



University of Alberta Students' Union

ABORIGINAL RELATIONS AND RECONCILIATION (ARRC) COMMITTEE

February 13th, 2023

4:00 P.M.

Location: SUB 0-31 (Marigold Room) OR 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, Dënesųłíné (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

NAME	PROXY	PRESENT
Chantel Akinneah, Chair		Y
Rebeca Avila		
Daniela Carbajal Velez		Y
Susana Dokiburra (SAL)	Victor	Y
Ayanna Fata (SAL)		Y
Joannie Fogue		Y
Gloria Kannykulabil (SAL)		Y
Malijha Moyan		Y

Levi Flaman		Y
Julia Villosio		N
Courtney Graham		N/A
Collette Cullen		

MINUTES (ARRC-2022-08-M)

2022-08/1 INTRODUCTION

2022-08/1a Call to Order

AKINNEAH called the meeting for order at 5:05.

2022-08/1b Approval of Agenda

TABLED

2022-08/1c Approval of Minutes

TABLED

2022-08/1d Chair's Business

2022-08/2 QUESTION/DISCUSSION PERIOD

2022-08/3 COMMITTEE BUSINESS

2022-08/3a ARRC General Member Update (i.e., Recommendation Updates)

2022-08/4 Information Items

2022-08/4a [ARRC Recommendations 2022-2023](#)

2022-08/4b [Daniela Carbajal Velez's ARRC Report](#)

CARBAJAL: Presented a presentation regarding SU programming and future funding. A recommendation was given that certain positions have certain preferences, and future job postings should have an additional note saying applicants who completed the Indigenous Canada course would be given priority. Wants to ensure that it will be financially sustainable. Not sure how long it would take for someone to complete the training, but once it passes, it can be looked over again.

FOGUE: Who will you be consulting with?

CARBAJAL: Will meet with and speak with incoming SU elected members, particularly the VP of Operations and Finance, to discuss implementing the program and working on it in the future. Planning on bringing it to the Executive Meeting.

2022-08/4c

[ARRC Standing Orders](#)

2022-08/5

ADJOURNMENT

AKINNEAH adjourned the meeting at 5:39 P.M.

2022-08/5a

Next Meeting: