

University of Alberta Students' Union

# FINANCE COMMITTEE

## June 7, 2023 7:00 P.M. SUB 6-06/<u>Zoom</u>

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?

NAME	PROXY	PRESENT
Marc Dumouchel (Non-Voting)		N/A
Levi Flaman (Chair)		Y
Laurel Ford		Y
Michael Griffiths		Y
Mason Pich		Y
Aiman Saif		Y
Jetro Dano		N/A

#### ATTENDANCE

#### MINUTES (FC-2023-01-M)

2023-01/1	INTRODUCTION
2023-01/1a	<b>Call to Order</b> FLAMAN called the meeting to order at 7:03 PM
2023-01/1b	Approval of Agenda
	<b>GRIFFITHS/PICH MOVE TO</b> approve the agenda CARRIED
2023-01/1c	Approval of Minutes
	<b>GRIFFITHS/SAIF MOVE TO</b> approve the minutes CARRIED
2023-01/1d	Chair's Business
2023-01/2	QUESTION/DISCUSSION PERIOD
	PICH: Asks if ATWOOD's proposed finances for giving council members compensation will go through the Finance Committee.
	FLAMAN: No.
	Says that there is already a separate budget line in that regard.
2023-01/3	COMMITTEE BUSINESS
	<b>PICH/SAIF MOVE TO</b> Nominate Two (2) Members of Finance Committee to the Student Group Granting Committee
	CARRIED
	FLAMAN: Reads GRAHAM's email regarding the Student Group Granting Committee meeting schedules, catered lunches during the meetings, and members' active role during the adjudication processes.
	PICH nominated PICH -accepted SAIF nominated SAIF - accepted
	PICH & SAIF are declared members of the Finance Committee to the Student Group Granting Committee
	FORD: Asks if there would be a conflict of interest between the Student Group Granting Committee and the Finance Committee if a member of the Finance Committee is part of a student group that applies for a student grant.

FLAMAN: States that there would not be a conflict of interest as long as the member abstains from discussing, voting, and adjudicating the item mentioned.

### 2023-01/4 INFORMATION ITEMS

#### 2023-01/5 ADJOURNMENT

## Next Meeting: June 21, 2023, at 7 pm

FLAMAN: Adjourned the meeting at 7:22 PM