

# NOMINATING COMMITTEE

# March 22nd 5:00 PM Zoom/6-06

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	PROXY	PRESENT
Lionel Liu		N
Gurleen Kaur		Υ
Christian Fotang		N
Milan Regmi		N
Pien Steinbusch, Chair		Υ
Madina Usserbayeva		Υ
Fateh Arslan		Υ
Courtney Graham		N/A
Tanisha Sahu		N/A

#### **MINUTES (NC-2022-17-M)**

**2022-17/1 INTRODUCTION** 

2022-17/1a Call to Order

STEINBUSCH called the meeting to order at 5:08 PM

2022-17/1b Approval of Agenda

**USSERBAYEVA/STEINBUSCH MOVE TO** approve the agenda for the meeting.

CARRIED

2022-17/1c Approval of Minutes

**ARSLAN/KAUR MOVE TO** approve the minutes of the previous meeting.

CARRIED

2022-17/1d Chair's Business

2022-17/2 QUESTION/DISCUSSION PERIOD

KAUR: Questions if the GFC applications are still open.

STEINBUSCH: Answers that the job postings have been closed.

KAUR: States that they know the President of the Native Studies Students' Association who would be interested in the Native Studies' vacant seat. Questions if there is a way to appoint them since we only have 1 GFC meeting left.

GRAHAM: Replies that it wouldn't be a safer option to do this since there was no application sent to the Committee.

KAUR: Asks if we can have the person interested send an email to the Committee with a statement of interest, and the Committee Members can have a vote to appoint them.

STEINBUSCH: Agrees. States that as long as the Committee gets the statement of interest before the next Council meeting, they should be good to be appointed to GFC for the vacant Native Studies seat.

# 2022-17/3 COMMITTEE BUSINESS

# 2022-17/3a Sustainability Application

STEINBUSCH: Informs that the committee has received two new applications, but neither has a letter of interest. But since the Sustainability Committee is looking for SAL, even if we appoint them now, we might still need to meet a quorum for the next meeting before Council can approve. So, it will be best to close down the job posting.

**ARSLAN/STEINBUSCH MOVE TO** close the job application for the Sustainability Committee.

CARRIED

ARSLAN: Questions if the Committee has to approve job postings for the next year.

STEINBUSCH: Yes, but they don't know which committees need how many Student-At-Large positions.

GRAHAM: Suggests that it is best to reach out to MONTEIRO.

ARSLAN: Suggests that the Committee can have the job postings sooner to fill out the SAL positions so that the Committees can fully function.

STEINBUSCH: PLans to mention this in the transition documents so that the Council and upcoming Committee know the motto behind the job postings.

ARSLAN: Suggests that it would be nice to have anyone in the next meeting with access to these job postings.

STEINBUSCH: Agrees and states that this way, these positions could be advertised sooner before the classes end.

# 2022-17/4 ADJOURNMENT

STEINBUSCH adjourned the meeting at 5:27 PM.