

STUDENTS' COUNCIL

July 18th 2023 6:00 P.M. Council Chambers/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?

SPEAKER CALLED the meeting to order at 6:04 PM.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS (SC-2023-05)

2023-05/I SPEAKERS BUSINESS

Join Zoom Meeting

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85666007012

Councillor AISENSTAT resigns from Sustainability Committee.

SPEAKER: Shares about the upcoming Week Of Welcome volunteer opportunities

for the Councillors.

2023-05/2 CONSENT AGENDA

2023-05/2a Students' Council Votes and Proceedings (SC-2023-04) Tuesday, June 20th, 2023

See SC-2023-05.05

APPROVED

2023-05/2b LAM/ABDELWAHAB MOVE TO appoint Melissa Cyriac to the Finance

committee SAL position.

See SC-2023-05.01

APPROVED

2023-05/2c LAM/ABDELWAHAB MOVE TO appoint Tony Yuen & Kingsley Nnaemeka to

the Green & Gold Adjudication Committee SAL positions.

See SC-2023-05.01

APPROVED

2023-05/2d **LAM/ABDELWAHAB MOVE TO** appoint Fariha Fairuz & Saba Nisa to the Health

& Dental Plan Committee SAL positions.

See SC-2023-05.01

APPROVED

2023-05/2e LAM/ABDELWAHAB MOVE TO appoint Abdul Abbasi to the Policy Committee

SAL position.

See SC-2023-05.01

APPROVED

2023-05/2f LAM/ABDELWAHAB MOVE TO appoint Ishann Meena, Olivia Wilson &

Madeleine Hill to the SUB Art Committee SAL positions.

See SC-2023-05.01

APPROVED

2023-05/2g LAM/ABDELWAHAB MOVE TO appoint Oindrilla Latif to the SUB Planning

Committee SAL Position.

See SC-2023-05.01

APPROVED

2023-05/2h LAM/ABDELWAHAB MOVE TO appoint Yosan Worede, Ishaan Meena & Finn

Thornley to the Sustainability Committee SAL positions.

See SC-2023-05.01

APPROVED

2023-05/3 PRESENTATIONS

2023-05/4 <u>EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND BOG REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS</u>

GRIFFITHS - VP Student Life - Report

FLAMAN - VP Operations and Finance - Report

BEASLEY - VP External - Report ALMEIDA - VP Academic - Report FOTANG - President - Report

2023-05/5 BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORT

2023-05/6 <u>OPEN FORUM</u>

2023-05/7 <u>QUESTION PERIOD</u>

ATWOOD: Questions FLAMAN on whether partnering with an external discount provider would reduce the value of the UASU Perks Program.

FLAMAN: Answers that it would not diminish the Perks program.

THIESSEN: Questions BEASLEY about the UASU's effort to ensure student voices are heard regarding the Ministerial Mandate letters.

BEASLEY: States that the Job Economy and Trade Mandate letter is more likely to be involved with the Polytechnics than the Research Universities.

2023-05/8 UNFINISHED BUSINESS

2023-05/9 BOARD AND COMMITTEE BUSINESS

2023-05/10 GENERAL ORDERS

FOTANG/ALMEIDA MOVE TO discuss Council Goals, Action Plan and Charter

See SC-2023-05.02

CARRIED 16/00/00

FLAMAN/ALMEIDA MOVE TO consider the motion informally. CARRIED 16/00/00

FOTANG: States that the Council Charter is based on the discussion that occurred in GovCamp and all the values and principles the councillors agreed upon. Opens the floor for feedback on the document. Adds that this document is an informal oath for this year's Council.

SCHMIDTKE: Points out how it is important for councillors to have accountability towards Council and not overwork themselves. Thinks it would be nice to have this included somewhere in the Charter, if applicable.

RAITZ: Thinks that this idea can be included in the Commitment & Participation section.

FOTANG: States that the Council Goals document includes pointers from all the discussions that took place in the Gov Camp weekend, which were then refined into specific sections.

RAITZ: Suggests giving all Councillors a week's timeline to consider additional suggestions and feedback.

AISENSTAT: Suggests adding a similar point in the Engage section regarding consultations for Faculté Saint-Jean.

THIESSEN: Suggests adding a sub-point under expanding student spaces that talks about advocating for capital investment into building student spaces & renovation and addressing deferred maintenance of existing spaces.

2023-05/11 CLOSED SESSIONS

2023-05/12 <u>INFORMATION ITEMS</u>

2023-05/12a Students' Council Submissions

See SC-2023-05.01-02

2023-05/12b Executive Reports

See SC-2023-05.03

2023-05/12c Board of Governors Report

See SC-2023-05.04

2023-05/12d Students' Council Votes and Proceedings (SC-2023-04) Tuesday, June 20th, 2023

See SC-2023-05.05

2023-05/12e Students' Council Attendance

See SC-2023-05.06

2023-05/12f Students' Council Motion Tracker

See SC-2023-05.07

SPEAKER ADJOURNED the meeting at 7:25 PM.