the backside of the sheet he handed out are the trends of the USSU for the past five years. The numbers that are close, within 1 or 2 percent of 90 percent, is a break-even year. The numbers that are below 90 percent is a great year and the USSU would gain 10 percent of the claims. In

2002-03 the USSU would have incurred 13 percent losses that would have accumulated to approximately \$375,000. That would have to have been paid out of a contingency fund or student's money.

Chair Leisle restated the motion.

VP Ring stated that since USC has approved the motion to rescind USC Motion 270 from the 2006-07 year USC needs to decide an alternative to reinvest the money. He is under the impression that the Executive would make a recommendation and present it to USC. He asked council for suggestions. He asked if council would like to keep the premiums where they are or invest the money to lower premiums. He is looking forward to hearing some feedback.

President Pepler stated that USC members could come and talk to the Executive about various options.

Chair Leisle suggested moving on to another topic since there is no motion on the floor.

VP Ring stated that council also received the proposed plan that Studentcare presented to the Executive in November. This is a modification of refund accounting. Table A1 states that in year 1 if at the end of the year the claims are below 90 percent the USSU and Sunlife would split the profits and that would be put towards lowering the premiums of adding services. If claims are above 90 percent Sunlife would incur all the cost. If in years 2-4 there was a surplus the USSU would receive 60 percent; therefore lowering premiums even more or enabling reinvestment to add more services. If the previous year had a deficit in which Sunlife incurred the 100 percent loss and the following year was a surplus the USSU would receive 30 percent of the benefits and Sunlife an additional 70 percent. If there is a deficit in any year it is absorbed by Sunlife. The USSU gains on the profit but doesn't take any risk on the loss. He asked council to discuss it with members of their colleges.

Councilor Horvey asked when the deadline to submit suggestions would be.

VP Ring suggested bringing it back next week. He stated this is a confidential matter and asked councilors not to make photocopies of the document.

6.2 Place Riel – Approval of Steering Committee & Survey Recommendations

President Pepler stated that this is just for USC's information. He suggested making a motion that states councilors received and reviewed the results.

Move to take survey recommendation to a third party, Saunders Evans Architects, to use the information to develop the building program, which is Place Riel expansion and renovation.

USC Motion102: Ring/Levesque

Carried.

VP Ring stated that names, NSID's, and student numbers were not given in the survey. The college the respondents are enrolled in and the year of study is all that is available.

VP Ring stated that in the last PRSC the University Administration provided some costs that are less than favourable. Their quote is not necessarily consistent with the market value. The amount is substantially more than what has been budgeted for. Another meeting would be set up with the University Administration to discuss why the cost is so much more than originally quoted. Six months ago the cost per square metre was \$4,500 and it is now \$6,000. The USSU is re-evaluating what is going to be done. He stated Food Services has also informed the USSU they would be removing all food outlets from Place Riel and putting them into Marquis Hall as a way of consolidating all of their services including the Centre Shop. This was in their Strategic Plan.

President Pepler stated he believes the Administration wants to make Marquis Hall the new Student Centre. Administration would like to expand Global Commons and the Computer Store but are pulling out food services. Place Riel is a University building so they do have control over what goes into the building but under the terms of the Head Lease. The USSU is having a tough time with Administration and trying really hard to work with them.

VP Ring noted that the Head Lease is expiring this year. An interesting clause in the head lease is in regards to approval of tenants. The USSU is concerned that because the administration must approve what tenants can come into Place Riel there may be an impact on the amount of revenue generated. The University doesn't want competition with Food Services.

Councilor Kirkland asked when all the Food Services would be removed from Place Riel.

VP Ring stated the USSU was just informed of this on Tuesday and Administration hasn't provided the USSU with a date yet.

President Pepler stated that about 600 students filled out a survey and the majority would like to see Lower Place Riel be the new Food Centre. If Administration decides to make Marquis Hall the new Food Centre they would be going against the students' wishes.

Councilor Horvey asked if all Food Services would be taken out of Place Riel or just the ones that are run by the University.

VP Ring stated that the Food Services that would be removed are: A&W, Bene Pizza and the Centre Shop, which are the significant revenue generators.

Councilor McAuliffe asked if that would include the Centre Shop and Tim Hortons.

VP Ring stated that the Tim Hortons would remain in the same place and the Centre Shop is planning to be moved into the Bookstore. He is not sure how that will be done but should be aware of the plans in the next while. In addition, Consumer Services will also pull out the Post Office, which the USSU is trying to gain control over. He reminded councilors that this is all very preliminary.

Councilor Schultz asked if this has changed the architectural plans? She asked if new plans would have to be made.

VP Ring stated that luckily the conceptual plans that were made last year already had to be changed due to budgeting. The plans can just be modified due to the survey recommendations. The conceptual plans have room for retail trade in Lower Place Riel. Several students recommended having a grocer in Place Riel and he sees this new space as an opportunity for one.

VP Kenney noted that by the Administration removing these businesses it hurts the USSU budget, which in turn hurts services provided by the USSU such as the Centres.

8. Questions and Comments

VP Kenney reminded councilors that the first ever Prairie Sustainable Campuses Conference begins tomorrow. Registration starts at 4 p.m. tomorrow at the USSU office and the Keynote address is at 7 p.m. and the conference begins Saturday. There is a free lunch, dinner and a concert for all conference participants. She encouraged all councilors to attend some of the great workshops. University students are traveling from Manitoba, Alberta and Regina to attend.

Councilor Horvey noted that last week the USSU Survival Guides were discussed. She sent an email out to students in her college and all except for two students wouldn't be able to live without their handbook. She suggested to get rid of the handbooks at the beginning of the year, remove the information section at the start or to have a separate book that has just the coupons available.

Move to grant GM Cottrell speaking rights.

USC Motion103: Levesque/Schultz Carried.

GM Cottrell provided the Marketing Services Manager, Jason Ventnor, and Communications Manager, Tony Bassett, with the Survival Guide information from last week's USC meeting. The USSU is exploring different options with the Survival Guide. One company does Survival Guides for all universities across Western Canada and this company provides a variety of templates and uses

recycled paper. The Survival Guides will not be eliminated but they may be modified.

Councilor Knaus noted that STM produces their own handbooks and the majority of STM students only use that handbook. She wondered if there was a way to address numbers.

GM Cottrell noted that the some boxes are saved for Term 2 for the new students beginning in January. About eighteen months ago several student groups on campus had meetings about the possibility of merging all handbooks on campus. After a few meetings it was discovered that the majority of these groups would like to continue producing their own handbooks.

Councilor Kambeitz stated that just before Christmas the Executive was meeting with University Administration to discuss the possibility of reimbursing students for the duration of the strike. He asked for an update on this.

President Pepler noted that he has been in contact with David Hannah, SESD, and the President of the GSA. Essentially the University saved about half a million dollars during the strike after paying back overtime and completing all cost analysis. The University Administration is still working on this. A meeting is going to be set up with the President of Veterinary Medicine and Dentistry Student Societies. They were going to discuss specific compensation for out of pocket reimbursement for those students in fourth year that lost out on clinical studies. Then a general compensation it would be about \$25 per student. The challenge with the reimbursement is finding a way to properly distribute the money. He reminded councilors that no University has ever reimbursed students after a strike. He spoke with Richard Florizone and was informed that some additional costs came up and there was no money left. Books from the library had pages ripped out as an example of unforeseen costs. He suggested going to the BOG to try and come up with \$500,000 to reimburse students. The last he heard was that the Administration was still working on the cost analysis. He stated he is getting two different stories from two different people and is not sure what to believe.

Councilor Knaus stated that in the last five years the U of S hired three new vice-presidents in Administrative positions. Salaries have increased from four million to seven million, which is being paid to twenty-seven employees. She does not think it would be hard to come up with this money since they have come up with money to create new positions. This is not an unreasonable request. The majority of students she spoke with would like the \$25 credit be put on their tuition.

President Pepler stated that is all opinion and nothing is set in stone. The \$25 credit on tuition is not fair to students who have paid their tuition and graduated. He noted that the credit would be valid at the Bookstore and Food Services.

9. Any Other Business

9.1 Budget Update

VP Ring noted that he would be providing USC with updates on the budget. The USSU budgeted to have a net surplus of \$18,858 in November but incurred a loss of \$39,000. There was approximately \$28,000 in lost revenue from Copy Central, which the USSU is invoicing the University for free printing for the duration of the strike. Browsers coffee sales increased during the strike. Some of the Place Riel tenants pay rent based on a percentage of their sales and the closure of A&W, Bene Pizza and the Centre Shop played a factor in this. The U of S Huskies didn't have a playoff game this year for the first time in several years, which was a factor in Louis' budget. XL Design was up to date with the exception of the strike. The USSU lost approximately \$60,000 for the duration of the strike. Year to date the USSU is still doing very well. He will provide council with December numbers very soon. The USSU has started the budgeting process. It begins with budget brainstorming, which is when all staff begins brainstorming about operations and capital expenditures. Capital expenditures for last year were \$215,000 and this year they are under \$100,000. Because the budget process is just beginning it will take about a month before hard numbers are available and provided to USC. The USSU budget will be voted on at the March 27th, 2008 USC meeting. On March 8th the Operations & Finance Board reviews the budget and makes a recommendation to USC. He asked if anyone would be interested in attending a presentation that would go through the budget line by line prior to March 27th. He would really like feedback.

Councilor Kambeitz asked how much the USSU was billing the University for photocopying.

VP Ring stated the total was \$27,452.42.

GM Cottrell stated she is unsure whether they would be billed for more. The USSU is considering billing them for lost revenue for the period that occurred on the strike. USC would vote on this in the near future.

9.2 Councilor Removal

President Pepler stated that Councilor Smith sent her resignation letter to Chair Leisle. Because this occurred so late in the year the ASSU would appoint a new councilor. Councilor Smith also sat on the EB and the AAB; therefore, new councilors would need to fill those vacancies, which would hopefully be done at the next USC meeting.

Councilor Harder stated that there is an AAB meeting next Thursday. She asked if nominations should be opened up today.

President Pepler stated yes nominations could be opened up but he would prefer to wait because there are a few councilors not present tonight.

10. Adjournment

Move to adjourn.

USC Motion104: Ring/Schultz

Carried.

Executive Committee

Minutes for Monday, January 21, 2008

Present: James Pepler, Josie Steeves, Jeremy Ring, Lindsey Levesque,
Nicole Kenney, Caroline Cottrell

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 2:30pm

2. Call for Quorum

Quorum was present

3. Round Tables

President Pepler

- Meetings with SESD
- Constant Reimbursement Meetings
- Class
- Student Loans meeting
- Helping student on housing issue
- Budget Brainstorming X2
- Student Code of Conduct Working Group
- USC
- Karaoke
- Student Respect Forum

VP Steeves

- Canadian Political Science Students' Assoc. Conference - Newfoundland
- Numerous student concerns

VP Levesque

- COMM 387 x 3
- CFS-SK Planning
- 1 ½ Sick Day
- Budget Brainstorming Session
- Answered U-Pass Concerns
- External Affairs Board
- USC
- IACC Meeting
- External Affairs Board Meeting

VP Ring

- Budget Brainstorming
- Place Riel Renovation meeting

- Meeting with Jeh Custer re: Conference funding
- Op/fin Board (quorum not present)
- Class
- Ratification Input
- Budget Brainstorming
- Class
- SCSS Presidential Speeches
- Funding Request processing
- Coca Cola Product ordering
- Communication's Meeting
- Class
- Financial Review (November)
- USC Meeting
- Louis' Report
- Meeting with Edwards Business Students
- SYC Conference Help
- Class
- AAO Interview

VP Kenney

- Op/Fin Board
- Class
- Supply pick-up for conference
- Sustainable Campus' Conference Planning
- Residence Appeal (3 hour hearing for 3 evicted students)
- Breakfast with the Dean of Law
- Class
- Meeting with Consumer services about residence increases
- USC
- Residence appeal meeting
- 3 Media interviews about sustainable campus' conference
- Sustainable Campus's Conference
- Sustainable Campus's Conference
- Sustainable Campus's Conference
- 3 meetings with students about conference
- Executive Committee
- President's Breakfast
- Op/Fin board
- Class
- Meeting with resident student about eviction

4. Campus Challenge

Huskie Athletics is asking for sponsorship as well as for James to MC the basketball games on February 8th. There will be college participation and possibly prizes to be

Personal stories from conference delegates (helps to create western cohesion and to not re-invent the wheel)

Key note speaker on the Tar sands

How to do Radical Movements

Day 3 - Regional strategies –how to take the information and energy into action

VP Kenney talked about the USSU being a powerful body which allowed for this great conference. She would like to bring this campaign and information to USC.

10. Housing Crunch

VP Kenney met with Greg Fowler. The University has a desire to increase resident occupants rent by 5-6% and use the money for new Family Residences. They will then turn the Cumberland residence into undergrad units. This will also be partially funded by the residential land development at Cumberland and College.

President Pepler and VP Kenney have both protested the short sightedness of this plan. There are few married students and too many single residence students to make this prospect viable.

Greg Fowler is to be invited to Council to present the University prospective. Also to be invited are President MacKinnon & Richard Florizone.

11. Financing

Beth McConnell from First Nations TD Canada Trust will be presenting renovation financing information to USC on January 31,2008.

12. Studentcare

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Ring/Levesque

Move to recommend that the amount that is held in surplus be applied on a per capita basis against 2008-09 premiums.
Carried

13. National Day of Action

There will not be a National Day of Action this year. There is a possibility of a Saskatchewan Day of Action in late February. This would be used to address local issues.

Operations & Finance Board

Minutes for Tuesday, January 22, 2008

Present: Jeremy Ring, Katelyn McAuliffe, Nicole Kenney, Ellyse Schultz, Cody Casey, Tyler Olson, Ana Carolina Melendez

Regrets: Jean-Paul Cote, Caroline Cottrell, James Pepler

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 AM.

2. Call for Quorum

Quorum was present.

3. New Business

3.1 – Ratifications

Move that the Op/fin board ratify the Students Against Child Exploitation (SACE).

OFB Motion 27: Ring/Schultz Carried.

Move that the Op/fin board ratify the U of S Ukrainian Students Association.

OFB Motion 28: Ring/Olson Carried.

3.2 – Funding Request

Move that the Op/fin board grant funding to The Transition Group in the form of \$100.00 cash for their Pool Night event.

OFB Motion 29: Ring/Olson Carried.

3.3 – Budget

VP Ring gave an update on the budget brainstorming sessions that were held last week and attended by the administrative staff of the USSU. Notable items included: the projected decrease in Capital Expenditures by 50%, the possible elimination of student crew, and the elimination of Coco Loco.

VP Ring also gave notice about the budget meeting that will be taking place on Saturday, March 8, in which the Op/fin board will go line by line through the budget and provide a budget to be approved by USC on March 27. There will also be a general budget meeting on March 19th for students to understand where their money is going.

VP Ring then gave an update on the current financial situation within the USSU, in which there is a net gain of \$178,000, whereas there was a projected net loss of \$30,000.

2007-2008 USC Attendance

Name	May	June	July	August	Sept. 6	Sep.13	Sep.20	Sep.27	Oct.4	Oct.11	Oct.18	Oct.25
Abdulla, Adam	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	R	P	P	R	P	P
Atkin, Michael	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	P	R	P
Cote, Jean-Paul	NM	NM	NM	A	P	R	P	P	P	P	P	R
Gentner, Breanne	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P
Harder, Megan	NM	NM	NM	R	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P
Horvey, Karla	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Kambeitz, Elvis	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P
Karkut, Neil	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P
Kenney, Nicole	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P
Kirkland, Warren	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P
Knaus, Tamra	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Kuspira, Keith	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P
Lawrence, James	NM	NM	NM	P	P	A	R	P	A	R	P	P
Leisle, Matt	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P
Levesque, Lindsay	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
McAuliffe, Katelyn	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P
Mitchell, Alex	NM	NM	NM	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	P	P	P
Olson, Tyler	NM	NM	NM	A	R	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Pepler, James	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P
Peti, Nick	NM	NM	NM	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	P	P	R	P
Ring, Jeremy	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Rose, Dylun	NM	NM	NM	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA
Schultz, Ellyse	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P
Shibata, Satoshi	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Steeves, Josie	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	R
Wales, Jessica	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	A
Zubot, Kimberly	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P

P - Present; R - Regrets; A - Absence; NYA - Not Yet Appointed; NM - No Meeting

2007-2008 USC Attendance

Name	Nov.1	Nov.8	Nov.15	Nov.22	Nov.29	Dec.6	Jan.3	Jan.10	Jan.17	Jan.24
Abdulla, Adam	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P	
Atkin, Michael	P	P	P	P	P	A	A	P	A	
Cote, Jean-Paul	P	P	P	P	P	A	R	P	P	
Gentner, Breanne	P	P	P	R	P	A	P	P	P	
Harder, Megan	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	
Horvey, Karla	P	P	P	P	P	A	P	P	P	
Kambeitz, Elvis	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P	
Karkut, Neil	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	
Kenney, Nicole	P	P	R	P	P	P	P	P	P	
Kirkland, Warren	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	
Knaus, Tamra	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	
Kuspira, Keith	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	A	
Lawrence, James	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	R	P	
Leisle, Matt	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P	
Levesque, Lindsay	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P	P	
McAuliffe, Katelyn	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	
Mitchell, Alex	P	R	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	
Olson, Tyler	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	
Pepler, James	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	
Peti, Nick	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	
Ring, Jeremy	P	R	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	
Rose, Dilyn	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	P	A	P	A	P	
Schultz, Ellyse	P	P	A	P	P	A	P	P	P	
Shibata, Satoshi	P	P	P	P	P	P	A	P	P	
Steeves, Josie	P	P	P	R	P	P	R	P	R	
Wales, Jessica	P	P	P	P	P	A	A	P	P	
Zubot, Kimberly	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P	R	

P - Present; R - Regrets; A - Absence; NYA - Not Yet Appointed; NM - No Meeting

University Students' Council Agenda

Thursday, January 31st, 2008

- 1. Adoption of an Agenda**
- 2. Introductions and Announcements**
- 3. Council Address**
 - 3.1 First Nations TD Canada Trust**
- 4. Minutes and Reports for Information**
 - 4.1 USC Minutes – January 24th, 2008**
 - 4.2 Executive Committee Minutes January 28th, 2008**
 - 4.3 Academic Affairs Board Minutes and Report**
 - 4.4 Appointments Board Minutes and Report**
 - 4.5 Board of College Presidents**
 - 4.6 Code of Ethics Disciplinary Committee Minutes and Report**
 - 4.7 Elections Board Minutes and Report**
 - 4.8 External Affairs Board Minutes and Report – January 21st & 28th, 2008**
 - 4.9 Operations & Finance Board Minutes and Report – January 29th, 2008**
 - 4.10 Student Issues Board Minutes and Report**
 - 4.11 Sustainability Board Minutes and Report – January 23rd, 2008**
- 5. Motions Arising from the Minutes and Reports**
- 6. Business**
- 7. New Business**
- 8. Questions and Comments (30 minutes)**
- 9. Any Other Business**
- 10. Adjournment**

University Students' Council

Minutes for Thursday, January 24th, 2008

Present

James Pepler, President
Josie Steeves, VP Academic Affairs
Lindsey Levesque, VP External Affairs
Jeremy Ring, VP Operations & Finance
Nicole Kenney, VP Student Issues
Jean-Paul Cote, Agriculture
Sheila Laroque, Arts & Science
Tyler Olson, Arts & Science
Warren Kirkland, Associated Res.
Katelyn McAuliffe, Commerce
Adam Abdulla, Dentistry
Breanne Gentner, Education
Elvis Kambeitz, Education
Michael Atkin, Engineering
Keith Kuspira, Engineering
Dylan Rose, Indigenous
Satoshi Shibata, International
James Lawrence, Kinesiology
Neil Karkut, Law
Nick Peti, Medicine
Megan Harder, Nursing
Kimberly Zubot, Pharmacy & Nutri.
Karla Horvey, Physical Therapy
Tamra Knaus, St. Thomas More
Ellyse Schultz, St. Thomas More
Jessica Wales, WCVN

Also Present

Matt Leisle, Chair
Caroline Cottrell, USSU GM

Regrets

Alex Mitchell, Commerce

Meeting was called to order at 6:02 p.m.

1. Adoption of an Agenda

VP Ring stated that Campus Challenge could be removed from the Agenda. Huskie Athletics lost several staff during the strike; therefore, Campus Challenge will not take place this year.

Move to remove 3.1 Council Address Campus Challenge from the agenda.

USC Motion105: Ring/Steeves Carried.

VP Steeves would like to add 9.3 USSU Elections Letter to the agenda.

USC Motion106: Steeves/Schultz Carried.

Move to adopt the Agenda as amended.

USC Motion107: Levesque/Cote Carried.

2. Introductions and Announcements

Councilor Shibata stated that International Week is taking place. The major event is the keynote speaker Severn Cullis-Suzuki. She will be speaking on January 31st at 7 p.m. in Neatby Timlin Theatre. The International Food Fair will be taking place from January 28th through February 1st. The International Culture and Preview night will be taking place on Thursday, February 7th. He encouraged council to participate and visit the website at www.students.usask.ca/internationalweek.

Councilor McAuliffe stated Councilor Mitchell sent regrets.

Councilor Olson introduced Sheila Laroque as the new MSC for Arts & Science. She was appointed by the ASSU to replace former Councilor Smith.

Move to Ratify Sheila Laroque as the MSC for Arts & Science.

USC Motion108: Ring/Kuspira Carried.

5. Motions Arising from the Minutes and Reports

Move to adopt the minutes as circulated.

USC Motion109: Schultz/Horvey Carried.

6. Business

6.1 Studentcare

VP Ring stated there are two outstanding items to be discussed. The first is how to allocate the \$72,000 from the health insurance fund. Coming out of Executive Committee meeting on January 21st the Executive recommends putting the money back into the premiums, which would lower them for next year. It is the most democratic way to deal with the accumulated surplus and this way everyone receives the benefit.

Move to reinvest the \$72,000 into the health and dental plan to lower premiums for the 2008/09 year.

USC Motion110: Ring/Levesque Carried.

Councilor Harder asked if an increase in services offered was discussed.

VP Ring stated it could have been. The Executive felt this was the best and only way that every student would receive the benefit. Last year the premiums were kept the same and this year the Executive wanted to give the money back to the students.

VP Ring stated the second item to be decided tonight was to approve a new plan with Studentcare.

Move that USC approve this new plan for the 2008/09 year and into subsequent years as per the contract.

USC Motion111: Ring/Cote

Carried.

VP Ring stated that the reason the Executive put forth this plan was because there would be no risk to the USSU. In the event that there is a surplus the USSU would receive benefits by having the money put into lowering premiums or increasing in services.

Councilor Olson asked if, USC passed this, is there any way to ensure Council down the road abides by it.

VP Ring stated no it would just be a recommendation for next years' Council. There is no way to bind future councilors because USC can always rescind motions.

Councilor Harder asked if there would be any ramifications if USC did not approve this for four years.

VP Ring stated it looks that way but there is not. There is no fall back. The USSU would not lose anything if there is a deficit.

Councilor Harder asked if it is just a contract for the year 2008/09 that is being signed.

VP Ring stated yes that is the case.

Councilor McAuliffe asked if this was implemented would there be any changes right away.

VP Ring stated it would be for next year.

Councilor McAuliffe stated the students she spoke to asked what the point of going into a four-year contract is unless they were going to see better coverage. She asked if it is necessary to go into a four-year contract.

VP Ring stated this is a one-year contract.

Councilor Olson asked what is the expiry date of the current Studentcare contract.

Move to grant GM Cottrell speaking rights.

USC Motion112: Ring/Kuspira

Carried.

GM Cottrell stated the current contract was for three years. It expires in 2010. She clarified the difference between Studentcare and Sunlife. One is a broker and one is an insurance company. Studentcare works on the students' behalf with

brokerage houses to get the best possible premiums for health and dental coverage.

8. Questions and Comments

President Pepler commented on the front-page article in the Sheaf regarding the \$25 reimbursement to students for the duration of the strike. He found this article unnerving. He keeps reminding himself that the Sheaf doesn't speak on behalf of the students, the Executive/USSU do. This article conveyed really negative aspects to the \$25, which some students may believe. Unfortunately not all students think that way. The quotes that were taken from the USSU himself included, were neutral. The article showed his concern about the reimbursement but his statements were coupled with very negative comments from a select few students, making his comments seem antagonistic and it really jeopardized the relationship between the University Administration and the USSU. He thought that this article was more opinion than news. There were inaccuracies in it. For example, one student stated the strike lasted two months, which was not true. The article just took the negative aspects of what students thought. The Sheaf didn't interview a Veterinary Medicine or Dentistry student who may be getting much more money back. Maybe \$25 isn't a lot of money for students to get back but he has always said at this Council and to the media that he has been working for it and no other university has ever provided a reimbursement like this. This is something that students deserve and he thought this article was grossly not what the majority of students say. He will be writing a letter to the editor of the Sheaf and encouraged the USSU to think twice about the Sheaf if information is going to be spun.

VP Kenney stated there was another article in the Sheaf regarding the Prairie Sustainable Campuses Conference and the content of the conference was misconstrued and reinstated all the negative stereotypes of the environmental movement by calling conference attendees' hippies and stragglers. She found the article to be disrespectful and she would be writing a response letter to the Sheaf.

Councilor Harder stated she was reading the Executive Minutes from January 21st and asked for the rationale about no Day of Action. She thinks the rising costs to students are higher than other years because of the cost of housing. She is aware that there is a Saskatchewan Day of Action.

VP Levesque stated that the National Day of Action is through CFS. The National Executive decided not to have one because if there is one every year it is less effective than having one every two or three years. Tomorrow she is attending a CFS Saskatchewan meeting in Regina and a Saskatchewan Day of Action is one of the topics being discussed. The event would likely be at the end of February or early March. She will report back to USC with the details.

9. Any Other Business

9.1 MSC Ratification & Appointments

President Pepler stated there is an opening on the Elections Board and the Academic Affairs Board. He would like to open nominations to all MSC's.

Move to open nominations for the Elections Board.

USC Motion113: Pepler/Harder Carried.

Councilor Knaus asked who is on the Elections Board and the Academic Affairs Board.

Chair Leisle stated that Councilor Schultz is on the EB and Councilor Smith was. Councilors Harder and Smith are on the AAB. Councilor Smith must be replaced.

Councilor Knaus nominated Councilor Laroque.

Councilor Harder nominated Councilor Kirkland.

VP Ring reminded councilors that anyone who sits on the USSU EB can't run in the USSU Executive Elections.

Councilor Laroque accepted.

Councilor Kirkland accepted.

Move to close nominations for the Elections Board.

USC Motion114: Steeves/Harder Carried.

Move to open nominations for the Academic Affairs Board.

USC Motion115: Ring/Steeves Carried.

Councilor Kirkland nominated himself.

Move to close nominations for the Academic Affairs Board.

USC Motion116: Pepler/Kuspira Carried.

Chair Leisle stated Councilor Kirkland is appointed to the Academic Affairs Board.

Chair Leisle stated Councilor Laroque is appointed to the Elections Board.

9.2 Budget Walkthrough

VP Ring stated that on March 19th at 6 p.m. in Arts Room 217 there will be a budget forum open to all students. It will begin with the USSU's Administration and go through all of the operations line by line. It will take approximately 2 hours. He will send out reminders once it got closer to that date.

9.3 USSU Elections Letter

VP Steeves stated that a letter was sent to the USSU from STM regarding the USSU Elections. It was then emailed to councilors. STM would like the USSU to reconsider their Elections schedule for four reasons: it puts the USSU Executive elections after most College Society elections, the end of March is one of the busiest times for students, many students are looking for employment at this time, and the fourth reason is most other students unions in Canada have their elections earlier than ours. This is a concern that has been brought up before.

GM Cottrell stated that Elections falls under the GM portfolio, which she then designates to Jason Ventnor, Marketing Services Manager. He puts together the schedule and does all of the work. There is also a Chief Returning Officer and an Assistant Chief Returning Officer both of whom are lawyers and they oversee the election process as per the USSU Elections Bylaw. Setting the date of the elections is tricky for several reasons. The first year she was GM there was a great deal of controversy because the election occurred during Veterinary Medicine's spring break and the final forum was held the Friday prior to the break and many students didn't attend because they started their break early. Trying to schedule the elections this year was even harder because Veterinary Medicine actually has two breaks. The first break is for first, second and third year and the second break is for fourth years. At the U of S this year there are students on break beginning February 16th through March 4th. The majority of the administration, herself included, do not want new executives waiting in the wings in February. This was the earliest date that the USSU could come up with to hold the election. The USSU is also trying to accommodate students by not having the elections the same time as exams. The timing is very critical for the USSU as a whole. She has to hold a mandatory candidate meeting to be held on March 6th. This schedule is the best the USSU could come up with and there isn't enough time to reschedule the elections. She invites council to have a discussion about the elections; however, until she hears differently she will continue to book the elections schedule in March.

President Pepler noted that planning for elections is always very difficult. Several of the concerns pointed out in the letter can be avoided with proper planning. He had more than one job planned out when he got this one and students can plan their schedules around it. This is what university is about, helping students plan agendas similar to this.

Councilor Knaus stated she agrees that planning is important. There are some summer jobs where you have to give confirmation that you will be there prior to March 31st. Having elections on March 31st is right before summer exams. She does not have final exams she has final projects that are due the beginning of April and several students are in the same situation. She noted that if students return on March 10th from all spring breaks why couldn't it be moved then. That would be a great time to hold elections. She noted campaigning must occur

within the specified ten days and it is not flexible to students. There are also family emergencies to consider.

GM Cottrell stated she recognizes the amount of work students have to deal with at the end of the year but students are aware that work is coming. Secondly, as President Pepler stated it is important for students to organize their lives appropriately. It wouldn't matter when the USSU would plan the elections schedule because a whole group of students will have to write exams, essays, be away on internships, work abroad or whatever else. There will never be a good time. She made a decision not to hold anything to do with elections when any college was away from the campus. It would be fundamentally antidemocratic to do so. She is not willing to set up an election when an entire college is missing from campus. She will never set up an election when an entire college is missing. Family emergencies are uncontrollable at all times. The ten days of campaigning is exhausting and emotionally intense. Things always happen that are outside of their control and she is not able to extend the ten days because it is in the Bylaw. If councilors want the ten days extended it would have to be changed at an AGM.

VP Ring noted that as a candidate who obviously ran in the elections he completely understands how busy students are during the elections. He had several group projects due, was employed and trying to find time to campaign. As President Pepler stated some people can find time to do it. ??? This past election campaign had the highest voter turnout and really engaged students. Every year student voter turnout is increasing. He enjoyed the past election better.

Councilor Harder stated she was reviewing the letter and Elections Policy and she is certain that you can't run for more than one position.

Chair Leisle noted that in Article 1 Section 1.01 subsection 07 it states no person is able to run for more than one position on University Students' Council.

VP Steeves noted that a lot of other universities do have their elections earlier than the USSU. However, other universities have paid transition periods and the USSU does not. She does not feel that having elections earlier would fix that problem. It would be unfair to allow candidates to have a longer campaign period. Before she ran for the USSU she was the academic affairs director for the ASSU, which she had to resign from when she was elected the VP Academic Affairs for the USSU. She stated it is likely better to have the College Society elections prior to the USSU elections because if the USSU had their elections first it would be unfair because the candidates would have had a lot of exposure through the USSU campaigns.

VP Levesque noted that (coughing) she had to prioritize during campaigning because it was very stressful and busy.

Councilor Knaus stated that she would never want a college to be absent during elections. She asked if there is a by-election does it have to be done within ten days of the election. ??? There is not enough time for a transition period.

Chair Leisle stated it is eight days.

Chair Leisle noted that in Article 3. It would be extreme but the person who was elected would have to be disqualified. Technically the university is open until the end of April.

Councilor Knaus stated that would mean that the by-elections would be pushed into April meaning there would be no students on campus and virtually no student turnout.

Chair Leisle noted yes in an extreme case when students would be writing exams but registered students would still be on campus.

10. Adjournment

Move to adjourn.

USC Motion117:

Atken/Cote

Carried.

Executive Committee

Minutes for Monday, January 28, 2008

Present: James Pepler, Jeremy Ring, Josie Steeves, Lindsey Levesque,
Nicole Kenney, Caroline Cottrell

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to at 2:30pm

2. Call for Quorum

Quorum was present

3. Round Table

President Pepler

- BOCP
- Karaoke
- Class
- Principles Meeting with Susan Bens
- In Yorkton for outreach
- USC
- Plenty of media meetings
- Reimbursement Work
- Waste-Management Nuclear Audit
- Meetings students concerning Reimbursement
- Belly-Dancing
- Undergraduate Forum review
- University Learning Centre meeting

VP Ring

- BOCP Dinner with P-Mac
- President's Breakfast
- Op fin board meeting
- Op fin minutes
- AAO Interviews
- Meeting with Amnesty International
- AAO Decision meeting
- Communications Meeting
- Coca-Cola Delivery
- Coca-Cola pickups from Lutheran Student Movement and Illumination
- USC
- January EDO
- December Financial Accountabilities
- Class

GM Cottrell

- Steering committee meeting regarding renovations
- Admin team
- Financial planning meeting
- Marketing/Communications fiscal year overview meeting
- Communications meeting
- Meeting with Communications Manager
- Cultural Diversity and Race Relations meeting
- USC
- Meeting with prospective construction managers
- Financing the renovation meeting x3
- working on content for website

VP Kenney

- 3 meetings with students about conference
- Executive Committee
- BOCP Dinner with PMac
- Meeting with president of Arts and Science Student's Union
- President's Breakfast
- Op/Fin board
- Class X 2
- Meeting with resident student about eviction and appeal process
- Composting Workshop to be held at Louis
- Sustainability Board meeting
- Tar Sands Protest at TCU Place
- Communications meeting
- University Council
- Meeting with Sheaf Reporter about Sustainability Conference article
- Environmental Students Society Meeting
- USC
- CFS Meeting- Regina
- Vermi-Composting workshop to be held in Regina following Feb 12th.
- Exec meeting
- Sustainability Minutes
- Anti-coca cola bake sale
- Women's center volunteering
- Arts and Science Student Union Meeting
- Meeting with Sustainability Board member

VP Steeves

- Academic Affairs Officer Interviews
- Hiring process for Academic Affairs Officer
- Multiple Student Issues
- Meeting with Gina Koehn and Jim Greer (Uni Learning Centre)
- Academic Advising Sub-Committee of Undergraduate Forum
- DISOrientation

- USC
 - AAB
 - Admin Team
4. Roadmap 2020 Forum – February 7th

VP Kenney spoke of the workshop to be presented by the city. It will be held at TCU Place on February 7th from 7:45 – 4:15. The workshop will look at local initiatives. VP Kenney encouraged everyone to attend. There will be speakers, break-out sessions and displays.

5. Composting Presentation

VP Kenney and the Sustainability Board will be giving a composting demonstration on February 12th from 2:30 – 4:30. They will be making composting bins and selling them for \$10.00 each.

6. Sponsorship

The 15th annual Health Sciences Research day will be held on March 14th. They are asking for a prize donation.

EXEC62 Move to sponsor a \$50.00 Gift Certificate for Louis’
Pepler/Ring

Carried

7. Compensation

President Pepler has been getting positive feedback from students regarding the \$25.00 refund resulting from the strike. We need to ensure that students know that they can not spend this at Louis’. The money can only be spent at places on campus where students can swipe their student card.

