



University of Alberta Students' Union

**COUNCIL  
ADMINISTRATION  
COMMITTEE**

**November 7th, 2023**

**5:00 P.M.**

**Juniper Room (Sub 0-33)/[Zoom](#)**

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, Dènesų́liné (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)		Y
Noor Abdelwahab		Y
Nathan Thiessen		Y
Mason Pich		Y
Precious Majekodunmi		Y
Christian Zukowski		N
Aamir Mohamed		N
Mason Pich		Y
Racquel Araujo		N/A

Courtney Graham		N/A
Aseel Atia		N/A

**MINUTES (CAC-2023-13)**

<b>2023-13/1</b>	<b><u>INTRODUCTION</u></b>
<b>2023-13/1a</b>	<b>Call to Order</b>  LAM called the meeting to order at 5:02 PM
<b>2023-13/1b</b>  <b>2023-13/1c</b>	<b>Approval of Agenda</b>  <b>ABDELWAHAB/MAJEKODUNMI MOVE TO</b> approve the agenda CARRIED  <b>Approval of Minutes</b>  <b>THIESSEN/ABDELWAHAB MOVE TO</b> approve the minutes CARRIED
<b>2023-13/1d</b>	<b>Chair's Business</b>  LAM: The Sharing Circle will be on November 27th at 4 PM in person with a potential to attend online. The next session of CAC will be a closed one reviewing the student at larges.

<b>2023-13/2</b>	<b><u>CLOSED SESSION</u></b>
<b>2023-13/3</b>	<b><u>QUESTION/DISCUSSION PERIOD</u></b>
<b>2023-13/4</b>	<b><u>PRESENTATIONS/REPORTS</u></b>
<b>2023-13/5</b>	<b><u>COMMITTEE BUSINESS</u></b>
<b>2023-13/5a</b>	<b>Nomination of 2 members of CAC to participate in the Deputy Returning Officer Hiring Committee</b>  LAM: This is similar to the adjudication held over the summer; this can be any member of CAC, not just voting members.  GRAHAM: The time commitment is 1-2 hours over the next few weeks, it's on the members' own time.  THIESSEN: Is interested in joining the committee.

	<p>GRAHAM: If only THIESSEN is interested, others can put their names forward if they want to be part of the committee through e-vote. Is in contact with Jacob, and will be able to coordinate with him for more details regarding this.</p> <p><b>PICH/THIESSEN MOVE TO</b> appoint THEISSEN as a member of the DRO Committee, with the second position to be filled in the near future. CARRIED</p>
<p><b>2023-13/5b</b></p>	<p><b>Discussion on upcoming Council Meetings</b></p> <p>LAM: Presentation season is approaching, so there will be longer council meetings to close out the semester. Limited to up to 4 presentations per council meeting, at this time. Option to add a special meeting to ensure that all the presentations can be discussed and to avoid extending Council meetings to make them longer.</p> <p>GRAHAM: Has been in contact with DFUs and FAMFs, and the presentation schedule is full already. If The Landing is coming, then they will get the last presentation slot on December 12th.</p> <p>PICH: Is in favor of expanding council meetings out, as their preference is having longer council meetings rather than more council meetings.</p> <p>THIESSEN: If more SRAs or DFUs want to present, is willing to have more council meetings with shorter lengths.</p> <p>ABDELWAHAB: Agrees with both PICH and THIESSEN.</p> <p>LAM: With how presentations are going so far, each presentation has been about 30-45 minutes. The committee seems to be open to longer meetings, and there might be ways to look into having food at meetings to help the meetings go by faster. Will get in contact with ZUKOWSKI to discuss council presentations and try to get it into the Speakers' Notes.</p>
<p><b>2023-13/6</b></p>	<p><b><u>INFORMATION ITEMS</u></b></p>
<p><b>2023-13/7</b></p>	<p><b><u>ADJOURNMENT</u></b></p> <p>LAM adjourned the meeting at 5:23 PM.</p> <p><b>Next Meeting: November 21th, 2023 at 5 pm</b></p>