



University of Alberta Students' Union

**COUNCIL  
ADMINISTRATION  
COMMITTEE**

**October 24th, 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
Christian Zukowski		Y
Aamir Mohamed		Y
Mason Pich		Y
Precious Majekodunmi		Y
Racquel Araujo		N/A
Courtney Graham		N/A

**MINUTES (CAC-2023-12)**

2023-12/1	<b><u>INTRODUCTION</u></b>
2023-12/1a	<b>Call to Order</b> <b>LAM</b> called the meeting to order at 5:06 PM
2023-12/1b	<b>Approval of Agenda</b> <b>ABDELWAHAB/THIESSEN MOVE TO</b> approve the agenda CARRIED
2023-12/1c	<b>Approval of Minutes</b> <b>PICH/THIESSEN MOVE TO</b> approve the minutes CARRIED
2023-12/1d	<b>Chair's Business</b>

2023-12/2	<b><u>CLOSED SESSION</u></b>
2023-12/2a	<b>SAL Positions on Students' Council Committees and Sub-Committees Adjudication</b>  <b>PICH/THIESSEN MOVE TO</b> go in-camera. CARRIED  <b>ABDELWAHAB/THIESSEN MOVE TO</b> nominate Tawsif Hossain for the SAL Position on the Green and Gold Grant Adjudication Committee CARRIED  <b>ABDELWAHAB/THIESSEN MOVE TO</b> appoint Veronica Ortiz-Zelada and Karina Afonya for the two SAL Positions on the Sustainability Committee CARRIED  <b>ABDELWAHAB/PICH MOVE TO</b> go ex-camera. CARRIED
2023-12/3	<b><u>QUESTION/DISCUSSION PERIOD</u></b>  MOHAMED: Is there any information regarding council funds and their use?  PICH: Has spoken with THIESSEN about putting funds into council office, but is willing to hear ideas if anyone has suggestions on what the funds could be spent on.  A proposal form could be created, so that an evaluation could be conducted of which proposals should be funded. This will increase clarity

	on the use of funds and what can be done with them.
<b>2023-12/4</b>	<b><u>PRESENTATIONS/REPORTS</u></b>
<b>2023-12/5</b>	<b><u>COMMITTEE BUSINESS</u></b>
<b>2023-12/5a</b>	<p><b>Sharing Circle Discussion</b></p> <p>GRAHAM: For the sharing circle, a date has not been confirmed, but it will be an hour and will occur at some point in November. The session can be in-person or online, but it's preferred to be during the day and not on the weekend. Preferably attendance will be as many people as possible. Dani will facilitate, and Council just needs to come with an open mind.</p> <p>LAM: Is there a preference for certain dates/times, or should a lettuce meet be sent out to council? Will not be replying to emails during Reading Week. Another option is to schedule the session during a regular CAC meeting, which will probably result in better turnout. Would GRAHAM be able to see how people feel with an email and a Google Form?</p> <p>GRAHAM: Is willing to do that, will see if Dani's in agreement, and if so, then a meeting will be set up. If not, GRAHAM will send a general lettuce meet and see when council has overlapping availability.</p>
<b>2023-12/6</b>	<b><u>INFORMATION ITEMS</u></b>
<b>2023-12/7</b>	<p><b><u>ADJOURNMENT</u></b></p> <p>LAM adjourned the meeting at 5:42 PM.</p> <p><b>Next Meeting: November 7th, 2023 at 5 pm</b></p>