



University of Alberta Students' Union

**AUDIT  
COMMITTEE**

**Date: August 17th, 2023**

**Time: 6pm - 8pm**

**Zoom/SUB 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 Niitsitapi (Blackfoot), Métis, Dënesųłiné (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
Damon Atwood		Y
Megan Garbutt		Y
Adrian Lam		Y
Mason Pich		Y
Nathan Thiessen (Chair)		Y
Annie Miao		N/A
Courtney Graham		N/A

## MINUTES (AC-2023-06-M)

**2023-06/1**                    **INTRODUCTION**

**2023-06/1a**                    **Call to Order**

THIESSEN: Called the meeting to order at 6:06 PM.

**2023-06/1b**                    **Approval of Agenda**

**THIESSEN/LAM MOVE TO** amend the agenda, by adding a presentation.  
CARRIED

**2023-06/1c**                    **Approval of Minutes**

**LAM/GARBUTT MOVE TO** approve the previous meeting minutes.  
CARRIED

**2023-06/1d**                    **Chair's Business**

**2023-06/2**                    **QUESTION/DISCUSSION PERIOD**

**2023-06/3**                    **COMMITTEE BUSINESS**

**2023-06/3a**                    **Presentation on SGS Reporting Form in Bearsden by Annie Miao**

MIAO: Explains that submissions can be reviewed by the Committee members, governance staff, and the CRO. The CRO would review the raw election results and the Audit Committee would review the SRA Financial reports.

Adds that there could be a further possibility of creating a tracking spreadsheet for the annual review, for the SRAs to check their annual report approval status.

These changes might result in amendments to Bylaw 1800 and having a standardized timeline for submissions.

THIESSEN: Questions if the Committee wants to roll this form out in the fall term.

PICH: Suggests rolling out in a hybrid format at least for the first semester, the Committee plans to implement this. The committee could send an email to the organizations to use this platform. If they don't, they have a term to prepare themselves to use this form since there has been inconsistent communication between the Committee and the Organizations lately.

**2023-06/3b**

**AUFSJ Audit Approval**

**2023-06/3c**                    **GARBUTT/LAM MOVE TO** approve the AUFSJ Audit.

CARRIED

**ISA Audit Discussion**

ATWOOD: Trying to get more information since their budget and expense tracking for events is incomplete. There are about 20 or more transactions to be cross-checked, but this is just a bookkeeping error, so hopefully this will be resolved soon and the Committee can approve it.

**2023-06/4**

**ADJOURNMENT**

THIESEN: Adjourned the meeting at 7:07 PM.