The USSU will discuss a communications plan with Ghislane McLeod.

8. Strategic Direction Plan for Budget

VP Ring wants to spend time providing philosophical direction for the USSU over the next year.

9. Mugging Campaign

VP Kenney and the Sustainability Board are going to do a campaign on Valentine’s Day to swap reusable mugs for paper coffee cups with random students on campus. VP Kenney is also looking for more partnership on the sustainability front with the University of Regina. An example of this would be giving a composting presentation at both universities.

10. Summer Student

HRDC has sent notice that there is money for summer student work projects, which can be applied for by the USSU.

GM Cottrell suggested an Archivist or Public Relations campaign on the renovation. The Executive will send their suggestions, if they have any, to Human Resources Manager Amy Yeager.

11. Campus Legal Services

CLS has a new room in the Law building. However, they need the grant provided by the USSU to stay up and running. If they vacate their room in the MUB they will lose the USSU grant. If this is to happen they would want to stay in the MUB. The USSU would prefer that they move to the law building so that we can move the Food Centre into the space that they currently occupy.

EXEC63 Move to continue funding to CLS, excluding their phone bill.
Pepler/Kenney

Carried

12. Development

GM Cottrell and the Marketing Services Manager met with AVP Dave Hannah and Director of Development Doug Clark. They would like to see the USSU involved in the Student Experience Campaign. The campaign will be developed over the next several months.

13. Place Riel Renovations

GM Cottrell provided an up date on the renovations.

External Affairs Board Meeting

1:00pm, Monday, January 21, 2008

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 1:09pm.

2. Call for Quorum

Quorum is present.

3. Old Business

3.1 International Student Differential Fee Reduction

VP Levesque contacted Laurie Pushor, Director of Enrollment Services, regarding the International Differential Fee. He stated that the fee itself was one of the lower ones in Canada and that it would be difficult to try and lower it. Recently, Laurie Pushor has been dismissed from his position. The Board will wait until someone replaces him until this issue is taken up with Administration.

4. New Business

4.1 International Week

International Week will be held from January 28-February 8, 2008, which is co-sponsored by the USSU. The Board is encouraged to promote and attend activities being held on campus. Key speakers include Severin Suzuki, Daniel Fennel from the US Consulate in Calgary, and Michael Mitchell from the Asia Pacific Desk, to name a few. The agenda can be found at <http://www.students.usask.ca/international/events/week/> for more specific times and dates.

4.2 Day of Action Planning

The External Affairs Board and the CFS-SK are looking to host a Day of Action for the end of February or beginning of March. The Board is encouraged to bring ideas for themes to the next External Affairs Board meeting.

VP Levesque will also be bringing this topic up at the CFS-SK component meeting being held on January 25th in Regina. By coordinating this event with the University of Regina Students' Union, First Nations University and the University of Saskatchewan Graduate Students' Association, our message will be much louder to government and University Administration.

4.3 Extension Students Outreach Program

The USSU executives are making an effort to visit all extension colleges. NORPAC/NORTEP and Northlands Colleges in La Ronge were the first stops on January 8th and 9th, 2008. Executive members will also make day trips to Parkland College in Yorkton on January 24th and SIAST in Prince Albert on February 4th. These trips allow students at these colleges to be aware of USSU opportunities and funding, and to voice their concerns with current services. They pay USSU fees and deserve the benefits of being members of the union.

VP Levesque has compiled a document with all CFS services and campaigns, and is looking into having a Northern/Extension representative to sit on the CFS-SK component committee. Other issues that were addressed were voting rights on Paws for USSU elections, student cards, health and dental, and applying for group funding as ratified groups in the USSU.

A complete report will be prepared in the near future.

5. Questions and Comments

The document that VP Levesque and President Pepler compiled to receive compensation for students as a result of the CUPE 1975 strike, is being reviewed and a response is expected soon.

The next External Affairs Board meeting will be held on Monday, January 28th at 1:00pm in the USSU Boardroom.

6. Adjournment

External Affairs Board Meeting

1:00pm, Monday, January 28, 2008

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 1:01pm.

2. Call for Quorum

Quorum was present.

3. Old Business

3.1 International Week

International Week events start today (January 28th). VP Levesque once again encouraged members to attend various events on campus including the Severin Suzuki presentation on January 31st, the food fair from January 30th -February 1st, the International Cultural Triva night at Louis on February 7th, etc.

A full schedule can be found at <http://www.students.usask.ca/international/events/week/>. There is also a survey that attendees can fill out for a chance to win 1 out of 3 gift vouchers from Travelcuts. The survey link is <https://survey.usask.ca/survey.php?sid=4184>.

3.2 Day of Action Planning

VP Levesque attended a CFS-SK meeting in Regina on January 25th, where the committee discussed Day of Action options. The decision was made to have a Provincial Day of Action around the rising costs of education. The Board thought that housing was still an important issue but the rising costs can encompass a number of issues and is more accommodating to all schools throughout the province. VP Levesque contacted URSU and decided that February 28th would be the date of choice and would be held in Saskatoon and Regina. VP Levesque will work on a poster template for this week and will bring it to the Board members for the meeting next week.

The Board also discussed options of more productive action instead of having a rally/protest. Options can be discussed at the next meeting.

3.3 Extension Students Outreach Program

President Pepler and VP Levesque traveled to Yorkton on January 24th to discuss student concerns with members at Parkland College. There were similar concerns to La Ronge Extension students but less interest in overall discussions.

At the CFS-SK meeting on January 25th in Regina, the addition of a Northern Representative on the committee was discussed. There will be an AGM for CFS-SK in May and the position will be included then. Constitutional requirements would also need to be changed but that will be discussed at a later date.

4. New Business

4.1 Lobby Days

There will be a Lobby Days to coincide with the Provincial Day of Action. A representative from both the U of S and U of R will be meeting with Provincial MLAs to discuss PSE issues and to influence budgetary decisions around PSE. VP Levesque and Jessica Sinclair from URSU are developing a letter to send to MLAs, and the options to meet are between February 25th and 27th. If Board members are interested in these meetings, speak to VP Levesque

5. Questions and Comments

Councilor Shibata commented about trying to get ESL students a U-Pass or something equivalent. The term for ESL students begins later than other students so a semester pass is not effective.

Councilor Shibata also commented about doing a project around the Eliminate Racism Week. VP Levesque will speak to VP Kenney and see if the Student Issues Board is already planning an event.

6. Adjournment

Operations & Finance Board

Minutes for Tuesday, January 29, 2008

Present: Jeremy Ring, Katelyn McAuliffe, Nicole Kenney, James Pepler, Jean-Paul Cote

Regrets: Caroline Cottrell, Ellyse Schultz, Cody Casey, Tyler Olson, Ana Carolina Melendez

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 AM.

2. Call for Quorum

Quorum was present.

3. New Business

3.1 – Funding Request

Move that the Op/fin board grant funding to Amnesty International U of S Chapter in the form of \$95 cash for their awareness evening.

OFB Motion 30: Ring/Cote Carried.

Move that the Op/fin board grant funding to AnAmUs in the form of a credit to XL Design of \$105, and an additional \$105 cash for their awareness event.

OFB Motion 31: Ring/Cote Carried.

4. Other Business

VP Ring noted that he received a ratification form from APALA, however there are fees owing from the group, and therefore we have to wait until monies are received to ratify them.

5. Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held Tuesday, February 5th, 2008 at 9:00AM in the USSU Boardroom.

6. Adjournment

Move to adjourn.

OFB Motion 32: Ring/Cote Carried.

Sustainability Board Minutes

Minutes for Wednesday, January 23, 2007

Present: Nicole Kenney, Shannon Dyck, Tyler Olson, Warren Kirkland, Kristina Lummerding-Driedger, Taylor, Jessica

Regrets: Jeremy Ring, Jeh Custer, Tamra Knaus, Mike Nemeth

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 PM

2. Call for Quorum

Quorum was present

3. Introductions/ Tea

4. Business

VP Kenney. 4.1 Prairies Sustainability Campus' Conference

Reflections and Feedback

- Sunday session was too early
- We need to use the SYC website as a resource for successful projects/ initiative

2007-2008 USC Attendance

Name	May	June	July	August	Sept. 6	Sep.13	Sep.20	Sep.27	Oct.4	Oct.11	Oct.18	Oct.25
Abdulla, Adam	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	R	P	P	R	P	P
Atkin, Michael	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	P	R	P
Cote, Jean-Paul	NM	NM	NM	A	P	R	P	P	P	P	P	R
Gentner, Breanne	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P
Harder, Megan	NM	NM	NM	R	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P
Horvey, Karla	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Kambeitz, Elvis	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P
Karkut, Neil	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P
Kenney, Nicole	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P
Kirkland, Warren	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P
Knaus, Tamra	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Kuspira, Keith	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P
Laroque, Sheila	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA
Lawrence, James	NM	NM	NM	P	P	A	R	P	A	R	P	P
Leisle, Matt	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P
Levesque, Lindsay	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
McAuliffe, Katelyn	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P
Mitchell, Alex	NM	NM	NM	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	P	P	P
Olson, Tyler	NM	NM	NM	A	R	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Pepler, James	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P
Peti, Nick	NM	NM	NM	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	P	P	R	P
Ring, Jeremy	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Rose, Dyllyn	NM	NM	NM	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA
Schultz, Ellyse	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P
Shibata, Satoshi	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Steeves, Josie	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	R
Wales, Jessica	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	A
Zubot, Kimberly	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P

P - Present; R - Regrets; A - Absence; NYA - Not Yet Appointed; NM - No Meeting

2007-2008 USC Attendance

Name	Nov.1	Nov.8	Nov.15	Nov.22	Nov.29	Dec.6	Jan.3	Jan.10	Jan.17	Jan.24
Abdulla, Adam	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P	P
Atkin, Michael	P	P	P	P	P	A	A	P	A	P
Cote, Jean-Paul	P	P	P	P	P	A	R	P	P	P
Gentner, Breanne	P	P	P	R	P	A	P	P	P	P
Harder, Megan	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P
Horvey, Karla	P	P	P	P	P	A	P	P	P	P
Kambeitz, Elvis	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P	P
Karkut, Neil	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Kenney, Nicole	P	P	R	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Kirkland, Warren	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P
Knaus, Tamra	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P
Kuspira, Keith	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	A	P
Laroque, Sheila	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	P
Lawrence, James	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	R	P	P
Leisle, Matt	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P	P
Levesque, Lindsay	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P	P	P
McAuliffe, Katelyn	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P
Mitchell, Alex	P	R	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	R
Olson, Tyler	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P
Pepler, James	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Peti, Nick	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P
Ring, Jeremy	P	R	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Rose, Dilyn	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	P	A	P	A	P	P
Schultz, Ellyse	P	P	A	P	P	A	P	P	P	P
Shibata, Satoshi	P	P	P	P	P	P	A	P	P	P
Steeves, Josie	P	P	P	R	P	P	R	P	R	P
Wales, Jessica	P	P	P	P	P	A	A	P	P	P
Zubot, Kimberly	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P	R	P

P - Present; R - Regrets; A - Absence; NYA - Not Yet Appointed; NM - No Meeting

University Students' Council Agenda

Thursday, February 7th, 2008

- 1. Adoption of an Agenda**
- 2. Introductions and Announcements**
- 3. Council Address**
 - 3.1 RBC**
- 4. Minutes and Reports for Information**
 - 4.1 USC Minutes – January 31st, 2008**
 - 4.2 Executive Committee Minutes -**
 - 4.3 Academic Affairs Board Minutes and Report – January 24th, 2008**
 - 4.4 Appointments Board Minutes and Report**
 - 4.5 Board of College Presidents**
 - 4.6 Code of Ethics Disciplinary Committee Minutes and Report**
 - 4.7 Elections Board Minutes and Report**
 - 4.8 External Affairs Board Minutes and Report – February 4th, 2008**
 - 4.9 Operations & Finance Board Minutes and Report**
 - 4.10 Student Issues Board Minutes and Report**
 - 4.11 Sustainability Board Minutes and Report**
- 5. Motions Arising from the Minutes and Reports**
- 6. Business**
- 7. New Business**
- 8. Questions and Comments (30 minutes)**
- 9. Any Other Business**
 - 9.1 Maclean's**
- 10. Adjournment**

University Students' Council

Minutes for Thursday, January 31st, 2008

Present

James Pepler, President
Josie Steeves, VP Academic Affairs
Lindsey Levesque, VP External Affairs
Jeremy Ring, VP Operations & Finance
Nicole Kenney, VP Student Issues
Jean-Paul Cote, Agriculture
Sheila Laroque, Arts & Science
Tyler Olson, Arts & Science
Warren Kirkland, Associated Res.
Katelyn McAuliffe, Commerce
Alex Mitchell, Commerce
Breanne Gentner, Education
Elvis Kambeitz, Education
Michael Atkin, Engineering
Keith Kuspira, Engineering
Dylan Rose, Indigenous
Satoshi Shibata, International
James Lawrence, Kinesiology
Neil Karkut, Law
Megan Harder, Nursing
Kimberly Zubot, Pharmacy & Nutri.
Karla Horvey, Physical Therapy
Tamra Knaus, St. Thomas More
Ellyse Schultz, St. Thomas More
Jessica Wales, WCVM

Also Present

Caroline Cottrell, USSU GM
Beth McConnel, TD Bank
Ian Toms, TD Bank
Keith Folkerson, The Sheaf
Charles Hamilton, The Sheaf

Regrets

Matt Leisle, Chair
Adam Abdulla, Dentistry
Nick Peti, Medicine

Meeting was called to order at 6:02 p.m.

1. Adoption of an Agenda

Move to adopt the agenda.

USC Motion118: Olson/Schultz Carried.

2. Introductions and Announcements

President Pepler stated Councilor Peti and Councilor Abdulla sent regrets.

VP Steeves stated that she has Student Rights Handbook available. She asked every councilor to take a book back to their colleges. She wished Councilor Olson a happy birthday.

VP Kenney reminded councilors that Severn Suzuki is speaking tonight at 7 p.m. She encouraged all councilors to attend. The Sustainability minutes that were

sent out were the wrong minutes. She will ensure that next week the correct minutes are sent.

3. Council Address

3.1 First Nations TD Canada Trust

Move to formality.

USC Motion 119: Olson/Schultz Carried.

GM Cottrell introduced Beth McConnell, Relationship Manager for TD Canada Trust, Ian Tom, District Manager for Saskatchewan for TD Canada Trust, and Roger Silzer, General Manager of First Nations Bank. Over the next few weeks there will be two presentations, one this week and one on Thursday, February 7th. The presentations are regarding offers to fund the Place Riel Renovation. She introduced Amanda Mitchell, USSU Controller, and Sue Verhille-Long, Special Projects Manager for Financial Services at the University of Saskatchewan, who has been working with the USSU. She has requested that the presentations not be overly complicated. She encouraged councilors to ask questions at any time throughout the presentation and following the presentation.

Beth McConnell thanked council for the opportunity to present to USC. She congratulated USC for getting the U of S to approve the Place Riel Renovation project. She is very excited about the project and can't wait to be involved in it.

Roger Silzer stated that the First Nations Bank is a fairly new bank. It was formed in 1996 and is the only Aboriginal owned and controlled chartered bank in Canada. The bank joined strategically with TD Canada Trust as it was built. During the first ten years the relationship was excellent and is expected to continue. His role as the General Manager of the First Nations Bank is to go out and make presentations and meet clientele.

Beth McConnell represents TD Bank. TD has over 58,000 employees worldwide and over 1,000 branches across Canada. TD has just over 200 branches in the USA and will continue to expand. In November of 1996 TD helped develop First Nations Bank by offering support, systems, guidance and operations along the way. TD has worked on several deals together and are thrilled to be able to work on this together. She is the Relationship Manager at TD Bank. She graduated from the U of S in 1991 with a Bachelor of Commerce. She has been with TD Bank for 16+ years. She manages a portfolio of clientele containing commercial accounts and public-sector accounts. Some of the clients at TD Bank are SaskTel, SaskEnergy and this past year Centennial Collegiate. She stated the presentation would discuss what they felt would be important to USC. It is fantastic this project is going ahead because it is long overdue. Student fees were increased last year and now USC needs to decide how to spend those funds. The money should be spent wisely. The objective of USC should be to reduce debt as quickly as possible, minimize interest costs, and either eliminate student fees or carry on with the fees and go to the next project. USC should want TD and First Nations

Bank to work very closely with the USSU Management group and get the simplest deal at the lowest cost. The way to get the lowest rate is the way they have presented to ask for the U of S guarantee and the U of S has agreed to back the loan and that is how you will get the lowest cost. Tomorrow morning a workshop is being held at the USSU to discuss options as far as financing. Eliminating risks is something that needs to be considered. Interest rate risk is one of the risks associated with this project. Booking a longer-term fixed rate can eliminate this. TD gives the option of a forward start agreement, which is when interest rates can be booked anywhere from one year all the way up to thirty years. This rate can be locked in so that the interest costs will be known. Cash flow risk is matching the revenue stream coming in from student fees to the repayment period. She is happy to say that if the U of S enrollment stays at 16,700 there will be surplus cash.

GM Cottrell stated that surplus cash is a good thing because that \$44 /per term is targeted to the new building. There will be other things that come up before that thirty-year mortgage is up. For example, the MUB will not last thirty years without a renovation. This has been set up in a way that USC would not have to increase the infrastructure fee for the next thirty years.

VP Kenney asked if this means students would have to pay infrastructure fees for the next thirty years.

GM Cottrell stated yes that is correct and that is the motion the Board of Governors approved.

Beth stated that with that surplus of cash USC has the option to shorten the repayment period or save those funds so that when Louis' needs renovations there is money available.

??? asked how much the surplus is?

Beth stated the surplus is based on current rates (5.93%), enrollment of 16,700, and \$44/per term the surplus would be \$296,000. If enrollment increases that surplus would increase.

VP Kenney asked how much the interest rate would be for the thirty-year period.

Beth stated she has that information over ten years not over thirty years. The USSU originally thought of doing a fixed interest rate for ten years and then renew it. The interest for ten years would be \$8.7 million. If the amortization can be reduced the total cost of interest paid would be less.

VP Kenney asked if that is on top of the \$16 million loan.

Beth confirmed it is on top of the loan. She compared it to a house loan. The sooner it can be paid of the cheaper it is.

Councilor Knaus asked how much the down payment is.

Beth stated there is no down payment. Construction risk is another factor. The USSU when deciding on a contractor must ensure that the project is done on time and within the budget. If those two factors aren't met the costs can increase significantly with a good, qualified construction company and project manager there should be no surprises. Construction costs are increasing monthly.

GM Cottrell stated that at this time Saunders, Evans and Architects are on board for this project. Justin Wotherspoon is the Project Manager and last Friday she interviewed for a Construction Manager. The Construction Manager will be responsible along with Justin Wotherspoon and Saunders Evans for getting those costs. She has asked the costs to be known by the middle of March. Final negotiations are underway for the Construction Manager and the Construction Manager should be on board very soon.

VP Kenney asked if the Project Manager is employed through FMD.

GM Cottrell stated no the Project Manager is employed by the USSU.

Beth stated the last thing to think about is the rising costs. The way to reduce that risk is to have a fixed price contract. This should be done with the Construction Company and is based on the renovation/expansion plans. The Construction Company will give a dollar amount for what the project will cost. The USSU should have the Construction Company sign a contract stating that they will go through every item and say what it would cost, giving total dollar amount and have that signed in the contract.

Ian Tomas stated that this is an important piece in the project. Anyone who has been in the City for the last year has seen the new overpasses. The overpass project at Clarence and Circle Drive has increased by \$5 million dollars because they did not have a fixed price contract because the construction company wouldn't provide one. He stated the USSU wouldn't want something similar to happen.

VP Steeves asked why the fixed price contract wasn't provided.

Beth stated a lot of construction companies won't sign a fixed price contract because of the current market situation and the construction companies can't control their costs. The problem is labour is such a huge issue right now because there aren't enough employees to finish the job; therefore, the ones that are working are being paid at higher rates. She stated fixed price contracts are more expensive because the contractors are confirming their prices. TD Bank stated

that for a \$16 Million dollar loan there would be two pieces to it. The first is a \$16 million dollar approval and then monthly draws on that loan, similar to a line of credit. It is called an Interim Construction Loan. The Project Manager would come in with monthly requirements showing that month's requirements and that would be submitted to TD Bank. The bank would then review it and pay that dollar amount. All that is paid during that construction time is interest. That rate is determined by prime rate minus one.

??? asked if the interest is tabulated yearly.

Beth stated the interest is tabulated monthly.

Roger stated it is calculated on the balance outstanding at the end of the day. It fluctuates throughout the month as rates go down.

Beth stated that prime went down last Wednesday, and it is expected that prime will continue to go down at least four more times.

VP Kenney asked if interest rates rise substantially does the USSU have any protection.

Beth stated there are ways to protect against that. That is something that will be discussed tomorrow at the meeting.

Roger stated that once a contractor is hired the contractor provides a schedule of estimated payments that the contractor requires. TD can take that payment schedule and apply a derivative to it that would fix the rate on the floating balance. He noted it is very complicated.

??? asked if the \$16 Million dollar loan had to be taken out all at once.

Beth stated no it did not. TD would approve the entire loan and the USSU would draw on it as needed. If only \$300,000 was needed in the first month that is what would be provided and then you would only pay interest on that amount. Once the project is complete the USSU should be up to the \$16 million dollar level. The USSU decides at that point how long they require to repay the loan. The other issue that would need to be decided is how long they want to fix the interest rate for. The repayment period could be for 30 years and the interest rates could be fixed for thirty years. That is what would need to be decided at that point in time.

VP Kenney stated that the USSU has been given several different quotes by the U of S about the total cost of the project. What would happen if the renovation costs more than the loan? Would TD give the USSU another loan?

Beth stated yes TD would provide another loan and that they would be comfortable doing so because of the U of S backing the loan. If the USSU needed additional funds the U of S would also increase their backing on the loan.

??? Roger ??? background banging

Beth reminded that the repayment period at this point is for thirty years. If the loan increased to \$20 million that would significantly increase the payments.

Roger noted the total cost at this time is unknown. This would be discussed once actual numbers are known.

GM Cottrell stated that at this point the U of S is so tired of hearing her talk about the cost of the project. She reminds the U of S at every meeting that the USSU has very shallow pockets.

Beth stated that monthly payments are not necessary. Loan payments could be made quarterly or semi-annually since the USSU collects student fees twice a year. Therefore, the payment would be larger. Another option that is available is a ten-percent prepayment option. This means if the USSU has surplus cash then the loan could be lumped down each calendar year. Once a dollar amount and repayment period is known the USSU has the option to book an interest rate at any time. She recommends that be done as soon as the total dollar amount is known. Interest rates were low in the spring of 2007, then started to rise in the summer, now with the US market, rates are starting to go down again. By June of 2008 it is expected that rates will be at their lowest, which would be a good time. It is expected that longer-term rates are expected to increase over the next few years.

President Pepler thanked TD and First Nations Bank for presenting to council.

GM Cottrell stated she would hand out the "Terms Sheet" but asked councilors not to discuss because negotiations are taking place. She stated several people have asked her why First Nations Bank out of all the places in the City. One of the reasons is because of the USSU Sustainability Policy, which states to go local when possible. She approached First Sask Credit Union and they declined the business because of a merger. Second reason is that you live in Saskatchewan and people must pay attention to the First Nations Community. To provide that kind of relationship between an academic institution and First Nations community seems logical. The third reason is because over the past fifteen years the First Nations population on campus has gone up.

??? asked if better rates were available else where.

GM Cottrell stated RBC is presenting to council next week. There is little difference between the two.

VP Kenney stated that with an interest rate of 8 to 10 percent. The USSU would be paying \$30 million in interest on a \$16 million dollar loan. The student body should be aware of this.

GM Cottrell stated that as someone who holds a mortgage she understands how council is feeling. However, the USSU would never be able to save the money to renovate because of rising construction costs. If the USSU were to save the money by the time it was saved the project would cost \$100 million dollars. She has no desire to borrow money but there is no other option. If the building isn't renovated it will continue to deteriorate. It is a thirty-year-old building and is wearing out. There is no other option. The USSU is working with the University on a fundraising drive, which will be an ongoing drive to raise money for the building. When this is launched USC will have the authority what to do with that money. The University Administration will do all in their power to lower the loan before the thirty-year loan is up.

??? asked if the university really cares about paying the loan down because there goal is to move everything to Marquis Hall.

GM Cottrell stated they do care because their name is on the loan. The USSU is going to go out and try and get money. The USSU can't have charitable status because the USSU is a non-profit; therefore, the USSU must go through the U of S. The U of S will issue tax receipts but the money belongs to the USSU.

??? asked if it was just imposed as the Place Riel addition.

GM Cottrell stated yes.

Councilor Schultz asked how much has been accumulated this far.

GM Cottrell stated 16,400 x \$88.

Move to formality.

USC Motion120: Ring/Lawrence

Carried.

4. Minutes and Reports for Information

4.1 USC Minutes

Councilor Knaus stated that on Page 8 there are question marks by her name and she would like to clarify what she said. In the Elections Policy there is something that states in the event of a by-election there is 8 days, which could be considered an extreme case but a by-election was held two years ago. If a by-election were held it would run into the exam period.

5. Motions Arising from the Minutes and Reports

Move to adopt the minutes as amended.

USC Motion121: Atkin/Kuspira Carried.

8. Questions and Comments

Councilor Knaus echoes VP Kenney's concerns about the project costs but it is USC's responsibility to inform students about how their money is being spent. She encouraged councilors to inform the students in their colleges about this.

Councilor Harder noted that it was made pretty clear to students last year that it would be a thirty year mortgage, it would be \$44 per term; therefore, it shouldn't be too big of a surprise to students.

Councilor Karkut stated that students have been paying fees since the 1940s. Student fees will continue to increase. A building has to be built and it has to be done now. Students have to realize that they are going to be paying fees all the time. This building will be for future students to enjoy.

VP Kenney asked what the plan is for achieving LEED Silver.

VP Ring stated that would be discussed once the construction manager is hired. The architects are designing plans for a LEED Silver building.

Councilor Kambeitz asked when the \$25 reimbursement would be put on student cards.

President Pepler stated students were sent an email stating mid-February. He didn't have an exact date. Veterinary Medicine would receive their reimbursements even later.

Councilor McAuliffe asked where the \$25 could be spent. She asked if the University was doing anything for the students who graduated in December or are study abroad.

President Pepler stated the administration would be doing a campaign informing students where the money could be spent. Unfortunately there will be a few students who, because they are gone, would not receive anything.

VP Steeves stated that an enrollment list as of December 17th or so will be used for the \$25 reimbursement distribution.

Councilor Kambeitz asked how the University spent the money that was saved during the strike. He asked if the University would make that public.

President Pepler asked for the Administration to make it public and David Hannah has assured him it would be made public. He is sure that is why it is taking a while because they are going through it very thoroughly.

VP Steeves stated the Executive has been told numerous times that no money was saved during the strike. The University spent lots of money paying ASPA members overtime and had to hire a private security company to ensure the safety of staff/students. The University also lost money due to the closure of clinics in Dentistry and Veterinary Medicine.

VP Kenney reminded councilors that next Wednesday, February 6th in the Arts Tunnel there would be a Green Career Fair from 10 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. This is the first ever Green Career Fair. She noted that VP Ring's birthday is on Saturday.

VP Levesque stated that she spoke with the CFS Saskatchewan component and a Provincial Day of Action would be held on February 28th. Three days prior to this would be lobby days and meetings with MLAs from Saskatoon and Regina to discuss housing, accessibility for First Nations, student debt and tuition freeze. The EAB would be responsible for poster design.

VP Ring gave a year-to-date financials update. Currently the USSU has a surplus of \$173,000 and was supposed to have a deficit of \$63,000 and are \$236,000 ahead of the budget.

President Pepler stated the surplus goes into initiatives that don't make the USSU money, like the services provided.

Councilor Knaus noted that in the StarPhoenix there was an article about the Saskatchewan Disabilities Council. She asked if that would affect the Disability Services on Campus.

President Pepler stated this is all very new. The Executive would report back to council when they heard if it would affect services.

VP Kenney noted that disability services falls under her portfolio so she would look into that tomorrow morning.

Councilor Cote asked why the doors in the tunnel in Sask Hall are locked. This forces students to walk by Residence dorms.

VP Steeves stated no they are locked at 4:30-5:00 p.m. because that is when the Administration Building closes.

Councilor Cote stated having random people walk through Residence is an issue.

VP Steeves stated she would look into it. The Administration Building collects tuition and stores student records, which is likely why it is locked.

9. Any Other Business

VP Ring reiterated karaoke Saturday night at Louis'.

10. Adjournment

Move to adjourn.

USC Motion122: Olson/Horvey Carried.

Academic Affairs Board

Minutes for Thursday January 24, 2008

Present: Joel Schindel, Janna Wong, Josie Steeves, J.P. Cote, Nicole Kenny,
Meghan Harder
Absent: Councilor (NYA), Deepak Grover (Regrets), AAO (not yet hired)

The meeting was called to order at 4:37 PM

1. Adoption of Agenda

- Cote/Harder
- Motion carried

2. Adoption of the Minutes

- Schindel/Harder
- Motion Carried

3. Report of the Vice President Academic

- Lots o' Vacation (over winter)
- Hiring Process for new AAO
- Usual committee meetings
- Excess of student appeals and concerns
- Outreach to La Ronge

5. Business Arising

- a. Bookstore/National Roundtable on Academic Materials
 - Went over documents passed out (Roundtable on Academic Materials Report, Bookstore Advisory Committee Terms of Reference)
 - Discussing at next meeting
- b. Forum on Exam Schedules
 - Decided that a forum is not the best idea
 - VP Steeves will draft a document (with input from Russ Isinger. Assistant Registrar Academic) outlining both systems for exam scheduling
 - A poll will go on the USSU website asking students what they would prefer, but they would have to access the document before they took the poll
 - possibility of someone writing an article in the Sheaf regarding exam scheduling and the two systems – which is better?
- c. Film Festival
 - Will be on March 14th at Louis'.
 - See posters/website for more info
 - Informational agenda item
- d. Teaching In Excellence Awards
 - VP Steeves needs the availability of the board to administer the evaluations for the awards
 - Event where the awards will be given out will be on March 30th.
 - Janna then delighted us with her horror story about one time she was administering the evaluation – very scary!!!

5. Questions and Comments

- nothing

6. Any Other Business

- Janna reminded the board about the Great Arts and Science Pubcrawl that occurred on January 25th

7. Trivia

- What year did the USSU/SRC begin? (1909)
- Councilor Cote got it right (after a few tries)

8. Adjournment

- Wong/Harder
- Carried (5:16 pm)

External Affairs Board Meeting

4:00pm, Monday, February 4, 2008

Present: Lindsey Levesque, James Pepler, Satoshi Shibata, Katelyn MacAuliffe, Tamra Knaus, Travis Lingenfelter, Tony Bassett.

Regrets: Sarah Shoker, Shuo Zhang.

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 4:03pm.

2. Call for Quorum

Quorum was present.

3. Old Business

3.1 Day of Action Planning

VP Levesque brought the Provincial Student Day of Action poster to the board to discuss logistical details. The posters should be printed and up by the end of this week. Instead of holding a rally and having guests from the different levels of government come out and speak, the board decided that we would build a large snow fort, which represents the future of student housing in the Bowl on February 28th. It is seen as crucial to keep housing on the public's radar, but the event will also cover other rising costs of education such as high tuition fees, student debt, and accessibility of aboriginals. The snow fort will be released to public at 11:00am for the media and board members are encouraged to let people know about the event so there is a lot of support. The Board should get some ideas around students that could speak about the event and their experience with high education costs, and also what kind of music we should have. These details can be discussed at next weeks meeting.

VP Levesque has received consent from the Facilities Management Department to go ahead with planning for the event, so she will work with Grounds employees to plan for the snow required and where in the West Bowl the snow fort will be located. Burgers and hot chocolate will also be provided, free of charge for 200 people and has been booked through Louis.

VP Levesque and President Pepler will also be in contact with the College of Engineering about the structure of the snow fort/quincy. CFS-SK members will also be in close contact so that we can have consistencies between both Saskatoon and Regina.

3.2 Lobby Days

VP Levesque is still working on scheduling meetings with MLAs for February 25th to 27th. One meeting confirmed in Regina for the 26th where a number of MLAs will be present.

4. New Business

4.1 Petition for the Provincial Government

VP Levesque has been working with local MLAs in order to present two petitions, one around student housing costs, and the other around high tuition fees. The documents will be distributed to Board members when they are completed and will be discussed at the next meeting. These petitions will be presented to the Provincial Legislative Assembly in March.

5. Questions and Comments

The next meeting will be held at 2:00pm on Monday, February 11th in the USSU Boardroom.

