

University of Alberta Students' Union ABORIGINAL RELATIONS AND RECONCILIATION COMMITTEE

Monday, July 09, 2018 5:00pm SUB 0-55

We would like to respectfully acknowledge that our University and our Students' Union are located on Treaty 6 Territory. We are grateful to be on Cree, Dene, Saulteaux, Métis, Blackfoot, and Nakota Sioux territory; specifically the ancestral space of the Papaschase Cree. These Nations are our family, friends, faculty, staff, students, and peers. As members of the University of Alberta Students' Union we honour the nation-to-nation treaty relationship. We aspire for our learning, research, teaching, and governance to acknowledge and work towards the decolonization of Indigenous knowledges and traditions.

NAME	PROXY	PRESENT	SUBMISSION OF WRITTEN FEEDBACK (IF ABSENT)
Nathan Sunday		Y	
Deirdra Cutarm		N	Ν
Katherine Belcourt		Y	
Akanksha Bhatnagar		Y	
Andre Bourgeois		Ν	Ν
Mpoe Mogale		Y	
Ariyanna Callihoo		Y	
Heather Lindsey (NSSA VP Finance)		Y	
Kimberley Fraser-Airhart (NSSA VP Academic)		Y	

AGENDA (ARRC-2018-04)

2018-04/1 INTRODUCTION

Call to Order 2018-04/1

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Meeting was called to order at 5.03 pm by Chair Sunday.

2018-04/1 **Prayer/Smudging Ceremony**

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2018-04/1 Approval of Agenda

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Addition of two items in agenda:

- 1. Treaty and Reconciliation Committee (TRC)
- 2. Recommendation to Aboriginal Relation to Reconciliation Committee

ASC Pres. Belcourt/ASC VP Callihoo MOVE to amend the agenda 5/0/0 CARRIED.

2018-04/1 Approval of Minutes.

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NSSA VP Academic Fraser-Airhart /ASC VP Callihoo MOVE to approve the amended agenda. 5/0/0 CARRIED

2018-04/1 **Chair's Business**

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Recommendations Engagement in Chair's Business

SUNDAY:

We will Townhall in September for recommendations. We will information about logistics of things, how much is needed, and things like that.

I have website that I have started; it will accessible to people – will that be

helpful? The website will have different capsules and sub-headers as well as links.

Sunday:

Possible, we will see about that. It really depends on Students' Council. We can see about that. I will talk to Rebecca about that and find what our options are. I will also talk to Council Administration Committee. We can now move on the Questions/ Discussion Period.

2018-04/2 <u>QUESTION/DISCUSSION PERIOD</u>

2018-04/2 Treaty and Reconciliation Committee (TRC)

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SUNDAY:

It was brought about Councilor Calumo and NSSA VP Aberhart. The political policy is advocacy but SU rejected that and it was brought forward by Councilor Calumo, but she is working for the Policy Committee. One is NSSA VP Aberhart. I will put these Google Doc for all to have a look at.

A Committee member:

This was created 4 or 5 years ago by the then Policy Committee. One thing President Belcourt has put down is the indigenous requirement by SU.

Sunday:

Resolution are connected by facts. Increasing indigenous employment at SU would improve situation. Rebecca mentioned that in Policy Committee. I thought there should information about why the TRC was created. SU will advocate with Aboriginal Relation Committee at the U of A to legitimize it, and right we are setting our feet. First point should be why the TRC exists. Line 1 about Resident Schooling, Line 2 about TRC and Line 3 about Reconciliation Commission.

Number 2 is that we have a mandate to improve the undergraduate students at the U of A. It is true that we have the mandate to improve the experience of all students at the U of A. All schools are like the U of A, but should stick to U of A.

There were three comments attached to this.

Whatever be it, resolutions must match the facts. I don't know how to word it, but think it is good to say "all Canadians".

Calls for actions from TRC final report.

