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MEMORANDUM

TO: MEMBERS OF THE UNIVERSITY AFFAIRS BOARD

FROM: JIM DELANEY

**SUBJECT: COMPULSORY NON-ACADEMIC INCIDENTAL FEES:
INDIVIDUAL REQUESTS FROM STUDENT SOCIETIES FOR INCREASES BEGINNING
FALL, 2003**

Request from a number of student societies for the fee changes listed below have been received by the Office of Student Affairs. The applications have been reviewed and are recommended for approval.

Requests for fee increases from student societies must meet a number of requirements. Section 2 of the *Policy for Compulsory Non-Academic Incidental Fees* outlines the University's general expectations:

Requests to change the fee collected on behalf of a student society and requests for new fees shall be approved only when evidence has been presented that the request has been authorized by due constitutional process in the organization.

Where the amount of an increase in the fee charged is not greater than the year-over-year change in consumer prices for Ontario as measured by Statistics Canada (December-over-December) as of December 31 of the previous year, the request must be supported by the results of a previous referendum approving the principle of a cost-of-living adjustment. Where the amount of an increase in the fee charged is greater than the year-over-year change in consumer prices, the request must be supported by the majority of the society's members voting in a recent referendum.

The procedures for handling fee change requests (from the *Handbook for Student Societies* published by this office) also provide that requests for a fee increase must be supplied with the following:

Evidence that the request to change the existing fee (or to institute a new charge) has been authorized by due constitutional process of the organization. This evidence should include a copy



of or specific reference to the section of the society's constitution which relates to the mechanism for fee changes, minutes of the meeting at which the resolution to request the change was passed, details and results of any referenda related to the subject which may have been held within the division, and publicity given the matter to ensure that those who may be affected by the change are aware of the proposal, including size and purpose of the increase, and have had the opportunity to make their views known.

Normally, the administration intersects with these processes at two points. Initially, we ask student societies to consult with this office on the wording of referendum questions (with respect to clarity and technical language). The second point occurs after the referendum when the student society makes the formal request for a fee increase. The recommendation for approval is derived from the assessment of whether or not the society has met the requirements established in the *Policy* and the relevant procedures.

Occasionally, we are asked to look into complaints about referendum procedures and compliance with relevant portions of the society's constitution and/or by-laws. The results of these investigations play a significant role in the assessment of the request and the recommendation for approval.

The assessment of requests for fee increases is normally based upon the following expectations:

- 1) The student society must make the request in a manner consistent with the *Policy for Compulsory Non-Academic Incidental Fees* and the University's procedures for increases to student society fees;
- 2) There must be a positive result in a referendum for a fee increase (special conditions established by the society, such as quorum, must also be met);
- 3) The referendum question itself must be clear and provide enough information to students in order to gain a full understanding of the implications of the question and proposed fee for them;
- 4) The referendum must be held in a fair manner, advertised and promoted in a reasonable manner, and the members of each organization should be given a reasonable opportunity to vote; and
- 5) Each organization must comply with the provisions of its own by-laws, rules of procedure, and specific policies and procedures approved by the society's board or council.

Societies which have previously received approval (by referendum) from their members for an annual cost of living increase in the society's portion of the fee may request increases, upon approval by the society's board or council, of up to the previous Ontario December to December cost of living increase (consumer price index) calculated by Statistics Canada. The December 2002 consumer price index for Ontario was 2.8%.

The Students' Administrative Council (SAC), the Graduate Students' Union (GSU) and the Association of Part-time Undergraduate Students (APUS) may request increases in the designated portions of their fees for health plans at a rate established by approval of a previous referendum. SAC and APUS may request increases in their health plan fees of up to 10%. The GSU may request increases in the health plan

fee of an amount less than or equal to a health industry index.

It is important to note that when dealing with a student society request for a fee change, it is the society's own constitution, by-laws or established policies, that set the standards for acceptable results in referenda. In some cases, society constitutions establish a minimum voter turnout in order to consider a referendum result to be valid. The University has not established additional criteria with respect to valid referendum voter turnout.