6. Adjournment

2007-2008 USC Attendance

Name	May	June	July	August	Sept. 6	Sep.13	Sep.20	Sep.27	Oct.4	Oct.11	Oct.18	Oct.25
Abdulla, Adam	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	R	P	P	R	P	P
Atkin, Michael	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	P	R	P
Cote, Jean-Paul	NM	NM	NM	A	P	R	P	P	P	P	P	R
Gentner, Breanne	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P
Harder, Megan	NM	NM	NM	R	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P
Horvey, Karla	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Kambeitz, Elvis	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P
Karkut, Neil	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P
Kenney, Nicole	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P
Kirkland, Warren	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P
Knaus, Tamra	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Kuspira, Keith	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P
Laroque, Sheila	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA
Lawrence, James	NM	NM	NM	P	P	A	R	P	A	R	P	P
Leisle, Matt	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P
Levesque, Lindsay	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
McAuliffe, Katelyn	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P
Mitchell, Alex	NM	NM	NM	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	P	P	P
Olson, Tyler	NM	NM	NM	A	R	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Pepler, James	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P
Peti, Nick	NM	NM	NM	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	P	P	R	P
Ring, Jeremy	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Rose, Dyllyn	NM	NM	NM	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA
Schultz, Ellyse	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P
Shibata, Satoshi	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Steeves, Josie	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	R
Wales, Jessica	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	A
Zubot, Kimberly	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P

P - Present; R - Regrets; A - Absence; NYA - Not Yet Appointed; NM - No Meeting

2007-2008 USC Attendance

Name	Nov.1	Nov.8	Nov.15	Nov.22	Nov.29	Dec.6	Jan.3	Jan.10	Jan.17	Jan.24
Abdulla, Adam	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P	P
Atkin, Michael	P	P	P	P	P	A	A	P	A	P
Cote, Jean-Paul	P	P	P	P	P	A	R	P	P	P
Gentner, Breanne	P	P	P	R	P	A	P	P	P	P
Harder, Megan	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P
Horvey, Karla	P	P	P	P	P	A	P	P	P	P
Kambeitz, Elvis	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P	P
Karkut, Neil	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Kenney, Nicole	P	P	R	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Kirkland, Warren	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P
Knaus, Tamra	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P
Kuspira, Keith	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	A	P
Laroque, Sheila	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	P
Lawrence, James	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	R	P	P
Leisle, Matt	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P	P
Levesque, Lindsay	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P	P	P
McAuliffe, Katelyn	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P
Mitchell, Alex	P	R	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	R
Olson, Tyler	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P
Pepler, James	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Peti, Nick	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P
Ring, Jeremy	P	R	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Rose, Dilyn	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	P	A	P	A	P	P
Schultz, Ellyse	P	P	A	P	P	A	P	P	P	P
Shibata, Satoshi	P	P	P	P	P	P	A	P	P	P
Steeves, Josie	P	P	P	R	P	P	R	P	R	P
Wales, Jessica	P	P	P	P	P	A	A	P	P	P
Zubot, Kimberly	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P	R	P

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2007-2008 USC Attendance

Name	Jan.31	Feb.7	Feb.14	Feb. 21	Feb. 28	Mar.6	Mar.13	Mar.20	Mar.27		
Abdulla, Adam	R										
Atkin, Michael	P										
Cote, Jean-Paul	P										
Gentner, Breanne	P										
Harder, Megan	P										
Horvey, Karla	P										
Kambeitz, Elvis	P										
Karkut, Neil	P										
Kenney, Nicole	P										
Kirkland, Warren	P										
Knaus, Tamra	P										
Kuspira, Keith	P										
Laroque, Sheila	P										
Lawrence, James	P										
Leisle, Matt	R										
Levesque, Lindsay	P										
McAuliffe, Katelyn	P										
Mitchell, Alex	P										
Olson, Tyler	P										
Pepler, James	P										
Peti, Nick	R										
Ring, Jeremy	P										
Rose, Dilyn	P										
Schultz, Ellyse	P										
Shibata, Satoshi	P										
Steeves, Josie	P										
Wales, Jessica	P										
Zubot, Kimberly	P										

P - Present; R - Regrets; A - Absence; NYA - Not Yet Appointed; NM - No Meeting

University Students' Council Agenda

Thursday, February 14th, 2008

- 1. Adoption of an Agenda**
- 2. Introductions and Announcements**
- 3. Council Address**
 - 3.1 VP Kenney, Sustainability**
 - 3.2 Greg Fowler, Consumer Services**
- 4. Minutes and Reports for Information**
 - 4.1 USC Minutes – February 7th, 2008**
 - 4.2 Executive Committee Minutes – February 14th, 2008**
 - 4.3 Academic Affairs Board Minutes and Report – February 7th, 2008**
 - 4.4 Appointments Board Minutes and Report**
 - 4.5 Board of College Presidents**
 - 4.6 Code of Ethics Disciplinary Committee Minutes and Report**
 - 4.7 Elections Board Minutes and Report – February 12th, 2008**
 - 4.8 External Affairs Board Minutes and Report – February 11th, 2008**
 - 4.9 Operations & Finance Board Minutes and Report – February 12th, 2008**
 - 4.10 Student Issues Board Minutes and Report – Residence Appeal Draft**
- January 30th, 2008
 - 4.11 Sustainability Board Minutes and Report - January 23rd, 2008**
- February 1st, 2008
- 5. Motions Arising from the Minutes and Reports**
- 6. Business**
- 7. New Business**
- 8. Questions and Comments (30 minutes)**
- 9. Any Other Business**
 - 9.1 Outreach Final Report**
- 10. Adjournment**

University Students' Council
Minutes for Thursday, February 7th, 2008

Present

James Pepler, President
Lindsey Levesque, VP External Affairs
Jeremy Ring, VP Operations & Finance
Josie Steeves, VP Academic Affairs
Nicole Kenney, VP Student Issues
Karla Horvey, Physical Therapy
Kim Zubot, Pharmacy & Nutri.
Neil Karkut, Law
James Lawrence, Kinesiology
Nick Peti, Medicine
Ellyse Schultz, St. Thomas Moore
Sheila Laroque, Arts & Science
Jean-Paul Cote, Agriculture
Keith Kuspira, Engineering
Michael Atkin, Engineering
Tamara Knaus, St. Thomas Moore
Dylan Rose, Indigenous
Megan Harder, Nursing
Warren Kirkland, Associated Res.
Tyler Olson, Arts & Science
Alexandra Mitchell, Commerce
Breanne Genter, Education
Elvis Kambeitz, Education
Satoshi Shibata, International
Adam Abdulla, Dentistry

Also Present

Sandy MacGregor, RBC
Phil Klein, RBC
Wendy Gillis, The Sheaf
Caroline Cottrell, USSU GM
Matt Leisle, Chair

Regrets

Katelyn McAuliffe
Jessica Wales, WCVM

Meeting was called to order at 6:02 p.m.

1. Adoption of the Agenda

Move to adopt the agenda

USC Motion123: Karkut/Kenney

Carried.

2. Introductions and Announcements

Councilor Mitchell sends regrets for Councilor Katelyn McAuliffe and Jessica Wales.

VP Kenney stated that next week at Louis', February 12th, there will be a composting work shop. There will be presentations regarding various University's composting initiatives.

VP Levesque announced that on February 20th there will be a Provincial Day of Action. The USSU will be focusing on the student housing issue. They will be

building a giant Quincy/Snow Fort to draw attention to this issue. Also on the agenda is the tuition freeze, student debt and the rising cost of education. Construction will start on the 27th.

VP Kenney stated that the administration of the University has contacted the USSU and would like to start a housing committee. If anyone is interested in being on this committee let VP Kenney know.

February 14th there will be a group of students dressing up as muggers. They will be mugging people on campus, exchanging disposable cups for reusable mugs.

Councilor Shibata passed on a reminder to all councilors of the International Trivia and Culture night that is being held at Louis'.

3. Council Address

3.1 Royal Bank of Canada

VP Steeves moved to go to informality.

VP Ring suggested staying in formality for ease of recording questions and pertinent information.

Councilor Gentner Moved to grant GM Cottrell speaking rights.

USC Motin124: Gentner/Horvey Carried.

GM Cottrell stated that the representatives of RBC have asked that their presentation not be recorded.

Motion to move to informality.

USC Motion125: Steeves/Harder Carried.

4. Minutes and Reports for Information

4.1 USC Minutes

Councilor Schultz stated that on page 3 of the minutes from January 31st it was she who asked how much the Student Health surplus is. Also on page 7 it was her that asked about whether the University really wants to pay their loan down.

Clarification on the interest amount asked by VP Kenney. VP Kenney stated that this was an estimate only.

GM Cottrell stated that there is a spread sheet being made comparing the two institutions to be presented to Council. She has also asked for the General Covenants from both institutions. There is a lot of work to be done before the information is brought to council. It will take some time to get all of the information together for comparison.

VP Ring thinks that it may have been construed that the total being paid was a total not the interest.

5. Motions Arising from the Minutes and Reports

Move to adopt the minutes as amended

USC Motion126: Schultz/Harder Carried.

9. Any Other Business

9.1 MacLean's

President Pepler received an email from MacLean's Magazine saying that they are going to be doing a "What's Hot and What's Not" at the University of Saskatchewan. President Pepler thought it prudent to get as much feedback as possible and is requesting feedback from councilors.

VP Steeves echoed President Pepler request for input from the councilors.

Councilor Harder asked how to access the past list.

President Pepler stated it is available on line or come to the office. President Pepler will email it to the USC.

10. Adjournment

Move to adjourn

USC Motion127: Kenney/Karkut Carried.

Executive Committee
Minutes for Tuesday, February 12, 2008

Present: Caroline Cottrell, Nicole Kenney, James Pepler, Lindsey Levesque, Jeremy Ring, Josie Steeves

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 11:30am

2. Call for Quorum

Quorum was present

3. Round Tables

President Pepler

- Undergrad Executive Forum
- Edward's AGM
- Karaoke
- Scholarship and Awards Committee
- Class
- Meeting With SIAST Kelsey/ Weir reno
- Open Studies Faculty Council
- Law Symposium
- Star Phoenix Interview
- Performance Review
- USC
- International Trivia Event
- EDO

GM Cottrell

- Personnel Appraisals x3
- Marketing meetings
- Financing the building meetings x5
- Design meeting x4
- Louis Study meeting x3
- HR Meeting
- Budget meeting
- Admin team
- USC Meetings
- Alumni Board meeting
- Development meeting with Dave Hannah
- Meeting about Head Lease and MOA
- Writing Head Lease and MOA

VP Kenney

- Op/Fin board meeting
- Class X 2
- Green Career Fair (10-2:30 in the Arts Tunnel)
- Green Entrepreneur workshop
- Green Corporations Lecture
- Safewalk volunteering
- Road Map 2020 Forum
- SCIC Trivia Night or Eating Disorder Awareness week Documentary and Discussion
- Physics Student mixer
- ASSU meeting
- Student Issues Board Meeting
- USC
- Sustainability Board meeting
- Pop The Monopoly meeting- STM cafeteria
- Rooted Meeting- Bio 123
- Executive committee
- Residence Appeal Process
- Canadian Blood Services
- Pride Center Volunteering

VP Ring

- class
- Op/fin Minutes
- Place Riel Study presentation
- Coke Merchandise
- Communications Meeting
- Financial Accountabilities – Dec.
- USC
- Interest Rate Swap Meeting
- Sustainability meeting with Integrated Design
- Centres Library meeting
- BUDGET!!!!
- ADO
- Compensation Committee meeting
- Op/fin board meeting
- Exec Meeting

VP Levesque

- COMM 387 x 6
- External Affairs Board Meeting x 2
- Executive Committee x 2
- BOCF Supper with P-Mac
- President's Breakfast
- Admin Team x 2
- Volunteer at Help Centre

- International Week Planning Committee
- Outreach to Parkland College-Yorkton
- USC x 3
- CFS-SK Meeting-Regina
- Vacation/Snow Day
- Presentation on Louis
- Housing meeting with Saskatoon MLAs
- Day of Action and Lobby Days planning and confirmations
- Financial Review of December
- Severin Suzuki Presentation
- Volunteer at Pride Centre
- Spoke with Transit regarding U-Pass
- Outreach at Woodland College-Prince Albert
- Volunteer at Women's Centre
- Meeting with Merve Dahl from Risk Management
- Meeting with Jordan Brown from ACE Saskatchewan
- International Week Trivia Night
- Met with Louis regarding food for the Day of Action
- Completed Outreach Final Report

4. BioScan

The Operations and Finance Board had an application for funding from BioScan. This is a tri-annual event similar to Spectrum. There are many interesting presentations. VP Kenney will demonstrate composting on Sunday, March 9th at BioScan.

VP Ring encourages sponsorship of this event.

EXEC64 Move to sponsor the Biology Club for plasma advertising for
Ring/Levesque BioScan.

Carried

5. USSU Website

VP Ring wants each executive member to have an individual page. Each member can be linked to particular other sites. A.S.S. website also needs to be updated. VP Steeves would like to hold a contest to rename the A.S.S. portion of the site. She would be willing to offer a \$50.00 gift certificate to Louis'. She will present this as a project in the near future.

6. Executive Sponsorship

The Department of Women and Gender studies is requesting sponsorship for

- a) March 10th Brown Bag Lunch
- b) Presentations on March 6th – 8th
- c) International Women's Day Dinner

VP Steeves will be drafting a policy in regards to Off- Campus students.

VP Levesque has finished the final report for the latest round of outreach visits.

12. Canadian Blood Services

The USSU executive met with Blood Services over their policy on blood donation. This policy is actually through Health Canada. CBS is attempting to create policy that is behaviorally based rather than life style based.

13. Intensely Vigorous College 9

The Trade Mark renewal is \$400.00 for the next 15 years.

EXEC68 Move to maintain the USSU's ownership of the IVC9 trademark.
Levesque/Pepler

Carried.

Recommendation on the Financial Institution for the
Place Riel Expansion and Renovation

On January 31st and February 7th University Students' Council had presentations from First Nations Bank of Canada/TD Canada Trust and the Royal Bank of Canada respectively on proposals for providing financing for the expansion and renovation to Place Riel Student Centre, slated to begin in the summer of 2008. These presentations culminated several months of behind-the-scenes negotiations with these and other financial institutions.

University of Saskatchewan Students' Union Bylaw No. 1: Governance Procedures,
Article 8 *Borrowing Powers* (8.01) states that

For the purpose of carrying out the objectives of the Constitution, these Bylaws and the business affairs of the Students' Union, the Executive committee may:

- (i) borrow money on the credit of the Students' Union
- (ii) limit or increase any amount to be borrowed; and,
- (iii) secure the payment of monies borrowed in such manner as it thinks fit.

As mandated, the Executive Committee made the following motion in its meeting of February 12, 2008

EXEC67 *Move to accept First Nations Bank of Canada/TD Canada Trust
Levesque/Ring (Commercial Banking) as the lender for expansion and renovation
 of the Place Riel Student Centre.*

Carried

This motion was based on a number of points including, but not limited to, the following:

- FN/TD provided more favourable terms than those which were presented by RBC
- An articulated desire to do business, in the province of Saskatchewan, with First Nations Bank
- The USSU's sustainability policy which recommends "going local" whenever and wherever possible
- An appreciation of the particular responsiveness of First Nations Bank of Canada/TD Canada Trust to the needs of the USSU.

This motion was also put forward based on analysis conducted by Sue Verhille-Long, Special Projects Analyst, from the University of Saskatchewan's Financial Services Division. The USSU would like to especially acknowledge the work she has done on behalf of this project as well as acknowledging the support provided by Marion Van Impe on interest rate swaps, terms and covenants. Additionally, we would like to thank USSU Controller, Amanda Mitchell for attending many meetings, undertaking another set of analysis and for her willingness to do whatever was necessary to get a decision made and to manage the project into the future. The results of their collective work will form part of the permanent record of this project that will in turn form part of the record of the Place Riel Student Centre Expansion/Renovation Steering Committee.

Prepared by Caroline Cottrell, General Manager, USSU, February 12, 2008

Academic Affairs Board

Minutes for Thursday, February 7, 2008

Present: Joel Schindel, Janna Wong, Josie Steeves, Nicole Kenney, Megan Harder,
Brett Suwinski, Warren Kirkland

Absent: Deepak Grover, J.P. Cote

The meeting was called to order at 4:39 PM

1. Adoption of Agenda

- Harder/Wong
- Motion carried

2. Adoption of the Minutes

- Kirkland/Kenney
- Motion Carried

3. Report of the Vice President Academic

- Training AAO Suwinski
- Bookstore terms of reference
- Student cards for off-campus students
- Meetings and committees
- Teaching evaluations

4. Business Arising

- Introduction of new Academic Advocacy Officer/AAB Member
 - AAO Brett Suwinski
 - AAB MSC Kirkland
- Bookstore issues
 - Pricing should be as low as possible
 - More transparency as to profits
 - Committee membership
 - Motion to accept Terms of Reference; Harder/Kenney; Motion carried
- Exam Schedules Document Update
- Teaching in Excellence Awards
- Advocacy Efforts
 - Students' Rights (College regulations)
 - Appeals framework
 - Responsibility of Colleges
- A.S.S. Website
 - Name change
 - Links to academic services, e.g. RefWorks
 - Promotion of site by Colleges
 - Layout contest
- Document Concerning Teaching Evaluations
 - VP Academic will create document during Reading Week

5. Questions and Comments

- nothing

6. Any Other Business

- Scheduling of next meeting possibly for February 28
- Day of Action/5 Days for the Homeless
- ASSU Winter Carnival
- Composting Workshop
- Housing/residence issues

7. Trivia

- Which USSU president went on to become Premier of Saskatchewan? (Roy Romanow)
- AAO Suwinski first answered correctly

8. Adjournment

- Wong/Schindel
- Motion carried (5:36 pm)

Minutes of the Elections Board (EB) Meeting held at the USSU Boardroom, on Tuesday, February 12

Present: Ellyse Schultz, Jasmine Liska, Sheila Laroque, Jenna McQuid, Jeff Galbraith (ACRO), Zena Charowsky (CRO), Jason Ventnor (GMD) ~ *member ex officio*

Absent: none

Called to order at 4:30 p.m.

Galbraith explained the nature and extent of the Memoranda of Understanding (MOU), and why each member had to sign one. Members thereby agreed to remain neutral throughout the election process; and specifically agreed to not run for office or assist others in doing so. The MOU were all signed and dated by each member, and collected by Ventnor.

Galbraith then went over the proposed election timetable in detail; explaining why the voting will be so late this year. The entire process takes 5 or 6 weeks, and it would be very disruptive to split it up by starting before the two Reading Breaks. If we tried to do everything before the main Reading Break, voting would have to take place during mid-terms. Besides, any earlier than that would be a breach of our Constitution and Bylaws. We regret any inconvenience to potential candidates, and hope that it will not affect their decision to run. Ultimately, the EB must do what is best for the USSU.

Galbraith moves to approve the timetable, seconded by Shultz; carried (at 4:41 p.m.)

Galbraith then provided a printed copy of the new Elections Bylaw (i.e. #4), and discussed some of the highlights: mass e-mail and candidate websites will still be allowed, but door-to-door campaigning in residence will not. Also, Fair Market Value (FMV) will be used, after not having it last year created many administrative headaches. Some of the specifics of our roles were discussed, in particular those of the CRO and ACRO. Tie-breaking procedures were explained. Galbraith urged everyone to read Bylaw #4 in its entirety a.s.a.p.

Questions were raised about the difference between the Orientation Meeting and the Procedures meeting; and who had to attend each. The former meeting is to help potential candidates understand the gravity and

magnitude of what they are getting into, while the latter is to set out the “do’s and don’ts” of campaigning. The former is chaired by the GM, the latter by the CRO. Barring emergencies, all candidates must attend both; EB members are welcome, but not required, to attend.

All questions and complaints should be directed to the ACRO, unless they are about him; in which case they ought to go to the CRO or the GMD. Email is the preferred method for this: acro@ussu.ca

For that matter, we will conduct all our business by email as much as possible; but we may still have to meet in person from time to time. This may often be at unsocial times, and on short notice. Next meeting will be called when warranted.

Seeing nothing further, meeting adjourned at 4:46 p.m.

USSU General Election Schedule 2008

- Monday, February 25** Reading Week ends - EB begins meeting weekly, or more often, as necessary.
- Tuesday, February 26** Begin calling for nominations for Executive & Senate positions.
- Monday, March 3** WCVN break ends – remind them about nominations.
- Wednesday, March 5** Finalize forum locations, dates, and times.
- Thursday, March 6** All executive candidates MANDATORY Orientation Meeting, chaired by the USSU GM. Takes place in Room 77, Lower Saskatchewan Hall at 4 p.m.
- Monday, March 10** Nomination forms for Executive & Senate available at the USSU office. Executive nominees shall be responsible for paying a refundable fee of \$100.00 **before** ratification. Senate nominees shall be responsible for a non-refundable fee of \$10.00
- Tuesday, March 11** Nominations must be received **by 4:00 p.m. NO EXCEPTIONS!**
- Tuesday, March 11** All candidates MANDATORY Procedures Meeting, to be chaired by the Chief Returning Officer. The meeting will take place in Room 77, Lower Saskatchewan Hall **at 4:30 p.m.**
- Wednesday, March 12** GMD to begin checking academic standing of executive candidates.
- Friday, March 14** Finish checking academic standing of executive candidates.
- Monday, March 17** Campaigning shall begin **at 12:01 a.m.**
- Friday, March 21** Easter Friday – University closed.
- Wednesday, March 26** Voting begins **at 9:00 a.m.** There shall be no campaigning of any kind, by, or on behalf of, any candidate, within 30 feet of any fixed, internet-connected computer on voting days.
- Thursday, March 27** Voting ends **at 4:00 p.m.** EB meets **at 4:30 p.m.** to discuss urgent disciplinary matters and to ratify the results, which will be emailed from PAWS to the ACRO **by 5:00 p.m.**
- Thursday, March 27** Election results, subject to further discipline, are announced at Browsers' **at 5:30 p.m.**
- Thursday, March 27** All campaign material must be removed **by 11:59 p.m.**
- Thursday, April 3** Formal complaints must be received **by 4:00 p.m.**
- Thursday, April 24** Names of elected MSCs must be submitted for ratification **by 4:00 p.m.**

External Affairs Board Meeting

2:00pm, Monday, February 11, 2008

Present: Lindsey Levesque, James Pepler, Travis Lingenfelter, Katelyn McAuliffe, Shuo Zhang, Tony Bassett, Tamra Knaus, Satoshi Shibata

Regrets: Sarah Shoker

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 2:02pm.

2. Call for Quorum

Quorum was present.

3. Old Business

3.1 Petition for the Provincial Government

VP Levesque distributed the petitions around student housing and tuition fees to all board members to discuss, and everything seemed to look good. Each member will get signatures for the Day of Action to be presented to the Legislative Assembly in March. VP Levesque will also look at having a booth set up at the Lower Place Riel Kiosk to gain signatures and hand out Day of Action flyers from February 25th-27th. This is also a great opportunity for students to be aware of the issues before the event takes place.

4. New Business

4.1 Day of Action Agenda, Speakers, and Music

Everything is planned except for the agenda, decorations in the snow fort, students who can present about their specific situation, and what kind of music to be played. The board decided that a DJ would be the best versus a band because it is not weather dependant. The sound equipment is already confirmed, and power will be connected on the 27th through Facilities Management.

The Board needs to check around for specific students who are willing to speak about the effects of high costs around education. Councilor Shibata stated that he would speak on behalf of International students. Please submit names to VP Levesque by February 25th at the latest.

The agenda will consist of the revealing of the snow fort at 11:00am, followed by burgers and hot chocolate being served, and then speakers.

VP Levesque will continue conversations with the College of Engineering for structural planning and to get as much help with the construction as possible. There will also be communication between David Hannah's office (SESD), room scheduling, grounds and risk management.

President Pepler will design a look for the inside of the snow fort and board members are encouraged to assist in development.

Closer to the event, VP Levesque will start a Facebook event to get as much coverage as possible. Advertising will also go on the Sheaf back page for Thursday and on the plasma screens.

5. Questions and Comments

On Thursday, February 14th there is a CFS-SK meeting at 2:00pm in the USSU Boardroom. Board members are invited to come if they are available.

VP Levesque opened an invitation for all board members to come to Regina on February 26th to meet with various MLAs about Day of Action issues. There will be a lunch from 11:30am-12:30pm and the USSU van will leave at 8:30am.

VP Levesque has compiled the Outreach Program Final Document, which will be distributed to executive, board and council members.

The next External Affairs Board meeting will be on February 25th at 2:00pm in the USSU Boardroom, not on February 18th because of the upcoming break. We will construct signs for the Day of Action and tie up any loose ends around the event.

6. Adjournment

Operations & Finance Board

Minutes for Tuesday, February 12, 2008

Present: Jeremy Ring, Katelyn McAuliffe, Nicole Kenney, Jean-Paul Cote,
Caroline Cottrell, Ellyse Schultz, Cody Casey, Tyler Olson

Regrets: Ana Carolina Melendez, James Pepler

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 AM.

2. Call for Quorum

Quorum was present.

3. New Business

3.1 – Presentation By U of S Biology Club

VP Ring introduced representatives from the Biology Club.

Angela Nierap, Coordinator for Bioscan 2008, gave a more in depth presentation of the event. Of specific importance, the budget, where their current budgeted income was \$2400, and their event budget was \$6400. She also noted that planning had begun in September, with a team of ~25. They currently have a number of schools coming on the Friday. The press has been great in the past, and is expected to be great this time.

Move that the Op/fin board grant funding to U of S Biology Club in the amount of \$1000 for the BioScan event.

OFB Motion 32: Kenney/Olson Carried.

3.2 – Campus Group Ratification

Move that the Op/fin board ratify the United Students Against Sweatshops.

OFB Motion 33: Schultz/McAuliffe Carried.

3.3 – Campus Group Funding

Move that the Op/fin board grant funding to AIESEC Saskatoon in the amount of \$200 in funds, and \$200 in Coca-Cola Product.

OFB Motion 34: Ring/Schultz Carried.

Move that the Op/fin board grant funding to International Studies Students' Association in the amount of \$375 in funds.

OFB Motion 35: Cote/Schultz Carried.

4. Other Business

VP Ring noted that he received a ratification form from APALA, however there are fees owing from the group, and therefore we have to wait until monies are received to ratify them.

VP Ring also reminded the board about the important budget meeting on Saturday, March 8th, at 9:00 AM in the Sask. Hall Boardroom.

There were questions about the financing for the building and the project itself.

5. Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held Tuesday, February 26th, 2008 at 9:00AM in the USSU Boardroom.

6. Adjournment

Move to adjourn.

OFB Motion 36: Schultz/Olson Carried.

Student Issues Board
Wednesday, January 30, 2007

Present: VP Nicole Kenney, VP Josie Steeves, Councilor Satoshi Shibata, SAL Erin Gluckie, SAL Griff James, Councilor Elvis Kambeitz

Regrets: VP Josie Steeves, Councilor Keith Kuspira, SAL Sheila Laroque, SAL Micheal Magnussen

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 3:35 PM

2. Call for Quorum

Quorum was present

3. Introductions

4. Business

4.1 PIRG- Public Interest Research Group

RPIRG was recently created at the University of Regina, where \$5.00 is voluntarily collected from Student fees and given to RPIRG for distribution. The purpose of RPIRG is to operate as a student-funded, student directed research, education and action organization pursuing the interest of students at The University of Regina and members of the wider community of Regina and beyond on issues of public concern. Specifically RPIRG shall:

- a. promote and conduct research on issues of public interest and concern;
- b. aid in the education of members and the public at large about issues of public interest and concern;
- c. promote and undertake appropriate citizen action;
- d. act as a democratic organization, facilitating student participation in public interest research and aiding students in developing effective citizenship skills;
- e. support the development of and co-operation with other Public Interest Research Groups as the occasion arises.

An example of the application for funding can be found at:

http://rpirg.org/docs/RPIRG__Working_Group_Application.pdf

The Student Issues Board agreed that PIRG's do great work, pro bono publico (for the public good). However, a PIRG needs to be autonomous from the USSU and instead a student group or club should bring this idea forward to USC.

4.2 Residence Appeals

The VP Student Issues in collaboration with the Residence Managers, Consumer Services and Susan Bens (Director of Student Retention, Support & Development) is working to create a fair process for eviction appeals on residences. Susan Bens, Greg Fowler (Consumer services) and a student (appointed by VP Student Issues) will sit on a panel and judge the resident student in question. Thus far, 4 students have been evicted from residence, according to the panel's decision. It has been suggested that 2 students sit on the panel as there are 2 administrators.

The first draft of the formal appeal process is attached.

4.3 Housing Crisis

VP Kenney will meet with Charlie Clark (Ward 6 councilor) to discuss the current housing shortage for students. VP Kenney will invite Charlie Clark to a Student Issues Meeting in order to receive his suggestions for making a presentation to city council.

VP Kenney will arrange the next student issues meeting with Susan Bens, consumer services and the residence managers to discuss a strategy for this fall.

Councilor Shibata stated that the USSU should advertise the housing registry more aggressively and make students aware of the housing shortage well in advance through various forms of media.

4.4 Day of Action- February 28th

VP Levesque is currently planning the Day of Action and that will highlight the rising cost of living for students.

We discussed hosting an event or doing a project that symbolizes the challenges students face in finding accessible and affordable housing. We thought about doing something proactive and positive for the community (IE Habitat for Humanity) instead of simply protesting.

4.5 Coffee House- Speak your mind- March 5th

The "Implications of Globalization" Coffee House will be held at Browsers on March 5th at 3:30 PM. The discussion will revolve around the benefits and disadvantages of globalization in relation to the economy, environment and social issues. The Student Issues board is looking for experts to speak in favor and against globalization.

4.6 International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination- March 21st

The Student Issues Board would like to celebrate racial differences by creating hand art in the tunnel with various shades of paint. VP Kenney will find a large canvas to paint and later hang in Place Riel. The Student Issues board would also like to create a “Stop Racism” poster contest and publish these posters in the Sheaf. VP Kenney has ordered the “Stop Racism” stickers to distribute. VP Kenney will also contact the Canadian Federation of Students for additional “anti-racism” material. The Student Issues board will contact the Radical Cheerleaders and ask them if they have any appropriate cheers for March 21st.

VP Kenney suggested hosting Anti-oppression training in various classrooms (suited for sociology, philosophy, political studies, international studies classes exc.) SAL Gluckie will ask some of her professors if they would be willing allow the training during class.

Discrimination and Harassment Services is hosting a coffee shop on March 21st
For more information, contact Carole Ponde.

4.7 The next Student Issues Meeting will be held on February 13th at 3 PM.

ADJOURNED at 4:50 PM.

Procedures for Panel to Consider Appeals for Eviction and Banning from University of Saskatchewan Residences

Scope of Procedures:

These procedures apply to the decision by University of Saskatchewan Residences to evict and/or ban a student from Residences. The decision of the appeal panel is final regarding the student's status in Residences only. It does not preclude or prevent the application of other policies and procedures that exist at the University of Saskatchewan.

A student's status in the residence living community may take four forms for the purpose of these procedures:

- (i) Students may be in "good standing" which means there are no concerns about their ongoing status in the Residences.
- (ii) Students may be "on probation" which means the student has received formal written notice that he or she is on probation with relevant details adequately outlined about the penalties that may be applied given certain behaviours or actions
- (iii) Students may be "evicted" from Residences which means they have been required to cease as tenants of the Residences. Usually, a student will receive between 24 hours to 2 weeks notice of eviction.
- (iv) Students may be "banned" from Residences which means they are not allowed to enter the facilities identified as Residences. Usually, such a ban does not include the tunnel system in the basement of Saskatchewan Hall, the rooms in the basement of Saskatchewan Hall designated for student club or USSU use, the Student Health Centre on the south end of Saskatchewan Hall, and the Student Counselling Centre on the ground floor of Qu'Appelle Hall Addition

Grounds for an appeal:

Students may initiate an appeal by completing an Application for Appeal (Form 1) within 21 working days of the date of the written decision to evict or ban. The application is to be submitted to the Director of the Consumer Services Division. The appeal will be heard only if students can identify valid grounds for the appeal. Valid grounds will be determined by the Director and are typically considered to include:

- (i) Alleged failure to follow procedural regulations of Residences as laid out in the Residence Student Handbook or Lease Agreement
- (ii) Alleged discriminatory treatment of the student as compared to the treatment of other students
- (iii) Alleged violation of the University Discrimination and Harassment Prevention policy where the alleged violation affected the students standing in residences
- (iv) Alleged violation of the Saskatchewan Human Right's Code
- (v) Alleged failure to implement rules of the University dealing with accommodation of students with disability

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The Director will advise any student inquiring about or submitting an application for appeal about advocacy services available on campus. The Director or designate will determine whether grounds exist for the appeal within two working days.

Panel membership:

In cases where it is determined by the Director of Consumer Services that an appeal panel should be convened, the panel will consist of three members:

- As chair, the Director of Student Retention, Support and Development (or designate)
- As members, the Director of Consumer Services (or designate from CSD not from Residences) and one student representative. The student representative will be appointed by the USSU for cases involving undergraduate students and appointed by the GSA for cases involving graduate students. The student representative must be (1) impartial to the case at hand, and (2) cannot be a current or past Residence student.
- Clerical Support to the Committee provided by either CSD or SESD

Prior to the Hearing:

Appropriate notice will be provided to all involved. All materials presented to the panel will be shared with all parties. As a guideline, notice that a panel will convene will be provided 3 to 5 working days in advance and materials relevant to the case will be provided to the parties within 1 to 2 two working days. For efficiency of panel proceedings both the student and Residence Management will be required to summarize the sequence of events of concern in the case (see Form 2).

In the case of a 24 hour eviction notice, the student will usually be required to leave Residences as scheduled but will usually not be required to move all belongings or have food services suspended.

In the case of an immediate notice of ban, the ban will usually be enforced until the decision of the appeal panel is delivered.

At the Hearing:

1. Attendance: The student appealing the decision and Residence Management may invite relevant parties to the case under consideration. (For example, student witnesses to events of concern or staff of Campus Safety)
2. Advice and Advocacy: The student is expected to speak on his or her own behalf in the hearing. The student may access advice of university advocates, students' union/association advocates, or outside advisors. These advocates/advisors may attend the meeting with students but as observers. If the advocate/advisor wishes to advise a student during a hearing, the student may ask for a pause in

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proceedings so that they can receive that advice privately and then return to the hearing.

3. Typical Agenda:
 - Introduction of all present: Chair
 - Explanation of procedures: Chair
 - Statement by Student(s), including any witnesses
 - Questions to student/witnesses by panel
 - Questions to student/witnesses by Residence Management
 - Statement by Residence Management, including any witnesses
 - Questions to Residence Management/witnesses by panel
 - Questions to Residence Management/witnesses by student
 - Clarification and discussion: Panel
 - Closing Remarks: Student
 - Closing Remarks: Residence Management
 - Closing Remarks, Questions, or Instructions: Chair
 - Adjourn

The Decision

1. Timing: The decision is to be made in as timely a fashion as possible, given that consultation and clarification may sometimes be necessary. Usually, the decision will be expected within one week of the hearing. If that is not possible, the Chair will notify the parties of expected timing.
2. Method: The decision of the panel will be decided by consensus. In the case that consensus cannot be achieved, the Chair will cast the deciding vote.
3. Important principles in decision-making:
 - a. The panel is charged with balancing integrity of community standards in Residences and the individual growth and development and personal circumstances of students who appeal decisions.
 - b. The standard of proof will generally fall on the appealing student following a civil standard of the “balance of probabilities” not a criminal standard of “beyond a reasonable doubt.”
 - c. The parties involved will be expected to meet a standard of responsibilities. Generally, students are expected to be familiar with the policies and any associated documentation (like warning letters) that have been presented to them. Generally, Residence staff are expected to enforce and enact the policies they have laid out and to provide clear communication to students in any associated documentation (like warning letters) that they present to students.
4. Remedies: The panel can decide to uphold the original eviction/ban decision, modify the original decision, or overturn the original decision.

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5. Recommendations: The panel can make recommendations to the student and to Residence Management about future conduct.
6. Communication of decision: A decision will be provided in writing, and when possible delivered in-person to the student by the Chair. The written decision will be provided to all parties and will include a statement of what is at issue, a summary of the findings of fact, reasons for accepting or rejecting the main arguments, a statement of decision, and any recommendations to the parties.

These procedures exist under the authority of the Director of the Consumer Services Division.

These procedures were developed in February, 2008 in consultation with
Sylvia Chlodnuik, Manager of Residences
Mark Charmbury, Assistant Manager of Residences
Susan Bens, Director of Student Retention, Support and Development, SESD
Nicole Kenney, VP Student Issues, USSU
_____, GSA
_____, Residence Student Association
Lea Pennock, University Secretary
David Hannah, Associate Vice-President SESD

**FORM 1: Application for an Appeal of Eviction and/or Ban Decision
by University of Saskatchewan Residences**

- This form must be delivered to the Director of Consumer Services in XXX Sask Hall within 21 days from the date of the Eviction and/or Ban Decision being delivered.
- A written statement outlining the grounds for appeal must be attached. Additional information may also be submitted.