Line 5: The backlog regarding indigenous students must be dealt with. It

could be post-secondary financing. We can also quantity it – we can email it to Councilor Callihoo.

Line 7: I don't think that it about aboriginal people, but it is resolution. It just needs some more work. It says students regardless of their of study should have access to reconciliation. Line 7 and 8 are about reconciliation. Policy Committee needs to provide feedback. It should go through it. SU is going to email me about this.

A Committee member:

In regards to no work being done on it, the Chair's idea was that foundation should have been laid out by ARRC, instead of Councilor Palmer saying something. That was their logic behind the person fixing wrong things there and the policy.

Motion:

ASC VP Calihoo/NSSA VP Academic Fraser-Airhart move the Undergrad Foundation of Aboriginal Relation Committee that the Students Council scrap the current Reconciliation Commission's for anthropology and work in conjunction with ARRC to recreate a new one 5/0/0 Carried

Sunday:

We can go to Policy Committee to scrap it or go to Students' Council to so. Policy Committee hasn't done any work on it since the last 5 years. I can either email Policy Committee to have a motion on this or go to Council Palmer.

I think it is better not to have any motion but to email Councilor Palmer to scrap it by explaining why it is bad.

As an action item, I will email the Chair, Councilor Palmer.

Sunday:

Is September too late for engagement session and recommendation?

Committee members: Yes it late for engagement session

Sunday:

We want the Town Hall and want the report.

We can start writing and try to have the report finalized to be presented to Council as quickly as possible. We have done consultations on this. We can feedback from Students, including those on Standing Orders. If we finalize it today, we can have nice report. Otherwise, we can wait for the consultation in the Townhall.

2018-04/2 Recommendation to Aboriginal Relation to Reconciliation Committee **b**

Sunday:

The ones in red are the ones we talk about last time. (Spoke about the lines marked in red)

I tweaked the wordings on a few lines. We have the recommendation as the heading and then have information about recommendation.

A Committee member:

How about mentioning SU extending invitation to aboriginal students to be presents in discussions in planned events?

Sunday: Agreed to it Read out point 25. Said that there is research about identity matters, such race.

A Committee member: Pointed out about a comma in role, race and ethnicity section.

Sunday:

Aboriginality is a good word to represent aboriginal students Read out the last point. One of us can do all the advocacy ones, One of all the operations, and so on. That can be the plan for the next meeting. I think we can go the sub-headings – it will be easier to go by that. I will do advocacy.

(Other tasks were assigned to others in the committee)

Motion:

Sunday/Belcourt moved on Recommendation to Aboriginal Relation to Reconciliation Committee to appoint Kimberly Fraser-Airhart (NSSA VP Academic) into one of the permanent voting member in Student Council 4/0/1

2018-04/3 <u>COMMITTEE BUSINESS</u>

2018-04/4 INFORMATION ITEMS

Tasks assigned about who will do what by next meeting

2018-04/4 ARRC-2018-03, Meeting Minutes - June 25 2018. **a**

See ARRC-2018-04.01.

2018-04/5 ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at 6.49 pm.

2018-04/5 Next Meeting: Monday, July 23, 2018 @ 5:00PM in SUB 0-55.

SUMMARY OF MOTIONS

MOTION	VOTES
Belcourt/Callihoo move to approve the amended agenda	5/0/0 CARRIED
Fraser-Airhart/Callihoo move to approve the amended agenda	5/0/0 CARRIED
Callihoo/Fraser-Airhart move the Undergrad Foundation of Aboriginal Relation Committee that the Students Council scrap the current Reconciliation Commission's for anthropology and work in conjunction with ARRC to recreate a new one	5/0/0 CARRIED.
Sunday/Belcourt move on Recommendation to Aboriginal Relation to Reconciliation Committee to appoint Kimberly Fraser-Airhart (NSSA VP Academic) into one of the permanent voting member in Student Council	4/0/1 CARRIED