Association of Part-time Undergraduate Students (APUS)

Background

The APUS fee has been \$30.18 per session (\$60.36 per fall/winter academic period) for part-time undergraduate students since 2002-03. The fee includes \$19.68 per session (including provincial sales tax) designated an accident and prescription drug insurance plan. Pursuant to consent by members in a previous referendum, APUS may request inflationary increases to the insurance plan portion of the fee of up to 10% upon approval of a resolution at the board and assembly of the society.

Requests

- 1) An inflationary increase in the accident and prescription drug plan portion of the fee.

At its meeting held on March 5, 2003, the APUS Assembly of Class Representatives approved a resolution to request a 10% increase in the accident and prescription drug insurance plan portion of the APUS fee. The APUS Board of Directors approved a similar resolution on March 28, 2003.

Summary of Changes:

See page 1 of Schedule 1: Student Society Fees (attached).

Recommendation:

THAT beginning in the fall 2003 session, the Association of Part-time Undergraduate Students fee be increased by \$1.96 per session, from \$30.18 to \$32.14, charged to all part-time undergraduate students.

Engineering Society

Background

The Engineering Society fee has been \$88.69 per session (\$177.38 per fall/winter academic period) for full-time Faculty of Applied Science & Engineering students since 2002-03. The fee includes \$19.32 per

session designated for the society and \$12.50 per session designated for the Engineering Career Office. The mandate to continue to charge the Engineering Career Office portion ends this year. Pursuant to consent by members in a previous referendum, the Engineering Society may request cost of living increases to the society’s portion of the fee upon approval of a resolution at the council of the society.

Requests

- 1) A cost of living increase in the society’s portion of the fee.

At its meeting held on April 5, 2003, the Council of the Engineering Society approved a resolution to request an 2.8% increase to the society’s portion of the Engineering Society fee.

- 2) A decrease of \$2.50 per session in the Engineering Career Office portion of the fee with a new mandate to continue to charge the fee through the 2004-05 fall/winter academic period.

A referendum was held on March 20 and 21, 2003, in which Applied Science & Engineering students were asked to support the decrease in the Engineering Career Office portion of the fee and continuation of the fee for the next 2 years. The wording of the question is as follows:

Preamble:

The Engineering Career Office is designed to provide career services specifically for students enrolled in the Faculty of Applied Science and Engineering. At present, all full-time undergraduate applied science and engineering students are charged \$12.50 per session (\$25.00 per fall/winter academic period) to support the office. The mandate to collect this fee ends this year.

The Engineering Society is seeking member consent to charge new a lower fee for the next two years. The proposed Engineering Career Office fee is \$10.00 per session (\$20.00 per fall/winter academic period) to support the costs of operating the office.

If the fee is approved, the total fee for the Engineering Career Office would be \$10.00 per session (\$20.00 per fall/winter academic period), and would be charged to all full-time undergraduate applied science and engineering students as part of the Engineering Society fee beginning in the fall 2003 session. The fee would be collected through the 2003-04 and 2004-05 academic periods.

Question:

Are you in favour of the collection of an Engineering Career Office fee, as part of the Engineering Society fee, for the next 2 years as described in the preamble?

The results of the referendum are as follows:

YES	295	60.8%	Number of Eligible Voters	3,687
NO	190	39.2%	Voter Turnout	485 / 13.2%
Spoiled/Blank	0	0.0%	Difference Between YES and NO	105 / 2.8%
TOTAL	485			

The society has submitted the required documentation and two officers of the society have signed a declaration certifying that the society has acted in an open and democratic fashion and in a manner consistent with its constitution and/or by-laws.

No complaints were received by this office concerning the referendum or the request for an increase.

- 3) The establishment of a new designated portion of the fee of \$1.00 per session for the Formula SAE Racing Team.

A referendum was held on March 20 and 21, 2003, in which Applied Science & Engineering students were asked to support the establishment in the Formula SAE Racing Team portion of the fee for the next 2 years. The wording of the question is as follows:

Preamble:

The Formula SAE Racing Team is a student run racing team that designs and builds a race car each year to compete in international competitions sanctioned by the Society of Automotive Engineers. At present, no fee is collected for the team

The Engineering Society is seeking member consent to charge new a fee for the Formula SAE Racing Team for the next two years. The proposed Formula SAE Racing Team fee is \$1.00 per session (\$2.00 per fall/winter academic period) to support the costs of the Team.

