



University of Alberta Students' Union  
**POLICY COMMITTEE**

**July 29th, 2022**  
**5:00 P.M.**  
[Zoom](#)

The University of Alberta and the University of Alberta Students' Union occupy Indigenous land in amiskwaciswaskahikan (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, Dênesųłinê (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
Haruun Ali	Milan Regmi	Y
Rebeca Avila		Y
Simran Dhillon		N
Joannie Fogue		Y
Christian Fotang, Chair		Y
Gurleen Kaur		Y
Lionel Liu		Y
Ibukun Ojo		Y
Vedant Vyas		N
Courtney Graham		N/A

## **MINUTES (PC-2022-04-M)**

### **2022-04/1                    INTRODUCTION (5 minutes)**

#### **2022-04/1a                    Call to Order**

FOTANG: Called the meeting to order at 5:04 P.M.

#### **2022-04/1b                    Approval of Agenda**

**KAUR/FOGUE MOVE TO** approve the agenda.  
CARRIED

#### **2022-04/1c                    Approval of Minutes**

TABLED

#### **2022-04/1d                    Chair's Business**

FOTANG: May need to reschedule a future Policy Meeting to accommodate the Executives being out of town during the time that said Policy Meeting is scheduled. A special meeting will be called in place of the regularly scheduled meeting.

### **2022-04/2                    QUESTION/DISCUSSION PERIOD**

### **2022-04/3                    COMMITTEE BUSINESS**

#### **2022-04/3a                    Policy Updates**

- Augustana

FOGUE: A meeting will occur with Augustana next week.

- Public Transit

AVILA: No updates

- Residence

FOGUE: The working group met and went over the facts and resolutions of the Residence Policy. Currently identifying documents that need to be fact-checked.

- Indigenous students

OJO: The working group met and made a list of stakeholders to consult regarding the policy.

- Tuition

FOGUE: No updates

- Sexual violence

FOGUE: The working group went over the facts and resolutions and are

currently identifying what needs to be updated.

**2022-04/3b**

● **Exec Goal Presentation**

FOTANG: Because he is part of the presentation at hand, asks a committee member to chair the meeting during the Exec Goal Presentation.

**ALI/LIU MOVE TO** approve Councillor Ojo as the Policy Chair for the entirety of the Exec Goal Presentation.

CARRIED

Executives: Go over their goals for the year, as determined by their goals document. Main points include: Creating an engaged community across all campuses, walking the path of reconciliation (through implementing ARRC Recommendations), reenvisioning the campus learning environment, creating safe and welcoming spaces for students across campus and the greater Edmonton area as well as fostering an inclusive and equitable university experience

**2022-04/3c**

● **Consultation Framework Discussion**

FOTANG: Presents the committee with a framework on how to proceed with consultations and to give a process for consultation that would be easy to follow for an outsider reading drafted policies.

**2022-04/4**

**Next Meeting:** TBD

**FOTANG: Adjourned the meeting**

Outstanding Action Items:

Date	Topic	Action	Completed (yes or no)