

Finance Committee

January 24, 2024 16:30 Online: <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, 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	Attendance	Proxy or Written Submission
Voting Members		
Levi Flaman - VP Operations & Finance (Chair)	Y	
Melissa Cyriac - Student-at-Large	N	
Laurel Ford - Science Councillor	Y	
Michael Griffiths - VP Student Life	Y	
Colton Meronyk - Student-at-Large	N	
Mason Pich - Arts Councillor	Y	
Nathan Thiessen - Arts Councillor	Y	
Non-Voting Members & Guests		
Name	Position or Affiliation	
Courtney Graham	UASU Assistant Manager, Governance	
Tanisha Sahu	Minute Taker	
Harmony Handsaeme	OASIS Vice-Chair and Fine Arts Representative	
Prishna Sweeney	OASIS Vice-President Finance	
Marc Dumouchel	UASU General Manager	
Aseel Atia	UASU Governance Support Specialist	



Agenda (Finance-2023-10)

2023-10/1 INTRODUCTION

2023-10/1a Call to Order

Land Acknowledgement

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2023-10/1b Approval of Agenda

THIESSEN - / FORD - move to approve the FC-2023-10 agenda

2023-10/1c Approval of Minutes

FORD • / FLAMAN • move to approve the FC-2023-09 minutes

Pich & Thiessen abstain CARRIED 2/0/2

2023-10/1d Chair's Business

• Personal Updates

2023-10/2 QUESTION/DISCUSSION PERIOD

2023-10/2a • 2024-25 Operating & Capital Budget Principles

2023-10/3 OLD BUSINESS

2023-10/3a • None

2023-10/3 NEW BUSINESS

2023-10/3a • None

2023-10/4 WRAP-UP

2023-10/4a Action Items / To-Do List

Levi:

Let council know about the document and add feedback

• Set up e-vote for next Wednesday

2023-10/4b Next Scheduled Meeting

Feb 7, 2024 12:00 PM

2023-10/5 Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 17:21