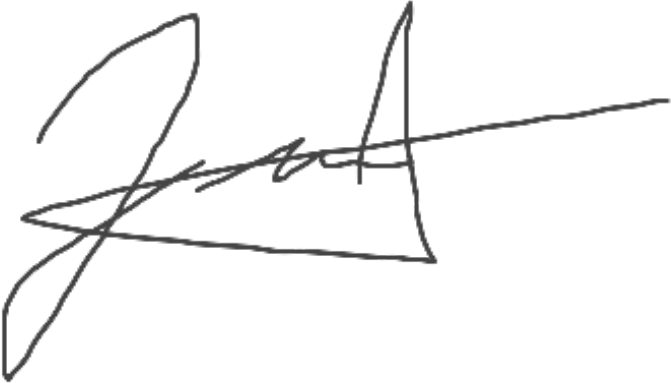


## DIE Board Hearing Application 2019

<b>Submission Date</b>	2019-10-28 13:30:33
<b>Name</b>	Jared Larsen
<b>E-mail</b>	[REDACTED]
<b>Phone Number</b>	[REDACTED]
<b>This application is for a:</b>	DIE Board Hearing
<b>Reason</b>	<p>The Landing is up for a Plebiscite Review this upcoming year and are requesting an interpretation of Bylaw 6100 section 4.2.</p> <p>Specifically, can they alter the upcoming Plebiscite question from the original question to reflect the new structure of the Landing under the Students' Union?</p> <p>Second, can they run this Plebiscite while the Landing exists under the Students' Union, or does it have to be an independent body?</p>
<b>Proposed Respondent</b>	Katie Ring, [REDACTED]
<b>Anticipated Witness</b>	Katie Ring, [REDACTED]
<b>Signature</b>	
<b>File upload</b>	<a href="#">DIE board question about the plebecite question.pdf</a>

## **1) Background**

The Landing is a student space for gender and sexual diversity at the University of Alberta Students' Union. The service offers support, education and advocacy for students of all genders and sexualities. The Landing promotes LGBTQ2SPIA+(Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer, Questioning, Two-Spirit, Pansexual, Intersex, Asexual, and more) awareness and events, as well as providing volunteer opportunities and welcoming drop-in space.

Through dialogue with students and stakeholders, the U of A Students' Union recognized that they could play a key role in the creation of a dedicated student space for gender and sexual diversity. The Students' Union provided space in the Students' Union Building and start-up funding for The Landing to launch a drop-in service and programming for the 2014/2015 academic year. The Landing operated as a Dedicated Fee Unit (DFU) from 2014 to 2018.

At the beginning of 2018, the Landing board decided they no longer felt they could run the Landing as a volunteer executive board and approached the Students' Union about taking over management of the Landing. It was agreed that the Students' Union would temporarily manage the Landing while the Landing staff conducted a summerlong consultation about the different stakeholders' opinions on being absorbed by the Students' Union. The consultation report was presented at the Landing AGM on October 29th, 2018 where students voted in favor of the motion to approach the SU to take over management of the Landing. In November, 2018, the remaining board members met for a final time to transfer leadership to the Students' Union.

To offset no longer having a board, students suggested creating an advisory committee to advise the Students' Union and the Landing Staff on the current needs of LGBTQ2SPIA+ students. The Landing is currently recruiting students for the advisory committee while operating under the Students' Union Student Services Department.

## **2) Question**

The Landing is up for a Plebiscite Review this upcoming year and we are requesting an interpretation of Bylaw 6100 section 4.2 .

Specifically, can we alter the upcoming Plebiscite question from the original question to reflect the new structure of the Landing under the Students' Union?

Second, can we run this Plebiscite while the Landing exists under the Students' Union or does it have to be an independent body?