

August 30, 2022

17:00 MDT

In Person: SUB 6-06

Online: [Zoom](#)

The University of Alberta and the University of Alberta Students' Union occupy Indigenous land in amiskwacišwâskahikan (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, Dënesųliné (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 or Written Submission | Present |
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| Voting Members | | |
| Levi Flaman (Chair) | | Y |
| Jayden Brooks | | N |
| Daniela Carbajal Velez | | Y |
| Simran Dhillon | | Y |
| David Lee | | Y |
| Abner Monteiro | | Y |
| Adrian Wattamaniuk | | Y |
| Non-Voting Members & Guests | | |
| Courtney Graham | N/A | |
| Christian Zukowski | N/A | |
| Jetro Dano | N/A | |
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MINUTES (Bylaw-2022-07-M)

2022-07/1 INTRODUCTION

2022-07/1a **Call to Order**

FLAMAN called the meeting to order at 5:09 P.M.

2022-07/1b **Approval of Agenda**

CARBAJAL VELEZ ▾ / LEE ▾ MOVE TO approve the agenda

CARRIED

2022-07/1c **Approval of Minutes**

CARBAJAL VELEZ ▾ / LEE ▾ move to approve the minutes for [BC-2022-05](#)

CARRIED

~~MOVER ▾ / SECONDER ▾ move to approve the minutes for BC-2022-04~~

TABLED

2022-07/1d **Chair's Business**

- Fall 2022 Meeting Schedule
 - Thursdays from 17:00 - 18:00
- Lack of minutes for BC-2022-06

2022-07/2 **QUESTION/DISCUSSION PERIOD**

2022-07/3 **COMMITTEE BUSINESS**

2022-07/3a

- In-Camera Discussion
 - FLAMAN ▾ / WATTAMANIUK ▾ move to go in-camera
- CARRIED
- FLAMAN/MONTEIRO move to go ex- camera

CARRIED

- Bill 1 Second Principles

MONTEIRO: Asks if the assigned groups, who finished the revisions, can start working on sections of bylaw so they can also start doing consultations on specific pieces or if it is better to do the consultations altogether at the same time.

FLAMAN: States restructuring and reorganizing the bylaw as a group at the same time is best; the amendments can be done at everyone's own pace.

MONTEIRO: Asks if there is a timeline set for conducting the consultations.

FLAMAN: Yes.

WATTAMANIUK: (Presents the new Bylaw structure)

CARBAJAL VELEZ: Asks if consultations can be done in phases.

FLAMAN: Reiterates that the committee was grouped into pairs to work on restructuring each section of the bylaw, once done, the committee will look over everything under Bylaw 100 on and consult the appropriate people who have a good grasp of the bylaws and how best to restructure

CARBAJAL VELEZ: Suggests doing consultation requests early.

FLAMAN: Agrees with CARBAJAL VELEZ. Mentions that the committee is not doing any changes until the restructuring is completed.

CARBAJAL VELEZ: Asks for clarification regarding the number of people that will be working on the consultations.

FLAMAN: Suggests that the two people in charge of restructuring, will also be assigned as team leads when the committee starts to do amendments to each bylaw.

WATTAMANIUK: Suggests asking members of the committee which consultation they want to be part of.

MONTEIRO: Asks if the committee will either be working together in doing consultations with the Student Groups or will they be approached at different times as different sections on Bylaw are worked on by different groups of the committee concurrently.

DANIELA: Asks if consultations are restricted to SU staff or if student groups be consulted as well.

MONTEIRO: Confirms that recognized Student Groups by the SU can be approached for consultations.

MONTEIRO: Student Groups and Faculty Associations receive their authority from the Students' Union whilst Department Associations receive their authority from Faculty Associations.

FLAMAN: Suggests consulting SU members or SU staff as long as the Executives give their blessing for such a consultation

CARBAJAL VELEZ: Asks how the committee will choose which students to ask regarding the changes, aside from SU members or SU staff.

WATTAMANIUK: Presents and discusses to the committee how ESS structured and laid out bylaws for their organization .

FLAMAN: Suggests adding a third tier to the proposed bylaw restructuring (Bylaws, Regulations & Procedural Policy).

MONTEIRO: Presents and discusses to the committee how he and WATTAMANIUK structured and laid out their assigned Bylaw.

States that they cut Bylaw 330 to two and a half pages from five whilst making regulations.

WATTAMANIUK: Mentions that Bylaw 300 has nothing under it at the moment as compared to the other 3 Bylaws. Asks if the committee would want to pass it on the second reading or if the committee would reconsider doing revisions

DANIELA: Asks if Bylaw 330 is the only Bylaw that has been broken down into more Bylaws

WATTAMANIUK: Yes.

States that Bylaw 400 does not have anything on it. Asks if regulations 410, 420, 430 & 440 could become Bylaw 410, 420, 430 & 440 instead.

FLAMAN: Suggests renaming the top-level article.

WATTAMANIUK: Adds that under this structure, there is too much in regulations that regulations are too easy to change when compared to bylaw.

DANIELA: Asks if the committee will eliminate regulations altogether or if new bylaws will be structured, from top to bottom, as Articles, Bylaws & Regulations.

MONTIERO: What is structured as regulations under this structure will remain as Bylaw and processes will continue to be regulations.

(More discussions on the structure of the Bylaws continue using the presentation)

MONTEIRO: Adds that the Bylaws will be arranged like a tree. There will be the Bylaws and under them, ideally, are the regulations.

WATTAMAMNIUK: Clarifies that the restructuring does not change what rules are in effect.

MONTEIRO: Asks what the next steps will be with changing the bylaws.

FLAMAN: Consultation meetings will only pertain to the amendments after the restructuring of the bylaws pass.

MONTEIRO: Asks if bylaw restructuring second principles will be passed at the next Council meeting.

FLAMAN: Clarifies that it won't be passed in the next Council meeting because it has to pass in Bylaw first. Adds that bylaw restructuring second principles could be passed shortly. If passed at the next Bylaw committee meeting on September 15th, it can go then go to the following Council to be passed .

MONTEIRO: Asks how the committee would show to Council the changes made to ylaw compared to the old formatting of bylaw. And wants to know how much time is required to complete the restructuring

FLAMAN: Says two weeks should be enough time. Restructuring will be added to the next Order Paper to give a heads-up to the Council.

CARBAJAL VELEZ: Mentions that her assigned section, The Student Code of Conduct and The Student Governance Code of Conduct both reference SRAs, however, they are currently in different sections.

MONTEIRO: States that SRAs go to The Student Governance Code of Conduct generally.

FLAMAN: Asks GRAHAM if it is possible to include hyperlinks in SU Docs.

GRAHAM: Confirms that hyperlinks can be included in SU Docs.

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ADJOURNMENT

FLAMAN adjourns the meeting at 6:38 PM