Date Submitted:

Name:

Student number:

Room and Hall in Residence:

University of Saskatchewan e-mail address:

Telephone:

Home Mailing Address:

Appeal of a decision by the University of Saskatchewan Residences to (check one)

- evict from Residences effective ____ (date)
- ban from Residence facilities effective ____ (date)
- evict and ban from Residences facilities effective ____ (date)

Grounds for appeal (check where applicable)

- Alleged failure to follow procedural regulations of Residences as laid out in the Residence Student Handbook or Lease Agreement
- Alleged discriminatory treatment of the student as compared to the treatment of other students
- Alleged violation of the University Discrimination and Harassment Prevention policy where the alleged violation affected the student's standing in Residences
- Alleged violation of the Saskatchewan Human Right's Code where the alleged violation affected the student's standing in Residences
- Alleged failure to implement rules of the University dealing with accommodation of students with disability where that alleged failure affected the student's standing in Residences

Signature of Student:

Written submission is attached: Yes No

Draft—February 11, 2008

Sustainability Board Minutes

Minutes for Wednesday, January 23, 2007

Present: VP Nicole Kenney, SAL Shannon Dyck, Councilor Tyler Olson, Councilor Warren Kirkland, SAL Kristina Lummerding-Driedger, SAL Taylor Krawczyk, SAL Jessie Best

Regrets: VP Jeremy Ring, SAL Jeh Custer, Councilor Tamra Knaus, SAL Mike Nemeth

1. Call to Order- The meeting was called to order at 2:00 PM
2. Call for Quorum- Quorum was present
3. Introductions/ Tea
4. Business

4.1 Prairies Sustainability Campus' Conference

Reflections and Feedback

- We need to use the SYC website as a resource for successful projects/ initiative
- We need to have a follow-up meeting with the conference participants
- The vegetarian food was great
- Entertainment at Louis did not fit the mood of the conference participants
- Sound check during dinner made it difficult to talk
- The yoga was amazing and so was the homemade black bean dip!
- The Anti-Oppression workshop defined different forms of discrimination but didn't offer concrete strategies to overcome it
- More advertising was needed prior to the conference
- The diversity in presentations and workshops allowed participants to examine both social justice and environmental issues.
- The conference was both inspiring and empowering
- The Keynote address about the Tar Sands was informative and motivated participants to create the Tar Sands Clean Up crew
- The regional strategizing was an effective way to take the newly acquired knowledge and make a plan.

4.2 Tar Sands Clean up Crew

- This is a student "welcoming" committee for Ralph Klein, commencing at 5 PM in front of TCU place TODAY. (Jan 23)
- Ralph Klein will charge individuals \$100 a plate to listen to him speak about the potential for Tar Sands development in Saskatchewan
- The Tar Sands is the biggest environmental crime in history
- The Tar Sands Clean Up crew will make a big "Thank-you" card for Ralph Klein and ask dinner attendees to sign it

4.3 Public Interest Research Group

- Two board members of U of R's PIRG spoke at the conference about the benefits and challenges associated with starting a PIRG from student fees.
- Board members discussed the feasibility of a PIRG on campus, VP Kenney will do additional research and discuss PIRG with URSU.

4.4 Regional Campaigns PowerPoint

- VP Kenney will compile regional strategies from the conference into a PowerPoint presentation for USC. Board members are encouraged to attend this particular USC meeting at 6 PM in room 77, Sask Hall. VP Kenney will confirm the date later on.

4.5 "Mugging Campaign"

- On February 14th board members are encouraged to dress up as "Muggers" and "mug" people by exchanging their disposable coffee with coffee mugs left over from the conference. The theme is "LOVE THE EARTH".
- The intention is to use theatre and humour to educate students about the ill-effects of disposable coffee cups. We are striving for a "cupless campus" and are following up on the cup art in the bowl.
- Board members will meet at 11:30 am on Feb 14th in the USSU office to dress up and rehearse
- VP Kenney will book a video camera
- VP Kenney will ask Margret Asmuss (the sustainability coordinator) for additional mugs to give out.
- We will be doing a value village run on Friday Feb 1 at 2:30 PM. Please meet at the USSU office at 2:15 PM.

4.5 Sustainability Assessment

- This semester the sustainability board will take the USSU's sustainability assessment and develop a comprehensible action plan for the USSU staff and executive to follow

4.6 Composting Workshop

- Composting 101; the very basics will be taught on Feb 12; 2:30 PM-4:30 PM at Louis.
- Sal Krawczyk will do a powerpoint presentation and Kelly Goyer (the Waste Prevention Coordinator) will speak at the workshop.
- Materials for Vermi-composting bins will be available and VP Kenney will do a step by step presentation for students that want to create their own bin. Students will be charged a minimal fee for the materials and will be able to take their bins home, worms included.

4.7 Next meeting date: Feb 1, 2:30 PM at the USSU office.

ADJOURNED at 3:20 PM.

Sustainability Board Minutes

Minutes for Wednesday, February 1, 2007

Present: VP Nicole Kenney, SAL Kristina Lummerding-Driedger, SAL Jessie Best
Councilor Tamra Knaus, SAL Imre Pallagi

1. Call to Order- The meeting was called to order at 2:30 PM
2. Call for Quorum- Quorum was not present

We went to Village Green to look for Superhero costumes for the “Mugging Campaign”
On February 14th

Outreach to Off-Campus Students Final Report

The USSU Executive 2007/08 began an Outreach Program in January 2008, where members traveled to various University of Saskatchewan affiliated Regional Colleges throughout Eastern and Northern Saskatchewan. This program was established in order to create a consistent and accountable relationship between the USSU and the entire student body, including off-campus students. For many years, no executive members had traveled to these colleges and it is seen as crucial in assisting student needs while taking all USSU members into account. These trips allowed students within these Colleges to voice their concerns around their experience with the University of Saskatchewan and the USSU with the intent to better their student experience.

Colleges that were visited included:

- NORPAC/NORTEP- La Ronge, January 8th
- Northlands College- La Ronge, January 9th
- Parkland College- Yorkton, January 24th
- Woodland College- Prince Albert, February 4th

Students situated in these Colleges are faced with limited communication between their specific colleges, as well as with the University of Saskatchewan and USSU. Thus, the USSU recorded specific concerns, which can be addressed and built upon. Specifically, the USSU has undertaken to examine the following requests for all off-campus students:

1. Receiving Student Cards. This is currently not done for any Regional colleges, and is seen as very important because as University of Saskatchewan students, off-campus should be entitled to basic services such as student cards.
2. Receiving *The Sheaf* newspaper. In previous years, bundles of *The Sheaf* newspapers were distributed to all Regional Colleges to keep students up-to-date on campus initiatives and events. We would like to see this relationship re-established.
3. Voting on PAWS. Currently, these students cannot vote on PAWS for USSU elections, or any referendum being held on campus. If the USSU Executive is elected to represent all University of Saskatchewan students, the off-campus students should be able to vote as well. We also emphasized if they wanted to run for a USSU position that opportunity was also available to them as long as they were located in Saskatoon for their term.
4. Applying for Group funding for ratified clubs on their campus. Students in Regional Colleges were unaware of the campus club funding that is available through the USSU. The Executive explained the process on becoming ratified and the opportunity for funding if they wanted to host an event on campus.
5. Providing Canadian Federation of Students information. As prospective members of the CFS, the USSU is the middle ground for lobbying the Federal and Provincial government. Each college has been sent information around provincial locals (URSU, USSU, GSA, FNUSA), national meetings, and services provided by the Federation.

6. Receiving the \$25 reimbursement due to the CUPE 1975 Strike. Many off-campus students were affected by the strike, which took place in November. They were unable to access research books in their own library because of the lack of library staff, and when traveling to Saskatoon to check out these books, were faced with a wasted trip because books were misplaced throughout the on-campus library. This in turn affected their submission dates for papers, as well as preventing on-campus professors (through online classes, etc.) from marking their assignments in a timely manner.

These are the main priorities for the USSU Executive 2007/08 for off-campus members. They will be discussed with University of Saskatchewan Administration, the Sheaf, and the University community to ensure that these concerns are addressed.

2007-2008 USC Attendance

Name	May	June	July	August	Sept. 6	Sep.13	Sep.20	Sep.27	Oct.4	Oct.11	Oct.18	Oct.25
Abdulla, Adam	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	R	P	P	R	P	P
Atkin, Michael	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	P	R	P
Cote, Jean-Paul	NM	NM	NM	A	P	R	P	P	P	P	P	R
Gentner, Breanne	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P
Harder, Megan	NM	NM	NM	R	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P
Horvey, Karla	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Kambeitz, Elvis	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P
Karkut, Neil	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P
Kenney, Nicole	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P
Kirkland, Warren	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P
Knaus, Tamra	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Kuspira, Keith	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P
Laroque, Sheila	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA
Lawrence, James	NM	NM	NM	P	P	A	R	P	A	R	P	P
Leisle, Matt	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P
Levesque, Lindsay	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
McAuliffe, Katelyn	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P
Mitchell, Alex	NM	NM	NM	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	P	P	P
Olson, Tyler	NM	NM	NM	A	R	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Pepler, James	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P
Peti, Nick	NM	NM	NM	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	P	P	R	P
Ring, Jeremy	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Rose, Dyllyn	NM	NM	NM	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA
Schultz, Ellyse	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P
Shibata, Satoshi	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Steeves, Josie	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	R
Wales, Jessica	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	A
Zubot, Kimberly	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P

P - Present; R - Regrets; A - Absence; NYA - Not Yet Appointed; NM - No Meeting

2007-2008 USC Attendance

Name	Nov.1	Nov.8	Nov.15	Nov.22	Nov.29	Dec.6	Jan.3	Jan.10	Jan.17	Jan.24
Abdulla, Adam	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P	P
Atkin, Michael	P	P	P	P	P	A	A	P	A	P
Cote, Jean-Paul	P	P	P	P	P	A	R	P	P	P
Gentner, Breanne	P	P	P	R	P	A	P	P	P	P
Harder, Megan	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P
Horvey, Karla	P	P	P	P	P	A	P	P	P	P
Kambeitz, Elvis	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P	P
Karkut, Neil	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Kenney, Nicole	P	P	R	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Kirkland, Warren	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P
Knaus, Tamra	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P
Kuspira, Keith	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	A	P
Laroque, Sheila	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	P
Lawrence, James	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	R	P	P
Leisle, Matt	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P	P
Levesque, Lindsay	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P	P	P
McAuliffe, Katelyn	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P
Mitchell, Alex	P	R	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	R
Olson, Tyler	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P
Pepler, James	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Peti, Nick	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P
Ring, Jeremy	P	R	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Rose, Dilyn	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	P	A	P	A	P	P
Schultz, Ellyse	P	P	A	P	P	A	P	P	P	P
Shibata, Satoshi	P	P	P	P	P	P	A	P	P	P
Steeves, Josie	P	P	P	R	P	P	R	P	R	P
Wales, Jessica	P	P	P	P	P	A	A	P	P	P
Zubot, Kimberly	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P	R	P

P - Present; R - Regrets; A - Absence; NYA - Not Yet Appointed; NM - No Meeting

2007-2008 USC Attendance

Name	Jan.31	Feb.7	Feb.14	Feb. 21	Feb. 28	Mar.6	Mar.13	Mar.20	Mar.27		
Abdulla, Adam	R	P									
Atkin, Michael	P	P									
Cote, Jean-Paul	P	P									
Gentner, Breanne	P	P									
Harder, Megan	P	P									
Horvey, Karla	P	P									
Kambeitz, Elvis	P	P									
Karkut, Neil	P	P									
Kenney, Nicole	P	P									
Kirkland, Warren	P	P									
Knaus, Tamra	P	P									
Kuspira, Keith	P	P									
Laroque, Sheila	P	P									
Lawrence, James	P	P									
Leisle, Matt	R	P									
Levesque, Lindsay	P	P									
McAuliffe, Katelyn	P	R									
Mitchell, Alex	P	P									
Olson, Tyler	P	P									
Pepler, James	P	P									
Peti, Nick	R	P									
Ring, Jeremy	P	P									
Rose, Dylun	P	P									
Schultz, Ellyse	P	P									
Shibata, Satoshi	P	P									
Steeves, Josie	P	P									
Wales, Jessica	P	R									
Zubot, Kimberly	P	P									

P - Present; R - Regrets; A - Absence; NYA - Not Yet Appointed; NM - No Meeting

University Students' Council Agenda

Thursday, February 28th, 2008

- 1. Adoption of an Agenda**
- 2. Introductions and Announcements**
- 3. Council Address**
 - 3.1 Studentcare – Kristin Foster and Amanda Symytaniuk**
- 4. Minutes and Reports for Information**
 - 4.1 USC Minutes – February 14th, 2008**
 - 4.2 Executive Committee Minutes**
 - 4.3 Academic Affairs Board Minutes and Report**
 - 4.4 Appointments Board Minutes and Report**
 - 4.5 Board of College Presidents**
 - 4.6 Code of Ethics Disciplinary Committee Minutes and Report**
 - 4.7 Elections Board Minutes and Report**
 - 4.8 External Affairs Board Minutes and Report**
 - 4.9 Operations & Finance Board Minutes and Report – February 26th, 2008**
 - 4.10 Student Issues Board Minutes and Report – February 13th, 2008**
 - 4.11 Sustainability Board Minutes and Report**
- 5. Motions Arising from the Minutes and Reports**
- 6. Business**
 - 6.1 Financing the Building: A Decision**
- 7. New Business**
- 8. Questions and Comments (30 minutes)**
- 9. Any Other Business**
- 10. Adjournment**

University Students' Council
Minutes for Thursday, February 14th, 2008

Present

James Pepler, President
Josie Steeves, VP Academic Affairs
Lindsey Levesque, VP External Affairs
Jeremy Ring, VP Operations & Finance
Nicole Kenney, VP Student Issues
Sheila Laroque, Arts & Science
Warren Kirkland, Associated Res.
Katelyn McAuliffe, Commerce
Adam Abdulla, Dentistry
Elvis Kambeltz, Education
Dylan Rose, Indigenous
Satoshi Shibata, International
Jim Lawrence, Kinesiology
Megan Harder, Nursing
Kim Zubot, Pharmacy & Nutrition
Karla Horvey, Physical Therapy
Tamra Knaus, St. Thomas More
Jessica Wales, WCV

Also Present

Matt Leisle, USC Chair
Caroline Cottrell, USSU GM
Greg Fowler, Consumer Services
Dave Hannah, SESD
Charles Hamilton, The Sheaf

Regrets

Jean-Paul Cote, Agriculture
Tyler Olson, Arts & Science
Alex Mitchell, Commerce
Breanne Gentner, Education
Keith Kuspira, Engineering
Neil Karkut, Law
Nick Peti, Medicine
Ellyse Schultz, St. Thomas More

Meeting was called to order at 6:02 p.m.

1. Adoption of an Agenda

Move to remove the Sustainability Presentation from the agenda.

USC128: Kenney/Levesque Carried

Move to adopt the agenda as amended.

USC129: Horvey/McAuliffe Carried

2. Introductions and Announcements

President Pepler sent regrets on behalf of Councilors Cote, Mitchell, Kuspira, Karkut and Peti.

President Pepler again asked for input on the MacLean's Hot or Not survey.

Councilor Harder sent regrets on behalf of Councilor Olson.

Councilor Kambeltz sent regrets on behalf of Councilor Gentner.

VP Steeves informed everyone of the Lunar Eclipse that will be occurring on February 20, 2008. For more information people can contact her at her office.

VP Steeves also informed Council that there was another University shooting at Northern Illinois University. There are preliminary reports on CNN. She expressed her grief and condolences to the NIU.

Councilor Knaus sent regrets on behalf of Councilor Schultz.

Councilor Knaus also wanted to encourage all councilors who have requested paper copies of the USC information packages to please ensure that they are picking them up. If they are not if they could please let Kendra know so that we are limiting the waste of paper.

President Pepler introduced and welcomed Greg Fowler from Consumer Services and David Hannah from SESD.

VP Kenney informed Council of the “Mugging Promotion” that took place on campus today It was a fun and theatrical way to inform students and staff at the University about the harmful effects disposable coffee cups have on the environment.

3. Council Address

3.1 Greg Fowler – Consumer Services

Greg Fowler thanked Council for the opportunity to be at the meeting. He was asked by GM Cottrell to attend the meeting and hopefully shed some light on why Food Services is moving out of Place Riel.

Greg Fowler was hired approximately one year ago to start work on an integrated plan and to review Consumer Services operations for the University. There is approximately a 2.4 million dollar shortfall. It was determined that the best move for students and to make the operation feasible, was to consolidate within Marquis Hall and also to renovate the Bookstore. There is also three million in deferred maintenance. One of the strengths of Marquis Hall is that is capable of seating up to 1,000 people. The hope is that it will be transformed into a food center on campus. Consumer Services felt that there were too many limitations without the consolidation. Their focus is on the main areas where they feel they can best serve students.

Call for input and questions.

VP Levesque questioned how this move would affect the Place Riel renovations and the services provided through Place Riel.

Greg Fowler replied that it was his understanding that not all of the services would be moving out of Place Riel. He understood that the Campus Computer Store would be expanding.

VP Levesque stated that she was speaking to Food Services.

Greg Fowler stated that it is his understanding that Consumer Services will be setting up a Café in the Learning Centre. As well the current services in Marquis Hall are providing service for 10 food outlets. This makes it one of the largest production kitchens in Saskatoon. They are trying to transform that into a dynamic retail food environment. Instead of seeing it as separate from the Place Riel centre it should be viewed as integrated with it. He is looking to the USSU to help make Marquis part of the upcoming renovations. Marquis Hall was built in 1965 and there have been no real renovations since that time.

Councilor Knaus asked for an explanation of Deferred Maintenance.

Greg Fowler explained that they had architects come to the building and take a look at the equipment and the mechanics of the building. The architects estimated that it would take over 3 million dollars over the next 5 years to keep the building maintained. Mr. Fowler feels that the University will not be able to fulfill that.

President Pepler inquired if Mr. Fowler was concerned that even if they do renovations to Marquis Hall that the deficit will continue because of the low number of student residents.

Greg Fowler responded that there are only about 540 students living on campus. Consumer Services has started with a proposal to build 200 student family units. This would free up 134 units for other students. Their real goal is to build more on campus residence.

David Hannah wanted to clarify that the University does not subsidize Consumer Services. Consumer Services must earn their own money to cover their expenses. They are a stand-alone operation. Secondly his department is working very closely with Consumer Services to improve the Student Experience on campus. Marquis Hall has not been changed since its construction, if you visit other campuses they have first class food services. We should be embarrassed by our standards. The Marquis Hall location is very attractive and there are many ideas for improvements. Hopefully it will become a place for students and faculty to interact. “ This is not just about Food Services. This is about transforming the experience for our students and campus through the creation of a place, which is a place, where people will be attracted. Not a food court or a very old style military barracks mess line style of operation.”

VP Kenney pointed out that the Place Riel building has traditionally been the student centre and by removing the services from Place Riel and putting them in Marquis Hall the University is trying to turn Marquis Hall into the student centre. If Mr. Fowler and Dr. Hannah are unaware the USSU receives revenue from the businesses that are located in Place Riel and that revenue in turn is used to fund all of the non-profit organizations. Without this revenue the USSU would not be able to support things like the Women’s Centre, The Pride Centre and the Victim

Advocates Office. Would Consumer Services be willing to subsidize these services?

VP Steeves asked if the university would allow the USSU to run its building and bring in services that it sees fit? Currently this is not the case.

Greg Fowler stated that the removal of the 2 Food Services outlets in Place Riel is not even the majority of what is in Place Riel.

It was pointed out that they are also removing the Centre Shop.

Mr. Fowler's understanding is that both the Campus Computer Store and the Global Commons will be expanding. The University has a huge space shortage and there are all sorts of other services that the University would be looking at putting down there.

President Pepler asked if Mr. Fowler knew what those other services would be?

Mr. Fowler stated that he did not know.

David Hannah stated that he had been taking part in the meetings around the Place Riel expansion and he recalls that someone had said that there are retail stores that are waiting to get into Place Riel. Are there restrictions in place now that would prevent those businesses from coming into Place Riel?

Move to give General Manager Caroline Cottrell speaking rights.

GM Cottrell stated that she was the person who had said that there were businesses waiting to come into Place Riel. The USSU is approached on a regular basis by businesses, food services outlets in particular. The terms of the Head Lease and the Master Operating Lease are what are being referred to. It is her understanding that the University will invoke its veto power if any other food services are moved into Place Riel. That is what she has been led to believe. In answer to your question it should come down to what students want to see in lower Place Riel?

VP Ring stated that when the USSU performed its survey the students returned with the mandate that Place Riel should be for food services. These are the same students that Consumer Services and SESD says they want to serve with your plan. It is contradictory that food services is removing the very service that students want in Lower Place Riel and that food services is doing this to supposedly improve the student experience. As well by pulling out these services, as VP Kenney mentioned, Consumer Services is taking the money that the USSU uses to fund many services and improve the student experience.

The removal of these “renters” has created a deficit of \$100,000 for the 2008/09 USSU Budget. How is Consumer Services pulling out these services helping the students? In fact it is hampering them quite substantially.

Mr. Fowler stated that the other side of this equation is the improvements to Marquis will make it part of the student centre. The other part of this is that Food Services is 2.4 million dollars in debt. Therefore any subsidy to the USSU would be a deficit subsidy to the University. Mr. Fowler questioned how it would benefit either organization to put one in a deficit to benefit the other?

VP Ring stated that the issue seems to be that the USSU is being looked at as competition. We serve the same students. We are partners at this University.

Mr. Fowler “ That’s correct.”

President Pepler stated that from the data that the USSU has collected students want to see food services in several locations. Students come into Place Riel and branch off from there. He is in agreement that Marquis Hall needs a revamp; however Lower Place Riel still needs food services. The USSU is concerned that this won’t happen. We have student data saying they want this, by a huge majority. So we are wondering will the University veto food services that try to come into Lower Place Riel when that is specifically what the students want?

David Hannah asked if there was explicit notice that this was the Universities intent?

President Pepler responded No.

GM Cottrell offered to have a private conversation with Dr. Hannah. GM Cottrell also stated that she had been led to believe in no uncertain terms that the University would exercise its veto around food services.

Dr. Hannah asked how that could be when there are already 3 operations that are not the University’s.

This is because they are not in direct competition with the University’s food outlets. However, the University’s veto would be used if the USSU tried to replace the vacated spots.

Clarification that the two food services outlets are Bene Pizza and A&W. There is also The Centre Shop that the university has indicated will be moving. It is also understood that if the USSU or an independent group attempted to put a similar type of shop there the University will again use their veto power.

VP Steeves enquired that with moving the fast food where would the healthy choices be for students?

David Hannah stated that there is the possibility to do so many things in the upcoming planning period. They do need to focus on Marquis. There is a need to combine the residence and retail dining. There are three goals in this. One, to go for the highest quality food possible. Two, make the same foods available to both the retail and residential customers and three, offer the most community based experience that they can. The menu being looked at has several healthy options. It is also Sustainability Pilot Project.

Councilor Knaus asked by who's standards are we deciding what is healthy and what is not? She also pointed out that some the choices that students would like to see are local food, organic food, vegetarian and vegan options, and ethical meat options.

Dave Hannah replied that it is the students that are setting the standards.

Councilor Knaus asked if it would then be possible to have partnerships with local farms?

Dave Hannah replied that this would be a possibility. He also stated that currently there are no International students in residence; however, in the future this may also be a factor in determining the choices available. The primary concern right now is that the main production kitchen is in a state of disrepair and needs to be updated. That kitchen supplies 10 other outlets. It is also the only location on campus that can seat 1000 people. We can hopefully work together to make that a premium place on campus. Would the USSU lose on this? If the USSU states the loss and talks to the University he thinks there is ample opportunity to work together on what can go in Place Riel. The University is absolutely starved for space.

Councilor Kirkland stated that he is the rep for residence. With all the talk of revamping Marquis it is the residents students who are going to get billed even more than they are now. That has been the case in the past; will it again be the case when the food is changed?

David Hannah stated that this would not be the case. We are one of the higher cost residences in Canada for food in residence. They are looking at trying to be more in the middle range. They are looking at being responsible to students in their new plan.

Councilor Kirkland wanted to know if Dr. Hannah was willing to give his word that no extra fees would be applied to residence students.

David Hannah replied that this all happens within a budget. However, it is not their intention to raise the food costs to residence students.

Greg Fowler stated that the Food Services contracts to three different mega corporations that run food services on campus. That is another relationship that they are beginning to think about and if that is the best way to run food services.

Councilor ??? questioned when the current contract for these services expires?

Dave Hannah replied that it expires April 30th of this year.

VP Steeves raised the question of a 3 million dollar loan that was made by the University Bookstore to the College building. Why was that money not reinvested back into Consumer Services? That money would have erased the deficit at Marquis and could fund the entire renovation project.

Dave Hannah stated that it is true that the money was transferred to the College Building. Over and above the ¾ million they pay to the University in a type of dividend. There are three areas to the Integrated Plan that are at the University level. First is the student-housing proposal, second is the Marquis remodel and the third is the reinvestment in Consumer Services. This reinvestment is that whatever is made goes back into Consumer Services.

Councilor ??? asked how it is possible to run a deficit and pay a dividend at the same time? Does this mean that the deficit is not actually representative of the actual Food Services deficit?

Dave Hannah stated that it is the actual deficit and in order to understand that perhaps there is a need for an accountant to be present.

GM Cottrell again questioned how Food Services could run a deficit but pay out dividends?

Mr. Fowler stated that the dividend is paid out before the final calculation. So in effect the dividend becomes part of the deficit.

VP Steeves also raised the issue that there has been talk of how Global Commons wants to expand. However will they start paying the regular rent fees with this expansion? If they are not then how do the University representatives present propose that the USSU finance them? The USSU is unique in that they 100% fund their own building. The majority of students' unions are funded by their University or Provincial Government.

Dave Hannah stated that this is somewhat beyond the scope of his position. His sense is that the USSU should work with the University. That there needs to be analysis of how Student Unions are supported across the country. Then put forward a proposal to the University.

GM Cottrell indicated that in fact at this time the Head Lease indicates that that cannot be done. The USSU must operate independently.

President Pepler stated that it is imperative that the University and the USSU work together. Every relationship needs a balance of give and take. To date there has been a lot of take and we are still waiting for the give.

Councilor ??? asked if other student union's owned their buildings?

GM Cottrell likened it to a First Nations Reserve in that the land is owned in a way that any property placed on it can not be mortgaged other than by the owner of the land.

Councilor ??? wanted to verify that it was said that the Bookstore is going to become retail?

Greg Fowler stated that the Bookstore would be staying where it is but it will not be the bookstore that everyone is used to.

Dave Hannah suggested that the textbooks would be warehoused to open up the space and make better use of the space.

Councilor Kirkland mentioned that this is what Amazon does for a fraction of the price.

Dave Hannah agreed that that is part of what they are competing with. The advantage that they have is that they know the courses that students are taking. This allows them to contact students about their specific courses materials.

Councilor ??? asked if this meant that the Bookstore prices would be competitive with Amazon?

Dr. Hannah replied that he did not know but that the service would be better.

President Pepler asked if there would still be a used book option?

??? replied that the online store would all be new.

Councilor ??? asked about the time line for all of the University's plan.

With the planned renovation to Place Riel the University is flexible and is looking at early 2009. The two renovation projects should not interfere with each other. Food Services is currently planning nothing for outside their existing walls.

Councilor ??? questioned if there were any students sitting in on the planning committee for these renovations.

Greg Fowlser replied that yes there are.

VP Steeves raised the issue of the relationship between the Book Store and Browsers. In the past year the Bookstore refused to supply Browsers with the course book list, which is readily available on the website. It took the USSU 12 hours to compile so that it was useable by Browsers. The standard across Canada is for University Book Store to share this information. Why does the Book Store here on Campus refuse? It has been available in past years.

Dave Hannah stated that he felt it is best that VP Steeves, Mark Jagoe , the Book Store Manager, and himself, meet about this topic.

Member Charles Hamilton stated that there seems to be a bigger issue here. The University and the USSU seem to be butting heads around every topic. It also seems that although the University is saying that they want to do what is best for students but they are ignoring the body that is elected to represent all students.

GM Cottrell summed up that there is a pervasive feeling that the University in its desire to have office space available may use Lower Place Riel and other places to mitigate that problem. This, in effect, would turn a student centre into an office building.

Dave Hannah argued that the only office space there is the Global commons.

GM Cottrell stated that part of the issue is one of vision. The undergraduate students have a vision of Place Riel being a social space. The feeling is that that is being eroded. Dave Hannah responded that he was not aware of a ban on food services in Lower Place. He would also argue that by keeping and expanding Global Commons that is on course for creating a social space. It is there to provide a place for students to interact. He is in agreement that the campus does need more social space, which is what the Marquis Hall Reno is about; it is also what Place Riel has to be.

GM Cottrell stated that the discussions about the Global Commons being a social place have happened.

VP Steeves thanked both guests for their willingness to address USC and answer some very difficult questions. She also pointed out that students are very frustrated with the process. USC are feeling that they are not being taken seriously as the representatives of the student population on campus. There is a genuine desire to work together with the University.

Move to Formality

USC Motion130: Steeves/ Harder

Carried

4. Minutes and Reports for Information

4.2 Executive Committee Minutes

Councilor Harder was under the understanding that USC would make the decision on which bank would be chosen for the Place Riel renovations. One concern is that when looking at the proposals the RBC interest rates are lower. Councilor Harder welcomed discussion regarding this.

VP Ring informed councilors that the Executive has not decided on which bank to use. This is their recommendation. It is the USC that will be voting on the bank that is chosen. When looking at the two choices the interest rates are identical, except in credit spreads. The difference is only .01%. This does mean that the RBC in the long run would make more money off the loan.

VP Ring stated that if Councilor's feel comfortable voting on this tonight it could go ahead. If not there has to be a motion.

5. Motions Arising from the Minutes and Reports

Motion to accept the minutes as circulated

USC Motion 131: Pepler/Levesque Carried

Motion to accept the recommendation of the USSU regarding securing a loan from the TD Bank for the Place Riel renovation project.

USC Motion 132: Pepler /Horvey

Councilor Knuas asked if the vote should wait until more councilors are present.

Councilor ??? agreed with Councilor Knaus.

Motion to postpone the vote deciding funding for the Place Riel renovation project until the next council meeting.

President Pepler pointed out that councilors are expected to be at every meeting. Councilors have been informed of this vote. It may perhaps be bad timing; however quorum is present. This may be a time sensitive nature to this matter. President Pepler is confident voting on the question today.

Councilor Harder agreed that councilors know that they are to attend all meetings. She felt that the process was unclear. The vote and discussion should perhaps have been listed under new business.

VP Steeves questioned VP Ring and GM Cottrell about any time sensitive aspects to the need for a decision.

VP Ring stated that a decision and agreement needs to be finalized by the end of February 2008.

Councilor Knuas asked that everyone be informed in an email of what is going on for the next USC.

VP Ring pointed out that there was a package sent out that outlined the procedure and all other relevant information, including that a decision would be made tonight.

Councilor Kirkland asked if the matter is voted on at the February 28th USC would that cause any problems for the penning of the contract?

VP Ring replied that it would not.

Motion to postpone the vote deciding funding for the Place Riel renovation project until the next council meeting.

USC Motion133: ???/Knaus Carried

8. Questions and Comments

Councilor Laroque informed council that the week of February 25th to the 29th is Ally Promotion week. This is the second annual event put on by the USSU Pride centre.

VP Steeves thanked councilors for being so involved in tonight's meeting. She encouraged councilors to educate themselves on how other student unions work and to share that information with the students in their colleges.

9. Any Other Business

9.1 Final Outreach Report

VP Levesque informed councilors of her final outreach report that was included in the USC package this week. This report outlines the needs and requests of the Regional Colleges located in LaRonge, Yorkton and Prince Albert.

VP Ring gave an update on the \$25.00 reimbursement from the University. The money should be applied to students' cards as of February 15th, 2008. There will be an announcement on PAWS.

VP Kenney informed councilors of her meeting with administration this week. The discussion was around the issue of Student Housing in Saskatoon. There will be a survey and another meeting in three weeks. The USSU will be informing students of the housing situation to ensure that all students have a place to live.

GM Cottrell wanted to thank the Council for their questions tonight and for their support.

VP Levesque asked if out of town students will receive a credit?

VP Levesque also announced that at the March 3rd City Council meeting the USSU would be presenting information regarding the Housing shortage.

VP Ring stated that the time line for using the credit has been extended until December 31st.

VP Levesque spoke of the Day of Action on February 28th. There will be food and drink. The main issue is the Tuition Freeze, but they will be addressing housing. She is looking for students to speak of their own experiences.

10. Adjournment

Move to adjourn.

USC Motion134: Ring/Zubot

Carried

Operations & Finance Board

Minutes for Tuesday, February 26, 2008

Present: Jeremy Ring, Katelyn McAuliffe, Nicole Kenney, Jean-Paul Cote, Ellyse Schultz, Tyler Olson, Ana Carolina Melendez, James Pepler

Regrets: Caroline Cottrell, Cody Casey,

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 AM.

2. Call for Quorum

Quorum was present.

3. New Business

3.1 – Presentation By ACE: Saskatchewan

VP Ring introduced representatives from Ace.

Jordon Brown of ACE gave an introduction to the “Get Rich By Thirty” workshop being held at the U of S on March 7th. It features a U of A alum whose portfolio is worth more than \$1 Million, and has appeared on Oprah. They are asking for credit and cash for the event.

Move that the Op/fin board grant funding to ACE: Saskatchewan in the form of \$360 in cash, and \$200 in credit from XL Design

OFB Motion 37: Ring/Olson Carried.

3.2 – Campus Group Ratification

Move that the Op/fin board ratify the Religious Studies Students’ Union (RSSU).

OFB Motion 38: Ring/Schultz Carried.

3.3 – Campus Group Funding

Move that the Op/fin board grant funding to RSSU in the form of \$120 cash, and \$180 in credit from XL Designs.

OFB Motion 39: Ring/Schultz Carried.

4. Other Business

VP Ring noted that he received a ratification form from APALA, however there are fees owing from the group, and therefore we have to wait until monies are received to ratify them.

VP Ring also reminded the board about the important budget meeting on Saturday, March 8th, at 9:00 AM in the Sask. Hall Boardroom.

5. Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held Tuesday, March 5th, 2008 at 9:00AM in the USSU Boardroom.

6. Adjournment

Move to adjourn.

OFB Motion 40: Ring/Olson

Carried.

Student Issues Board
Wednesday, February 13, 2007

Present: VP Nicole Kenney, VP Josie Steeves, Councilor Satoshi Shibata, SAL Erin Gluckie, SAL Griff James, Councilor Elvis Kambeitz

Regrets: VP Josie Steeves, Councilor Keith Kuspira, SAL Sheila Laroque, SAL Micheal Magnussen

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 3:30 PM

2. Call for Quorum

Quorum was present

3. Introductions

4. Business

4.1 Housing Issues meeting with Susan Bens in Room 206, the College Building.

4.2 Residence Appeals

The VP Student Issues met with Susan Bens (Director of Student Retention, Support & Development) to discuss the first draft of the eviction appeal process for residence students.

4.3 Maclean's Magazine- what's hot or not at the University of Saskatchewan.

4.3 Coffee House- Speak your mind- March 5th

The "Globalization: Friend or Foe....What do you know?" Coffee House will be held at Browsers on March 5th at 3:30 PM. The discussion will revolve around the benefits and disadvantages of globalization in relation to the economy, environment and social issues. The Student Issues board is looking for experts to speak in favor and against globalization.

4.4 International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination- March 21st

The Student Issues Board would like to celebrate racial differences by creating hand art in the tunnel with various shades of paint. VP Kenney will find a large canvas to paint and later hang in Place Riel. The Student Issues board would also like to create a "Stop Racism" poster contest and publish these posters in the Sheaf. VP Kenney has ordered the "Stop Racism" stickers to distribute. VP Kenney will also contact the

Canadian Federation of Students for additional “anti-racism” material. The Student Issues board will contact the Radical Cheerleaders and ask them if they have any appropriate cheers for March 21st.

