



University of Alberta Students' Union

**ABORIGINAL
RELATIONS AND
RECONCILIATION
COMMITTEE
(ARRC)**

**Jul 18th, 2023
11:00 A.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, 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
Noor Abdelwahab		Y
Tamara Belly	Victor Olsen	Y
Levi Flaman		Y
Michael Griffiths		Y
Elizah McColl	Lexi House	Y
Mason Pich		Y
Muneeba Qadir		Y
Ella Thomson		Y

Marc Junior Doire		Y
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MINUTES (AC-2023-01-M)

2023-01/1

INTRODUCTION

2023-01/1a

Call to Order

GRIFFITHS called the meeting to order at 6:05 PM.

2023-01/1b

Approval of Agenda

OLSEN/HOUSE MOVE TO approve the agenda
CARRIED

2023-01/1c

Approval of Minutes

2023-01/1d

Chair's Business

2023-01/2

QUESTION/DISCUSSION PERIOD

2023-01/3

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

2023-01/3a

Chair Selection

PICH nominates THOMSON - Accepted
HOUSE nominates DOIRE - Accepted

THOMSON elected as ARRC Chair via secret ballot

2023-01/3b

Standing Order Review
[ARRC Standing Orders](#)

2023-01/4

INFORMATION ITEMS

2023-01/5

ADJOURNMENT

THOMSON/OLSEN MOVE TO adjourn
CARRIED

Meeting adjourned at 11:39 A.M.

Next meeting: Tuesday, August 1st at 11:00 A.M.