If the fee is approved, the total fee for the Formula SAE Racing Team would be \$1.00 per session (\$2.00 per fall/winter academic period), and would be charged to all full-time undergraduate applied science and engineering students as part of the Engineering Society fee beginning in the fall 2003 session. The fee would be collected through the 2003-04 and 2004-05 academic periods.

Question:

Are you in favour of the collection of a Formula SAE Racing Team fee, as part of the Engineering Society fee, for the next 2 years as described in the preamble?

The results of the referendum are as follows:

YES	286	59.0%	Number of Eligible Voters	3,687
NO	199	41.0%	Voter Turnout	485 / 13.2%
Spoiled/Blank	0	0.0%	Difference Between YES and NO	87 / 2.4%
TOTAL	485			

The society has submitted the required documentation and two officers of the society have signed a declaration certifying that the society has acted in an open and democratic fashion and in a manner consistent with its constitution and/or by-laws.

No complaints were received by this office concerning the referendum or the request for an increase.

Summary of Changes:

See page 1 of Schedule 1: Student Society Fees (attached).

Recommendation:

THAT beginning in the fall 2003 session, the Engineering Society fee be decreased by \$0.95 per session, from \$88.69 to \$87.74, charged to all full-time Faculty of Applied Science & Engineering students.

Graduate Students' Union (GSU)

Background

The GSU fee has been \$101.59 per session (\$203.18 per fall/winter academic period) for full-time School of Graduate Studies students and \$18.27 per session (\$36.54 per fall/winter academic period) for part-time School of Graduate Studies students since 2002-03. The fee includes \$26.27 full-time (\$13.14 part-time) per session designated for the society and \$6.27 full-time (\$3.14 part-time) per session designated for the Canadian Federation of Students (CFS) and the Canadian Federation of Students – Ontario (CFS-O). Pursuant to consent by members in previous referenda, the GSU may request cost of living increases to the society's portion of the fee and the CFS/CFS-O portion of the fee upon approval of a resolution at the council of the society.

Requests

- 1) A cost of living increase in the society's portion of the fee.

At its meeting held on February 24, 2003, the GSU Council approved a resolution to request a 2.8% increase in the society's portion of the GSU fee.

- 2) A cost of living increase in the CFS/CFS-O portion of the fee.

At its meeting held on February 24, 2003, the GSU Council approved a resolution to request a 2.4% increase in the CFS/CFS-O portion of the GSU fee.

Summary of Changes:

See page 2 of Schedule 1: Student Society Fees (attached).

Recommendation:

THAT beginning in the fall 2003 session, the Graduate Students' Union fee be increased by \$0.89 per session, from \$101.59 to \$102.48, charged to all full-time School of Graduate Studies students and by \$0.45 per session, from \$18.27 to \$18.72, charged to all part-time School of Graduate Studies students.

Faculty of Information Studies Student Council (FISSC)

Background

The FISSC fee has been \$50.00 per session (\$100.00 per fall/winter academic period) for full-time Faculty of Information Studies students and \$25.00 per session (\$50.00 per fall/winter academic period) for part-time Faculty of Information Studies students since 1995-96. The fee includes \$50.00 full-time (\$25.00 part-time) per session designated for a technology upgrade fund. The mandate to continue to charge the technology upgrade fund portion of the fee ends this year.

Requests

- 1) Continuation of the technology upgrade fund portion of the fee through the 2004-05 fall/winter academic period.

A referendum was held March 17 to 21, 2003, in which Information Studies students were asked to support the continued collection of the technology upgrade fee for the next 2 years. The wording of the question is as follows:

Question:

Are you in favour of a Student Technology Fund annual levy of \$100 for full-time students and \$50 for part-time students for the next 2 years?

The results of the referendum are as follows:

YES	70	87.5%	Number of Eligible Voters	265
NO	10	12.5%	Voter Turnout	80 / 30.2%
Spoiled/Blank	0	0.0%	Difference Between YES and NO	60 / 22.6%
TOTAL	80			

The society has submitted the required documentation and two officers of the society have signed a declaration certifying that the society has acted in an open and democratic fashion and in a manner consistent with its constitution and/or by-laws.

No complaints were received by this office concerning the referendum or the request for an increase.

Summary of Changes:

See page 2 of Schedule 1: Student Society Fees (attached).