VP Kenney suggested hosting Anti-oppression training in various classrooms (suited for sociology, philosophy, political studies, international studies classes exc.) SAL Gluckie will ask some of her professors if they would be willing allow the training during class.

4.7 The next Student Issues Meeting will be held on February at 3 PM.

ADJOURNED at PM.

2007-2008 USC Attendance

Name	May	June	July	August	Sept. 6	Sep.13	Sep.20	Sep.27	Oct.4	Oct.11	Oct.18	Oct.25
Abdulla, Adam	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	R	P	P	R	P	P
Atkin, Michael	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	P	R	P
Cote, Jean-Paul	NM	NM	NM	A	P	R	P	P	P	P	P	R
Gentner, Breanne	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P
Harder, Megan	NM	NM	NM	R	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P
Horvey, Karla	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Kambeitz, Elvis	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P
Karkut, Neil	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P
Kenney, Nicole	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P
Kirkland, Warren	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P
Knaus, Tamra	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Kuspira, Keith	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P
Laroque, Sheila	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA
Lawrence, James	NM	NM	NM	P	P	A	R	P	A	R	P	P
Leisle, Matt	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P
Levesque, Lindsay	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
McAuliffe, Katelyn	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P
Mitchell, Alex	NM	NM	NM	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	P	P	P
Olson, Tyler	NM	NM	NM	A	R	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Pepler, James	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P
Peti, Nick	NM	NM	NM	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	P	P	R	P
Ring, Jeremy	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Rose, Dilyn	NM	NM	NM	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA
Schultz, Ellyse	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P
Shibata, Satoshi	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Steeves, Josie	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	R
Wales, Jessica	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	A
Zubot, Kimberly	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P

P - Present; R - Regrets; A - Absence; NYA - Not Yet Appointed; NM - No Meeting

2007-2008 USC Attendance

Name	Nov.1	Nov.8	Nov.15	Nov.22	Nov.29	Dec.6	Jan.3	Jan.10	Jan.17	Jan.24
Abdulla, Adam	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P	P
Atkin, Michael	P	P	P	P	P	A	A	P	A	P
Cote, Jean-Paul	P	P	P	P	P	A	R	P	P	P
Gentner, Breanne	P	P	P	R	P	A	P	P	P	P
Harder, Megan	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P
Horvey, Karla	P	P	P	P	P	A	P	P	P	P
Kambeitz, Elvis	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P	P
Karkut, Neil	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Kenney, Nicole	P	P	R	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Kirkland, Warren	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P
Knaus, Tamra	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P
Kuspira, Keith	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	A	P
Laroque, Sheila	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	P
Lawrence, James	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	R	P	P
Leisle, Matt	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P	P
Levesque, Lindsay	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P	P	P
McAuliffe, Katelyn	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P
Mitchell, Alex	P	R	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	R
Olson, Tyler	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P
Pepler, James	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Peti, Nick	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P
Ring, Jeremy	P	R	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Rose, Dilyn	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	P	A	P	A	P	P
Schultz, Ellyse	P	P	A	P	P	A	P	P	P	P
Shibata, Satoshi	P	P	P	P	P	P	A	P	P	P
Steeves, Josie	P	P	P	R	P	P	R	P	R	P
Wales, Jessica	P	P	P	P	P	A	A	P	P	P
Zubot, Kimberly	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P	R	P

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2007-2008 USC Attendance

Name	Jan.31	Feb.7	Feb.14	Feb. 21	Feb. 28	Mar.6	Mar.13	Mar.20	Mar.27		
Abdulla, Adam	R	P	P	NM							
Atkin, Michael	P	P	P	NM							
Cote, Jean-Paul	P	P	R	NM							
Gentner, Breanne	P	P	R	NM							
Harder, Megan	P	P	P	NM							
Horvey, Karla	P	P	P	NM							
Kambeitz, Elvis	P	P	P	NM							
Karkut, Neil	P	P	R	NM							
Kenney, Nicole	P	P	P	NM							
Kirkland, Warren	P	P	P	NM							
Knaus, Tamra	P	P	P	NM							
Kuspira, Keith	P	P	R	NM							
Laroque, Sheila	P	P	P	NM							
Lawrence, James	P	P	P	NM							
Leisle, Matt	R	P	P	NM							
Levesque, Lindsay	P	P	P	NM							
McAuliffe, Katelyn	P	R	P	NM							
Mitchell, Alex	P	P	R	NM							
Olson, Tyler	P	P	R	NM							
Pepler, James	P	P	P	NM							
Peti, Nick	R	P	R	NM							
Ring, Jeremy	P	P	P	NM							
Rose, Dilyn	P	P	P	NM							
Schultz, Ellyse	P	P	R	NM							
Shibata, Satoshi	P	P	P	NM							
Steeves, Josie	P	P	P	NM							
Wales, Jessica	P	R	P	NM							
Zubot, Kimberly	P	P	P	NM							

P - Present; R - Regrets; A - Absence; NYA - Not Yet Appointed; NM - No Meeting

University Students' Council Agenda

Thursday, March 6th, 2008

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- 3. Council Address**
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 - 3.3 The Plan – Nicole Kenney**
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 - 4.3 Academic Affairs Board Minutes and Report**
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 - 4.6 Code of Ethics Disciplinary Committee Minutes and Report**
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 - 4.9 Operations & Finance Board Minutes and Report – March 4th, 2008**
 - 4.10 Student Issues Board Minutes and Report**
 - 4.11 Sustainability Board Minutes and Report – February 13th & 27th, 2008**
- 5. Motions Arising from the Minutes and Reports**
- 6. Business**
- 7. New Business**
- 8. Questions and Comments (30 minutes)**
- 9. Any Other Business**
- 10. Adjournment**

University Students' Council

Minutes for Thursday, February 28th, 2008

Present

James Pepler, President
Josie Steeves, VP Academic Affairs
Lindsey Levesque, VP External Affairs
Jeremy Ring, VP Operations & Finance
Nicole Kenney, VP Student Issues
Jean-Paul Cote, Agriculture
Sheila Laroque, Arts & Science
Tyler Olson, Arts & Science
Warren Kirkland, Associated Res.
Katelyn McAuliffe, Commerce
Alex Mitchell, Commerce
Adam Abdulla, Dentistry
Breanne Gentner, Education
Elvis Kambeitz, Education
Keith Kuspira, Engineering
Dylan Rose, Indigenous
Satoshi Shibata, International
Jim Lawrence, Kinesiology
Neil Karkut, Law
Nick Peti, Medicine
Megan Harder, Nursing
Kim Zubot, Pharmacy & Nutrition
Karla Horvey, Physical Therapy
Tamra Knaus, St. Thomas More
Ellyse Schultz, St. Thomas More

Also Present

Matt Leisle, USC Chair
Caroline Cottrell, USSU GM
Daniel McLaren, Arts & Science
Wendy Gillis, The Sheaf
Charles Hamilton, The Sheaf

Regrets

Jessica Wales, WCVN

Meeting was called to order at 6:02 p.m.

1. Adoption of an Agenda

VP Kenney stated that Studentcare is unable to address USC tonight. They will address council next Thursday, March 6th, 2008.

Move to remove item 3.1 Studentcare from the agenda.

USC Motion135: Kenney/Steeves Carried.

Move to adopt the agenda as amended.

USC Motion136: Karkut/Schultz Carried.

2. Introductions and Announcements

President Pepler stated Councilor Wales sent regrets. This is Veterinary Medicine's midterm break.

VP Levesque thanked everyone who assisted with the Day of Action today. The event was very successful and the snow fort rocked. Five MLAs came out and one city councilor came out to speak. She ordered 250 burgers and 50 vegetarian burgers and there were only a few leftover burgers, indicating a large turnout.

Councilor McAuliffe discussed an event called Five Days for the Homeless, which will be held March 9th through 14th. Five business students will be sleeping outside for five days and living on campus for five days. The five students won't be able to spend any money unless it is donated to them. She wanted everyone to be aware of the event. There will be pledge forms for the five students and all the money collected and donations will go to Egadz, a local charity, in Saskatoon. If anyone has questions they can visit fivedays.ca or ask herself or Councilor Kirkland.

VP Kenney stated Studentcare gave students a survey to fill out based on the coverage they receive. She asked everyone to complete the survey and provide feedback at the next USC meeting.

Councilor Kuspira noted that the SESS pie throw is coming up in the next few weeks and it is a well-known charity event. Last year almost \$20,000 was raised. It will be held from March 10th through 13th.

Councilor Cote stated Cummoniwannalaya would be held on March 7th. It is a big party at TCU. Trooper will be performing.

President Pepler stated he is participating in the Five Days and will be getting a pie in the face. He stated that building the snow fort was really hard to build and wanted to thank everyone who helped build it. He slept inside the fort last night and he is really sore and it was very cold and really sucked. He stated that it will be aired on all TV stations tonight and should be good.

4. Minutes and Reports for Information

4.1 USC Minutes

Councilor Laroque stated that she told USC Ally Promotion Week was this week, which was incorrect. Ally Promotion Week is March 10th through 14th.

Councilor McAuliffe stated that there are question marks beside USC Motion 133. She made the motion.

5. Motions Arising from the Minutes and Reports

Move to adopt the minutes as amended.

USC Motion 137: Horvey/Olson Carried.

6. Business

6.1 Financing the Building: A Decision

Move to accept the recommendation of the USSU Executive regarding securing a loan from the TD Bank for the Place Riel Renovation project.

USC Motion132: Pepler/Horvey Carried.

Councilor Harder stated she is in favour of TD Bank. TD Bank has done a great job providing information and recommendations. She asked for clarification the interest rates.

VP Ring stated the interest rate swaps are identical on just the interest rate is the credit spread, which is how much the institution will get. RBC is 0.25 percent and TD First Nations is 0.24 percent. TD is charging less, which will lower what the USSU pays in the long run.

VP Ring stated the reason this was tabled last week was because quite a few councilors were missing.

Councilor Cote stated he felt TD First Nations was more personable and willing to work with us plus they are local, whereas RBC would be centered out of Toronto. Sixteen million dollars would be paid in interest and TD could potentially put this back into Saskatchewan; whereas, RBC would put this into Toronto. He would like to see the \$16 million dollars kept closer to home.

8. Questions & Comments

Councilor Karkut stated the College of Law frequently has lawyers come into the College and speak to students enrolled in the College. Lawyers are considering holding an event to speak to the general student population and discuss student issues, such as housing issues, to provide a legal opinion. He asked for feedback.

Councilor Harder asked what topics would be covered.

Councilor Karkut stated that would be up to the students who would be present. One hot topic would be housing but it would be open to anything.

VP Kenney stated that next week, March 5th the Student Issues Board would be holding a Coffee House titled Globalization: Friend or Foe What do you Know? One of the economic, environmental and social implications of globalization seek the truth.” She encouraged all councilors to attend and represent themselves and their colleges. This is a very important issue to discuss how globalization affects this University and how students can play an active role. She has extra posters and asked councilors to take back to their colleges. A few weeks ago she sent out an email regarding green energy, which is what the Sustainability Board is working on. She did some more research on it yesterday and it would cost an extra 2.5 cents per kilowatt to provide energy from wind lines in Saskatchewan. Currently about 5 percent is used. The maximum is 20 percent. Saskatchewan could actually increase the percent of wind energy by 15 percent. As a university purchasing power should be utilized. She would like feedback on whether

students would be interested in pursuing this project. She would like to start a petition and she has set up a meeting with Richard Florizone to discuss it with him.

Councilor Knaus stated that STM, STMSU, Animus, Medical Students Against Sweatshops, Students against Child Exploitation are hosting an event called the Carnival of Solidarity. Anyone who has an interest in social justice could contact her for information.

Councilor Kirkland reiterated the Five Days event. He asked if the quinsy would be rented out and if so what would it cost.

President Pepler stated that setting up the snow fort was a hassle. VP Levesque had to speak with Grounds, FMD, Room Scheduling, Risk Management and Health and Safety. He noted it would be rented out for \$650/per month, which does not include electricity and the bathroom is a real mess. It is being turned into condos so don't wait too long. But, seriously it is going to be flattened today to prevent any potential injury. He noted the USSU Elections Schedule was sent out in the USC Package. He encouraged anyone interest in running for Executive to run. He isn't running again so someone else could win.

9. Any Other Business

VP Ring stated the USSU has completed the first round of budgets. The USSU was budgeting for a deficit of \$160,000 for next year and after meeting with managers and going through budget the USSU is projecting for a \$7,000 deficit next year. There are two more rounds of budgets to be completed. On March 8th the budget will be presented to the Operations and Finance Board and on March 19th it is presented to the student body, then on March 27th USC votes on the budget. The budget this year is going very well this year considering a new position was created and CPI is 4.9 percent; therefore, salaries increased by \$70,000. Secondly, students voted in favour of stairs over the escalators on the survey, which will save over \$300,000 for the renovation. The initial cost estimate of the renovation is going to come in on budget. Two professional groups have stated it would be under what the University suggested would be the budget. The U of S is going to present to the Board of Governors to build the shell for the third and fourth floor. This will happen if Board 2 approval takes place. It will not delay the project. ??? The tendering process could be done during Board 2, as was pointed out by Richard Florizone and Colin Hartl. The projected schedule changed the occupation date to December 2009 from September 2009. At this moment they are not sure whether they could build the expansion, then move the USSU offices, then renovate the basement. The reason the escalators are not working is because they are so old they are having a hard time finding screws that fit to fix it.

Executive Committee
Minutes for Monday, March 3, 2008

Present: Caroline Cottrell, Nicole Kenney, James Pepler, Lindsey Levesque, Jeremy Ring, Josie Steeves

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 1:40

2. Call for Quorum

Quorum was present

3. Round Tables

President Pepler

- Undergraduate Forum
- Thinking the world of our Future Campaign
- Class
- Work on USSU/admin underlining principles
- Place Riel Expansion committee meeting
- Student Code of Conduct Working Group
- Hours and hours of planning and construction of the snow fort
- Spending a truly shitty night in said snow fort
- Student Provincial Day of action
- USC
- Much needed EDO
- loads of other miscellaneous stuff

GM Cottrell

- Renovation/expansion - multiple meetings
- Budget - many multiple meetings
- Executive Committee and USC
- Financing the Building
- Manager's meetings
- More renovation/expansion meetings
- Writing text for renewplacieriel.ca

VP Kenney

- Op/Fin board meeting
- Class X 2
- ASSU meeting
- Student Issues Board Meeting
- Composting Workshop at Louis
- Mugging Campaign

- Canadian Federation of Students meeting
- USC
- Sustainability Board meeting
- Pop The Monopoly meeting- STM cafeteria
- Rooted Meeting- Bio 123
- Executive committee
- Residence Appeal Process
- Canadian Blood Services
- Pride Center Volunteering

VP Ring

- Budget
- Steering Committee Prep
- Experience in excellence awards meeting
- PR Steering comm. Meeting
- Communications Meeting
- Provincial Day of Action
- Meeting with student regarding funding
- February/MY Birthday party
- USC
- Interview with The Sheaf
- Coke Merch
- Occupational health & safety meeting
- Exec Committee
- Experience in excellence award meeting

VP Levesque

- Lobby Days- Regina
- Experience in Excellence Awards Meeting
- Snow Fort Construction
- Breakfast with the Dean of Arts and Science
- Provincial Student Day of Action!
- Meeting with Rob Norris- Minister of Advanced Education and Employment
- Birthday Celebration
- COMM 387 Class and Midterm
- USC

4. Richard Heinburg

Richard Heinberg is an American journalist and educator who has written extensively on ecological issues and who has published eight books including The Party's Over: Oil, War and the Fate of Industrial Societies. VP Kenney reported that the Saskatchewan Institute of Agrologists is bringing him in as a speaker and Crystal Clark, First Nations Agricultural Plan Coordinator, has approached her for possible sponsorship. Mr. Heinburg will be speaking at the Broadway Theatre and it is possible that he could speak on campus too since once he is here it doesn't cost anything more. VP Kenney will have

the requisite forms filled out and submitted to VP Ring to seek sponsorship for one or more speaking engagements.

5. Disabled Students' Transcripts

VP Kenney met with Jane Corcoran about the "Withdraw Fail" disabled students receive if they are forced, for health reasons, to drop a class after the final withdraw date. VP Steeves will investigate to see if it is possible for students in this position to avoid the penalties associated with a late drop.

6. Fossil Fools

VP Kenney reported that on April 1st, young people around the world will be rallying on the problems associated with global warming. She would like to get a group together to bus to Regina to join the rally in front of the Legislature Building. She will seek recommendations from her Sustainability Board about an appropriate USSU response to this event.

7. Survival Calendar

Marketing Services Manager Jason Ventnor and Communications Manager Tony Bassett have explored some options for the Survival Calendar. The Executive decided overwhelming, both for financial and proprietary reasons, to design and produce the Calendar in house. Printing will continue to be done by an external company.

8. PAWS Blog

Scott Henderson reported that he is working with ITS to create a USSU blog channel on PAWS. It will soon replace the static USSU link which will enable staff members to add material without going through the IT department. For instance, we would be able to post a list of all table renters.

9. Aboriginal Students' Centre Dancers Sponsorship

The ASC has requested the use of the stage in Lower Place Riel for their dancers.

EXEC69
Pepler/Kenney

Move to sponsor staging for the Aboriginal Students'
Centre Dancers.

Carried

10. USSU Election

The Executive were reminded that any member who is planning to run for re-election cannot use any USSU office space or materials (paper, photocopiers, etc) in any way for their run for re-election. All electioneering must be conducted out of the USSU offices, which are and must remain, neutral ground. They were reminded not to use their USSU email and to remove all USSU staff from Facebook. President Pepler notified all

Executive members that, along with Jason Ventnor, he will be very closely monitoring for any infractions of the rules.

11. Student Infrastructure Fee Policy

GM Cottrell asked that the Executive take the Infrastructure Fee policy revision to USC at the earliest possible time since it is not possible, under the loan terms, to use the one currently in existence.



Student Infrastructure Fee

Terms of Reference

1. PURPOSE

~~The Student Infrastructure Fee was passed through undergraduate student referendum in March 2003. In March of 2003 a referendum was held which empowered the University of Saskatchewan Students' Union (USSU) to begin collecting a Student Infrastructure Fee. The purpose of this fee is to ensure that the USSU is able to expand and upkeep maintain its facilities in a sustainable manner. The fee is also targeted for the building of a new USSU student centre/facility. In the fall of 2007 the fee was increased to enable construction of new space, contiguous with the current Place Riel Student Centre Building, and to renovate the existing building. Students have made a thirty-year commitment to collect \$44.00 per student per term to service a debt of 16 million dollars for renovation and expansion. However, it is recommended that the fee be permanent in order to provide continual contributions to a building reserve fund. This fee is intended to allow for long term planning related to student facilities through the continual contribution by students to a reserve fund.~~

The funds collected through the Student Infrastructure Fee are to be maintained within a separate trust fund (*Student Infrastructure Fund*) managed by the USSU on behalf of past, current and future students. The fund is to be governed by the USSU's financial policies and practices. ~~All expenditures of funds require the approval of the USSU's University Students' Council (USC), as outlined below. No decision is valid until the USC has given such endorsement.~~

~~For the purpose of these terms of reference, a capital expenditure is defined as any purchase of equipment, furniture/fixtures, and leasehold improvements (including renovations and construction) over \$1000.00.~~

2. EXPENDITURES

The Student Infrastructure Fee and the Student Infrastructure Fund are to be used for *planning and design*, capital purchases, renovations, and building construction relating to USSU facilities only.

3. RELEASE OF FUNDS

In normal circumstances and in order to release funds from the Student Infrastructure Fund, a motion must be made to this effect by USC at least one week prior to voting at a regular council meeting. ~~This motion must be passed by USC with a 2/3 majority.~~

4. RELEASE OF FUNDS FOR THE 2007-2009 RENOVATION

The 2007-2009 renovation of the Place Riel Student Centre will be financed from outside the USSU and accounted through the University of Saskatchewan's Facilities Management Division. Financial management of the project will be a joint venture between the USSU, FMD and the project manager, as appointed by Saunders Evans Architects. KPMG will audit. The complexities of the project require obtaining permission from University Students' Council to proceed on a project basis rather than on the basis of each \$1000.00 expenditure. Thus, for the purposes of the renovation and expansion, Article 3 is suspended.

5. AMENDMENT OF TERMS

The authority to amend the terms of reference for the Student Infrastructure Fee is held by the USSU's *University Students' Council (USC)*. In order to amend the terms, a motion must first be endorsed by a majority of the USSU's *Operations and Finance Board*. The motion must then be presented separately to the USC, at least one week prior to voting at a regular council meeting, and passed by a 2/3 majority of all voting members of council.

Contact Information:	President 966-6965		
Policy Number:			
Category:	Student Infrastructure Fee		
Policy Authority:	University Students' Council		
<u>Approvals</u>	<u>Board/Committee</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Motion</u>
Created/Adopted	USC	04/03/03	USC247
Revised	USC		

Operations & Finance Board

Minutes for Tuesday, March 4, 2008

Present: Jeremy Ring, Katelyn McAuliffe, Jean-Paul Cote, Tyler Olson, Cody Casey

Regrets: Caroline Cottrell, Nicole Kenney, Ellyse Schultz, Ana Carolina Melendez, James Pepler

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 AM.

2. Call for Quorum

Quorum was present.

3. New Business

3.1 – Presentation By United Students Against Sweatshops (USAS)

VP Ring introduced the representative from USAS.

Tamra Knaus introduced the Carnival of Solidarity event happening on Friday, March 7, at Louis'. At the back of Louis' there will be an info-fair type of set-up, and there will be bands playing on stage throughout the night. The funding will help pay the technical bill at Louis', allowing the group to raise money for future events.

Move that the Op/fin board grant funding to USAS in the amount of \$860 cash

OFB Motion 41: Olson/Casey Carried.

3.2 – Campus Group Funding

Move that the Op/fin board grant funding to the LSA in the form of \$120 cash, \$200 in credit to XL designs, and \$150.78 in Coca-Cola product.

OFB Motion 42: Ring/McAuliffe Carried.

4. Other Business

VP Ring noted that he received a ratification form from APALA, however there are fees owing from the group, and therefore we have to wait until monies are received to ratify them.

VP Ring also reminded the board about the important budget meeting on Saturday, March 8th, at 9:00 AM in the USSU Boardroom.

5. Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held Saturday, March 8, 2008 at 9:00AM in the USSU Boardroom.

6. Adjournment

Move to adjourn.

OFB Motion 43: Ring/Olson

Carried.

Student Issues Board
Tuesday March 4th, 2007

Present: VP Nicole Kenney, VP Josie Steeves, Councilor Satoshi Shibata, SAL Griff James, Councilor Elvis Kambeitz

Regrets: SAL Erin Gluckie, Councilor Keith Kuspira, SAL Sheila Laroque, SAL Micheal Magnussen

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 3:10 PM

2. Call for Quorum

Quorum was present

3. Introductions (University of Saskatchewan Administration)

Consumer Services: Greg Fowler,

Residences: Sylvia Cholodnuik

SESD: Kurt Hoffman (ITCOM), Germaine Riou (International Students Office), Susan Bens and Jen Freed (Retention, Support and Student Development Group)

Regrets: Patty Martin, University Advancement Communications

4. Business

Follow up on action items from February 13 meeting:

Patty, by e-mail, provided information about incentives that she gathered from the City: for the creation of new suites, and the legalizing of suites, the City will rebate the costs of the building and plumbing permits the Province also provides an incentive of up to 50% of the total cost to create a new suite, up to a maximum of \$24,000 the property owner must also follow all health and safety regulations, building and fire codes more info is available on the City's website or at the Building Standards Counter at City Hall
Patty added that the City would be interested in reactivating the boarders campaign undertaken last year. Options include a joint media conference, handbills inserted with utility bills encouraging residents to take in a student boarder, etc.

Kurt shared information from City of Saskatoon web pages that address renter's rights, links that can be made from university web-pages.

Jen shared information about the "Surviving US" presentations aimed at orienting entering students to the registration process and other transition issues. This event

happens in multiple locations (30+). Timing is right to incorporate appropriate information into Surviving US mail outs, materials, and presentations. Jen also shared that at some other universities, they provide a housing checklist for students or monthly newsletters for off-campus students in which they provide housing and renter's rights information

Sylvia reported that applications for Voyageur Place residences spaces are strong. There are over 800 applications for 554 spaces.

Greg reported that the University has not yet received word on the \$19M in funding from Sask Housing. They expect to hear in the very near future.

Sylvia and Greg presented draft questions for a survey meant to gauge the degree of housing needs among students in June. The USSU has also been contemplating a survey, many of the questions of interest are shared in common.

VP Kenney, Elvis, Satoshi, and Griff reported on several actions

Students from the USSU Student Issues board met with Charlie Clarke, a City Counsellor that has recently advised them about issues in the city and suggested a way to most effectively present issues to Council.

The students are intending on a selection of personal stories from real students that is meant to convey the economic and social value that a diverse student body brings to the Saskatoon community. They hope to garner some media attention at the presentation.

Mr. Clarke told the students that there are 58 buildings that have applied for condo conversion in the city and talked about the various possible implications of that. He also spoke of the City's strategy when the vacancy rate drops to a certain level related to condo conversions and to invest in housing co-op strategies.

USSU Housing Awareness Campaign is underway. There are posters, plasma screens, ads in the Sheaf. They will also ask student presidents and student councilors to spread the word as much as possible.

Action Items:

Campaign: VP Kenney and others to promote their campaign through BOC, MSC, and using Direct Contact list. Susan is to provide that e-mail list to VP Kenney.

Presentation to City Council: VP Kenney is to let Susan know when they intend to present to Council. Patty Martin will contact VP Kenney regarding any additional media opportunities this may present.

SESD Promotional Opportunities:

VP Kenney is to forward the pdf of the USSU's campaign images for possible use in

Surviving US! materials and on web sites to Kurt. Jen is to work with Surviving US! Organizers about the opportunities to tailor that presentation to address housing questions/concerns

Survey: Kurt will contact Susan with the name of the resident expert on PAWS survey tools. Susan will seek that person's assistance in developing a March or April student survey that can be replicated in June to gauge the status of the housing issues for students. Susan will initiate a meeting between Greg and Sylvia and the students.

Links to USSU Housing Registry: Kurt will look for appropriate places to better link University web pages to the registry

SIAST: VP Kenney will contact the SIAST Students' Union about their students' housing concerns. Susan will contact the AVP Student Services at SIAST about their institutional housing concerns for students.

Next Meeting: Susan will call the next meeting for about 3-4 weeks from now, based on when the students decide to attend the City Council Meeting.

Adjourned at 4:05 PM.

2007-2008 USC Attendance

Name	May	June	July	August	Sept. 6	Sep.13	Sep.20	Sep.27	Oct.4	Oct.11	Oct.18	Oct.25
Abdulla, Adam	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	R	P	P	R	P	P
Atkin, Michael	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	P	R	P
Cote, Jean-Paul	NM	NM	NM	A	P	R	P	P	P	P	P	R
Gentner, Breanne	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P
Harder, Megan	NM	NM	NM	R	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P
Horvey, Karla	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Kambeitz, Elvis	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P
Karkut, Neil	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P
Kenney, Nicole	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P
Kirkland, Warren	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P
Knaus, Tamra	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Kuspira, Keith	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P
Laroque, Sheila	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA
Lawrence, James	NM	NM	NM	P	P	A	R	P	A	R	P	P
Leisle, Matt	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P
Levesque, Lindsay	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
McAuliffe, Katelyn	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P
Mitchell, Alex	NM	NM	NM	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	P	P	P
Olson, Tyler	NM	NM	NM	A	R	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Pepler, James	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P
Peti, Nick	NM	NM	NM	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	P	P	R	P
Ring, Jeremy	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Rose, Dilyn	NM	NM	NM	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA
Schultz, Ellyse	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P
Shibata, Satoshi	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Steeves, Josie	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	R
Wales, Jessica	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	A
Zubot, Kimberly	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P

P - Present; R - Regrets; A - Absence; NYA - Not Yet Appointed; NM - No Meeting

2007-2008 USC Attendance

Name	Nov.1	Nov.8	Nov.15	Nov.22	Nov.29	Dec.6	Jan.3	Jan.10	Jan.17	Jan.24
Abdulla, Adam	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P	P
Atkin, Michael	P	P	P	P	P	A	A	P	A	P
Cote, Jean-Paul	P	P	P	P	P	A	R	P	P	P
Gentner, Breanne	P	P	P	R	P	A	P	P	P	P
Harder, Megan	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P
Horvey, Karla	P	P	P	P	P	A	P	P	P	P
Kambeitz, Elvis	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P	P
Karkut, Neil	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Kenney, Nicole	P	P	R	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Kirkland, Warren	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P
Knaus, Tamra	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P
Kuspira, Keith	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	A	P
Laroque, Sheila	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	P
Lawrence, James	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	R	P	P
Leisle, Matt	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P	P
Levesque, Lindsay	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P	P	P
McAuliffe, Katelyn	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P
Mitchell, Alex	P	R	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	R
Olson, Tyler	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P
Pepler, James	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Peti, Nick	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P
Ring, Jeremy	P	R	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Rose, Dilyn	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	P	A	P	A	P	P
Schultz, Ellyse	P	P	A	P	P	A	P	P	P	P
Shibata, Satoshi	P	P	P	P	P	P	A	P	P	P
Steeves, Josie	P	P	P	R	P	P	R	P	R	P
Wales, Jessica	P	P	P	P	P	A	A	P	P	P
Zubot, Kimberly	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P	R	P

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2007-2008 USC Attendance

Name	Jan.31	Feb.7	Feb.14	Feb. 21	Feb. 28	Mar.6	Mar.13	Mar.20	Mar.27		
Abdulla, Adam	R	P	P	NM	P						
Atkin, Michael	P	P	P	NM	P						
Cote, Jean-Paul	P	P	R	NM	P						
Gentner, Breanne	P	P	R	NM	P						
Harder, Megan	P	P	P	NM	P						
Horvey, Karla	P	P	P	NM	P						
Kambeitz, Elvis	P	P	P	NM	P						
Karkut, Neil	P	P	R	NM	P						
Kenney, Nicole	P	P	P	NM	P						
Kirkland, Warren	P	P	P	NM	P						
Knaus, Tamra	P	P	P	NM	P						
Kuspira, Keith	P	P	R	NM	P						
Laroque, Sheila	P	P	P	NM	P						
Lawrence, James	P	P	P	NM	P						
Leisle, Matt	R	P	P	NM	P						
Levesque, Lindsay	P	P	P	NM	P						
McAuliffe, Katelyn	P	R	P	NM	P						
Mitchell, Alex	P	P	R	NM	P						
Olson, Tyler	P	P	R	NM	P						
Pepler, James	P	P	P	NM	P						
Peti, Nick	R	P	R	NM	P						
Ring, Jeremy	P	P	P	NM	P						
Rose, Dilyn	P	P	P	NM	P						
Schultz, Ellyse	P	P	R	NM	P						
Shibata, Satoshi	P	P	P	NM	P						
Steeves, Josie	P	P	P	NM	P						
Wales, Jessica	P	R	P	NM	R						
Zubot, Kimberly	P	P	P	NM	P						

P - Present; R - Regrets; A - Absence; NYA - Not Yet Appointed; NM - No Meeting

University Students' Council Agenda

Thursday, March 13th, 2008

- 1. Adoption of an Agenda**
- 2. Introductions and Announcements**
- 3. Council Address**
 - 3.1 Second Integrated Plan – Pauline Melis & Kyla Shea**
 - 3.2 Studentcare**
- 4. Minutes and Reports for Information**
 - 4.1 USC Minutes – March 6th, 2008**
 - 4.2 Executive Committee Minutes**
 - 4.3 Academic Affairs Board Minutes and Report**
 - 4.4 Appointments Board Minutes and Report**
 - 4.5 Board of College Presidents**
 - 4.6 Code of Ethics Disciplinary Committee Minutes and Report**
 - 4.7 Elections Board Minutes and Report**
 - 4.8 External Affairs Board Minutes and Report – March 10th, 2008**
 - 4.9 Operations & Finance Board Minutes and Report – March 8th & 11th, 2008**
 - 4.10 Student Issues Board Minutes and Report**
 - 4.11 Sustainability Board Minutes and Report**
- 5. Motions Arising from the Minutes and Reports**
- 6. Business**
 - 6.1 Student Fee Increase**
- 7. New Business**
 - 7.1 USSU Budget**
- 8. Questions and Comments (30 minutes)**
- 9. Any Other Business**
- 10. Adjournment**

University Students' Council

Minutes for Thursday, March 6th, 2008

Present

Josie Steeves, VP Academic Affairs
Lindsey Levesque, VP External Affairs
Jeremy Ring, VP Operations & Finance
Nicole Kenney, VP Student Issues
Jean-Paul Cote, Agriculture
Sheila Laroque, Arts & Science
Tyler Olson, Arts & Science
Warren Kirkland, Associated Res.
Alex Mitchell, Commerce
Adam Abdulla, Dentistry
Breanne Gentner, Education
Elvis Kambeitz, Education
Dylan Rose, Indigenous
Satoshi Shibata, International
Jim Lawrence, Kinesiology
Neil Karkut, Law
Karla Horvey, Physical Therapy
Tamra Knaus, St. Thomas More
Jessica Wales, WCVM

Also Present

Matt Leisle, USC Chair
Caroline Cottrell, USSU GM
Brea Lowenberger, Arts & Science
Kim Dancey, Edwards
Charles Hamilton, The Sheaf

Regrets

James Pepler, President
Katelyn McAuliffe, Commerce
Megan Harder, Nursing
Ellyse Schultz, St. Thomas More

Absent

Michael Atkin, Engineering
Keith Kuspira, Engineering
Nick Peti, Medicine
Kimberly Zubot, Pharmacy

Meeting was called to order at 6:04 p.m.

1. Adoption of an Agenda

Move to amend the agenda to have 3.3 The Plan – Nicole Kenney become 9.1 under Any Other Business.

USC Motion139: Cote/Levesque Carried.

Move to have Richard Florizone speak at 6:30 p.m. regardless of where USC is on the agenda.

USC Motion140: Ring/Steeves Carried.

Move to adopt the agenda as amended.

USC Motion141: Steeves/Kirkland Carried.

2. Introductions & Announcements

VP Ring stated President Pepler and Councilors McAuliffe, Harder and Schultz sent regrets. He is not sure whether or not more councilors sent regrets because President Pepler is not at tonight's meeting.

VP Steeves introduced Brea Lowenberger who is a student enrolled in the College of Arts & Science. She congratulated Satoshi Shibata who is this year's recipient of the Walter Murray Leadership Award. Walter Murray is the founding father of the University of Saskatchewan. He was the president of the U of S from 1908-1937. The award will be presented to Councilor Shibata at the Experience in Excellence Awards ceremony on Sunday, March 30th. She congratulated Tamra Knaus who is this year's recipient of the Vera Pezer Award for Student Enhancement for Member of Student Council.

VP Levesque stated that the USSU will be looking into taking a bus or vans to the Provincial Budget release on Wednesday, March 19th. She is not sure how many councilors would be interested in attending. She asked that anyone interested in attending contact her no later than Wednesday, March 12th. The members will would determine if a bus is needed.

Councilor Mitchell introduced Kim Dancy who is the new Representative for Edwards School of Business.

VP Kenney reminded council that tomorrow is the open Board of Governors meeting. President Pepler worked very hard convincing the Board to hold a meeting that is open to the public. She encouraged councilors to attend to show support. The Globalization Coffee House was held yesterday and the event went well. Approximately thirty-five students attended. She thanked everyone who attended the event. She will be forwarding USC an email that she received from the City of Saskatoon regarding flooding in the spring.

