University of Alberta Students' Union



COUNCIL ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

August 1st, 2023 5:00 P.M. Juniper Room (Sub 0-33)/<u>Zoom</u>

The University of Alberta and the University of Alberta Students' Union occupy Indigenous land in amiskwacîswâskahikan (Beaver Hills House), on Treaty 6 territory. From time immemorial, the banks along the river valley have been known as the Pehonan, a meeting place for the nêhiyawak (Cree), the Niitsítapi (Blackfoot), Métis, Dënesųlinė (Dene), Ojibway/Saulteaux/Anishinaabe, Haudenosaunee and others. The University, the Students' Union and much of the city are located on the unlawfully stolen land of the forcibly removed Papaschase Cree.

We acknowledge that sharing this land gives each of us the responsibility to research the historic contexts of Treaty 6, to reflect on our personal relationships to the land, the Nations we've named, and to our roles in upholding justice on this territory. Since they began, the Students' Union and the University have benefited from historic and ongoing dispossession of land and resources from Indigenous Peoples. As a result, it is our responsibility to seek the restitution of this land and its resources. Finally, we seek to do better by working to make our learning, research, and governance align with the histories, languages, teachings, and cultures of First Nations, Métis, and Inuit Peoples in the land presently occupied by the Canadian state.

We encourage critical reflection by asking the following question. In relation to the territory on which you are situated, what role do you play in strengthening the resistance and resurgence of Indigenous students within your communities?

ATTENDANCE

NAME	PROXY	PRESENT
Adrian Lam (Chair)		Υ
Noor Abdelwahab		N
Nathan Thiessen		Y
Mason Pich		Υ
Precious Majekodunmi		N
Aamir Mohamed		Υ
Chris Beasley		Υ
Levi Flaman		Υ
Christian Zukowski		N/A
Courtney Graham		N/A

Aseel Atia	N/A
Jetro Dano	N/A

MINUTES (CAC-2023-06-M)

2023-06/1 <u>INTRODUCTION</u>

2023-06/1a Call to Order

LAM called the meeting to order at 5:05 PM

2023-06/1b Approval of Agenda

PICH/THIESSEN MOVE TO approve the agenda

CARRIED

2023-06/1c Approval of Minutes

PICH/MOHAMED MOVE TO approve the minutes

CARRIED

2023-06/1d Chair's Business

LAM: Mentions that the CRO will make a presentation in the next meeting. Adds that the SMS Committee will also be contacted, and MAJEKODUNMI as the lead of the Council Mentorship Program for updates.

2023-06/2 QUESTION/DISCUSSION PERIOD

2023-06/3 <u>COMMITTEE BUSINESS</u>

2023-06/3a KAIROS Blanket Exercise

Motion: To direct staff to plan for the exercise

GRAHAM: Introduces the KAIROS Blanket Exercise to the Committee- its scope & time (which is typically off-Council Tuesday)

LAM: Asks GRAHAM if the exercise will be held in person or online

GRAHAM: Mentions that the exercise will be held either in-person or online. However, it will be clarified to the staff in charge if the exercise can be done in a hybrid setting.

The Committee discusses potential dates for the exercise.

The Committee agrees on a September date.

LAM: Mentions that the Committee can decide on the date in the next meeting

THIESSEN/MOHAMED MOVE TO direct staff to plan for the KAIROS Blanket Exercise- looking at dates for mid to late September focusing primarily on off-council Tuesdays and potentially one or two weekends slots if necessary.

CARRIED

2023-06/3b Council Activity Planning

Motion: To allocate a portion of the CAC funds into planning a council activity

LAM: Mentions that Laser Tag wins the poll for the Council Activity. Asks the Committee's suggestion when and where the game should be held. Adds that it was originally planned before the Week of Welcome

Gives the Committee options- Laser City, \$10.00 per person per game, or Planet Lazer, about the same prize & with weekly specials. Adds that the Committee can use the CAC budget to subsidize this event

THIESSEN: Mentions that finding a place near public transport is better to accommodate members who don't drive. Adds that they are okay with using the CAC fund for this event

PICH: Mentions that Laser City is near public transport

LAM: Clarifies that there is no specified date set yet and that they will make a poll in the group chat to get the members' thoughts about this matter. Adds that the Committee can revisit the topic of using the CAC fund and the potential BBQ event during the Week of Welcome in the next CAC meeting

Motion is TABLED for the next meeting.

2023-06/4 <u>CLOSED SESSION</u>

PICH/THIESSEN MOVE TO go in-camera

CARRIED

2023-06/4a Finance Committee SAL Nomination

THIESSEN/PICH MOVE TO appoint Colton Meronyk to the Finance Committee SAL position

CARRIED (LAM Abstained)

THIESSEN/PICH MOVE TO go ex-camera CARRIED

2023-06/5 <u>INFORMATION ITEMS</u>

2023-06/5a KAIROS Blanket Exercise Bylaw

2023-06/6 ADJOURNMENT

Next Meeting: August 15, 2023 at 5 pm

THIESSEN/PICH MOVE TO adjourn the meeting at 5:45 PM

CARRIED

LAM adjourned the meeting at 5:45 PM