The University of Alberta and the University of Alberta Students’ Union occupy Indigenous land in amiskwaciwâskahikan (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?

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INTRODUCTION

Call to Order

GARBUTT called the meeting to order at 4:04 PM

Approval of Agenda

THIESSEN/PICH MOVE TO approve the agenda
CARRIED

Approval of Minutes

THIESSEN/PICH MOVE TO approve the minutes
CARRIED

Chair’s Business

QUESTION/DISCUSSION PERIOD

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Development of SMS Action Plan

GARBUTT: Mentions that the Chair’s Committee strongly recommends that the committee have an action plan for the year set by July 24th.

Suggests preparing a semester in advance- developing the Fall plan for the Spring and Winter plan for the Fall

THIESSEN: Agrees

GARBUTT: Mentions 8 categories encompassing the committee’s action plan

1 Meet the Councilors post (including the BOG rep)
2 Meet the Committees post
3 Council meeting announcements
4 Bi-Election
5 Council programs (eg Council Mentorship Program)

PICH: Mentions that in terms of the stuff the committee can do in advance, especially the Mee the Councilors, to bring it up informally to the committees to increase turnout.

GARBUTT: Mentions more categories:

6 Highlighting upcoming dates and events (eg Week of Welcome)
7 Council legislation updates
8 Blog format updates (eg using Tiktok)
THIESSEN: Suggests influencing people to follow the SU Instagram account in exchange for Perks points

GRAHAM: Mentions to consult FLAMAN about Perks. Mentions how it was done in the past using free vouchers for free coffee at Daily Grind, for example

GARBUUT: Mentions that FOTANG shared a document during the Chair’s meeting that includes a breakdown of individual goals for the action plans

KIDD: Asks the committee what information they need to be included in a document that includes best practices for Social Media

GRAHAM: Mentions that SMS Committee reached out to the Marketing Department in the past. This includes discussing topics such as posting schedules and what kind of posts should be avoided or allowed.

KIDD: Mentions that they will create a document in terms of timeline by the next committee meeting

PIC: Asks if the committee will be setting hard actionable goals for the year, including increasing the number of followers or increasing the number of impressions on the SU posts

GRAHAM: Mentions that in the past years, it was a goal of increasing the number of followers by 100 every 2 months

PIC: Suggests 300-400 followers over the year

GARBUUT: Asks the committee if they want to do a group photo for the first post (Introduction to Council) during the first week of September or late August

PIC: Prefers early posting

THIESSEN: Recommends posting during the Week of Welcome

**Council Instagram Account Access Discussion**

Division of labour

GRAHAM: Mentions how access was set up during previous years. Adds that it is up to the committee in terms of who has access and who’s posting based on individual committee’s needs. Adds that staff does not usually have access to the account
PICH: Suggests distributing tasks based on member workload and schedule. Prefers answering DMs/comments

THIESSEN: Agrees to Chair having access to the account. Prefers doing infographics or taking photos

GRABUTT: Mentions ok with all members having access to the account. Adds that they would do the posting for consistency. Regarding preparing the post, suggests dividing the tasks concerning that post.

PICH: Mentions worries about the workload of doing the posts themselves.

GRAHAM: Mentions that Research & Advocacy and the Governance Departments can help with stats and quick facts. Adds that they did not have direct access to the account in the past

Mentions that account access can be provided by the previous committee Chair, MILAN REGMI or JULIA VILLOSO

KIDD: Mentions that they have a spreadsheet of accounts and passwords. Asks not to add a phone number attached to the account to avoid problems with authentication

GARBUtT: Summarizes that the account will be kept student-run with regards to access (GARBUtT/PICH/THIESSEN will have access), PICH- will be in charge of answering DMs/comments, Garbutt- will be in charge of doing the posts and working with Canva

Council Photos Discussion

The committee has access to the photos now.

Next Meeting: Thursday, July 27th at 4:00 P.M.

GARBUtT adjourned the meeting at 4:46 PM