Councilor Rose stated that on March 15th through 21st is Aboriginal Achievement Week. There would be a pipe ceremony, speakers, displays in the tunnel, dancing and a cabaret. He would send an email once he more details.

Councilor Knaus invited everyone to attend the Carnival of Solidarity tomorrow evening. There will be a lot of USSU clubs at the event discussing social justice and environmental justice projects. She invited council to attend the event.

VP Ring stated the open forum is tomorrow morning at 11:30 a.m. in Convocation Hall.

3. Council Address

3.1 Studentcare

Move to informality.

USC Motion142: Ring/Olson

Carried.

Amanda Smytaniuk introduced herself. Studentcare usually presents to council at this time every year to discuss fee increases. If there is a fee increase the Board of Governors need a certain amount of time to ensure it is processed. She would like to give council a preliminary look at what Studentcare is anticipating. Kristin

Foster and herself will provide council with a more indepth look next week at what they are anticipating. The plan is doing very well. She predicts the dental side of things would remain the same with possibly a 1 percent increase. However, the health claims exceed the dental claims. The health side has increased by 6 percent or roughly \$8, for a total of 3 percent for the entire plan. This is what was expected coming out of a 2-year guarantee. The premiums have remained the same for the past two years; however the amount per capita, which is the amount each individual student uses, is increasing. However, next week they will have data from January and February of 2008, which will provide more accurate numbers and determine if a fee increase is necessary.

Move to formality.

USC Motion143: Cote/Ring Carried.

Chair Leisle thanked Amanda Symtaniuk for addressing council tonight.

4. Minutes and Reports for Information

4.10 Student Issues Board Minutes

VP Kenney stated she had typed the minutes on the USSU laptop; however, the minutes were accidentally erased. She will have to retype the minutes at the next SIB meeting with the help of her board members.

5. Motions Arising from the Minutes and Reports

Move to adopt the minutes.

USC Motion144: Horvey/Levesque Carried.

8. Questions and Comments

VP Ring stated the Student Infrastructure Fee Policy needs to be discussed next week. In 2003 USC decided that anything that cost over \$1,000 for the Place Riel Renovation project would have to be approved by USC. If USC does not rescind this motion USC would be making a motion every single week until the building is paid off. He asked councilors to review the policy. All proposed changes have been struck out and any information that needs to be put in the policy is in italics. He stated that if councilors have questions or concerns to stop by the USSU office.

Move to add agenda item 7.1 Student Infrastructure Fee Terms of Reference to New Business this week so it could be voted on at USC next week.

USC Motion145: Ring/Olson Carried.

VP Kenney gave an update on the housing crisis in Saskatoon. Last Friday the SIB meet with Charlie Clarke who provided information on the proper way to approach City Council and she met with the Administration on Tuesday. She sent out a PDF of a poster to create awareness of the housing crisis in Saskatoon. She asked councilors to forward that to members in their college. She sent out a draft

of the Student Code of Conduct at the U of S and asked council to review the document and provide feedback.

VP Steeves stated the draft for Integrated Plan came out three days ago and students can view it on their PAWS account. Pauline Melis will be addressing council about this next week. She encouraged council to review the document and provide feedback and ask questions about it.

Councilor Knaus asked for an update on the Day of Action and for any communication that may have occurred with the Minister of Advanced Education.

VP Levesque stated she met with Minister Rob Norris after the Day of Action was held. The two had a couple of good discussions about whether anything would come out of the event. She stated that she is not sure and he is hard to contact because he is everywhere. That is the first contact she has had with him since the election. She will contact him and see where they are at in discussions. At the Day of Action two petitions were signed. One was about high tuition and the second was about affordable housing for students. She had about twenty sheets signed (7 people per sheet). The U of R also had the same petitions. Both universities will send the petitions to the Legislature on March 14th.

Move to recess until Richard Florizone addresses council.

USC Motion146: Kenney/Cote Carried.

3.2 Richard Florizone

Move to informality.

USC Motion147: Ring/Karkut Carried.

Richard Florizone thanked USC for allowing him the opportunity to speak tonight. He wanted to allow a lot of time for questions tonight but also wanted to discuss how he fits into the University Governance Structure and discuss some student issues that have been on his mind and occupying some of his time. He is an alumnus of the U of S. He did a bachelor in Engineering and a Masters in Physics before going off and obtaining his PhD in the USA. He is originally from Prince Albert. He left the province about fifteen years ago and just returned two and a half years ago to take the position of VP Finance with the U of S. He has a mix of public sector and business background. There are four Vice-Presidents at the U of S. There is the Provost and VP Academic, which is like a Dean to the Deans. All of the Deans report to the Provost. The Provost is also responsible for Academic Services, such as, Student and Enrolment Services Division and Information Technology. He is the VP of Finance and Resources and he deals with Human Resources, Financial Services, Facilities Management, Corporate Administration, Consumer Services and Health and Safety. There is a Vice President of Research, who looks after all research centres. There is a Vice President of Advancement who looks after fundraising and communications. When he was a student, which wasn't all that long ago, food choice was important

to him. It forms a fundamental part of the student experience. After being away from the U of S for fifteen years he was surprised to come back and see Marquis Hall looked exactly the same. Residence accommodates about 6 percent of undergraduates and UBC accommodates 26 percent of undergraduates. These are two areas he is focusing on. The U of S needs to become more competitive and he saw the latest Macleans article. Macleans compared Marquis Hall food to prison food. There is some great staff over there and there is some new leadership. He is excited about some of the initiatives Greg Fowler is taking on. Greg Fowler has been with Food Services for almost one year. He came from Choices in STM, which is ranked one of the number one food places by students on campus. Under Greg's leadership there will be some change. One more thing he is advocating for is financial returns from these type of operations. He wants to have conversations with other people around the campus and discuss how to enhance the student experience. He stated this would take some time but to expect some change. He saw some of the support letters submitted by the USSU and GSA on the housing issue and thought they were fantastic. The University hasn't been able to build housing and make it financially viable. Historically, a loan would be taken out, and then rent would be charged to cover the cost of the loan. However, this doesn't hold anymore for two reasons. The first reason is students and universities expect a certain level of service and quality of space and it couldn't be funded just by rental income. Secondly, construction costs have escalated. Therefore, this building can't be built without some sort of subsidy. In the last eighteen months the University has been trying to pursue three fronts. The first is a broader real estate development. The University has some land and would like to develop it in a way that yields money. Secondly, a town house proposal. A proposal has been submitted to Saskatchewan Housing. He was hoping to hear back from them by the end of February and hasn't heard anything yet. He has a meeting set up tomorrow with the Minister and MLAs to help move that project along. The third front is to look at some kind of partnership with the private sector. The University of Guelph recently did this and it was self-financing.

VP Ring asked Richard Florizone to give a brief description of his role with the Place Riel project.

Richard Florizone stated there are three governing bodies at the University and they are University Council, the Board of Governors and Senate. Council deals mainly with academic affairs at the University. The Board of Governors deals mainly with the financial aspects of the University and the Senate deals with issues of academic discipline and public issues. When discussing capital or projects the Board is the main body to deal with these things. The University has a major projects governance body that outlines a set of consultations. When beginning a project it must be approved by the Administration and then it goes through Council and finally goes through the Board of Governors. The Board of Governors has two boards. Board 1 states that they approve it and the project makes sense and is one the right track. Board 2 has the final approval of location

and budget. The Place Riel project is currently between Board 1 and 2. Board 1 has approved the project. Board 2 is waiting until they have additional information. The University asks for an executive sponsor for any project. An executive sponsor is the president's delegate on a project; someone who will make sure the budget doesn't go crazy, that the funding is in place and will oversee the project. He is the executive sponsor for the Place Riel project. The USSU on campus is considered a tenant. The land and building are owned by the University and is leased to the USSU as a corporate entity for a nominal fee. The USSU then leases its space to retail clients, to itself and back to the University. The Board has the responsibility of approving projects. Students' fees are funding this project but capital is needed up front to obtain the loan. In order to have a lower interest rate it was decided to have the University co-sign the loan. The University has a fiduciary responsibility to oversee the project and financially is on the hook because they co-signed the loan. That is why the board is engaged in the project. His role is to advocate, for example who is going to build where, who will the tenants be, etc. He is trying to push the project forward. There have been a lot of hours spent on this project.

VP Levesque asked what is his position on helping fund the project from the universities prospective.

Richard Florizone stated it is the Board that will make this decision. The way projects are funded is through fees. In this case it is not a great idea to do it this way. He is trying to secure central funds to cover those costs. In general he thinks the University should put in some contribution to cover the fees. The other thing the University is looking at is landscaping, and other enhancements; however, he doesn't have much of an update on that. He is committed to working towards that and wants the university to cover the sort of fees that they have to fulfill the project. He has the support of some of his colleagues and will need to put together a plan. However, the Board has the final say.

VP Levesque asked if the University would fund the student areas for any student areas that have been lost in the Colleges due to office space and overcrowding.

Richard Florizone stated the issue with capital is that the University has been very successful in attracting target capital dollars for projects. For example, when the Canadian Light Source was built national agencies and federal agencies were involved and interested. It gets challenging when there are smaller projects. For example, students may ask how the University can go and build a \$100-200 million dollar synchrotron and not refurbish a classroom in the Arts Tower? He stated this is because of targeted funds from targeted uses. Where the University struggles is with general capital. The money the University receives from the province isn't sufficient to cover the maintenance projects on campus. The University has over several hundred million in deferred maintenance across the University. He likes that idea and it fits with where the University needs to go on this project; however, the University doesn't have the capital for it. It is a great

suggestion he just isn't sure where the money would come from. The University is considering funding the space that would be built on top of Place Riel (???) but again it comes down to funding.

Member Hamilton asked how come the University was so over on the amount it would cost to renovate Place Riel.

Richard Florizone stated he was noticing that in the Sheaf. He can't comment specifically but he thought they were comparing construction numbers and total project numbers. He is not sure the difference was that big. Saskatoon is in a very difficult construction market. Over the past few years' construction costs have been increasing on average between 1 and 2 percent. There is a lot of volatility in the market. He referred to the City of Saskatoon Overpass project. The City tendered it twice and twice it came in at 100 percent over original projections. He noted that one quote was from Saunders Evans Architects (SEA) and the other was from FMD. He stated the University won't know the actual costs until it goes to tender. He stated he hopes SEA have the correct figures and that is what the University is working towards. The variability has to do with the uncertainty. He is sure that if you went to a third party they would also provide different numbers.

GM Cottrell stated that the final plan isn't there so there will be some variability with that as well.

VP Ring stated 10.5 million dollars with new escalators.

GM Cottrell stated if the University comes into the project it may change. She stated this is very much a moving target.

VP Steeves stated that she has been asking the University Bookstore for a copy of the booklist and keeps getting turned down. She stated that ninety-five percent of universities provide their Student Unions with a copy of the Booklist and have a great working relationship. She sent a letter to him and asked for a response.

Richard Florizone stated he did receive a letter and spoke with Greg Fowler of Food Services. He was under the impression that this had been resolved. He would have to go back and discuss the issue. He does not have an answer at this time.

VP Steeves stated the issue has not been resolved.

Richard Florizone thought the list was available online.

VP Steeves stated it is available online; however, it takes the USSU Receptionist 12 hours to copy and paste all of the information, whereas the University could just email the list to the office.

Richard Florizone stated he would look into this issue. He asked Caroline Cottrell to email Greg Fowler regarding this and to cc himself.

Councilor Cote asked what the estimated timeline is for Place Riel going to tender. When would approval come?

Richard Florizone stated July or shortly after is when Board 2 is planning to meet. The Health Sciences project goes to tender in May and he would have a good idea of what the market is doing at that time.

VP Kenney asked what concrete plan the University for building residences. She would like some clarity on the issues. She asked for a timeline and why the University would use their own land to build private homes when that land could be used for accessible housing for students.

Richard Florizone stated that hasn't been done yet. The University doesn't have any concrete plans because in the past concrete plans were in place and they couldn't come up with the funding. The University has to come up with multiple paths to come up with a plan it can afford. He is asking for patience from the University community because there has been very little consultation or design because that costs a lot of money and there is no money in the budget for it. The town house plan is the most defined and is the most affordable. The private housing option comes down to numbers. The University portfolio consists of 20 percent of urban land. Another large percentage is used for agriculture and research and Kinesiology uses another large percentage, all of which are important. The Land-Use Task Force is having another look at the portfolio and looks at the status of it to come up with more robust decision making processes. The Preston Crossing development yields more than \$1 million dollars in revenue for the U of S, which is used for student scholarships. They have taken an asset that was not being used in any way and created a cash flow. The Land-Use Task Force will come up with a set of proposed set of principles around how to use and think about land. He hopes it will lead to broader consultations on a fifty-year vision on University land. He is not ruling out the residence option but is taking a step back to explore all options to try and come up with a master plan and that is the way the University would precede.

VP Kenney asked what would happen if the Provincial Government doesn't provide adequate funding for residences. She asked where that would leave students? If students don't have a place to live they would be unable to attend the U of S.

Richard Florizone stated he is very focused on trying to secure funding to proceed with the project. He stated that Dave Hannah could likely answer this question better than he. He would continue with public appeals so people would continue to rent out their homes. Other than that his efforts are focused on securing funding.

??? asked how many previous residence plans have fallen through or not been supported?

Richard Florizone stated he could not give an exact answer because he has only been with the U of S for two and a half years; however, when he arrived there were two proposals on the go. Those ideas haven't fallen flat, they are still on the ground.

??? asked if it is the provincial governments fund the majority of other university residences. He referred to UBC and the fact that they house 25 percent of undergraduate students.

Richard Florizone stated that UBC has taken a large portion of urban lands and put it into subsidiary properties. They have developed that land and put up townhouses and condos and then resell to faculty or the broader public. Those funds are then used to create a permanent endowment but then comes back and provides about 5 percent annual capital back to the University. He stated the funding varies by University. The University of Regina has a couple of nice towers and they were built at an all-time low. To build a replica of those towers today would be three times the cost.

VP Kenney asked if the University Administration would be willing to partner with the City of Saskatoon. Out of town individuals are coming in and buying apartment blocks. Would it be an option for the University to buy an already built apartment block?

Richard Florizone stated with the current markets the University can't afford to build or buy. Rental incomes in today's market don't cover the cost of the loan so the University would still have to secure funding for the project. The University has concluded that that they would be better off to build new because they already have the land and have a lot of land.

VP Kenney asked if enrollment rates are factored in when discussing capital.

Richard Florizone stated yes they do.

VP Steeves stated she was in a meeting a few days ago and overheard that about five years ago the City of Saskatoon offered the University an apartment block at a very reasonable price. The University turned the offer down because they wanted to keep all residences on campus.

VP Levesque stated it was the block right across the street from the YWCA.

VP Steeves asked why the University would turn that down.

Richard Florizone stated he knew that there was a proposal but can't comment on past decisions especially one that he wasn't around for. He does know that at that time the sense was and still is that if you have the money to do it ideally you want it relatively close to campus. If you are a first year or second year you want to have the residences relatively close to campus or on-campus. He is not sure what the specific offer was and how it compared to building new or if there was a lack of funds available at the time.

Councilor Cote stated that at the rate the University is going it will take about thirty years before residences are built. He asked if it would be better to build now at a deficit than to wait approximately another thirty years to build when costs could be significantly higher than they are now. Why wouldn't the university consider that kind of idea?

Richard Florizone stated he disagrees that it will take the university another thirty years. He asked council to look at it from a board members shoe. For example, taking out a thirty million dollar loan for future generations to pay for it, or be more aggressive when it comes to salaries, or maybe tuition will have to increase to cover the cost. It is a realistic and credible proposal but it is risky and is a question of how much risk do you want to take. The university will continue to press the case to the government. If the University has surplus land it should consider doing what they did at Preston Crossing to generate revenue.

??? stated that Phase 3 has sat vacant at Preston Crossing for the past five years or so. He is aware the University has a stake in this and asked if there is any consideration to changing Phase 3 from big box retail to include residential housing to have housing near campus.

Richard Florizone stated the Land-Use Task Force is looking into these options and he didn't want to comment much more on that. The task force would explore all options on utilizing that surplus land. He stated Phase 3 was just approved by City Council and is going ahead for further development.

Councilor Knaus stated that since money is being discussed she wanted to throw out some numbers. One million dollars in scholarships is about one-seventh of what University Administration gets paid, which is between 22-27 people. She knows that in the past five or six years they have lost about 250 tenured professors and have created at least three upper-administration positions. She stated money has been found to create these new positions at the University each of which cost us six-figures a year. It is okay for students to accumulate millions and millions of dollars worth of debt but not okay for the university to alleviate some of that debt. She feels that is fundamentally wrong and irresponsible. She stated the land at Preston Crossing has been leased for 100 years and it would be ruined after being polluted by cement. Once that has been done it is very difficult to say okay now we are going to put housing on the land.

Richard Florizone stated the lease is much shorter than that. One of the advantages of leasing to big box corporations is that the stores can be disassembled. The Senior University Administration is trying to establish competitive rates of pay. He stated this question should be directed towards the Board of Governors. The U of S suffers from high turnover in the Senior Administration positions; therefore, it is important to offer competitive salaries and benefits to try and maintain staff.

Councilor Knaus stated that it is difficult to recruit students when they are accumulating \$50,000 worth of debt to obtain a four-year undergraduate degree.

Richard Florizone stated (??? background noise). He would continue to work with ???. The U of S has to be competitive with housing, salaries, tuition and research agendas. The board has to try and balance all of these things and that can be very difficult.

VP Steeves asked for his opinion on whether or not the tuition freeze would continue.

Richard Florizone stated he is conscious of what he is saying because the Sheaf is in the audience. He asked if the meeting is public knowledge. He doesn't know more than what the Executive knows. He has been wondering about this himself. He is hoping to attend the Provincial Budget.

??? asked if when the new residences are built if they would be environmentally friendly.

Richard Florizone stated he has heard students loud and clear on the sustainability issue. In general he would like to but can't commit to anything at this time because there are no funds available. He stated that once funds are available these sort of decisions would be made and students would certainly be involved in this process.

Councilor Knaus asked for information on the relationship between the U of S and Aramark. Is there a possibility this relationship would be terminated? She would like to see more local and organic foods available to students.

Richard Florizone stated contract negotiations are underway. He stated the university has great and dedicated staff in the Food Services Department. The food is okay but is not great so clearly something is not working. The University is not excelling in the food area. The entire model of how food is being delivered is being looked at. He stated Greg Fowler is looking at this and is looking at the partnerships. He encouraged students to send Greg Fowler a letter if they have concerns with this.

??? asked if all Food Services move to Marquis what happens if the food is not better.

Richard Florizone stated this has been discussed a lot with the Place Riel Steering Committee. The USSU has done a survey and he has read the results. He is aware that students want food in Lower Place Riel. He knows that students aren't satisfied with the current food offerings. He knows that Food Services aren't quite delivering to the extent the University would like it to. However there is dedicated staff and they are great people. Greg stated that he feels he could do a better job if all the food services on campus were consolidated. It was taken to the Place Riel Steering Committee and informed the members that this was where Food Services was headed. His sense is that students are quite happy with some of the food options that the USSU provides in LPR. He would love to see a small grocer on campus and it is something that the USSU has expressed an interest in. He does see a formula that works. He thinks the USSU could get the kind of services and food services the students want in LPR and then Marquis Hall could be re-done to modernize it. He doesn't see why they can't have both and that is the vision that is emerging in his mind. It is complimentary and it can work.

Councilor Cote asked why the University wouldn't explore more services that would benefit all staff, faculty, students and the general public. A grocery store on campus would benefit everyone and he would like to see more services similar to that available. He feels the university should broaden their horizons instead of narrowing them. He encouraged the University to leave the food services that are currently in LPR and explore the option of bringing in more.

GM Cottrell stated that all of this is done through two boards. The first is the Place Riel Steering Committee, which she sits on with President Pepler and VP Ring. Secondly there is a Design Team, which also consists of President Pepler, VP Ring and herself among others. These boards try to negotiate all of these different interests and at this point they have reached a point where they have pretty good information but are waiting on information on where the University stands on the building. The USSU intends to explore options to ensure there is a diversity of food services that are complimentary to what the University is doing but while trying to accommodate the student survey results.

VP Ring stated the current plans do speak to what is wanted by the students in LPR. There have been significant talks about picking and choosing where everything goes. The Campus Cove has indicated they would not need as much space as they currently have, which is where the concept of putting in a small grocer came into play.

Richard Florizone stated Sobeys is affiliated with the U of S at Preston Crossing. The option could be explored and see if there is some kind of connection through them.

VP Kenney asked if the University has explored the option of purchasing Green Energy to align with the Green House Gas Management Plan. The University of Regina has looked into this. She is sure the U of S could work a deal out with SaskPower. This could improve the U of S reputation as a sustainable university and it is something the students have asked for. She feels it could help with the student experience.

Richard Florizone stated that she should discuss with Colin Tenent who is responsible for utilities at the U of S. He encouraged VP Kenney to send him an email because he has a real interest in this.

Chair Leisle asked about the Clause in the Head Lease between the USSU and the U of S, which gives the U of S authority to determine who the USSU tenants are. He is aware of the negotiations taking place regarding the head lease and asked if this clause would or wouldn't be removed.

Richard Florizone stated the U of S and USSU have similar goals, which is to improve/enhance the student experience. (??? running water in background). In this lease the Board has a fiduciary responsibility to make sure the things are generally aligned with the University mission. He stated he heard a rumour and is not sure where it came from but that the University would restrict food services planning to go into Place Riel. He stated that is absolutely not true. He hopes that students and staff could all work together to find a complimentary solution because everyone is working towards the same goals. He stated he couldn't imagine vetoing a food outlet that the students wanted. That is not the spirit of the clause.

VP Steeves stated she is really glad to hear that and is really glad it is on tape.

Richard Florizone thanked council for allowing him to speak. He stated he would come back anytime.

Chair Leisle thanked Richard Florizone for speaking to council.

Move to formality.

USC Motion148: Olson/Steeves Carried.

9. Any Other Business

9.1 The Plan

VP Steeves stated the Film Festival is Friday, March 14th at 7:30 p.m. in Louis'.

VP Kenney stated she would be showing USC a PowerPoint Presentation. The Plan whatever you can do or dream you can do begin it. The goal of this plan is to make the USSU more socially, economically and environmentally sustainable.

VP Kenney showed a PowerPoint Presentation to USC (see attached).

Councilor Cote congratulated VP Kenney on her “Mugging” campaign and on her video. However, he noticed a lack of WCVM, Agriculture, Commerce, Education, Law and Engineering. He asked where were those students on those days and he asked who paid for the mugs.

VP Kenney stated the mugs were free. The mugs were leftover from the Sustainability Conference and she had intentions of going to those colleges and giving mugs out; however, she ran out of mugs. She stated she might have to do the mug again.

Councilor Cote stated he has a mug and wasn’t concerned about himself. He noted three out of those five colleges sell coffee; therefore, may have benefited from the mugs.

VP Steeves stated there were only about 100 mugs available.

Councilor Kirkland stated that the “Five Days” event begins on Monday. There would be five Edward students sleeping on campus for five days to raise awareness about the homeless. He stated those five students aren’t allowed to buy anything unless they are given money. He encouraged students to help them out.

Councilor Cote asked where the students would be sleeping?

Councilor Kirkland stated the first night they would be sleeping in front of Law/Commerce. They would also sleep in front of Place Riel, Kinesiology, the College Building and are trying for Agriculture/Engineering.

10. Adjournment

Move to adjourn.

USC Motion149: Olson/Cote

Carried.

External Affairs Board Meeting

2:00pm, Monday, March 10, 2008

Present: Lindsey Levesque, James Pepler, Tamra Knaus, Katelyn McAuliffe, Satoshi Shibata.

Regrets: Sarah Shoker, Travis Lingenfelter, Shuo Zhang, Tony Bassett

1. Call to Order

Meeting was called to order at 2:02pm.

2. Call for Quorum

Quorum was present.

3. Old Business

4. New Business

4.1 Day of Action and Lobby Days Follow-up

The Provincial Student Day of Action went smoothly and was greatly received. Both Saskatoon and Regina events were covered extensively by the media, including Global, CTV, CBC, CBC Radio, The StarPhoenix, and The Sheaf. The event kept housing issues on the radar but also emphasized the tuition freeze and rising costs of post-secondary education.

4.2 Provincial Budget Release

The USSU will be taking 2 vans to Regina on March 19th for the release of the Provincial Budget. The vans will be leaving at 9:00am that morning and the budget will be announced at 2:30pm. If Board members or anyone else is interested in going, they must let VP Levesque know by Wednesday, March 12th. If there is more interest than 14 people than we can book other transportation.

4.3 Housing

Councilor Shibata discussed putting the housing registry on the usask website to make it more centralized for incoming and continuing students. He also attended a meeting with the University Administration with the Student Issues Board. The Administration said they would look into waiving the housing registry cost. The University cannot focus on graduate housing but look into undergraduate options as well. He also attended a Visioning conference, which discussed increasing immigrants into the city.

The External Affairs Board, along with the Student Issues Board, will be submitting a presentation to Saskatoon City Council for the April 21st council address. This will be around the options for student housing and how the city can assist.

4.4 More CUPE

CUPE leaders have asked the University to provide the names of employees who crossed the picket line to work. CUPE is legally entitled to do this but the students who were involved during working hours should not be punished. President Pepler reiterated that students should not be bothered with punishments at this time because of upcoming finals and other commitments.

VP Levesque and President Pepler will be setting up a meeting with CUPE to discuss this issue.

4.5 External Board Year End Event

The External Affairs Board will be having a year-end event before finals begin. The event will be a lunch or supper at Louis and there will be food and drinks provided. The options for dates are between March 31st and April 2nd. Board members need to let VP Levesque know which dates work best.

5. Questions and Comments

6. Adjournment

Operations & Finance Board

Minutes for Saturday, March 8th, 2008

Present: Jeremy Ring, Jean-Paul Cote, Tyler Olson, Cody Casey, Caroline Cottrell, Ana Carolina Melendez

Regrets: Ellyse Schultz, Katelyn McAuliffe

Absent: Nicole Kenney, James Pepler

Also Present: Amanda Mitchell, Freda Salikin, Lindsey Levesque

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 AM.

2. Call for Quorum

Quorum was present.

3. New Business

3.1 – Presentation of the USSU Budget for 2008/2009

VP Ring walked the board through all of the departments in the budget, entertained questions regarding changes or omissions. He noted that, although the USSU is budgeted for a \$30,000 deficit, \$25,000 was due to the University deciding to enter into a ‘penalty’ period with Coca-Cola, resulting in \$25,000 not coming to the USSU. He also indicated that with a 4.9% CPI, a new position not budgeted for in 2007/2008 budget, and maintaining the same levels of funding for the USSU centers, we still managed to cut the budgeted deficit in half from last year.

Move that the Op/fin board recommend that USC adopt the USSU Budget as presented on March 27th, 2008.

OFB Motion 44: Olson/Melendez

Carried.

4. Other Business

VP Ring noted that he received a ratification form from APALA, however there are fees owing from the group, and therefore we have to wait until monies are received to ratify them.

VP Ring also reminded the board about the budget presentation on Wednesday, March 19th, in Arts 217 at 6:00PM.

5. Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held Tuesday, March 11, 2008 at 9:00AM in the USSU Boardroom.

6. Adjournment

Move to adjourn.

OFB Motion 45: Olson/Ring

Carried.

Operations & Finance Board

Minutes for Tuesday, March 11th, 2008

Present: Jeremy Ring, Jean-Paul Cote, Tyler Olson, Nicole Kenney, Katelyn McAuliffe

Regrets: Ellyse Schultz, James Pepler (ex-officio), Caroline Cottrell (ex-officio), Cody Casey, Ana Carolina Melendez

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 AM.

2. Call for Quorum

Quorum was present.

3. New Business

3.1 – Campus Group Funding

Move that the Op/fin board grant funding in the form of \$200 to the Lutheran Student Movement for their year-end wind-up

OFB Motion 46: Olson/Cote Carried.

4. Other Business

VP Ring noted that he received a ratification form from APALA, however there are fees owing from the group, and therefore we have to wait until monies are received to ratify them.

VP Ring also reminded the board about the budget presentation on Wednesday, March 19th, in Arts 217 at 6:00PM.

5. Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held Tuesday, March 18, 2008 at 9:00AM in the USSU Boardroom.

6. Adjournment

Move to adjourn.

OFB Motion 47: Olson/Ring Carried.

2007-2008 USC Attendance

Name	May	June	July	August	Sept. 6	Sep.13	Sep.20	Sep.27	Oct.4	Oct.11	Oct.18	Oct.25
Abdulla, Adam	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	R	P	P	R	P	P
Atkin, Michael	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	P	R	P
Cote, Jean-Paul	NM	NM	NM	A	P	R	P	P	P	P	P	R
Gentner, Breanne	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P
Harder, Megan	NM	NM	NM	R	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P
Horvey, Karla	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Kambeitz, Elvis	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P
Karkut, Neil	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P
Kenney, Nicole	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P
Kirkland, Warren	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P
Knaus, Tamra	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Kuspira, Keith	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P
Laroque, Sheila	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA
Lawrence, James	NM	NM	NM	P	P	A	R	P	A	R	P	P
Leisle, Matt	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P
Levesque, Lindsay	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
McAuliffe, Katelyn	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P
Mitchell, Alex	NM	NM	NM	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	P	P	P
Olson, Tyler	NM	NM	NM	A	R	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Pepler, James	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P
Peti, Nick	NM	NM	NM	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	P	P	R	P
Ring, Jeremy	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Rose, Dilyn	NM	NM	NM	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA
Schultz, Ellyse	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P
Shibata, Satoshi	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Steeves, Josie	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	R
Wales, Jessica	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	A
Zubot, Kimberly	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P

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2007-2008 USC Attendance

Name	Nov.1	Nov.8	Nov.15	Nov.22	Nov.29	Dec.6	Jan.3	Jan.10	Jan.17	Jan.24
Abdulla, Adam	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P	P
Atkin, Michael	P	P	P	P	P	A	A	P	A	P
Cote, Jean-Paul	P	P	P	P	P	A	R	P	P	P
Gentner, Breanne	P	P	P	R	P	A	P	P	P	P
Harder, Megan	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P
Horvey, Karla	P	P	P	P	P	A	P	P	P	P
Kambeitz, Elvis	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P	P
Karkut, Neil	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Kenney, Nicole	P	P	R	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Kirkland, Warren	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P
Knaus, Tamra	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P
Kuspira, Keith	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	A	P
Laroque, Sheila	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	P
Lawrence, James	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	R	P	P
Leisle, Matt	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P	P
Levesque, Lindsay	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P	P	P
McAuliffe, Katelyn	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P
Mitchell, Alex	P	R	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	R
Olson, Tyler	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P
Pepler, James	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Peti, Nick	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P
Ring, Jeremy	P	R	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Rose, Dilyn	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	P	A	P	A	P	P
Schultz, Ellyse	P	P	A	P	P	A	P	P	P	P
Shibata, Satoshi	P	P	P	P	P	P	A	P	P	P
Steeves, Josie	P	P	P	R	P	P	R	P	R	P
Wales, Jessica	P	P	P	P	P	A	A	P	P	P
Zubot, Kimberly	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P	R	P

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2007-2008 USC Attendance

Name	Jan.31	Feb.7	Feb.14	Feb. 21	Feb. 28	Mar.6	Mar.13	Mar.20	Mar.27		
Abdulla, Adam	R	P	P	NM	P	P					
Atkin, Michael	P	P	P	NM	P	A					
Cote, Jean-Paul	P	P	R	NM	P	P					
Gentner, Breanne	P	P	R	NM	P	P					
Harder, Megan	P	P	P	NM	P	R					
Horvey, Karla	P	P	P	NM	P	P					
Kambeitz, Elvis	P	P	P	NM	P	P					
Karkut, Neil	P	P	R	NM	P	P					
Kenney, Nicole	P	P	P	NM	P	P					
Kirkland, Warren	P	P	P	NM	P	P					
Knaus, Tamra	P	P	P	NM	P	P					
Kuspira, Keith	P	P	R	NM	P	A					
Laroque, Sheila	P	P	P	NM	P	P					
Lawrence, James	P	P	P	NM	P	P					
Leisle, Matt	R	P	P	NM	P	P					
Levesque, Lindsay	P	P	P	NM	P	P					
McAuliffe, Katelyn	P	R	P	NM	P	P					
Mitchell, Alex	P	P	R	NM	P	P					
Olson, Tyler	P	P	R	NM	P	P					
Pepler, James	P	P	P	NM	P	R					
Peti, Nick	R	P	R	NM	P	A					
Ring, Jeremy	P	P	P	NM	P	P					
Rose, Dilyn	P	P	P	NM	P	P					
Schultz, Ellyse	P	P	R	NM	P	R					
Shibata, Satoshi	P	P	P	NM	P	P					
Steeves, Josie	P	P	P	NM	P	P					
Wales, Jessica	P	R	P	NM	R	P					
Zubot, Kimberly	P	P	P	NM	P	A					

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University Students' Council Agenda

Thursday, March 20th, 2008

- 1. Adoption of an Agenda**
- 2. Introductions and Announcements**
- 3. Council Address**
- 4. Minutes and Reports for Information**
 - 4.1 USC Minutes – March 13th, 2008**
 - 4.2 Executive Committee Minutes – 17th, 2008**
 - 4.3 Academic Affairs Board Minutes and Report**
 - 4.4 Appointments Board Minutes and Report**
 - 4.5 Board of College Presidents**
 - 4.6 Code of Ethics Disciplinary Committee Minutes and Report**
 - 4.7 Elections Board Minutes and Report**
 - 4.8 External Affairs Board Minutes and Report**
 - 4.9 Operations & Finance Board Minutes and Report**
 - 4.10 Student Issues Board Minutes and Report**
 - 4.11 Sustainability Board Minutes and Report**
- 5. Motions Arising from the Minutes and Reports**
- 6. Business**
 - 6.1 Student Fee Increase**
- 7. New Business**
 - 7.1 USSU Budget**
- 8. Questions and Comments (30 minutes)**
- 9. Any Other Business**
- 10. Adjournment**

University Students' Council

Minutes for Thursday, March 13th, 2008

Present

James Pepler, President
Josie Steeves, VP Academic Affairs
Lindsey Levesque, VP External Affairs
Jeremy Ring, VP Operations & Finance
Jean-Paul Cote, Agriculture
Sheila Laroque, Arts & Science
Katelyn McAuliffe, Commerce
Alex Mitchell, Commerce
Adam Abdulla, Dentistry
Breanne Gentner, Education
Michael Atkin, Engineering
Keith Kuspira, Engineering
Satoshi Shibata, International
Jim Lawrence, Kinesiology
Neil Karkut, Law
Nick Peti, Medicine
Megan Harder, Nursing
Kimberly Zubot, Pharmacy
Karla Horvey, Physical Therapy
Tamra Knaus, St. Thomas More
Ellyse Schultz, St. Thomas More
Jessica Wales, WCV

Also Present

Matt Leisle, USC Chair
Caroline Cottrell, USSU GM
Brea Lowenberger, Arts & Science
Jennifer ???, Commerce
Pauline Melis, Integrated Plan
Kyla Shea, Integrated Plan
Wendy Gillis, The Sheaf
Chuck Hamilton, The Sheaf
Rory Maclean, The Sheaf
Amanda Smytaniuk, Studentcare

Regrets

Nicole Kenney, VP Student Issues
Tyler Olson, Arts & Science
Warren Kirkland, Associated Res.
Elvis Kambeitz, Education
Dylan Rose, Indigenous

Meeting was called to order at 6:04 p.m.

