

ABORIGINAL RELATIONS AND RECONCILIATION COMMITTEE

Tuesday, May 28, 2019 5:00pm SUB 0-48

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AGENDA (ARRC-2019-01)

2019-01/1 INTRODUCTION

2019-01/1a Call to Order

2019-01/1b Approval of Agenda

2019-01/1c Approval of Minutes

2019-01/1d Chair's Business

2019-01/2 QUESTION/DISCUSSION PERIOD

2019-01/2a Committee Introduction

2019-01/2b ARRC Tracker

See ARRC-2019-01.02.

2019-01/2c CAUS 2019/2020 Priorities

2019-01/2d Standing Orders

2019-01/3 COMMITTEE BUSINESS

2019-01/4 <u>INFORMATION ITEMS</u>

2019-01/4a ARRC Minutes (ARRC-2019-00-M) - Sunday, May 5, 2019.

See ARRC-2019-01.01.

2019-01/4b ARRC Tracker

See ARRC-2019-01.02.

2019-01/5 <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

2019-01/5a Next Meeting: Tuesday, June 11, 2019 at 5:00PM in SUB 0-48.



University of Alberta Students' Union

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

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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 Proux abstains.

HADDOCUHE/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 <u>INFORMATION ITEMS</u>

2019-00/5 ADJOURNMENT

SUNDAY: Adjourned the meeting at 5:24pm.

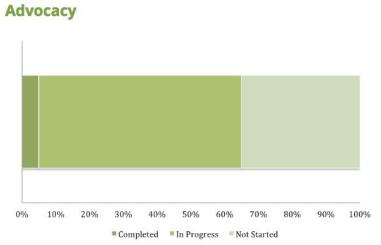
2019-00/5a Next Meeting: TBD.

SUMMARY OF MOTIONS

| MOTION | VOTES |
|--|------------------------------------|
| HADDOUCHE/VARGAS ALBA MOVED to approve the agenda. | 5/0/0 - CARRIED |
| BELCOURT/HADDOUCHE MOVED to approve the Standing Orders of ARRC for the 2019-2020 term. | 5/0/0 - CARRIED |
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ARRC RECOMMENDATIONS





These recommendations are summarized from the ones in the report. To see the full recommendations as they are originally worded, see the full report here.

| Recommendation | Status | |
|---|--|--|
| The SU shall advocate for increased access to childcare services at the U of A. | In progress - SU Exec Compensation Review recommended support for childcare for SU executives. | |
| The SU shall increase advocacy for the implementation of mandatory Aboriginal course content. | Not started | |
| The SU shall continue to advocate for the building of Maskwa House of Learning. | In progress - SU President advocated to APC. | |
| The SU shall engage in consultation with | In progress – research on local First | |

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| ARRC Recommendations |
|----------------------|
| Advocacy |
| Education |
| Operational |
| Students' Council |

ARRC Recommendations

The Aboriginal Relations and Reconciliation Committee worked hard over the 2018-19 year to produce a comprehensive list of recommendations to the Students' Union. These recommendations, if followed, will contribute to reconciliation efforts by the Students' Union and on campus.

The report contains 67 recommendations arranged into four categories:

- Advocacy
- Education
- Operational
- Students' Council

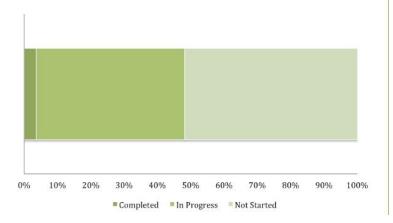
A key operational recommendation states that:

The Students' Union shall create an accessible and transparent webpage on its official website dedicated to tracking its progress on these recommendations.

This area of the Students' Union website is the SU's response to this recommendation. We expect to maintain the information on these pages on a regular basis, with monthly meetings to update the statistics and the wording.

To read the ARRC Recommendations in their entirety, click here.

Progress Overview



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