



*University of Alberta Students' Union*  
**ABORIGINAL RELATIONS AND  
 RECONCILIATION  
 COMMITTEE**

**Sunday, May 5, 2019  
 5:00pm  
 SUB 6-06**

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.

**ATTENDANCE**

NAME	PROXY	PRESENT	SUBMISSION OF WRITTEN FEEDBACK (IF ABSENT)
Robyn Paches (Interim Chair)		Y	
Nathan Sunday		Y	
Juan Vargas Alba		Y	
Kathrine Belcourt		Y	
Jocelyn Proulx		Y	
Tahra Haddouche		Y	
Rebecca Taylor, Discover Governance		Y	

**MINUTES (ARRC-2019-00)**

**2019-00/1      INTRODUCTION**

**2019-00/1a      Call to Order**  
 PACHES: Called the meeting to order at 5:00pm.

**2019-00/1b      Approval of Agenda**  
**HADDOUCHE/VARGAS ALBA MOVED** to approve the agenda.  
 5/0/0 - CARRIED

**2019-00/1c      Approval of Minutes**

**2019-00/1d**      **Chair's Business**

TAYLOR: Established that the Committee exists to bridge Aboriginal students with the Students' Union, provide recommendations to Council, and advance indigenisation. Identified that the Committee will complete an Aboriginal Collaboration Framework in August, report on Executive Committee advocacy in November, report on Students' Council Aboriginal representation in January, as well as select an elder, prepare transition materials, complete a report on Aboriginal priorities, and complete a second report assessing Executive Committee advocacy in April. Noted that the Committee will also support drafting the Truth and Reconciliation Commission political policy.

**2019-00/2**      **QUESTION/DISCUSSION PERIOD**

**2019-00/3**      **COMMITTEE BUSINESS**

**2019-00/3a**      Selection of a Chair

BELCOURT: Expressed concern that students-at-large cannot run for chair. Considered, for instance, that she could not run as she is not a permanent member unless and until Council ratifies her appointment.

TAYLOR: Responded that Belcourt can run for chair but that she would be removed from the post if Council did not ratify her appointment.

VARGAS ALBA: Inquired into whether the position posting for the ARRC students-at-large has been completed.

TAYLOR: Responded in the affirmative.

BELCOURT nominated SUNDAY: accepted.

**SUNDAY** is declared appointed, by acclamation, as chair of ARRC for the 2019-2020 session.

**2019-00/3b**      Adoption of Standing Orders

*Standing Order can be located on the Students' Union website, or by clicking [here](#).*

TAYLOR: Expressed concern that the newest version of the ARRC Standing Orders has not been updated to the website.

SUNDAY: Determined to review the Standing Orders for changes at the next meeting.

BELCOURT: Expressed concern that the Committee did not select a Council elder at the end of the last term.

SUNDAY: Responded that the Committee opted to continue with Cheryl Makokis who is recovering from a surgical operation. Determined to send Makokis' information to Discover Governance in order that she receive meeting information.

**BELCOURT/HADDOUCHE MOVED** to approve the Standing Orders of ARRC for the 2019-2020 term.  
5/0/0 - CARRIED

**2019-00/3c** Confirmation of Spring/Summer Meeting Schedule

SUNDAY: Determined to release a Doodle Poll after the meeting to set a regular meeting schedule.

BELCOURT: Requested that the Doodle remain open until the ex-officio ARRC members have time to submit their responses.

**SUNDAY/PROULX MOVED** to appoint, on behalf of the Aboriginal Relations and Reconciliation Committee, Katherine Belcourt to the Committee as Aboriginal Student Council representative.  
4/0/1 - CARRIED  
Belcourt abstains.

**SUNDAY/VARGAS ALBA MOVED** to appoint, on behalf of the Aboriginal Relations and Reconciliation Committee, Joslyn Proulx to the Committee as Aboriginal Student Council representative.  
4/0-1 - CARRIED  
Proulx abstains.

**HADDOUCHE/VARGAS ALBA MOVED** to approve, on behalf of the Aboriginal Relations and Reconciliation Committee, the 2018-2019 ARRC Recommendations.

SUNDAY: Noted that the Committee should re-approve the Recommendations to ensure they remain binding and as a symbolic gesture.

VARGAS ALBA: Inquired into how the Recommendations will be updated on an ongoing basis.

SUNDAY: Responded that the Recommendations will be tracked for completion and marked complete, in progress, and not met on the Students' Union website.

HADDOUCHE: Expressed concern that the goals must be, and are not now, operationalised in order that their fulfilment could be tracked. Suggested that there be only complete and uncomplete goal categorizations. Suggested that the Recommendation Tracker provide explanations for why a given categorisation is assigned.

5/0/0 - CARRIED.

**2019-00/4**      **INFORMATION ITEMS**

**2019-00/5**      **ADJOURNMENT**

SUNDAY: Adjourned the meeting at 5:24pm.

**2019-00/5a**      **Next Meeting: TBD.**

**SUMMARY OF MOTIONS**

<b>MOTION</b>	<b>VOTES</b>
<b>HADDOUCHE/VARGAS ALBA MOVED</b> to approve the agenda.	5/0/0 - CARRIED
<b>BELCOURT/HADDOUCHE MOVED</b> to approve the Standing Orders of ARRC for the 2019-2020 term.	5/0/0 - CARRIED
<b>SUNDAY/PROULX MOVED</b> to appoint, on behalf of the Aboriginal Relations and Reconciliation Committee, Katherine Belcourt to the Committee as Aboriginal Student Council representative.	4/0/1 - CARRIED Belcourt abstains.
<b>SUNDAY/VARGAS ALBA MOVED</b> to appoint, on behalf of the Aboriginal Relations and Reconciliation Committee, Joslyn Proulx to the Committee as Aboriginal Student Council representative.	4/0-1 - CARRIED Proulx abstains.
<b>HADDOUCHE/VARGAS ALBA MOVED</b> to approve, on behalf of the Aboriginal Relations and Reconciliation Committee, the 2018-2019 ARRC Recommendations.	5/0/0 - CARRIED.