

**February 21st, 2023  
6:00 P.M.  
Council Chambers/Zoom**

The University of Alberta and the University of Alberta Students' Union occupy Indigenous land in amiskwaćiwâskahikan (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, Dènesų́łíné (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?

#### VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS (SC-2022-22)

2022-22/1 SPEAKERS BUSINESS

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Meeting ID: 856 6600 7012

SPEAKER CALLED the meeting to order at 6:04 P.M.

**SCHMITKE REMOVES** item 2d from the Consent Agenda.

**SHETTY/SCHMITKE MOVE TO** special order agenda item 3a to the Order Papers.  
CARRIED 18/00/00

2022-22/2 CONSENT AGENDA

2022-22/2a Students' Council Votes and Proceedings (SC-2022-21) Tuesday, February 7th, 2023

See SC-2022-22.01

APPROVED

2022-22/2b **REGMI/USSEBAYEVA MOVE TO** recommend Janine Chew to fill the open Arts Seat on GFC.

See SC-2022-22.02

APPROVED

2022-22/2c **KAUR/USSEBAYEVA MOVE TO** recommend Zongxin Liu to the Sustainability Ad Hoc Committee.

See SC-2022-22.03

APPROVED

2022-22/2e **VILLOSO / FLAMAN MOVE** based on the recommendation of the Bylaw Committee to approve Bill 4: Finance Reform based on the following first principles.

See SC-2022-22.05

APPROVED

2022-22/3 PRESENTATION

2022-22/3a **FOGUE/MONTEIRO MOVE TO** allow the Project Coordinator for the National Standard on Mental Health to give a presentation to the Students' Council.

See SC-2022-22-15

CARRIED 19/00/00

**SHETTY/VILLOSO MOVE TO** extend the presentation by 10 minutes.  
CARRIED 18//00/00

2022-22/4 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

FOGUE - VP Student Life - Report  
VILLOSO - VP Operations and Finance - Report  
FOTANG - VP External - Report  
KAUR - VP Academic- Report  
MONTEIRO - President - Report

2022-22/5 BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORT

FLAMAN - Bylaw Committee - Report  
WATTAMANIUK - Council Administration Committee - Report  
MONTEIRO - Executive Committee - Report  
VILLOSO - Finance Committee - Report

STEINBUSCH - Nominating Committee - Report  
FOTANG - Policy Committee - Report  
VILLOSO - ARCC - Report  
VILLOSO - SCFC - Report  
BROOKS - SGC - Report  
REGMI - Sustainability Committee - Report  
SOTO - Translation Committee - Report

2022-22/6

### OPEN FORUM

MORRIS: Asks KAUR about any supplementary development resources given to student leaders since the SRA summit couldn't happen.

KAUR: States that before the SRA Summit, in the first meeting at the beginning of the term, there was an overview given to the student leaders and a social gathering for them to collaborate.

MONTEIRO: Supports the idea of having orientation and supporting student leaders.

BEASLEY: Questions FOTANG on meetings regarding the post-secondary education system.

FOTANG: Answers that they hope to meet people to understand post-secondary Education in Alberta. Wants to provide more support for international students, like making the lifting of part-time work hours a permanent change. Adds that they have also met with the Premier's office to talk about more supports for students.

2022-22/7

### QUESTION PERIOD

LEE: Regarding unsanitary food issues in the Lister residence, asks FOGUE how the SU can do consultations with the LSA and Residence Services for the upcoming months/years.

FOGUE: States that at the beginning of the term, this issue was brought up to Residence Services by the SU and has personally had regular meetings with the LSA to create a platform for conversations regarding this issue. An official complaint was submitted to Residence Services regarding these issues and is currently working with the parties involved. A third party has been involved in inspecting and checking on the pest control situation. Adds that a proper cleaning schedule has also been put in place to improve existing services.

REGMI: Asks MONTEIRO about the current advocacy status regarding the creation of a syllabus bank.

MONTEIRO: States that there has been good progress in developing it, but that there has been roadblocks with certain professors not wanting to partake in the creation of

the syllabus bank. Advocacy is ongoing.

LIU: Comments about taking concrete actions in the next policy drafting session and suggests creating a policy to safeguard residence and quality of life within residence.

ABBASI: Asks FOGUE about progress on Augustana's residence issues.

FOGUE: States that there are talks on how the SU can connect stakeholders with the current issues that students are facing.

REGMI: Asks KAUR regarding academic integrity and the recent discussions that have been happening about students using AI, like ChatGPT, for academic misconduct. Questions if this has been discussed and what steps are being taken to advocate the message that students are, indeed, misusing AI.

KAUR: States that the Provost has started a task force that is made for AI issues, specifically. Talks are being held with professors to understand what they would want students to do since the university cannot shy away completely from AI. Conversations on repercussions are yet to be had. Adds that this work has been going on for the past two months and has served as a good starting point for these discussions.

2022-22/8 BOARD AND COMMITTEE BUSINESS

2022-22/8a **FOGUE/VILLOSO MOVE TO** approve the French translations of Bylaw 100 Schedules B and C, the Campus Safety and Security Political Policy, and the Equity, Diversity, and Inclusivity Political Policy.