1. Adoption of an Agenda

Move to amend the agenda to read 6.1 Infrastructure Terms of Reference rather than Student Fee Increase, add agenda item 7.2 Student Fee Increase and add item 9.1 Budget Walkthrough.

USC Motion150: Ring/Horvey Carried.

Move to adopt the agenda as amended.

USC Motion151: Kuspira/Cote Carried.

2. Introductions and Announcements

VP Steeves noted Councilor Olson and Councilor Kirkland sent regrets. She introduced Pauline Melis, Director of Institutional Planning for the University of Saskatchewan, and Kyla Shea and Jennifer who are from the University Communications Department. They will be presenting to council regarding the Second Integrated Plan. She introduced Amanda Smytaniuk who will be

presenting on behalf of Studentcare. She thanked Pauline Melis providing pizza for the meeting.

Councilor Laroque noted Councilor Rose sent regrets.

President Pepler stated Councilor Kambeitz sent regrets. He introduced Wendy Gillis, the new Sheaf Editor Elect. The USSU Elections are coming up and he noticed several candidates are in attendance. He reminded candidates that USC is not a forum for candidates to campaign. He would be closely monitoring the campaign platforms and the content of the conversation at council to ensure rules are being followed. He will be spontaneously checking the offices of the Executive members planning to re-run in the USSU Election to ensure campaign material is not being worked on at the USSU. He encouraged candidates to follow the rules.

3. Council Address

3.1 Second Integrated Plan

Move to informality.

USC Motion152: Steeves/Schultz

Carried.

Pauline Melis thanked USC for allowing her the opportunity to speak at council regarding one of the biggest documents the University will be putting out. The document will set the tone for the University's priorities over the next four years. She is the Director of Institutional Planning at the University. Kyla Shea is the Research Analyst and Jennifer Mullard is obtaining her masters at the ??? University and is working with the U of S in a term position to assist with the communications strategy for this document. A draft copy of this document is available on the website. She is hoping to take this to University Council in April and then the Board of Governors in May for approval. The plan has been in development for two years. The students participated in the early stages of development at a Community Planning event in October of 2006. Students have participated very heavily in the development of the themes and trends of the document. In total seven themes were picked. Some of the themes included were: enhancing the student experience, practicing effective enrollment management, accelerating research, being more engaged as an institution and aboriginal education. Students really pushed sustainability, which appears in the document. The USSU submitted a plan to be looked at and a conversation was held to discuss some of the USSUs goals at a Community Event, which was held in December. Students filled out a survey about the University initiatives in the fall and 40 percent of the survey respondents were students. There will be an opportunity for anyone on campus that wants to be involved to listen to the Acting Provost, Ernie Barber, talk about the plan at a town hall meeting in Convocation Hall on Tuesday, March 25th from 12:30-2:00 p.m. She will send VP Steeves a PDF of the poster and then she will forward it to council members. On April 3rd University Council will be meeting to discuss the document. Universities all over the world are developing plans. Universities are trying to figure out the most

important things to be done in a given time period. The U of S began the planning process in 2001 and created the first plan in 2004. The second plan is being worked on which will take them to 2012. The first document was 66 pages and this time they would like it to be 26 pages and would like it to be under 20 pages. The U of S is setting high priority goals and focusing on three main areas. The plan is top down bottom up. The first area of priority is teaching, learning and the student experience. The second area is research accomplishment and success. The U of S is very research intensive. The third area is improving communication between administrative and academic units. The entire plan is to be more engaged by 2012. The University would like to build mutually beneficial partnerships with students, faculty, external agencies and employers. There will be a specific implementation process in place. She values and looks forward to communications with the students. She encouraged students to post feedback on the website. She will be happy to answer any questions.

Councilor Cote asked if there is a way to measure whether students feel their experience has improved? Students who begin University in four years will not know whether or not the student experience has improved.

Pauline Melis stated that the website has a list of summaries from seven different surveys over the past seven years. She encouraged students to view this because it will be reviewed and further discussed.

??? asked what the steps are to ensure implementation of this plan.

Pauline Melis stated that when the planning process began six years ago. The University made sure the plan was implemented and took into account everything that had been said and did something about them. The provost provided two report cards stating what had been done and what had been done well. The purpose of the report card is to hold people accountable. An implementation process is being put into place for this plan. The last plan had seventy-one initiatives, which is too many for a small handful of VPs to manage. This time there will be three priority areas including fifteen big commitments. The other part of the plan is accompanied by a document, which talks about the building and infrastructure support and other things needed to support the plan.

Councilor Harder stated that everything seems accessible when very broad tools of measurement are in place. She noted that the course evaluations students fill out would really help in measuring how the plan works.

Pauline Melis stated the University had a visitor from Australia a few years back and he was an expert on assessment at the institutional level. At the University he works for there was a complaint office, which is where students go to lodge complaints. That may be a way of measuring the implementation of the plan. SESD has an ombudsperson idea and they could easily do something similar to the complaints office.

VP Steeves asked about if the ombudsperson is in the integrated plan.

Pauline Melis stated an ombudsperson is not in the plan at this time. VP Steeves thanked Pauline Melis for addressing council. She encouraged council to attend the upcoming meetings and thoroughly review the document because this is the largest document the University would be putting out for four years.

3.2 Studentcare

Amanda Smytaniuk works for Studentcare and is being trained to take over the USSU plan. Student health and dental plans work slightly different than group plans because of student governing structures. Student fees have to be viewed by the Board of Governors in a timely manner. Last week Studentcare was projecting a 3.8 percent increase, which has now slightly decreased to 3.1 percent. This is an increase in the premiums of the plan, but no increase in the fee itself. The fee is slightly higher than the premiums and a reserve fund is being collected. Even with this increase there will still be a surplus to continue to build the reserve fund. Overall, the plan is very stable and over the past two years there has been a small increase in per capita use, which means the number of people enrolled in the plan has remained the same; however, those people enrolled are just using the plan more. There has been a two-year premium guarantee; therefore, a 3.1 percent increase seems fair. Fees have remained relatively stable. To calculate premiums you take current claims plus administrative expenses and anticipated inflation, which equals the premium. She emailed VP Kenney a PDF of the breakdown of the increase to health and dental and is sure VP Kenney will email USC. The dental plan has remained steady. The fee that was charged to students for the past two years was \$243.35. The projected premium for this year is \$237.52, which leaves \$5.83 for the reserve fund. USC has two options. The first is to decrease the fee and allow students to pay less. The second option is to keep the fee the same and continue to build the reserve fund for another year. She reminded USC that the reserve fund could only be used for health and dental purposes. The USSU plan is very stable so it could be used to increase benefits or reduce the cost of the plan. USC will need to make a decision on the plan. She asked if USC had any questions.

??? asked if it is possible to increase benefits.

Amanda Smytaniuk stated yes the plan is doing well. She suggested building the reserve fund for another year and then reevaluating in a year. If USC voted to do that for another year it would make a better impact on the plan.

VP Ring asked when this decision has to be made.

Amanda Smytaniuk stated it would need to be done with enough time for President Pepler to take it to the Board of Governors in May.

GM Cottrell stated that she believes new fees have to be there by March 21st or 28th.

Amanda Smytaniuk stated she was under the impression that USC will vote on it next week.

Chair Leisle stated he thought Council already voted to use the reserve fund to offset fee increases. Therefore, the fee would remain the same.

Amanda Smytaniuk stated that there would be almost \$6 going into the reserve fund this year from students enrolled in the plan.

GM Cottrell stated that on January 24th USC made a motion to reinvest \$72,000 into the health and dental plan to lower premiums for the 2008/09 year.

VP Ring stated that decision was made to benefit the majority of students and USC needs to discuss reinvesting it to cover certain benefits.

Move to formality.

USC Motion153: Horvey/Levesque Carried.

4. Minutes and Reports for Information

4.1 USC Minutes

Councilor Peti stated that on March 6th the minutes state he was absent but he sent regrets to President Pepler.

4.9 Operations and Finance Board Minutes and Report

VP Ring stated that the minutes from March 8th indicate that the Operations and Finance Board sent the budget to USC to vote on March 27th. It appears on the agenda under New Business but it won't be voted on until March 27th.

5. Motions Arising from the Minutes and Reports

Move to adopt the minutes as amended.

USC Motion154: Steeves/Schultz Carried.

6. Business

6.1 Infrastructure Fee Terms of Reference

Move to adopt the Infrastructure Fee Terms of Reference as amended as provided to USC last week within the Executive Committee Minutes.

USC Motion155: Ring/Levesque Carried.

VP Ring stated this was put in place in 2003 and he is not sure council was really aware of what the Place Riel expansion would entail. The most notable part of the Student Infrastructure Fee is *For the purpose of these terms of reference, a capital expenditure is defined as any purchase of equipment, furniture/fixtures, and leasehold improvements (including renovations and construction) over*

\$1,000. Essentially this means that every single week USC would have to make motions to approve small pieces of equipment and approving loan payments. In the event that over the summer USC does not meet. The USSU defaults on the loan payment the University gets upset and furthermore the provincial government gets upset and withdraws the underwriting and the USSU could lose the building. The language is struck out, which indicates Article 3 is suspended. This will not take away from the fund itself it is just for the purposes of the renovation. The Infrastructure Fee is not part of the USSU Operating Budget.

Councilor Knaus stated she is not in favour of this motion. She is uneasy about USC being taken out of the picture. The Infrastructure Fee is not part of the USSU operating budget but it is still student money and USC should decide how that money is to be spent. She noted that having USC approve \$1,000 is tedious. She suggested increasing the amount or having USC approve budgets. She is uneasy because USC should be accountable and transparent.

VP Ring stated USC made a motion to adopt a budget for this project of \$16 million. Then it was broke down to a construction budget of \$10.5 million and an architectural budget of \$5.5 million. The USSU can continue to break down the budget but it can't be done at this time because there is still so much unknown. Once Board 2 has approved the project the numbers can be broke down even more. It should be noted that last year USC approved Saunders and Evans as the architects for the project. In addition, to providing a project manager and a construction manager who is in charge of ensuring the funds are spent appropriately for this project. At any time over the next year he is sure that if the project manager were asked for a breakdown of the budget, it wouldn't be a problem. However, USC making a motion every week to approve expenses of \$1,000 is extremely tedious since USC gave the project manager authority to look after the money in the first place.

Councilor Harder asked what the role of USC will be during the renovation project?

President Pepler stated USC will be involved in a few different ways. The Place Riel Steering Committee and the Advisory Committee will be the main ways to be involved. That group will be putting together surveys and USC will pass them out to their colleges for feedback regarding esthetics and more specifics. If USC wants the budget could be presented weekly and councilors could review it online.

VP Ring stated he believes on Thursday, April 3rd Justin Wotherspoon will be presenting the new plans that will be sent to Board 2. He will do a complete presentation on what will be going into the new building. He encouraged councilors that April 3rd is the last USC meeting and it is important to attend that meeting.

Councilor McAuliffe stated understands having USC approve every \$1,000 expense will be tedious. However, she does want to stress the importance of transparency. She thinks it will be a good idea if USC could view a weekly or monthly budget.

Councilor Knaus asked councilors for suggestions to amend the motion. She wants to be assured USC will be involved in the project. She wants to know where this money is going since it is student money. She wants to see the motion amended.

Councilor Harder asked if the Executive Committee would approve weekly or monthly payment schedules.

VP Ring stated this would be allowing the project manager to make decisions about what needs to be paid. He has a process that he follows. He stated that having a quarterly budget wouldn't be a problem and KPGM would be doing the audits. He noted USC hired him so it isn't a problem to ask for these items in a quarterly interval.

Councilor Karkut stated he understands what Councilor Knaus is getting at; however, having USC approve a budget or costs every week is impractical. He suggested having a monthly or bimonthly review of what might be more beneficial to council. He asked if councilors even know what might be out of place on a project of this size.

Councilor Knaus stated she is not suggesting council approve a weekly budget. She just wants USC to be involved in the process.

Councilor McAuliffe asked if ??? \$300,000

VP Ring stated it is a hypothetical number. He noted the draws are \$300,000. If the number was \$500,000 and USC doesn't meet over the summer months the project gets delayed with the possibility of the managers pulling out. A motion should not be made about releasing monies for this project. A budget could be provided.

Councilor Knaus asked if the motion could be amended to state that a quarterly budget be provided to USC.

VP Ring stated this motion is speaking to the purpose of the funds and mentioning this would relate strictly to this project. Any student could ask for budgets at any time.

??? asked who will be making decisions during the summer months.

VP Ring stated it will be done in consultation with the Place Riel Steering Committee, the Executive and the Advisory Committee. Ultimately it will be the Project Manager who USC put all their faith into.

Move to amend the second paragraph under 1 Purpose to include: The funds collected through the Student Infrastructure Fee are to be maintained within a separate trust fund (Student Infrastructure Fund) managed by the USSU on behalf of past, current and future students. The fund is to be governed by the USSU's financial policies and practices. ~~All expenditures of funds require the approval of the USSU's University Students' Council (USC), as outlined below. No decision is valid until USC has given such endorsement.~~ In order to remain transparent the Executive or Project Manager will need to present a financial statement to USC to approve quarterly.

USC Motion156: McAuliffe/Karkut Carried.

Move to grant GM Cottrell speaking rights.

USC Motion157: Pepler/Horvey Carried.

GM Cottrell stated that a budget and financial statement is not the same thing. A budget is a projection of what the building will cost. A financial statement is a statement of what has been spent. She needs clarity on which item USC wants. She has to satisfy several people throughout this project, such as, the U of S, the Provincial Government and USC. The bills for this project, after approval, will go to Facilities Management, who will pay the bills, then FMD will invoice the USSU. The USSU will then write cheques back to the University. The USSU will not be paying the bills on this project. The University will be paying them on behalf of the USSU. For transparency reasons, the USSU has requested to view every single invoice for the project. Once the project is underway, anyone is welcome to view the binders full of invoices at the USSU office at any time. The accountants and auditors, both provincial and university level, will audit on behalf of USC. Financial statements will be available throughout the project and she could likely provide a budget summary. The budget for this project will be huge.

VP Steeves asked if it is possible to have the auditors provide some sort of documentation?

VP Ring stated the USSU auditors would do a presentation at the USSU Annual General Meeting.

VP Steeves asked about the accountants.

GM Cottrell stated that there is a dedicated accountant provided by the U of S who will be working entirely on the project. The USSU has not hired another accountant because the University is paying the bills and has provided one. If USC feels hiring another accountant is necessary it could be done.

Councilor McAuliffe thought the discussion is based on the Student Infrastructure fee. She asked for clarification on whether more was being discussed.

VP Ring stated that every invoice coming through for this project would be paid through the Student Infrastructure Fee.

Councilor Mitchell asked whom USC should go to if they come across something suspicious on the financial statement.

Chair Leisle stated USC should take questions or concerns to the Executive or the USSU Administration.

VP Ring stated that if a concern were brought up it would be justified. The Executive or Justin Wotherspoon, Project Manager, would then justify the concern to USC.

Councilor Cote stated that the original motion gives autonomy to the project. The original motion states that there would be audits performed and the amendment seems redundant. The project manager could just be invited to USC quarterly to provide USC with financial statements.

Councilor Knaus stated that any motion USC makes dies at the end of the term. It is important to keep it in the policy. She does not feel it is unreasonable to have someone speak at council a few times a year. At the end of the day this is the student's building; therefore it is USC's job to be accountable.

VP Steeves stated she agrees with Councilor Knaus.

VP Ring asked if the audit would be considered a review.

Chair Leisle stated it is his interpretation that the audit would have to be brought to USC.

7. New Business

7.1 USSU Budget

VP Ring stated that on March 27th USC will be voting on the USSU budget. If anyone has any concerns just ask or attend the Budget Walkthrough on March 19th. A PDF of the budget was sent to USC and a copy is available on the USSU website.

Councilor Harder asked if hard copies are available.

VP Ring stated that as per the email he sent out printed copies must be requested.

7.2 Student Fee Increase

VP Ring stated that every year the USSU Student Fees increase by 5 percent to keep with CPI. CPI is 4.9 percent this year and the USSU has to pay a 1 percent Administration fee; therefore the USSU is actually losing 0.9 percent. USC will vote on this next week.

Councilor Knaus asked how much that fee would be increased.

VP Ring stated that if the USSU collects \$800,000 from student fees at 5 percent, will equal \$40,000. It will cost each student \$2.53.

8. Questions and Comments

President Pepler stated that CUPE 1975 has requested a list of members including students who crossed the picket lines in order to blacklist them from applying for Executive positions. USC has to protect the students. The USSU is going to speak with Glenn Rose, President of CUPE 1975, who is very understandable. He asked councilors to inform him if any CUPE 1975 students are being harassed in way and to inform the Executive.

VP Steeves reminded councilors that the USSU Film Festival is tomorrow night at Louis'. Admission is free and the show begins at 7:30 p.m. President Pepler will be hosting the event.

Councilor Atkin thanked everyone who participated in the Pie-throw. It was a huge success and the two-day total was \$3,800.

Councilor McAuliffe thanked everyone who was involved with the Five Days event. It raised a lot of awareness. She especially thanked Councilor Kuspira who slept outside and helped raise \$120.

VP Levesque stated the Provincial Budget is being released next Wednesday, March 19th. She will be taking the USSU van and still has room if councilors are interested.

Councilor Knaus thanked everyone who attended the Carnival of Solidarity last week. It was a big success and \$1,600 was raised for local charities in Saskatoon.

9. Any Other Business

9.1 Budget Walkthrough

VP Ring reminded council that the Budget Walkthrough is on Wednesday, March 19th in Arts 217 at 6 p.m. The USSU would be presented to the students. He would not go through the entire budget because he is not sure if council wanted to sit for six and a half hours to listen to the entire budget. He encouraged council to come with questions.

President Pepler thanked everyone for attending the BOGPAM (Board of Governors Public Accountability Meeting). He put the proposal through to the Board Governors so students could attend and have their voices heard. Several students and councilors did attend the meeting. The public meeting will continuously happen in March. It is a great way to find out about the BOG. He thanked those who attended.

10. Adjournment

Move to adjourn.

USC Motion158: Karkut/Atkin

Carried.

Executive Committee
Minutes for Monday, March 17, 2008

Present: James Pepler, Lindsey Levesque, Jeremy Ring, Josie Steeves

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 1:43pm

2. Call for Quorum

Quorum was present

3. Round Table

President Pepler

- Coke Steering Committee
- Executive meeting
- Judicial Processes with Lea Pennock
- Code of Conduct
- Karaoke
- Regular office stuff
- Class
- Loads of prep work for BOG
- Board of Governors Public Accountability Meeting (BOGPAM!)
- Actual Board of Governors for Thursday and Friday
- Canada AM
- Pie Throw
- Class
- Student Code of Conduct Working Group
- Student Services Enhancement Fee Meeting
- Photos
- Place Riel Student Advocacy Committee
- CUPE 1975 defenses
- USC
- 5 days for the Homeless
- Helped clean up a prank at Edward's
- Hosted the International Film Festival
- Emergency Loans Meeting
- Loads of Media Spots
- Policy Reviews

VP Levesque

- 1/2 Sick Day
- Volunteer at the Women's Centre
- EDO

- Communications Meetings
- Meeting with Jordan Brown from ACE Saskatchewan
- Going For Gold Roundtable
- Board of Governors Accountability Meeting
- CFS-SK Meeting
- Get Rich By 30 Financial Seminar
- COMM 387
- Engineering Pie Throw 2008
- External Affairs Board Meeting
- Volunteer at Help Centre
- SAHRP Luncheon
- Executive Photos
- USC
- IACC Meeting

VP Ring

- Experience in excellence award meeting
- Op/fin board
- modeling for rent
- Design team meeting
- Global Commons/Computer Store meeting
- Globalization Coffee House
- Communications Meeting
- Louis'/Browsers planning meeting
- Candidate meeting
- USC
- Op/fin budget meeting
- Op/fin board meeting
- Got pi'ed in the face
- Election meeting
- Executive pictures
- January Accountabilities
- Enhancement fund meeting
- PRSAC
- Help Center interview
- Communications meeting
- Housing registry meeting
- USC
- March EDO
- BOCP
- Exec

VP Steeves

- Admin Team
- DISOrientation Planning Meeting
- DISOrientation (x2)

- Pride Centre Volunteering
- Bookstore Steering Committee
- Film Festival Screening
- USC
- Student x2
- CFS Provincial Component Meeting
- ADO
- Exec Photos
- Meeting with Pauline Melis RE: Integrated Plan Document
- Women's Centre Volunteering
- University Learning Centre Steering Committee
- Teaching and Learning Foundational Document Committee
- Awards in Excellence Meeting
- Academic Affairs Board
- Academic Programs Committee
- Film Festival
- Brunch with VP Research
- BOCP
- Student Advocacy Network

4. Funding Requests

Saskatoon Nursing Student Society has requested funding for an up coming event.

EXEC70 Ring/Pepler	Move to sponsor the SNSS Event for a \$50 gift Certificate to Louis' and \$25 in USSU merchandise.
	Carried

5. Housing Survey

This will be done when VP Kenney returns.

6. Advertising

The Housing Registry is currently being revamped. When this is complete the registry will be advertised on the Plasmas.

7. Sponsorship Requests

The aboriginal Student Centre has asked for sponsorship for Aboriginal Awareness Week.

EXEC71 Ring/Steeves	Move to grant the Aboriginal Students Club table space in the tunnel for Aboriginal Awareness Week.
	Carried

8. Policy Revisions

A reminder that policy revisions need to be done.

University Students' Council Agenda

Thursday, March 27th, 2008

- 1. Adoption of an Agenda**
- 2. Introductions and Announcements**
- 3. Council Address**
- 4. Minutes and Reports for Information**
 - 4.1 USC Minutes – March 20th, 2008**
 - 4.2 Executive Committee Minutes – March 24th, 2008**
 - 4.3 Academic Affairs Board Minutes and Report – March 20th, 2008**
 - 4.4 Appointments Board Minutes and Report**
 - 4.5 Board of College Presidents**
 - 4.6 Code of Ethics Disciplinary Committee Minutes and Report**
 - 4.7 Elections Board Minutes and Report – March 11th, 2008**
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 - 4.10 Student Issues Board Minutes and Report**
 - 4.11 Sustainability Board Minutes and Report**
- 5. Motions Arising from the Minutes and Reports**
- 6. Business**
 - 6.1 USSU Budget**
- 7. New Business**
- 8. Questions and Comments (30 minutes)**
- 9. Any Other Business**
 - 9.1 USC and BOCP year end Mixer**
- 10. Adjournment**

University Students' Council
Minutes for Thursday, March 20th, 2008

Present

James Pepler, President
Josie Steeves, VP Academic Affairs
Jeremy Ring, VP Operations & Finance
Lindsey Levesque, VP External Affairs
Jim Lawrence, Kinesiology
Tyler Olson, Arts & Science
Sheila Laroque, Arts & Science
Dylan Rose, Indigenous
Jessica Wales, WCVM
Tamara Knaus, St. Thomas More
Megan Harder, Nursing
Neil Karkut, Law
Warren Kirkland, Associated Res.
Keith Kuspira, Engineering
Michael Atkin, Engineering
Elvis Kambeitz, Education
Satoshi Shibota, International
Breanne Gentner, Education
Alexander Mitchell, Commerce
Katelyn McAuliffe, Commerce
Karla Horvey, Physical Therapy
Elyse Shultz, St. Thomas More

Also Present

Matt Leisle, USC Chair

Regrets

Kimberly Zubot, Pharmacy
Adam Abdulla, Dentistry
Nicole Kenney, VP Student Issues
Jean-Paul Cote, Agriculture

Absent

Nick Peti, Medicine

Meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm

1. Adoption of an Agenda

Move to amend the agenda to read 4.7 Elections Board Minutes - March 11th, 2008

USC Motion159: Harder/Pepler Carried

Move to adopt the agenda as amended

USC Motion160: Kirkland/Levesque Carried

2. Introductions and Announcements

President Pepler sent regrets for Councilor Zubot, Councilor Abdulla and VP Kenney.

VP Ring sent regrets for Councilor Cote.

VP Levesque announced that there were two presentations in the Legislative Assembly regarding USSU initiatives. The first was regarding the USSU Day of Action. The second was regarding the petitions that were signed and sent to

Regina with regards to Tuition. Cam Broten presented the petitions on our behalf and spoke about the Day of Action.

VP Levesque announced the tuition freeze has been continued for another year in the Provincial Budget. There was also 12 million dollars put into a graduate retention program. This is tuition rebate through taxes. There are various levels of rebate depending on the type and duration of your post secondary education.

President Pepler announced the housing issue was also addressed in the budget. The USSU, as well as other institutions, have put forward various initiatives. The government has promised to review this issue. This is very promising. Unfortunately there was no money put towards this issue. The responsibility to mitigate the problems that next year's students will face will fall to the University, the USSU and next years USC. Hopefully the message will get through to government.

Councilor Lawrence announced that the College of Kinesiology is hosting their annual road hockey tournament on April 4th. He extended an invitation to all other colleges. Funds raised will be going to Kid Sport Saskatoon.

Councilor Kuspira invited all those interested to the SESS lounge pub after USC.

Councilor Atkin mentioned there would also be food available.

VP Levesque reminded councilors that the Carnival of Sex is taking place at Louis' after the meeting.

Councilor Kambeitz reminded council that next week is Education Idol for all those who enjoy singing. There is also a Dodge Ball tournament on April 4th.

4. Minutes and Reports for Information

4.1 USC Minutes

VP Ring stated that on USC Motion 156 the financial report was not for approval, it was for quarterly review.

4.2 Executive Committee Minutes

Councilor Knaus enquired as to the content of the Coke Steering Committee meeting.

President Pepler stated that there are confidentiality agreements in place regarding this meeting.

4.7 Elections Board Minutes and Reports

Councilor Harder pointed out that there appears to be no motion for the ratification of the Presidential candidates. She also questioned the content of the minutes themselves. There is no elaboration on the content of discussions

regarding complaints brought to the Elections Board. Why is this not in the minutes? In light of the article in the Sheaf regarding Jeff Galbraith's resignation this should be included. Also mentioned in the article is the fact that the minutes had not been released yet. Now that those minutes will be released it does not help that the issue is not addressed.

Councilor Schultz is not sure why the motion to ratify the presidential candidates is not in the minutes. The ratification did take place. The reason that there are no comments on the complaints is that they were not addressed at that time. There was a second meeting held today. Those minutes will be available next week.

President Pepler stated that the article in the Sheaf came about because of leaked documents. The Elections Board cannot comment on leaked information.

5. Motions Arising from the Minutes and Reports

Move to adopt the minutes as amended

USC Motion 161: Levesque/Kuspira Carried

6. Business

6.1 Student Fee Increase

VP Ring moved that student fees for next year be raise by 5%. This would be an increase of \$2.53.

Debate on the motion

VP Ring stated that similar to other years this is an increase that will combat inflation.

Councilor Kambeitz asked if this was an increase for the year or per term.

VP Ring stated that this for the year.

Councilor Kirkland asked what was inflation this year?

VP Ring stated that the rate of inflation was 4.9%. Of the proposed 5%, 1% will go to administration for the collection of the fees.

Move to increase student fees for the 2008/09 year by 5%.

USC Motion162: Ring/Olson Carried

7. New Business

7.1 USSU Budget

VP Ring reminded council that they will be voting on the budget at the next USC meeting. He also thanked all councilors that attended the budget walk through.

Chair Leisle reminded Councilors that they need to review the budget, as it is a very large document. Also, if they have any questions to make sure and contact VP Ring or another member of the executive ahead of the meeting next week.

8. Questions and Comments

President Pepler Stated how impressed he was with the amount of fund raising and good works the student politicians are doing. He also thanked everyone for allowing him to be involved when possible.

VP Steeves reminded everyone about the email that was sent regarded the Integrated Planning meeting next week.

Councilor Horvey raised the point that in previous elections Councilors were encouraged to remain neutral. Councilor Horvey brought up the fact with so many Face Book groups popping up and people being invited to join how will this effect the neutrality of Councilor's and MSC's. Is it still the opinion that all MSC's should be neutral?

President Pepler replied that any electronic communication is extremely difficult to monitor. Councilors also have to remember that they are also students and as such have certain rights around elections. President Pepler cautioned Councilors about endorsing candidates when they are speaking as a councilor.

Chair Leisle stated that there are issues with people using their position to leverage votes for a candidate. There are guide lines in the Code of Ethics.

VP Levesque recommended that if you are interested in joining a Face Book group that you could apply on all groups. It is a good comparison tool.

Councilor McAullife extended her thanks and gratitude to everyone who helped with the 5 Days for the Homeless Fundraiser.

9. Any Other Business

VP Ring gave a brief update on the USSU Financial status. There is now a surplus of aprox. \$176,000.00.

10. Adjournment

Move to adjourn

USC Motion163: Aitkin/Ring

Carried.

Executive Committee
Minutes for Monday, March 24th, 2008

Present: Jeremy Ring, Lindsey Levesque, James Pepler, Caroline Cottrell

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 1:00pm

2. Call for Quorum

Quorum was present

3. Round Tables

President Pepler

- Student Advocacy Network
- In Regina for the Budget
- Loads of Media spots
- President's Breakfast
- Work for the Aboriginal Awareness Week
- USC
- Karaoke
- Good Friday
- Work on Place Riel Survey
- Punching Babies
- Campaign Surveillance
- Mails, calls, and walk-in student concerns

VP Ring

- Financials (Jan.)
- Pride Center interview x2
- Election forum
- Review HR Resumes
- Election forum
- Budget Walkthrough
- Presidents Breakfast
- Review Pride Centre Candidates
- Sustainable Purchases Meeting
- USC Meeting
- Election Forum

VP Levesque

- Sick Day
- Provincial Budget Release-Regina
- Volunteer at the Pride Centre

- USC
- COMM 387
- Executive Committee Meeting

VP Steeves

- Admin Team
- EDO
- President's Breakfast
- AAB
- USC
- ½ Vacation Day
- Good Friday

VP Kenney

GM Cottrell

- Meeting with Campus Safety
- HR Meetings
- Website design meeting
- Annual Report design meeting
- USC
- Executive Meetings
- Design team meetings
- Meeting with university re. financial control process for renovation/expansion
- Communications meetings
- Executive Photos
- Election meetings X 3
- ACUI conference in New Orleans – March 15th – 19th

4. Campus Club Late Fees

President Pepler asked for information from VP Ring regarding campus clubs who are late putting in their request for events/insurance forms. He noted that there are too many clubs who are not following the rules but who are, instead, appearing at the front desk three or four days before the event and needing rushed assistance. He wondered if any deterrent could be implemented to prevent this from continuing, particularly since it has the potential to seriously compromise student activities. VP Ring agreed that this is a problem for the USSU and has noted that he is taking a firmer stance. Groups who do not bring their forms in on time will not be able to get the insurance they need to hold the event.

5. Location of USSU Offices

GM Cottrell passed on a request from the architects for a final decision on the location of the USSU offices. There had been some discussion about moving the USSU offices to the fourth floor, now that the University is building two additional floors. This would

allow the USSU to stick to their original plan for net square meters assigned to internal use. However, the revised second floor, since it is now larger, will allow the USSU to create much needed campus club/meeting space. GM Cottrell noted that this is outside the scope of the current budget. However, the interest rate is now lower and the USSU will have collected significant funds prior to terming out the loan. The USSU, the University's Financial Services Division, and First Nations Bank will need to have a more detailed discussion to determine how best to deal with this.

Academic Affairs Board

Minutes for Thursday, March 20, 2008

Present: Janna Wong, Josie Steeves, Megan Harder, Brett Suwinski, Warren Kirkland, Deepak Grover
Absent: J.P. Cote, Joel Schindel, Nicole Kenney

The meeting was called to order at 4:32 PM

1. Adoption of Agenda

- Wong/Kirkland
- Motion carried

2. Adoption of the Minutes

- Kirkland/Wong
- Motion Carried

3. Report of the Vice President Academic

- Filmfest: a big success!
- Trip to Vancouver; meeting with UBC AMS
- Report of AAO Suwinski - boards, students, website renewal

4. Business Arising

- Document Concerning Teaching Evaluations
 - It's good
- Teaching and Learning Document
 - Being taken to a committee meeting
- Second Integrated Plan
 - Full of vague statements
 - There is an open meeting March 25 at 12:30
- Goals (Brett)
 - Outlined document
 - The presentation should be performed at Orientation with a guitar
- Awards: March 30th, 1:30 pm Louis'
 - Show up or say that you can't
- A.S.S. Website Update
 - Josie and Brett met with USSU Communications Manager
- End of Year Par-tay
 - Karaoke

5. Questions and Comments

- Nothing

6. Any Other Business

- Nothing

7. Trivia

- How many people are running for USSU executive? (11)
- Member Wong first answered correctly

8. Adjournment

- Kirkland/Grover
- Motion carried (5:01 pm)

Elections Board

Minutes for Tuesday March 11, 2008

Present: Zena Charowsky (CRO), Jeff Galbraith (ACRO), Sheila Laroque, Ellyse Schultz Jasmine Liska, Jenna McQuid, Jason Ventnor (GMD, Ex-officio)

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order

Call for Quorum

Quorum was present

Ratification for Senate

Two students announced their desire to run: Yujing Gu and Todd Flavell

APPT01: Schultz/Liska Carried

Ratification for VP Academic

Brea Lowenberger

Scott Hitchings

APPT02: Schultz/ Laroque Carried

Ratification for VP Operations and Finance

Jeremy Ring

APPT03: Liska/ McQuid Carried

Ratification for VP External

Janna Wong

Nicole Kenney

APPT04: Liska/ Schultz Carried

Ratification for VP Student Issues

Shannon Dyck

Jean-Paul Cote

APPT05: Laroque/ Liska

Carried

Ratification for President

Josie Steeves

Tyler Olson

Tamra Knaus

Conrad “Tigger” Johnson

Discussion regarding complaints took place. The CRO has advised that ratification is procedural and that all candidates must be ratified if they have met all the set criteria for ratification.

All candidates are ratified pending academic standing check by GMD. Discipline will be dealt with at the next Election Board meeting.

