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“ There were thoughts on changing the VP (Student Life)'s title to 'Fun & Games' or 'Arts & Crafts.' ”

COUNCIL FORUM

Written by Kirsten Goruk

Students' Council usually meets every second Tuesday in the Council Chambers in University Hall at 6pm. Council meetings are open to all students. The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, 11 March. As per usual, there will be no food offered, and to this day that still kind of upsets us. We miss the hummus.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS PRESENTATION

Presented by Engineering councillor Prem Eruvbetine, the current issues facing international students were discussed. The services available to international students were explained and included an exclusive email network and the Transitions orientation program. Other topics covered included issues regarding housing and residence for students and the effect of the differential on the additional fees charged to international students to offset the rising cost of tuition.

Eruvbetine explained that he's currently investigating a recent rise in the differential. He's concerned by the fact that he has yet to find a government

paper trail that explains the increase.

At the end of the presentation, President Janz explained that the SU is actively thinking about the ideal vision for international students.

FINANCIAL HISTORY PRESENTATION

SU general manager Bill Smith covered the financial growths and trends from 1984 to present. Smith explained where the SU is doing well and what's planned for the future. While the SU will be paying for the most recent SUB expansion until 2013, projects for the future include a focus on programming needs for students, provision of student space, and the challenge of attracting student volunteers. Smith also cautioned the SU on possible future funding setbacks such as enrollment declines and illegalization of mandatory student fees.

During the question period that followed, Janz answered a question about the current state of Powerplant negotiations. He explained that following a recent meeting with U of A architects, work has begun on plans to turn the building into a versatile space for students. He said that he would have further information following the next meeting, which is scheduled for 25 February. With interest from stakeholders, Janz has hopes of being able to provide the space to students without

going into the red.

QUESTION PERIOD

Janz answered a question regarding a rumour that had surfaced about students' ability to pay tuition by credit card next academic year. Janz said that the University is investigating the issue. If implemented, the University would save money on bank charges. He went on to say that the SU has a number of concerns, including the fact that 50 per cent of students pay by credit card and many simply don't have the funds to pay their tuition outright each semester. A meeting with the Registrar's Office is scheduled for this Thursday.

Janz also responded to a question about the still-lingering Lister Hall and Residence Services issue, specifically where the proposed changes came from. He explained that to his knowledge, members of Residence Services were consulted before the order came down but at no point were students involved.

Another inquiry directed to Janz requested a general update on the Residence Services situation. He answered that while the end result was a success, the trust between students and student leaders and the administration has been shattered. Janz explained that tensions are still high, and there will be a follow-up.

CORRECTION & HOUSEKEEPING

In a recent case of shoddy student journalism, one of the authors of part three of the Gateway's "The Student Body" feature was misattributed as Jonathan Taves. If no amateur-hour issues had arisen, we wouldn't have fucked up, and the correct author, Tom Wagner, would have been credited.

But can you really blame us? Have you seen those two guys? They're both tall, lanky, strapping young lads. Okay, truth be told, Jon is the dark and handsome, mysterious type, while Tom (also known as T-Wag) is a vision of Nordic beauty, second only to Odin in days of yore. Silly of us to confuse them. It's been emotional.

Forgive us, Tom, for this egregious error. We would like to apologize to you, your family, your future sons, and your future sons' sons. May the pain we caused not last the ages.

Furthermore, we would like to apologize to our readers. I know this type of misinformation isn't what you expect from a fine publication like the Gateway. When you pick up a copy, you expect a certain *je ne sais quoi*. If you weren't aware, that's French for awesome newspaper.

We'll be taking Reading Week to reflect on the error of our ways. The next issue will be published on Tuesday, 26 February. We understand that you're not mad, just disappointed.

STREETERS afterdark

Compiled and photographed by Ryan Heise and Mike Otto

Today marks the release of the Gateway's annual Purity Test, with Reading Week right around the corner. What's the most impure thing you have planned for Reading Week?

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"I plan on going to Vancouver [...] and partying in the district where people shoot heroine. I don't really like to shoot heroine, but I'll watch people. Or support friends. I'm a little tired."

"Going to church to confess my sins." [Why is that so impure?] "It'll be my last resort, basically, for salvation. Drowning myself in holy water."

"Smuggle back coral from Hawaii."

"Not much, I'm going to Florida." [You're not going to do impure things in Florida?] "Pandas soccer is going to get pretty intensely impure in Florida."

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