

University of Alberta Students' Union

COUNCIL ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

March 19th, 2024 5:00 P.M. 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?

NAME	PROXY	PRESENT
Adrian Lam (Chair)		Y
Ellen Tam		N
Nathan Thiessen		Y
Mason Pich		Ν
Precious Majekodunmi		Y
Christian Zukowski		Y
Courtney Graham		N/A
Racquel Araujo-Aikman		N/A
Aseel Atia		N/A

ATTENDANCE

MINUTES (CAC-2023-20)

2023-20/1	INTRODUCTION
2023-20/1a	Call to Order
	LAM called the meeting to order at 5:12 PM
2023-20/1b	Approval of Agenda
2023-20/1c	THIESSEN/LAM MOVE TO approve the agenda CARRIED
	Approval of Minutes
	TABELED
2023-20/1d	Chair's Business
	LAM: Getting to the end of the year.

2023-20/2	QUESTION/DISCUSSION PERIOD
2023-20/3	PRESENTATIONS/REPORTS
2023-20/4	COMMITTEE BUSINESS
2023-20/4a	Council Meeting Date Change
	LAM: The reason for this is that one of the council meetings is to be held on April 9th, and the execs have reached out to change the date to the 16th.
	THIESSEN/LAM MOVE TO recommend that the council meeting date changes from April 9th to April 16th. CARRIED
2023-20/4b	UASU Committee SAL Applications Discussion
	LAM: Terms are ending in the next month. So that the committee is aware, job postings will be approved so that next year's students are able to apply and that next year's CAC has an applicant pool to look through.
	GRAHAM: The time-sensitive posting would be the senate. They require the positions to be filled by June.
	LAM: We can open that up, and maybe make it for the end of April, so council has May to complete Senate appointments.

2023-20/4c	Speaker Manual/Transition Document Discussion
2023-20/4d	Sharing Circle Discussion
	LAM: Have to do a second sharing circle, so council will be looking to plan that.
	THIESSEN/LAM MOVE TO direct staff to send out a doodlepoll to find out the best time for the sharing circle CARRIED
	THIESSEN/LAM MOVE TO direct staff to give ceremonial tobacco at the sharing circle CARRIED
2023-20/4e	Year-End Event Discussion TABLED
2023-20/5	CLOSED SESSION
2023-20/6	Information Items
2023-20/7	ADJOURNMENT
	LAM adjourned the meeting at 5:28 PM
	Next Meeting: April 2nd, 2024 at 5 pm