The University of Alberta and the University of Alberta Students’ Union occupy Indigenous land in amiskwaciswâskahikan (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, Dënesųlônë (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     |
| Haruun Ali  | Y           |             |
| Gurleen Kaur| Y           |             |
| Christian Fotang |  | N           |
| Milan Regmi | Y           |             |
| Pien Steinbusch  |  | Y           |
| Daniela Carbajal Velez |  | N           |
| Fateh Arslan  |  | N           |
| Courtney Graham |  | N/A         |
| Navjot Kaur  |  | N/A         |

MINUTES (NC-2022-07-M)
INTRODUCTION

Call to Order

ALI calls the meeting to order at 4:26 P.M.

Approval of Agenda

STEINBUSCH/KAUR MOVE TO approve the agenda as presented

CARRIED

Approval of Minutes

TABLED

Chair’s Business

ALI: Would like a special meeting called for Nominating Committee in order to expedite SAL Selection.

QUESTION/DISCUSSION PERIOD

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Fill Remaining Committee Vacancies

ALI: Notifies the committee of the amount of applicants that the committee has.

Clarifies with GRAHAM in regards to missing SAL and staff positions on committees. States that they will work with CoFA to help fill vacant GFC seats.

KAUR: Also suggests reaching out to departmental associations, beyond just CoFA and Faculty Associations, in order to help fill GFC seats.

Planning for Fall Semester Committee Work

ALI: Would like to have all vacant seats filled by the end of the Fall Semester.

GRAHAM: Raises a concern that Translation Committee barely has enough members to meet quorum and they are concerned about conducting their business.

REGMI: As chair of Sustainability Committee, raises the same concern in regards to Sustainability Committee meeting quorum due to lack of members.
ALI: Plans to have these positions filled and ratified within 30 days.

STEINBUSCH/KAUR MOVE TO approve a special meeting of the Nominating Committee on Wednesday, September 21st at 4:00 P.M.

CARRIED

2022-07/3c  General Faculties Council Seat Filling

TABLED

2022-07/4  ADJOURNMENT

2022-07/4a  STEINBUSCH/REGMI MOVE TO adjourn the meeting at 4:42 P.M.

CARRIED

Next Meeting: September 21st