2007-2008 USC Attendance

Name	May	June	July	August	Sept. 6	Sep.13	Sep.20	Sep.27	Oct.4	Oct.11	Oct.18	Oct.25
Abdulla, Adam	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	R	P	P	R	P	P
Atkin, Michael	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	P	R	P
Cote, Jean-Paul	NM	NM	NM	A	P	R	P	P	P	P	P	R
Gentner, Breanne	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P
Harder, Megan	NM	NM	NM	R	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P
Horvey, Karla	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Kambeitz, Elvis	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P
Karkut, Neil	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P
Kenney, Nicole	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P
Kirkland, Warren	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P
Knaus, Tamra	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Kuspira, Keith	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P
Laroque, Sheila	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA
Lawrence, James	NM	NM	NM	P	P	A	R	P	A	R	P	P
Leisle, Matt	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P
Levesque, Lindsay	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
McAuliffe, Katelyn	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P
Mitchell, Alex	NM	NM	NM	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	P	P	P
Olson, Tyler	NM	NM	NM	A	R	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Pepler, James	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P
Peti, Nick	NM	NM	NM	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	P	P	R	P
Ring, Jeremy	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Rose, Dilyn	NM	NM	NM	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA
Schultz, Ellyse	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P
Shibata, Satoshi	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Steeves, Josie	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	R
Wales, Jessica	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	A
Zubot, Kimberly	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P

P - Present; R - Regrets; A - Absence; NYA - Not Yet Appointed; NM - No Meeting

2007-2008 USC Attendance

Name	Nov.1	Nov.8	Nov.15	Nov.22	Nov.29	Dec.6	Jan.3	Jan.10	Jan.17	Jan.24
Abdulla, Adam	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P	P
Atkin, Michael	P	P	P	P	P	A	A	P	A	P
Cote, Jean-Paul	P	P	P	P	P	A	R	P	P	P
Gentner, Breanne	P	P	P	R	P	A	P	P	P	P
Harder, Megan	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P
Horvey, Karla	P	P	P	P	P	A	P	P	P	P
Kambeitz, Elvis	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P	P
Karkut, Neil	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Kenney, Nicole	P	P	R	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Kirkland, Warren	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P
Knaus, Tamra	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P
Kuspira, Keith	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	A	P
Laroque, Sheila	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	P
Lawrence, James	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	R	P	P
Leisle, Matt	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P	P
Levesque, Lindsay	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P	P	P
McAuliffe, Katelyn	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P
Mitchell, Alex	P	R	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	R
Olson, Tyler	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P
Pepler, James	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Peti, Nick	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P
Ring, Jeremy	P	R	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Rose, Dilyn	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	P	A	P	A	P	P
Schultz, Ellyse	P	P	A	P	P	A	P	P	P	P
Shibata, Satoshi	P	P	P	P	P	P	A	P	P	P
Steeves, Josie	P	P	P	R	P	P	R	P	R	P
Wales, Jessica	P	P	P	P	P	A	A	P	P	P
Zubot, Kimberly	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P	R	P

P - Present; R - Regrets; A - Absence; NYA - Not Yet Appointed; NM - No Meeting

2007-2008 USC Attendance

Name	Jan.31	Feb.7	Feb.14	Feb. 21	Feb. 28	Mar.6	Mar.13	Mar.20	Mar.27	Apr.3	
Abdulla, Adam	R	P	P	NM	P	P	P	R			
Atkin, Michael	P	P	P	NM	P	A	P	P			
Cote, Jean-Paul	P	P	R	NM	P	P	P	R			
Gentner, Breanne	P	P	R	NM	P	P	P	P			
Harder, Megan	P	P	P	NM	P	R	P	P			
Horvey, Karla	P	P	P	NM	P	P	P	P			
Kambeitz, Elvis	P	P	P	NM	P	P	R	P			
Karkut, Neil	P	P	R	NM	P	P	P	P			
Kenney, Nicole	P	P	P	NM	P	P	R	R			
Kirkland, Warren	P	P	P	NM	P	P	R	P			
Knaus, Tamra	P	P	P	NM	P	P	P	P			
Kuspira, Keith	P	P	R	NM	P	A	P	P			
Laroque, Sheila	P	P	P	NM	P	P	P	P			
Lawrence, James	P	P	P	NM	P	P	P	P			
Leisle, Matt	R	P	P	NM	P	P	P	P			
Levesque, Lindsay	P	P	P	NM	P	P	P	P			
McAuliffe, Katelyn	P	R	P	NM	P	P	P	P			
Mitchell, Alex	P	P	R	NM	P	P	P	P			
Olson, Tyler	P	P	R	NM	P	P	R	P			
Pepler, James	P	P	P	NM	P	R	P	P			
Peti, Nick	R	P	R	NM	P	P	P	A			
Ring, Jeremy	P	P	P	NM	P	P	P	P			
Rose, Dilyn	P	P	P	NM	P	P	R	P			
Schultz, Ellyse	P	P	R	NM	P	R	P	R			
Shibata, Satoshi	P	P	P	NM	P	P	P	P			
Steeves, Josie	P	P	P	NM	P	P	P	P			
Wales, Jessica	P	R	P	NM	R	P	P	P			
Zubot, Kimberly	P	P	P	NM	P	A	P	R			

P - Present; R - Regrets; A - Absence; NYA - Not Yet Appointed; NM - No Meeting

University Students' Council Agenda

Thursday, April 3rd, 2008

- 1. Adoption of an Agenda**
- 2. Introductions and Announcements**
- 3. Council Address**
 - 3.1 Presentation by Saunders Evans Architects**
 - 3.2 Accounting for Renovation – Sue Verhille-Long and Doug Tremble**
 - 3.2 Presentation by Caroline Cottrell on the Louis' Study**
- 4. Minutes and Reports for Information**
 - 4.1 USC Minutes –March 27,2008**
 - 4.2 Executive Committee Minutes**
 - 4.3 Academic Affairs Board Minutes and Report**
 - 4.4 Appointments Board Minutes and Report**
 - 4.5 Board of College Presidents**
 - 4.6 Code of Ethics Disciplinary Committee Minutes and Report**
 - 4.7 Elections Board Minutes and Report**
 - 4.8 External Affairs Board Minutes and Report**
 - 4.9 Operations & Finance Board Minutes and Report – April 1, 2008**
 - 4.10 Student Issues Board Minutes and Report**
 - 4.11 Sustainability Board Minutes and Report**
- 5. Motions Arising from the Minutes and Reports**
- 6. Business**
- 7. New Business**
- 8. Questions and Comments (30 minutes)**
- 9. Any Other Business**
- 10. Adjournment**

University Student Council
Minutes for Thursday, March 27th, 2008

Present

James Pepler, President
Josie Steeves, VP Academic Affairs
Jeremy Ring, VP Operations & Finance
Nicole Kenney, VP Student Issues
Michael Atkin, Engineering
Shitoshi Shibata, International
Neil Karkut, Law
Kimberly Zubot, Pharmacy & Nutrition
Dylan Rose, Indigenous
Adam Abdulla, Dentistry
Megan Harder, Nursing
James Lawrence, Kinesiology
Jean-Paul Cote, Agriculture
Tamra Knaus, St. Thomas More
Jessica Wales, WCVM
Alex Mitchell, Commerce
Katelyn McAuliffe, Commerce
Warren Kirkland, Associated Residence
Sheila Laroque, Arts & Science

Also Present

Matt Leisle, USC Chair
Caroline Cottrell, USSU GM
Amanda Mitchell, USSU Controller

Regrets

Breanne Gentner, Education
Karla Horvey, Physical Therapy
Elvis Kambeitz, Education
Tyler Olson, Arts & Science
Lindsey Levesque, VP External

Meeting was called to order at 6:05 pm

1. Adoption of an Agenda

Move to amend the agenda to read 4.7 Elections Board Minutes – March 11th & 20th, 2008.

USC Motion 164: Ring/Steeves Carried.

Move to adopt the agenda as amended

USC Motion 165: Ring/Kirkland Carried.

2. Introductions and Announcements

President Pepler sent regrets on behalf of Councilor Gentner, Councilor Horvey, Councilor Kambeitz, and Councilor Olson.

President Pepler extended his congratulations to the USSU Executive Elect. He also commended those who were in any way involved in the elections process.

Councilor Cote introduced the new MCS from agriculture Chelsey Tomcala.

VP Kenney sent regrets on behalf of VP Levesque.

VP Kenney also reminded everyone of the petition that she is working on and thanked everyone that has been helping. The petition is calling for a \$2.00 per term student fee to go towards green energy options on campus. Each student would pay \$1.00 per term and administration would match that. There is a requirement of 2000 signatures to have a referendum on this.

VP Ring introduced Amanda Mitchell, Controller for the USSU.

Councilor McAuliffe extended a Happy Birthday to Councilor Mitchell.

4. Minutes and Reports for Information

4.7 Elections Board Minutes and Reports – March 11th & 20th, 2008

Councilor Harder requested a brief recess to review the minutes.

Move to take a five (5) minute recess

USC Motion166: Harder/Pepler Carried.

Recessed at 6:10pm

Back to order at 6:15

Member Hamilton stated his disappointment with the Elections Board's decision to not disclose the further discussions surrounding certain complaints. These should be made public. If people are running for a public office they must be willing to face any ramifications from their actions.

5. Motions Arising from the Minutes and Reports

Move to adopt the minutes as presented.

USC Motion167: Ring/Kirkland Carried

6. Business

6.1 USSU Budget

Debate

Councilor Karkut stated his belief that the money being spent on the purchase of 4 additional Plasma Screens could be put to better use elsewhere in the budget.

Councilor Harder questioned the decrease in funding to grants. She enquired if the number of applicants had dropped.

Councilor Harder also questioned the "drastic" change in the Browsers budget.

VP Ring responded that the Browsers Budget is based on actuals up to December 31st and then estimated through the rest of the year. Some of the contributing factors to the decrease this year were not receiving the book list from

the book store, there were a large number of new additions to the book list and the Bookstore was buying back more text books.

VP Ring responded that the biggest part of the decrease in Student Grants is due to the loss of funding from Coca-Cola. There will no longer be \$2000 in product to distribute; there is also a loss of \$5000 in direct funding. Another contributing factor is that Campus Legal Services will no longer be located in the MUB Building. They will still be granted an operating budget.

Councilor Knaus stated that she felt that unless there was direct proof that the plasma screens were being used by students that there should be no more money spent on their purchase. She feels that the plasmas have not reduced the amount of paper waste by replacing posters and that there is mismanagement of the current screens.

Councilor Knaus also raised concern about the decrease in salary for the Victim Advocate position. This represents a decrease in hours over the summer months. She encouraged that this line be increased to keep the hours up over the summer.

VP Ring stated that every ratified student group has the opportunity to use the plasma screens for advertising at no cost. There has been a decrease in USSU Buzz Boards directly affecting the number of posters going up around campus. Management of the Plasma Screens has been discussed with IT and is being addressed. IT will also address having the Plasmas go into a “sleep” mode in non-peek viewing times. This will conserve energy for the long term.

VP Ring stated that the Federal Government previously funded the Victim Advocate position. When the USSU took over the funding of this position the intention was to have the hours run at 75% during the summer. After discussions with the HR Manager the decision was made to decrease the hours to 50% for the summer months. The time in the summer is proportionate to the number of students on campus. There is the option to have volunteers in that office to cover off some of those hours.

Councilor Laroque stated that she believed some issues that students bring to the Victim Advocate are left until the summer months. As a person that has sought the advise of the Victim Advocate she is glad that there are not volunteers and that it is just the one person that can see her file. It is a very different type of service that is being provided.

VP Kenney stated that the current Plasma screens and the ones that are proposed in the budget would be obsolete in a few years. From one on one discussion with students during campaigning the consensus is that very few students take the time to read the advertising on the plasma screens. She feels that this is an inappropriate use of student money.

VP Ring asked that the comment be quelled and struck. The funds do not come from student fees. The money is coming from investments that have matured and are then allocated to a certain budget.

The issue of eliminating the buzz boards and moving to a more sustainable means of advertising was dealt with by USC four years ago.

VP Kenney stated a lot of energy and resources goes into running the Plasma screens. Just because the decision was made four years ago does not make it the right decision. Perhaps this issue needs to be revisited and have student input.

Councilor Harder stated that a lot of students do not know what the USSU stands for. She feels there is a need to examine the USSU's out reach and the methods of advertising.

Councilor McAuliffe asked if it was possible to move some of the money from the plasma budget to the Victim Advocates budget line?

VP Ring point of information. This is not possible.

VP Steeves made the suggestion that an amendment be made so that the process can move forward.

Move to amend the budget to strike the expenditure for Plasma Screen Televisions.

USC Motion 169: Karkut/Knaus Defeated.

Debate on the amendment:

Councilor Cote stated that the Plasma Screens are a great way to get the USSU out to the students. Many of the outlying colleges rely on these for information about what the USSU is doing for all students. There is a need for several types of advertising. His feeling is that these represent a more sustainable option than paper posters. The life span of a Plasma Screen can be upwards of 10 years; in this time the amount of waste that they will divert out of recycling is huge. The power consumption should be negligible, especially considering the measures taken by VP Ring. He feels this is an excellent use of budget monies.

VP Steeves asked as a past MSC and having to have this explained several times, if someone could please explain the difference between an operating budget and a capital budget? Also, if someone could explain what the revenue is from the advertising on the Plasmas.

VP Ring explained that a Capital budget is to enhance the operation and services of the USSU. This is a one-time expenditure and then it moves into the operating budget through various means. The operating budget outlines what is being spent and what is being gained from the operations themselves.

VP Ring stated that he did not have the exact amount of money raised from advertising on the Plasma Screens. He further explained that this is revenue that would not be possible with Buzz Board advertising.

Councilor Harder

Move to grant Caroline Cottrell speaking rights.

USC Motion 170 : Harder/Kaspira Carried.

GM Cottrell clarified that there are five (5) plasmas currently waiting to be installed. These were purchased in the last budget year.

VP Steeves enquired as to the locations that these Plasma Screens will be placed in.

GM Cottrell stated that there are still negotiations going on with Facilities Management. Vet. Med, Kinesiology and Engineering will most likely be receiving a Plasma Screen. There has not been an update lately from the Communications Manager about negotiations with Facilities Management.

??? Point of information. Where will the next set of Plasma Screens go?

GM Cottrell replied that this years Plasma Screens have been scheduled for Education, The MUB Building main floor, Edwards School of Business and the new Academic Health Sciences Building.

Member Hamilton asked if there a correlation in the number of posters now being printed and the reduced number of Buzz Boards? What Buzz Boards are going to be eliminated?

VP Ring stated that there is typically one Buzz Board in each building. As Plasma Screens are placed in the buildings that corresponding Buzz Board would be removed.

Member Hamilton asked what the cost savings would be?

VP Ring stated that the exact number is unknown. However, they will not have to pay someone to replace posters each week. This costs \$9.00 per hour.

Councilor McAuliffe stated that the intentions of the Council four years ago might have been good. However that is not an adequate reason to carry on with the purchase of these Plasma Screens. She reiterated the need for various types of media for advertising.

President Pepler reminded council that these plasma Screens are being used to engage the students of this University. That is a huge positive. He also mentioned

that the budget has been out for two (2) weeks and VP Ring had done two walk-through meetings for USC and students, this type of discussion should have happened there, not at the eleventh hour.

GM Cottrell addressed Councilor McAuliffe's concerns. The staff takes its direction from the USC. The budget is based on the motions that are in place.

VP Ring spoke to the fact that he is speaking with campus groups on a daily basis. The feedback that he is getting from them is very positive regarding the Plasma Screens. Regarding changing the budget if there is a working budget change to look at he would welcome that. However a budget change is not something that can be done on the night on voting. There has to be an outline, etc. To address the sustainability issue this is being worked on with IT. They are looking at a timer system that will reduce energy consumption. The assumption that the plasmas will become obsolete is false. It is the computer that runs them. There is a plan in place each year to address this.

Councilor Knaus requested that the chair attempt to balance speakers 1 pro for 1 con. The plasma screens were discussed at council last year. Part of this discussion was around turning off the screens at night. Councilor Knaus spoke to the fact that it is her belief that these screens most likely came from China. This is a very long distance and not very sustainable. They also do not break down in the dump like paper. Councilor Knaus stated that she still felt that this was an ineffective way to talk to students. This is based on the students that she has talked to. Councilor Knaus stated that yes there were 2 walkthroughs of the budget however most councilors are fulltime students, there were USSU elections and college elections and councilors are people too.

VP Ring point of information. What are those other means of communicating with students?

Councilor Knaus suggested that speaking one-on-one with students is a lot more effective. As an MSC it was her understanding that that would be part of the job.

VP Kenney stated that part of the reason that this is coming to council last minute is due to the fact that when she spoke to students regarding the green energy plan there was concern voiced about the Plasma Screens. The question should be what is more useful to students? It is true as the USSU we need to diversify the ways that we communicate with students but this should not mean just buying more screens. VP Kenney suggested that a motion be brought to transfer the money that would be used to purchase the Plasma Screens into the Green Energy Fund.

VP Ring point of information. That is not allowable.

Chair Leisle spoke to the process of the amendment already before council and under debate. He also clarified that if this money was not spent on the Plasma

Screens that it would return to the Capital Budget not the Operating Budget. Therefore VP Kenney's proposed motion is out of order.

Move to call the question

USC Motion171: Lawrence/Ring Carried.

Chair Leisle clarified that the following debate would be on the motion to pass the USSU budget.

Councilor Knaus

Move to level out the wages of the Victim Advocate for the summer months.

VP Ring point of information. What does "Level Out" mean?

Councilor Knaus clarifies that this would mean keeping the hours through the summer consistent with the hours during the school year.

Move to increase the Victim Advocates hours up to 75% time through May and June.

USC Motion172: Knaus/Laroque Defeated

VP Ring stated that there is room in the budget to do this. However, the Victim Advocate has accepted a letter from the USSU HR Manager accepting this change as outlined in this budget.

GM Cottrell stated that there is a request before the HR department to do a review of the Centres. This will ensure that they are working optimally and at maximum efficiency. The cut back was based on statistical data that was available to date.

Chair Leisle clarified that if this motion goes ahead the money will be put into the Victim Advocate budget. However, the decision on whether or not to use it will be at the discretion of the HR Manager.

GM Cottrell was asked by the Controller to clarify that this will increase the deficit.

Councilor Cote asked what the actual cost would be if this motion carried?

VP Ring stated that to his recollection it was approximately \$1000.00 plus benefits.

Councilor Knaus stated that she felt that this is an essential service.

President Pepler stated that it seems that everyone agrees that this is an essential service. The question should be is this money being well spent during this time.

Councilor Laroque wanted to know what the actual difference in hours would be? Also, what is the actual number of students being seen during the summer months?

VP Ring stated that it is a difference of 28.5 hours and 19hours. He also stated that he did not have the numbers of students using the VA office at this time.

GM Cottrell stated there are approximately one quarter the number of students on campus in the summer months as during fall and winter.

Member Hamilton asked if there were any numbers on the usage of the Centre? As well he enquired as to the feed back on the Plasma Screens.

VP Ring stated that he does have numerous emails from campus groups regarding the Plasma Screens and their use. Regarding the Victim Advocate the number that have been collected in the past show that statistically the Centre is used less in the summer.

Councilor Atkin asked if anyone had spoken to Joanne herself regarding her perspective on this cut.

VP Ring point of information. The Victim Advocate accepted a letter from the HR Manager regarding this cut.

Councilor Knaus stated that she had spoken to the Victim Advocate and one thing that was brought up was the fact that the number of new cases may be down, but the work on past cases does continue.

VP Steeves stated that the debate should not be centered on whether the Victim Advocate is needed. There are other advocacy workers within the USSU. One of those is the Academic Affairs Officer. His hours are also decreased in the summer. This is the norm through out the organization.

Councilor Laroque stated that yes everyone is in agreement that this is an essential service. The issue is that the Victim Advocate is able to process and help immediately on issues that require quick action. Therefore the more hours she is able to be there the more effective she can be on these timely matters. If this motion passes her hours will be dropped to 4 hours a day. This time must include all of her meetings, etc.

VP Ring stated that the Victim Advocate had spoken to the HR Manager to request Fridays off so that she could look for additional work over the summer, even at the 28.5. Obviously there is not as great a need for hours in the summer if she herself is willing to be closed on Fridays.

Councilor Knaus felt that perhaps she was looking for another job because her wages are not that high.

Councilor Laroque had spoken to the Victim Advocate and she cannot live off 19 hours per week.

Point of information. This is a policy issue regarding hours.

No further debate. The motion voted on.

Further debate on the budget...

Member Hamilton questioned the amount of money paid to the University for "plant care".

VP Ring stated that that is actually governed by the University. This will not continue after the renovations.

Move that USC accept the USSU budget as presented.

USC Motion173: Ring/Pepler

Carried

For the record Councilor Knaus is opposed to the budget.

8. Questions and Comments

VP Kenney stated that on April 30th she would be organizing a swap meet. This will be open to students, staff and faculty at the University.

VP Steeves wanted to thank Councilor Kirkland, President Pepler, VP Ring and VP Kenney for attending the Integrated Planning event.

VP Steeves also announce that the General Academic Assembly will be held on April 8th at 12:00 to 1:30 in Convocation Hall. There must be 35 students in attendance to reach quorum. There has not been quorum since 1995.

President Pepler point of information. There has also not been enough faculty at these meetings to reach quorum.

VP Steeves encouraged all the Councilors to attend.

VP Steeves also thanked the Elections Board, Operations and Finance Board, VP Ring.

VP Steeves also announced that the Bookstore would finally supply the "Book List" to Browsers. Hopefully this will positively impact the Browsers Budget.

Election Board

Minutes for Thursday, March 27th, 2008

Present: Zena Charowsky (CRO), Robert Martz (ACRO), Ellyse Schultz (MSC), Sheila Laroque (MSC), Jasmine Liska (SAL), Jason Ventnor (GMD), Caroline Cottrell (GM)

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 4:25 p.m.

2. Call for Quorum

Quorum was present.

3. Election Issues

a) Fair Market Value (FMV)

All candidates were under FMV on campaign material.

Tamra Knaus	333.80
Conrad Johnson	150.00
Josie Steeves	218.00
Tyler Olson	248.40

Jeremy Ring	114.96
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Brea Lowenberger	236.44
Scott Hitchings	482.68

Shannon Dyck	63.35
Jean-Paul Cote	334.80

Nicole Kenney	102.30
Janna Wong	262.20

b) Receipts

All receipts were submitted and candidates were all below the \$500 maximum. Candidates will receive 50 percent of their campaigns costs, unless the EB issues any penalties.

c) PAWS

-There was a problem with candidate Ring's confidence vote. The candidate brought the issue to the GMD, and PAWS rectified the issue with no effect on the outcome. This took place 10 minutes after voting had opened.

-Problem with vote tab, some students did not have a tab. PAWS fixed the problem and re-sent the mass email to all undergraduate students with the

notification that some students may not have had the tab and that the problem was fixed. Bylaw 4, article 6.01 speaks to technical difficulties.

d) Senate

GM Cottrell reported on the Senate election.

The USSU General Manager and Senate Secretary made a second call for Senate in an attempt to have full representation of students on Senate. There were only two candidates after the first call for nominations. Senate also wanted to acclaim two current Senators, leaving two vacant seats and the second call produced four candidates. There were complaints from two of the four of this being unfair.

The second call must be from the Elections Board and the second call was not made by the EB therefore the second call is void and the original call for nominations must stand.

4. Violations and Complaints

- Shannon Dyck had 5 too many posters in the Tunnel.
- Nicole Kenney had 1 poster on a glass door pane in the Tunnel
- Nicole Kenney had 5 too many posters in the Arts Building
- Tamra Knaus had 1 poster in the Memorial Union Building and that is a Students' Union building that is to remain neutral

- Josie Steeves had 1 poster hanging in the STM student lounge. There is a bank of computers and on the "USSU Election: Violations" sheet (which was included in their Elections package), it states that posters cannot be hung up within 30 feet of a computer. Hers was about 4 feet on a pillar just in front of the bank of computers.

- General observation: Josie Steeves and Jean-Paul Cote each had 2 posters ripped down in the Tunnel. There were just sections or pieces left (enough to recognize who the poster was for). Josie Steeves and Jeremy Ring had posters taken down in the Arts building that were not in violation.

Violators will be sent an email pointing out that the violations occurred.

EB06:Schultz/ Laroque Carried

- Complaint about breach of confidentiality. Unsubstantiated.
- Complaint against candidate Ring's copyright infringement of Lord of the Rings poster. Original poster never went up, copyright image was not used. Ergo – there was no infringement

- Complaint about Conrad Johnson not allowed to speak first at forums.
Conrad went first on a number of occasions.
- Complaint regarding Senate election
Dealt with because of second call being invalid
- Complaint of early campaigning of Senate candidate.
Dealt with because of second call being invalid
- Complaint about Abe Stention
Facebook group pseudonym – complaint did not allege a violation of any bylaw or policy

5. Other Business

-Conrad Johnson apologized at the Engineering and Place Riel forums, on his Facebook group and website. Letter was sent to the Sheaf and confirmed by the Editor, but was not published in the most recent issue.

6. EB Recommendations

- Facebook and on-line communities need to be reviewed.
- Senate – Examine USSU/U of S relationship. Review Elections Bylaw and add clear information regarding Senate.
- Forums – Examine how they are done, ie where and when. GMD is exploring Youtube, Podcasts, Plasmas.
- Complaints procedure/Ratification
Need to be re-examined and re-evaluated.
- Punishments
What are they and need to fit the crime.

7. Ratified Candidates (pending complaints deadline)

President -	Josie Steeves
VP Academic –	Brea Lowenberger
VP Student Issues –	Shannon Dyck
VP External –	Nicole Kenney
VP Operations and Finance –	Jeremy Ring
Senate	Yujing Gu Todd Flavell

8. Next Meeting

After complaints deadline April 3, 2008

9. Adjournment

Operations & Finance Board

Minutes for Tuesday, April 1st, 2008

Present: Jeremy Ring, Jean-Paul Cote, Katelyn McAuliffe, James Pepler, Cody Casey

Regrets: Ellyse Schultz, Caroline Cottrell (ex-officio), Ana Carolina Melendez, Nicole Kenney, Tyler Olson

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 AM.

2. Call for Quorum

Quorum was present.

3. New Business

3.1 – Campus Group Ratification

Move that the Op/fin board ratify the Campus Green Party.

OFB Motion 48: Ring/Casey Carried.

3.2 – Campus Group Funding

Move that the Op/fin board grant funding in the form of a \$500 cheque to Campus Sustainability Network.

OFB Motion 49: Ring/McAuliffe Carried.

Move that the Op/fin board grant funding in the form of a \$100 cheque to Sierra Youth Coalition.

OFB Motion 50: Ring/McAuliffe Carried.

Move that the Op/fin board grant funding in the form of a \$100 cheque to Students Against Child Exploitation.

OFB Motion 51: Ring/Cote Carried.

Move that the Op/fin board grant funding in the form of a \$500 cheque to the Campus Green Party.

OFB Motion 52: Ring/Casey Carried.

4. Other Business

VP Ring noted that he received a ratification form from APALA, however there are fees owing from the group, and therefore we have to wait until monies are received to ratify them.

5. Next Meeting

This is the final meeting for the year!

6. Adjournment

Move to adjourn.

OFB Motion 53: Ring/McAuliffe

Carried.

Louis' Study 2007

In the 2007-08 Budget cycle provisions were made to undertake a systematic study of Louis'. For a number of years, and particularly since the renovation of 2003, Louis' has been subjected to significant criticism. Sadly, much of this criticism is based on erroneous assumptions, misinformation and an apparently pervasive belief shared by many that eating in the restaurant or drinking in the bar provides expertise on how to run them.

However, the USSU and the management of Louis' willingly concede that there may be any number of efficiencies, creative ideas or opportunities to be revealed. Thus, they fully support this study.

Scope

1. Philosophical: What is Louis'? When? To Whom ?

Since its inception in 1977 Louis' has undergone significant change and growth. In the process it has evolved to where it currently provides a number of services:

1. Full service restaurant 11am – 8pm
2. Student Pub – throughout its operating hours
3. Specialty nights for students – eg. \$1 Draftnights on Tuesdays
4. Special Events – eg. Spring Fling
5. Catering
6. Concerts
7. Beach Volleyball
8. Weddings
9. Griffiths Stadium Beverage Service

This diversity, while contributing significantly to Louis' consistently improving bottom line, has raised questions about the primary purpose of the student owned restaurant/bar. The 2006/07 Executive felt strongly that there needed to be more “fun” in their pub, but had difficulty defining exactly what that meant.

In order to more objectively analyze the role of Louis' should and could play the fundamental question of Philosophy must be addressed through a variety of mechanisms:

1. Survey (on-line)
2. Focus Groups
3. Input from USC
4. Executive input
5. Staff @ Louis' – cross section

2. Comparative

In addition to examining the philosophical particularities governing the unique experience of the USSU, this study will also seek comparative data. The management of Louis' and the USSU are frequently provided with anecdotal information about the relative success of one campus pub/restaurant or another, but when concrete information is sought that which has been provided through hearsay frequently proves to be inaccurate. There are also significant problems with the fact that the comparisons are often examining widely divergent operations. For example, the Lazy Owl in Regina is cited as being able to provide appropriate comparative data, but when this assertion is tested it is clearly fallacious, and on more than one count. Unlike Louis' the Lazy Owl does not have table service and so their staffing costs are considerably less than Louis'. Concomitantly, their service and the food they offer are lesser.

It is clear that there are no exact duplicates of Louis' in the Canadian student union universe and so comparisons will have to be made very judiciously but they can be made and will provide informative data. With the above caveat in mind, the study will examine operations which can be identified as being reasonably closely related in size, scope and population and will compare such factors as:

- Months/days/hours of operation
- Menus
- Numbers and types of employees
- Alcohol service
- Special events
- Sports events
- Expenses – how can costs be compared?
- Mandate

3. Operational

The study will also be mandated to examine all of Louis' operations on a strictly internal basis. These will include:

- Food services
- Beverage services
- Special events
- Catering
- Griffiths Stadium
- Beach Volleyball
- Concerts
- Theme nights
- Coco-loco

More highly refined questions will be developed as the study unfolds, but each area of the operation will be looked at as objectively and clinically as possible. This is the aspect of any study that normally causes the most anxiety among existing staff since their work will be subjected to close scrutiny. The intent in doing this is not to suggest inefficiency, but rather to look more closely at those things which are working exceptionally well and

propose ways in which success can be mirrored in areas of the operation which may not be as productive.

4. Financial

Comparative financial information will be manifested through the study of other SU's establishments, but this study will also seek to ensure that every dollar spent by the operation is well spent. Regular financial reviews and budget planning suggest this is happening as standard operating procedure, but economies may still be achievable. In addition to economies, and perhaps contradictorily, the survey must also be mindful of the Sustainability Policy. The various policies of the USSU make it absolutely clear that profit is far from the only motivating factor in any of our operations. A further desired outcome is longitudinal data to see if emerging patterns or trends can be identified.

2007-2008 USC Attendance

Name	May	June	July	August	Sept. 6	Sep.13	Sep.20	Sep.27	Oct.4	Oct.11	Oct.18	Oct.25
Abdulla, Adam	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	R	P	P	R	P	P
Atkin, Michael	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	P	R	P
Cote, Jean-Paul	NM	NM	NM	A	P	R	P	P	P	P	P	R
Gentner, Breanne	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P
Harder, Megan	NM	NM	NM	R	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P
Horvey, Karla	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Kambeitz, Elvis	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P
Karkut, Neil	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P
Kenney, Nicole	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P
Kirkland, Warren	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P
Knaus, Tamra	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Kuspira, Keith	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P
Laroque, Sheila	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA
Lawrence, James	NM	NM	NM	P	P	A	R	P	A	R	P	P
Leisle, Matt	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P
Levesque, Lindsay	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
McAuliffe, Katelyn	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P
Mitchell, Alex	NM	NM	NM	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	P	P	P
Olson, Tyler	NM	NM	NM	A	R	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Pepler, James	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P
Peti, Nick	NM	NM	NM	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	P	P	R	P
Ring, Jeremy	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Rose, Dilyn	NM	NM	NM	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA
Schultz, Ellyse	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P
Shibata, Satoshi	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Steeves, Josie	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	R
Wales, Jessica	NM	NM	NM	A	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	A
Zubot, Kimberly	NM	NM	NM	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P

P - Present; R - Regrets; A - Absence; NYA - Not Yet Appointed; NM - No Meeting

2007-2008 USC Attendance

Name	Nov.1	Nov.8	Nov.15	Nov.22	Nov.29	Dec.6	Jan.3	Jan.10	Jan.17	Jan.24
Abdulla, Adam	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P	P
Atkin, Michael	P	P	P	P	P	A	A	P	A	P
Cote, Jean-Paul	P	P	P	P	P	A	R	P	P	P
Gentner, Breanne	P	P	P	R	P	A	P	P	P	P
Harder, Megan	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P
Horvey, Karla	P	P	P	P	P	A	P	P	P	P
Kambeitz, Elvis	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P	P
Karkut, Neil	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Kenney, Nicole	P	P	R	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Kirkland, Warren	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P
Knaus, Tamra	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P
Kuspira, Keith	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	A	P
Laroque, Sheila	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	P
Lawrence, James	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	R	P	P
Leisle, Matt	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P	P
Levesque, Lindsay	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P	P	P
McAuliffe, Katelyn	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P
Mitchell, Alex	P	R	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	R
Olson, Tyler	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P
Pepler, James	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Peti, Nick	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P	P
Ring, Jeremy	P	R	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Rose, Dilyn	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	P	A	P	A	P	P
Schultz, Ellyse	P	P	A	P	P	A	P	P	P	P
Shibata, Satoshi	P	P	P	P	P	P	A	P	P	P
Steeves, Josie	P	P	P	R	P	P	R	P	R	P
Wales, Jessica	P	P	P	P	P	A	A	P	P	P
Zubot, Kimberly	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P	R	P

P - Present; R - Regrets; A - Absence; NYA - Not Yet Appointed; NM - No Meeting

2007-2008 USC Attendance

Name	Jan.31	Feb.7	Feb.14	Feb. 21	Feb. 28	Mar.6	Mar.13	Mar.20	Mar.27	Apr.3	
Abdulla, Adam	R	P	P	NM	P	P	P	R	P		
Atkin, Michael	P	P	P	NM	P	A	P	P	P		
Cote, Jean-Paul	P	P	R	NM	P	P	P	R	P		
Gentner, Breanne	P	P	R	NM	P	P	P	P	R		
Harder, Megan	P	P	P	NM	P	R	P	P	P		
Horvey, Karla	P	P	P	NM	P	P	P	P	R		
Kambeitz, Elvis	P	P	P	NM	P	P	R	P	R		
Karkut, Neil	P	P	R	NM	P	P	P	P	P		
Kenney, Nicole	P	P	P	NM	P	P	R	R	P		
Kirkland, Warren	P	P	P	NM	P	P	R	P	P		
Knaus, Tamra	P	P	P	NM	P	P	P	P	P		
Kuspira, Keith	P	P	R	NM	P	A	P	P	P		
Laroque, Sheila	P	P	P	NM	P	P	P	P	P		
Lawrence, James	P	P	P	NM	P	P	P	P	P		
Leisle, Matt	R	P	P	NM	P	P	P	P	P		
Levesque, Lindsay	P	P	P	NM	P	P	P	P	R		
McAuliffe, Katelyn	P	R	P	NM	P	P	P	P	P		
Mitchell, Alex	P	P	R	NM	P	P	P	P	P		
Olson, Tyler	P	P	R	NM	P	P	R	P	R		
Pepler, James	P	P	P	NM	P	R	P	P	P		
Peti, Nick	R	P	R	NM	P	P	P	A	R		
Ring, Jeremy	P	P	P	NM	P	P	P	P	P		
Rose, Dilyn	P	P	P	NM	P	P	R	P	P		
Schultz, Ellyse	P	P	R	NM	P	R	P	R	R		
Shibata, Satoshi	P	P	P	NM	P	P	P	P	P		
Steeves, Josie	P	P	P	NM	P	P	P	P	P		
Wales, Jessica	P	R	P	NM	R	P	P	P	P		
Zubot, Kimberly	P	P	P	NM	P	A	P	R	P		

P - Present; R - Regrets; A - Absence; NYA - Not Yet Appointed; NM - No Meeting