See SC-2022-22.07

CARRIED 19/00/00

2022-22/8b **STEINBUSCH/REGMI MOVE TO** nominate (2) members of the council to the Green and Gold Grant Adjudication Committee.

See SC-2022-22.08

CARRIED 19/00/00

FLAMAN nominates SHETTY - accepted  
SHETTY nominates STEINBUSCH - declined  
SHETTY nominates FLAMAN - declined  
LEE nominates OJO - declined

SHETTY is appointed to the Green and Gold Grant Adjudication Committee via acclamation.

**FLAMAN/FOGUE MOVE TO** suspend standing orders to forego recess.  
CARRIED 19/00/00

2022-22/8c **VILLOSO/FOGUE MOVE TO** approve the 2023/24 Budget Principles.

See SC-2022-22.09

CARRIED 19/00/00

2022-22/2d **FLAMAN/MONTEIRO MOVE UPON** the recommendation of the Bylaw Committee to approve Bill 3: Council Size based on the following first principles:

I. UASU Legislation will be amended to reduce the number of seats on Students' Council to align with the April 2021 Governance Restructuring Task Force recommendation of reducing the size of Students' Council.

See SC-2022-22.04

SCHMIDTKE: As SINGH'S proxy, states that SINGH is against this motion due to the belief that it would lower student involvement in governance and oppress student voices.

LIU: Is conflicted on this topic and wants more representation for the KSSR faculty (their home faculty) on Council.

MONTEIRO: Points that after many discussions in CAC about governance restructuring, it has been noted that changing the governance system all at once would obscure any faulty points in the newly proposed governance restructuring. This step would be a measure to find out what works and what doesn't.

Adds that there is no intention to diminish student voices. Plans to increase the Student-At-Large seats available in committees, during the upcoming governance year, to provide more direct student involvement.

FLAMAN: States that, with the governance restructuring model that is being proposed, the intent is to make it harder to win elections rather than to make it harder to run for elections. This, as such, makes it worth fighting for the seats available in Council and ensures that those who are running for a seat on Council are actually interested in being on Council. In large bodies like GFC, people are often unable to voice their opinions due to time constraints. But with fewer people, as is being proposed in the structure for Students' Council, each person would get more speaking time and articulate all their points clearly.

ABBASI: (POI) Asks if the reduced number of seats on Council will amount to 20 seats overall.

FLAMAN: Answers that the current formula is designed in such a way that each faculty is guaranteed at least 1 seat. Based on last year's numbers, last year's Council would have come to 19 seats overall. Due to the variations in faculty size from year to year, Council would range between 19-23 seats each year overall..

ABBASI: Questions if this restructuring also impacts seat count on GFC.

FLAMAN: Answers that it does not.

FOTANG: Adds that there can never be a solution that caters to everyone's opinion. States that they will vote in favour of the restructuring and adds that it has taken a really long time for a valid restructuring plan to come forward to Council. Commends the work done by FLAMAN and MONTEIRO on the restructuring proposal.

SHETTY: States that delaying approval on this any further will mean that these changes will be unable to be implemented next year. Thinks that this is a simpler, more easily accessible approach to involve students in decision-making processes, provided that the promise of more SAL positions on committees is followed through.

FOGUE: Seconds all the affirmative comments that have been made. Adds that they were personally a part of GRTF two years back and, as such, vouches that various

student leaders within governance were consulted with to ensure the best possible governance restructuring plan.

OJO: Is uncertain about the changes as proposed, as it looks like it'll get harder for students to become involved in governance. Adds that a plan should be ready to encourage students to show them various other ways to be involved with the UASU Governance.

SCHMIDTKE CALLS for division.

CARRIED 17/01/01 LIU Abstains

MONTEIRO - Yes  
KAUR - Yes  
FOTANG - Yes  
VILLOSO- Yes  
FOGUE - Yes  
ABBASI - Yes  
AVILA - Yes  
ARSLAN - Yes  
FLAMAN -Yes  
BROOKS - Yes  
STEINBUSCH - Yes  
REGMI - Yes  
SCHMIDTKE (SINGH) - No  
WATTAMANIUK - Yes  
LIU - Abstain  
OJO- Yes  
SHETTY - Yes  
SOTO- Yes  
FORD - Yes  
LEE - Yes

**SCHMIDTKE/SHETTY MOVE TO** adjourn the meeting  
CARRIED 17/00/00

2022-22/9	<u>GENERAL ORDERS</u>
2022-22/10	<u>CLOSED SESSIONS</u>
2022-22/11	<u>INFORMATION ITEMS</u>
2022-22/11a	Students' Council Votes and Proceedings (SC-2022-21) February 7th, 2023  See SC-2022-21.01
2022-22/11b	Executive Reports

See SC-2022-22.06

2022-22/11c Students' Council Submissions

See SC-2022-22.02-05 and SC-2022.07-09

2022-22/11d Students' Council - Attendance

See SC-2022-22.10

2022-22/11e Executive Reports

See SC-2022-22.11-13

2022-22/11f Board of Governors Representative Report

See SC-2022-22.14

2022-22/11g Students' Council Submissions

See SC-2022-22.15

SPEAKER ADJOURNED the meeting at 8:12 PM.