



University of Alberta Students' Union

**COUNCIL  
ADMINISTRATION  
COMMITTEE**

**August 29th, 2023**

**5:00 P.M.**

**Bill Smith Room (Sub 6-06)/[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, Dënesųłiné (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		N
Levi Flaman		Y
Aamir Mohamed		Y
Muneeba Qadir		Y
Christian Fotang		Y
Pedro Almeida		Y
Megan Garbutt		Y

Christian Zukowski		N/A
Courtney Graham		N/A
Aseel Atia		N/A
Jetro Dano		N/A

**MINUTES (CAC-2023-08-M)**

**2023-08/1                    INTRODUCTION**

**2023-08/1a                **Call to Order****

LAM called the meeting to order at 5:10 PM

**2023-08/1b                **Approval of Agenda****

**THIESSEN/ABDELWAHAB MOVE TO** approve the agenda with amendments  
CARRIED

**2023-08/1c                **Approval of Minutes****

TABLED

**2023-08/1d                **Chair’s Business****

**2023-08/2                QUESTION/DISCUSSION PERIOD**

**2023-08/3                PRESENTATIONS/REPORTS**

**2023-08/4                COMMITTEE BUSINESS**

**2023-08/4a                **Activity Planning - Council and WOW****

WOW.

LAM: Mentions that PICH & FLAMAN could not meet to discuss the planned BBQ during WOW and, therefore, will not proceed with the plan.

PICH: Mentions potential meeting with FLAMAN regarding the matter after the CAC meeting. Asks LAM if they can send a plan by Thursday Morning

FLAMAN: Mentions potential concerns about having the BBQ event during WOW, including the manpower needed to handle the event

ZUKOWSKI: Suggests helping out at the pancake breakfast instead or providing assistant at the WOW tables rather than hosting a BBQ at WOW.

FOTANG: Agrees to not having the BBQ event during WOW because of some potential concerns that would likely arise by doing the event.

PICH: Suggests doing the BBQ instead during the Executive elections for student engagement

ABDELWAHAB: Suggests having the BBQ a week before the Elections.

Committee decided not to go forward with the BBQ event during WOW.

FLAMAN: Suggests having WOW tabling to be engaging.

QADIR: Suggests having sign-up sheets/nominations package available during WOW

GRAHAM: Mentions that Council Mentorship Program sign-up sheets/nominations packages will be available

THIESEN: Mentions that the nominations package will be set up on the SU Instagram account

FOTANG: Mentions that an info sheet will be drafted for the volunteers during WOW

LAM: Suggests doing the BBQ event during the bi-elections rather than during the Executive elections

ACTIVITY PLANNING.

LAM: States that the chosen location for the Council Activity is at Laser City Laser Tag on Saturday, September 2nd, around 2 p.m.

Committee agrees.

**2023-08-4b**

## **COUNCIL GOALS**

FOTANG presents the Council Goals draft to the committee.

FOTANG: Asks about the committee's feedback regarding the drafted metrics and targets on Council Goals.

THIESEN: Asks for a timeline for feedback submissions.

FOTANG: Hopes to discuss the final draft around mid-September.

LAM: Asks FOTANG if they can bring this matter up during the Executive Report later tonight at the Council meeting for the awareness of the rest of

the council. Suggests revisiting this topic at the Chair's meeting and the next CAC meeting for further discussion

FOTANG: Allots 2 weeks for the general feedback.

**2023-08/5**

**CLOSED SESSION**

**2023-08/6**

**INFORMATION ITEMS**

**2023-08/7**

**ADJOURNMENT**

**Next Meeting: September 12th, 2023 at 5 pm**

**THIESSEN/ABDELWAHAB MOVE TO** adjourn the meeting at 5:45 PM  
CARRIED

LAM adjourned the meeting at 5:45 PM