Recommendation:

THAT beginning in the fall 2003 session, the Faculty of Information Studies Students' Council technology upgrade fund fee of \$50 per session charged to all full-time Faculty of

Information Studies students and \$25.00 per session charged to all part-time Faculty of Information Studies students be continued through the 2004-05 fall/winter academic period.

University of Toronto at Mississauga Residence Council (UTMRC)

Background

At present, there is no fee for the UTMRC.

Requests

- 1) The establishment of a new fee for a new student society of the University of Toronto.

A referendum was held March 31 to April 2, 2003, in which University of Toronto at Mississauga undergraduate residents were asked to support the collection of fee for the UTMRC. The wording of the question is as follows:

Preamble:

The University of Toronto at Mississauga Residence Council (RC) is seeking consent from undergraduate resident students at the University of Toronto at Mississauga (UTM) to establish a new student society of the University of Toronto and a new compulsory non-academic incidental fee for the society. At present, the RC does not receive compulsory fees from UTM residents.

If approved by this referendum and the University Affairs Board of the University of Toronto,

1) A new fee of \$20.00 per fall/winter academic period will be charged to all UTM undergraduate residents; and

2) RC will be established as a new independent student society of the University of Toronto and will operate subject to the terms and conditions of the RC Constitution (available for inspection at the UTM Residence Centre).

Question:

Are you in favour of the establishment of a new fee for the RC, and the establishment of RC as a new independent student society of the University of Toronto, as described in the preamble?

The results of the referendum are as follows:

YES	249	72.4%	Number of Eligible Voters	592
NO	95	27.6%	Voter Turnout	344 / 58.1%
Spoiled/Blank	0	0.0%	Difference Between YES and NO	154 / 26.0%
TOTAL	344			

The society has submitted the required documentation and two officers of the society have signed a declaration certifying that the society has acted in an open and democratic fashion and in a manner consistent with its constitution and/or by-laws.

No complaints were received by this office concerning the referendum or the request for an increase.

Summary of Changes:

See page 6 of Schedule 1: Student Society Fees (attached).

Recommendation:

THAT beginning in the fall 2003 session, a new fee of \$10.00 per session be established for the University of Toronto at Mississauga Residence Council charged to undergraduate residents at the University of Toronto at Mississauga.

Scarborough Campus Students' Union (SCSU)

Background

The SCSU fee has been \$41.08 per session (\$82.16 per fall/winter academic period) for full-time University of Toronto at Scarborough students and \$10.48 per session (\$20.96 per fall/winter academic period) for part-time University of Toronto at Scarborough students since 2002-03. The fee includes \$10.00 full-time (\$1.13 part-time) per session designated for the society, \$0.75 full-time (\$0.25 part-time) per session designated for a refugee student program, and \$30.33 full-time (\$9.10 part-time) for capital and operating costs of the University of Toronto at Scarborough student centre. The mandate to continue to charge the refugee student program portion of the fee ends this year. The original referendum approving the refugee student program portion of the fee also gave consent to the SCSU Board to periodically renew the mandate to collect. Pursuant to consent by members in previous referenda, SCSU may request cost of living increases to the society's portion of the fee and the student centre portion of the fee upon approval of a resolution at the board of the society.

Requests

- 1) A cost of living increase in the society's portion of the fee.

At its meeting held on March 4, 2003, the SCSU Board of Directors approved a resolution to request a 2.8% increase in the society's portion of the SCSU fee.

- 2) A cost of living increase in the student centre portion of the fee.

At its meeting held on March 4, 2003, the SCSU Board of Directors approved a resolution to request a 2.8% increase in the student centre portion of the SCSU fee.

- 3) Continuation of the student refugee program portion of the fee through the 2007-08 fall/winter academic period.

At its meeting held on April 1, 2003, the SCSU Board of Directors approved a resolution to request that the student refugee program portion of the SCSU fee be collected through the 2007-08 fall/winter academic period.

Summary of Changes:

See page 3 of Schedule 1: Student Society Fees (attached).

Recommendation:

THAT beginning in the fall 2003 session, the Scarborough Campus Students' Union fee be increased by \$1.13 per session, from \$41.08 to \$42.21, charged to all full-time University of Toronto at Scarborough students and by \$0.28 per session, from \$10.48 to \$10.76, charged to all part-time University of Toronto at Scarborough students; and that the student refugee program portion of the fee of \$0.75 full-time and \$0.25 part-time be continued through the 2007-08 fall/winter academic period.

