University of Alberta Students' Union



COUNCIL ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

June 20, 2023 5:00 P.M. Juniper Room (Sub 0-33)/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 Niitsítapi (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

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NAME	PROXY	PRESENT
Adrian Lam (Chair)		Y
Noor Abdelwahab		Y
Nathan Thiessen		Υ
Mason Pich		Υ
Precious Majekodunmi		Y
Aamir Mohammed		Y
Pedro Almeida		Υ
Megan Garbutt		Υ
Christian Zukowski		N/A

Courtney Graham	N/A
Jetro Dano	N/A

MINUTES (CAC-2023-03-M)

2023-03/1 INTRODUCTION

2023-03/1a Call to Order

LAM called the meeting to order at 5:02 PM

2023-03/1b Approval of Agenda

PICH/MAJEKODUNMI MOVE TO APPROVE the agenda with amendments.

CARRIED

2023-03/1c Approval of Minutes

PICH/MAJEKODUNMI MOVE TO approve the minutes.

CARRIED

2023-03/1d Chair's Business

LAM: Mentions that the committee will hold a special meeting with its permanent members on July 4th at 4-5 PM to discuss SAL position applications for the Student Council committees and Sub-committees.

2023-03/2 QUESTION/DISCUSSION PERIOD

2023-03/3 <u>COMMITTEE BUSINESS</u>

2023-03/3a Council Mentorship Program

LAM: Asks the committee for any members willing to be an advisor for the

program.

MAJEKODUNMI: Asks about the role of the program advisor.

MAJEKODUNMI is appointed as advisor for the Council Mentorship Program.

2023-03/3b Council Jacket Discussion

LAM: Mentions that based on the 10 responses from the Google forms submitted, the jacket that is most popular in the survey is jacket #4 (warriors' training jacket)

Adds that black is the preferred colour. The name, position, and year will be up to individual preferences

2023-03/3c SAL Positions on Students' Council Committees and Subcommittees

LAM: Mentions that as of Friday applications for SALs are the following: ARCC - 0, Finance 4/2, Policy 2/2, Student Group Committee 7/4, Sustainability 1/4, Sub-Planning 5/2-3, Sub-Art 3/3, Health & Dental 8/3, Green & Gold 0/2, Student Senate 4/3.

States that the Student Group Committee and Student Senate Committee require nominations of sub-committees to be opened because the positions require interviews from the applicants before they are brought forward to CAC.

Adds that each of the Subcommittees will require 2 permanent members of CAC to sit on the committees. The Permanent members must arrange the time for in-person or online interviews. Once interviews are done, they will be discussed in closed-session at CAC.

GRAHAM: Mentions that interview questions for the Student group Committees and the Senate Committee are already available. Adds that if a member of CAC is applying for the Senate position, the member will not be able to join the Nominating Committee or be allowed to vote on any of the applications but can be present for the discussions.

NATHAN: Asks when the interviews will be held.

LAM: Mentions that it will be under the purview of the Nomination-Sub committee.

Additionally, for the Subcommittees, CAC will ask VP-External BEASLEY as an advisor during the interview for the Senate positions and VP-Academic ALMEIDA or VPSL GRIFFITHS for the Student Group positions. The decision, however, is ultimately up to the permanent members of CAC.

2023-03/3d Student Group Committee Motion: To open the nomination subcommittee

LAM: Mention that there will have to be a minimum of 2 permanent CAC members to sit on the committee.

GRAHAM: States that Student Group Committees and the Senate Committees are the only committees that require interviews. Everything else will need application reviews.

Adds that 7 applications for the Student Group positions do not mean 7 interviews, but only applicants who submitted complete applications are eligible for the interview (for example). However, ultimately, it will be up to

the Nomination Sub-Committee to create the selection criteria.

LAM: Mentions that 3 applicants are missing their cover letters.

THIESSEN/PICH MOVE TO open the nomination sub-committee for Student Group Committee.

CARRIED

2023-03/3e Student Senate

Motion: To open the nomination subcommittee

THIESSEN/PICH MOVE TO open the nomination sub-committee for Student Senate.

CARRIED

Motion: To reopen the applications for SAL with amended deadline

THIESSEN/PICH MOVE TO remove the motion that states:

Motion: To reopen the applications for SAL with amended deadline, because it is deemed unnecessary.

CARRIED

2023-03/3f Student Digest Submission for SAL Positions on GnG Discussion

Motion: To direct staff to submit posting of the SAL positions in the UnderGrad Student Digest

LAM: Gives an overview of the motion. States that because the committee did not get any applications in this regard, ALMEIDA brought up potentially submitting the job applications to the Student Digest for more accessibility.

MAJEKODUNMI/THIESSEN MOVE TO direct staff to submit posting of the SAL positions in the UnderGrad Student Digest.

CARRIED

LAM: States that CAC will be convening online to discuss which members will sit on the Student Group and Student Senate Nomination Sub-Committees.

2023-03/4 <u>INFORMATION ITEMS</u>

2023-03/4a CAC-2023-03-A Info Item 4a

2023-03/5 ADJOURNMENT

Next Meeting: July 4, 2023, at 5 pm

LAM adjourned the meeting at 5:36 PM