



University of Alberta Students' Union

**COUNCIL  
ADMINISTRATION  
COMMITTEE**

**June 14, 2022**

**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 Niitsitapi (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 Wattamaniuk (Chair)		Y
Haruun Ali		Y
Rebeca Avila		Y
Milan Regmi		Y
Polina Reisbig		N
Jaida Han		Y
Julia Viloso		Y
Abner Monteiro		Y
Christian Fotang		Y
Joannie Fogue		Y
David Lee		Y

Levi Flaman		Y
Chanpreet Singh		Y
Simran Dhillon		Y
Courtney Graham		N/A
Munira Bushra		N/A

**MINUTES (CAC-2022-01)**

**2022-00/1                    INTRODUCTION**

**2022-00/1a                    Call to Order**  
WATTAMANIUK CALLED the meeting to order at 5:13 pm

**2022-00/1b                    Approval of Agenda**  
**FLAMAN/ALI MOVED** to approve the agenda  
**CARRIED**

**2022-00/1c                    Approval of Minutes**  
**ALI/LEE MOVED** to approve the minutes  
**CARRIED**  
FLAMAN abstained

**2022-00/1d                    Chair's Business**

WATTAMANIUK: Says Flaman mentioned a couple of things in his initial email about council office which he will follow up on and get back to him on shortly and remuneration as well which he'll have an update for too. Adds haven't got office space and card access as of August 16. It was briefly opened to everyone. Adds he had a discussion with Christian and Julia regarding plans for this year.

**2022-00/2                    QUESTION/DISCUSSION PERIOD**

**2022-00/3                    COMMITTEE BUSINESS**

**2022-00/3a                    KAIROS Blanket Exercise**  
WATTAMANIUK: It is recommended to have the exercise twice a year for all counsellors and it's \$1400 per session for the exercise. CAC's budget is currently \$4000 so between the 2 exercises that leaves \$1200 for CAC for the year which with council jacket and appreciation etc. is pretty tight. Asks how to find another place for \$2900 whether ARRC or allocation from the general student's budget.

FLAMAN: Asks if they provided any rationale as to why they wanted to have it twice a year as he doesn't see any material changing in a year.

Adds if it is possible to open it to more people such as peer support centre. And scope the cost with other units on campus

WATTAMANIUK: Says it is more like governance leadership expense rather than council expense and that is definitely something they could look into.

ALI: Says there was a budget surplus this year and asks about the budget approval process.

WATTAMANIUK: Says he'll have to look into the budget approval process as it has already been approved probably.

VILLOSO: Says she needs to have conversations with Peter regarding this.

WATTAMANIUK: Says even for moving stuff that budget change needs to be approved.

CHRISTIAN: Says to have a plan to make sure they will be attending the exercise to ensure there's no disrespect towards the elders and indigenous people.

**2022-00/3b**

WATTAMANIUK: Agrees and Says it will be better to get input from counsellors when will be the best time to do the exercise as per everyone's availability.

### **Committee Priorities & Planning**

WATTAMANIUK: Says Polina, Haruun and Rebeca showed interest for council jackets. Will be creating smaller group chat to work with them, steps will be reaching out to Craig for jackets, creating poll for recommendations and then comes ordering. Hopes to put up something by next council. Says he'll be investing a lot of time on governance restructuring. Adds that Milan showed interest in it and council structure so he'll be looking forward to him. Another thing he will be working on is council membership and social media. Rebeca had this in her interest form so he'll chat with her.

**2022-00/3c**

**ALI/AVILA MOVED** to add an item to the agenda on social media.  
CARRIED

### **Social Media Subcommittee**

WATTAMANIUK: Asks what do we think are important things to share on social media?

FLAMAN: Suggests to add important motions to have in council and the results of those.

ALI: Says he liked the newsletters Daniela put up but wants to add more such as putting up positions for students at large as there are 24 positions available to tell people there are available opportunities.

MONTEIRO: Says last year they did a lot of giveaways on their exec instagrams and got a lot of responses.

FOTANG: Says focus should be on reaching out and making people engage using gateways rather than just posting. Letting people know what council is and what council does.

FLAMAN: Asks if they're only talking about instagram or any other social media.

WATTAMANIUK: Currently only INSTAGRAM but open to options

2022-00/3d

### **Governance Restructuring Task Force Recommendations**

TABLED

2022-00/3e

### **Council Submission Form**

WATTAMANIUK: Says he talked with some different people Internet on council on this so currently are council form for submitting motions to council is pretty easy there's not a lot of information required however there was an issue with people being able to adequately prepare for council when there is a lot of info required in that submission of motion so for anybody here who's on gfc or the Senate or has looked at any blog materials what all of those use what's called actually is the governance executive summary so it's basically a cover page for any motions so the big things here are whos responsible for it the purpose which is big and executive summary as well any supplementary notes and engagement is important, strategic alignment is not as necessary. Will discuss it at the next council meeting.

**WATTAMANIUK/ALI MOVE TO** recommend to Council to have a discussion on the possibility to revisit the council form

CARRIED

2022-00/4

### **ADJOURNMENT**

WATTAMANIUK adjourned the meeting at 5:52 pm

2022-00/4a

Next Meeting: 5 pm at Tuesday June 28th