Students' Administrative Council (SAC)

Background

The SAC fee is charged to all full-time undergraduate students on all campuses. The SAC St. George Campus (SAC-St. George) fee has been \$109.79 per session (\$219.58 per fall/winter academic period) since 2002-03. The SAC University of Toronto at Mississauga (SAC-UTM) fee has been \$110.04 per session (\$220.08 per fall/winter academic period) since 2002-03. The SAC University of Toronto at Scarborough (SAC-UTSC) fee has been \$106.04 per session (\$212.08 per fall/winter academic period) since 2002.03.

The fee includes \$10.62 per session designated for the society, \$37.80 per session (including provincial sales tax) for an accident and prescription drug insurance plan, and \$53.89 per session (including provincial sales tax) for a dental plan. Pursuant to consent by members in previous referenda, SAC may request cost of living increases to the society's portion of the fee and inflationary increases of up to 10% in the accident and prescription drug plan and dental plan portions of the fee upon approval of a resolution at the board of the society.

At present, the SAC fee includes a portion designated for radio activities. The radio portion of the fee is \$2.50 per session on the St. George and Mississauga campuses and \$0.50 per session on the Scarborough campus. \$2.00 per session in the SAC-UTM radio fee is designated for VIBE (Radio Erindale). \$0.50 per session in the SAC-UTM and SAC-UTSC fees and \$2.50 per session in the SAC-St. George fee is designated for University of Toronto Community Radio (CIUT-FM). Several years ago, the SAC-UTSC fee was reduced by \$2.00 per session and the a new fee of \$2.00 per session for Radio Scarborough was established.

The SAC-St. George fee currently includes a \$1.00 per session portion designated for Downtown Legal Services (DLS). The SAC-UTM and SAC-UTSC fees do not currently include portions designated for DLS.

Requests

- 1) A cost of living increase in the society's portion of the fee.

At its meeting held on April 13, 2003, the SAC Board of Directors approved a resolution to request a 2.8% increase in the society's portion of the SAC fee.

- 2) An inflationary increase in the accident and prescription drug plan portion of the fee.

At its meeting held on April 13, 2003, the SAC Board of Directors approved a resolution to request a 10% increase in the accident and prescription drug insurance plan portion of the SAC fee.

- 3) An inflationary increase in the dental plan portion of the fee.

At its meeting held on April 13, 2003, the SAC Board of Directors approved a resolution to request a 10% increase in the dental plan portion of the SAC fee.

- 4) An increase to the DLS portion of the fee on the St. George Campus and the establishment of designated portions for DLS in the SAC-UTM and SAC-UTSC fees.

A referendum was held on April 7 to 9, 2003, in which full-time undergraduate students were asked to support an increase in the DLS portion of the fee for St. George students and the establishment of DLS portions of the fee for UTM and UTSC students. The wording of the question is as follows:

Preamble:

Downtown Legal Services (DLS) is the University of Toronto's Student Legal Clinic, providing free legal assistance to students, including landlord/tenant, academic, and employment matters.

At present, all full-time undergraduate students on the St. George Campus are charged \$1.00 per session (\$2.00 per fall/winter academic period) for DLS as a designated portion of the Students' Administrative Council (SAC) fee. At present, 50% of the DLS fee is refundable. Currently, the DLS fee is not charged to University of Toronto at Mississauga (UTM) or University of Toronto at Scarborough (UTSC) students.

DLS and SAC are seeking consent from SAC members for an increase to the designated portion of the SAC fee for DLS on the St. George Campus and the establishment of new fees for DLS on the UTM and UTSC campuses. The proposed increase for all full-time undergraduate students is \$0.50 per session (\$1.00 per fall/winter academic period). In addition, it is proposed that 100% of the DLS fee be refundable.

If the increase is approved, the total fee for DLS on the St. George Campus would be \$1.50 per session (\$3.00 per fall/winter academic period) and the total fee for DLS on the UTM and UTSC campuses would be \$0.50 per session (\$1.00 per fall/winter academic period). The DLS fee would also be refundable during SAC's refund period and would be charged to all full-time undergraduate students as part of the SAC fee beginning in the fall 2003 session.

