University of Alberta Students' Union



COUNCIL ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

December 12th, 2023 5:00 P.M. Juniper Room (Sub 0-33)/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, Dënesųlinė (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 Lam (Chair)		Υ
Pedro Almeida		Υ
Nathan Thiessen		Υ
Christian Fotang		Υ
Precious Majekodunmi		Υ
Christian Zukowski		Υ
Courtney Graham		N/A
Racquel Araujo		N/A

MINUTES (CAC-2023-16)

2023-16/1	INTRODUCTION
2023-16/1a	Call to Order
	LAM called the meeting to order at 5:04 PM
2023-16/1b	Approval of Agenda
	THEISSEN/MAJEKODUNMI MOVE TO approve the agenda CARRIED
2023-16/1c	Approval of Minutes
	THEISSEN/MAJEKODUNMI MOVE TO approve the minutes CARRIED
2023-16/1d	Chair's Business

2023-16/2	CLOSED SESSION
2023-16/3	QUESTION/DISCUSSION PERIOD
2023-16/4	PRESENTATIONS/REPORTS
2023-16/5	COMMITTEE BUSINESS
2023-16/5a	Council Fund Application Process
	ZUKOWSKI: Feedback has been taken and implemented in a faithful way. Updates from the last time that the process was presented include removing the double approval process, so council is now the sole approver. It also clearly identifies minor and major expenses for the proposal. Happy to take more feedback, if anybody has any. The next steps would be to put it in regulation and bring it to Students' Council for approval in January. THEISSEN/MAJEKODUNMI MOVE TO direct the CAC chair to submit a regulation change to Students' Council pertaining to the Council Fund Application Process.
	CARRIED
2023-16/5b	Changes to Standing Orders
	TABLED
	LAM: The changes that wanted to be proposed were changes between closed

	and in-camera sessions, closer to what the Board of Governors does. Unsure whether FLAMAN meant for this policy to also include two different agendas, one that's closed and one that's open. As FLAMAN is not here, this item will be TABLED to the next meeting of CAC.
2023-16/6	INFORMATION ITEMS
2023-16/6a	Students' Council Fund Process Proposal
2023-16/6b	Proposed Change to Standing Orders

2023-16/7 ADJOURNMENT

LAM adjourned the meeting at 5:28 PM

Next Meeting: January 9th, 2024 at 5 pm