

Bylaw Committee

Date: Friday March 8th, 2024

Time: 1:00pm

Online: [Zoom](#)

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, Dënesŋiné (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 | Attendance | Proxy or Written Submission |
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| Voting Members | | |
| Jillian Aisenstat (Chair) | | |
| Damon Atwood | | |
| Levi Flaman | | |
| Ellen Tam | | |
| Stephen Raitz | | |
| Non-Voting Members & Guests | | |
| Name | Position or Affiliation | |
| Marc Dumouchel | | |
| Courtney Graham | | |
| Aseel Atia | | |
| Tanisha Sahu | | |
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Agenda (Bylaw-2024-19)

2024-19/1 **INTRODUCTION**

2024-19/1a **Call to Order**

- Land Acknowledgement
- Attendance

2024-19/1b **Approval of Agenda**

Move to approve the agenda

2024-19/1c **Approval of Minutes**

Move to approve the [BC-2023-15-M](#)

2024-19/1d **Chair's Business**

- Discussing plans for the rest of the semester

2024-19/2 **QUESTION/DISCUSSION PERIOD**

2024-19/3 **OLD BUSINESS**

2024-19/3a Bylaw 500/210: Access to Information - [Link](#) Stephen (15mins)

2024-19/3b Revisiting [Article II Reorganization](#) Damon (25mins)

2024-19/4 **NEW BUSINESS**

2024-19/4b Voting on Bylaw 500/210 **Raitz/Atwood** motion to approve the Second Principles of Bylaw 210 - Approved 4-0-0
Raitz/Atwood motion to approve the Second Principles of Bylaw 200 - Approve 4-0-0
Atwood/Raitz motion to approve to Second Principles of Article 2 restructuring - Approved 4-0-0.

2024-19/5 **WRAP-UP**

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2024-19/5a Action Items / To-Do List

- Stephen to draft up submission for Bylaw 210 and 200 and send to Jill to submit for the March 23rd meeting
- Damon to send Jillian updated PDF to submit Article 2 Restructuring for March 23rd meeting.
- Marc and Levi to return to March 22nd meeting with Article 4 first principles.

2024-19/5b Next Scheduled Meeting

- Friday, March 22nd 1:00 pm online.

2024-19/6 Adjournment

- Closing Attendance