Question:

Are you in favour of an increase in St. George Campus Downtown Legal Services portion of the SAC fee, and the establishment of designated portions of the SAC fee for Downtown Legal Services on the UTM and UTSC campuses as described in the preamble?

The results of the referendum are as follows:

YES	574	52.4%	Number of Eligible Voters	37,266
NO	318	29.0%	Voter Turnout	1,095 / 2.9%
Abstention	203	18.5%	Difference Between YES and NO	256 / 0.7%
TOTAL	1,095			

No complaints were received by this office concerning the referendum or the request for an increase.

- 5) The establishment of a designated portion of the SAC fee for the University of Toronto Environmental Resource Network (UTERN).

A referendum was held on April 7 to 9, 2003, in which full-time undergraduate students were asked to support the establishment of a UTERN portion of the fee all full-time undergraduate students. The wording of the question is as follows:

Preamble:

The University of Toronto Environmental Resource Network (UTERN) is an umbrella organization comprised of student organizations, academic departments, programs and facilities, which promotes environmental practice and sustainability on campus while encouraging partnerships among groups and individuals.

UTERN and the Students' Administrative Council (SAC) are seeking consent from SAC members for an increase to the SAC fee for UTERN. The proposed increase is \$0.25 per session (\$0.50 per fall/winter academic period) and would be used for grants to support environmental projects across the University and UTERN's support of these projects. The fee would be refundable upon request.

If the increase is approved, the total fee for UTERN would be \$0.25 per session (\$0.50 per fall/winter academic period), refundable during SAC's fee refund period, and would be charged to all full-time undergraduate students as part of the SAC fee beginning in the fall 2003 session.

Question:

Are you in favour of an increase in the SAC fee for the University of Toronto Environmental Resource Network as described in the preamble?

The results of the referendum are as follows:

YES	756	69.0%	Number of Eligible Voters	37,266
NO	235	21.5%	Voter Turnout	1,095 / 2.9%
Abstention	104	9.5%	Difference Between YES and NO	521 / 1.4%
TOTAL	1,095			

No complaints were received by this office concerning the referendum or the request for an increase.

- 6) The elimination of the designated portions of the SAC fee for radio activities and the establishment of new separate fees for VIBE and CIUT.

(a) University of Toronto Community Radio Inc. (CIUT-FM)

A referendum was held on April 7 to 9, 2003, in which full-time undergraduate students were asked to support the elimination of the CIUT portion of the SAC fee and the establishment of a new separate fee for CIUT. The wording of the question is as follows:

Preamble:

University of Toronto Community Radio, Inc. (CIUT) is a campus community radio station, mandated as a non-profit alternative to mainstream radio, providing a forum for students and members of the community at large to deliver unique music and spoken word programming.

The Students' Administrative Council (SAC) and CIUT are seeking consent from full-time undergraduate students to separate the CIUT fee from the SAC fee. At present, the SAC fee includes a designated portion for radio activities. A specific portion of this radio fee is directed towards CIUT. On the St. George Campus the CIUT portion of the SAC fee is \$2.50 / session (e.g., \$5.00 per fall/winter academic period). On the University of Toronto at Mississauga (UTM) and University of Toronto at Scarborough (UTSC) campuses, this portion is \$0.50 per session (e.g., \$1.00 per fall/winter academic period).

If approved by this referendum and the University Affairs Board of the University of Toronto, 1) The SAC fee, charged to all full-time undergraduates, will be decreased by \$2.50 per session (e.g., \$5.00 per fall/winter academic period) on the St. George Campus and by \$0.50 per session (e.g., \$1.00 per fall/winter academic period) on the UTM and UTSC campuses beginning in the fall 2003 session; 2) A new fee for CIUT will be established at \$2.50 per session (e.g., \$5.00 per fall/winter academic period) for full-time undergraduate students on the St. George Campus and at \$0.50 per session (e.g., \$1.00 per fall/winter academic period) for full-time undergraduate students on the UTM and UTSC campuses beginning in the fall 2003 session; and 3) CIUT will be established as a new independent student society of the U of T and will operate subject to the terms and conditions of the CIUT By-laws (available for inspection at the CIUT office).

Question:

Are you in favour of a decrease in the SAC fee, the establishment of a new fee for CIUT, and the establishment of CIUT as a new independent student society of the U of T, as described in the preamble?

Note: If approved, this will result in a net change in fees of \$0.00. The level of fees designated for the radio station will remain the same.

The results of the referendum are as follows:

YES	539	49.2%	Number of Eligible Voters	37,266
NO	292	26.7%	Voter Turnout	1,095 / 2.9%
Abstention	264	24.1%	Difference Between YES and NO	247 / 0.7%
TOTAL	1,095			

No complaints were received by this office concerning the referendum or the request for an increase.

(b) VIBE (Radio Erindale)

A referendum was held on April 11, 2003, in which full-time undergraduate students at UTM were asked to support the elimination of the VIBE portion of the SAC-UTM fee and the establishment of a new separate fee for VIBE. The wording of the question is as follows:

Preamble:

The Students' Administrative Council (SAC) and Radio Erindale (Vibe Radio) are seeking consent from full-time undergraduate students at the University of Toronto at Mississauga (UTM) to separate its fee from the SAC UTM fee and to separate its operations from the Erindale College Students' Union (ECSU).

At present, the SAC UTM fee includes a portion of \$2.50 per session (\$5.00 per fall/winter academic period) for radio activities. \$2.00 of this portion (\$4.00 per fall/winter academic period) is designated for Vibe Radio. Vibe Radio is currently operated as an activity under the general auspices of ECSU.

Vibe Radio, SAC, and ECSU support the establishment of Vibe Radio as a fully independent student society of the University of Toronto.

If approved by this referendum and the University Affairs Board of the University of Toronto, 1) The SAC UTM fee, charged to all full-time undergraduates at the University of Toronto at Mississauga will be decreased by \$2.00 per session (\$4.00 per fall/winter academic period) beginning in the fall 2003 session; 2) A new fee of \$2.00 per session (\$4.00 per fall/winter academic period) will be established for Vibe Radio and will be charged to all full-time undergraduate students at the University of Toronto at Mississauga beginning in the fall 2003 session; and 3) Radio Erindale will be established as a new independent student society of the University of Toronto and will operation subject to the terms and conditions of the Vibe Radio Constitution (available for inspection at the ECSU office, the SAC UTM office, or the Radio Erindale office).

Question:

Are you in favour of a decrease in the SAC UTM fee, the establishment of a new fee for Vibe Radio, and the establishment of Vibe Radio as a new independent student society of the University of Toronto, as described in the preamble?

Note: If approved, this will result in a net change in fees of \$0.00. The level of fees designated for the radio station will remain the same.

The results of the referendum are as follows:

YES	94	94.9%	Number of Eligible Voters	5,433
NO	5	5.1%	Voter Turnout	99 / 1.8%
Abstention	0	0.0%	Difference Between YES and NO	89 / 1.6%
TOTAL	99			

No complaints were received by this office concerning the referendum or the request for an increase.

Summary of Changes:

See page 4 (SAC-St. George, and SAC-UTM), page 5 (SAC-UTSC) and page 6 (CIUT and VIBE) of Schedule 1: Student Society Fees (attached).

Recommendations:

THAT beginning in the fall 2003 session, the Students' Administrative Council (St. George Campus) fee be increased by \$7.72 per session, from \$109.79 to \$117.51, charged to all full-time undergraduate students on the St. George Campus.

THAT beginning in the fall 2003 session, the Students' Administrative Council (University of Toronto at Mississauga) fee be increased by \$7.72 per session, from \$110.04 to \$117.76, charged to all full-time undergraduate students on the University of Toronto at Mississauga Campus.

THAT beginning in the fall 2003 session, the Students' Administrative Council (University of Toronto at Scarborough) fee be increased by \$7.72 per session, from \$106.04 to \$115.76, charged to all full-time undergraduate students on the University of Toronto at Scarborough Campus.

THAT beginning in the fall 2003 session, a new fee of \$2.00 per session be established for the VIBE (Radio Erindale) charged to all full-time undergraduate students at the University of Toronto at Mississauga.

THAT beginning in the fall 2003 session, a new fee of \$2.50 per session on the St. George Campus and \$0.50 per session on the U of T at Mississauga and U of T at Scarborough campus be established for the University of Toronto Community Radio (CIUT-FM) charged to all full-time undergraduate students.

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