



*University of Alberta Students' Union*

## ABORIGINAL RELATIONS AND RECONCILIATION COMMITTEE (ARRC)

**July 18th, 2023**  
**11:00 A.M.**  
**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 Niitsitapi (Blackfoot), Métis, Dënesųliné (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
Noor Abdelwahab		Y
Tamara Belly	Victor Olsen	Y
Levi Flaman		Y
Michael Griffiths		Y
Elizah McColl	Lexi House	Y
Mason Pich		Y
Muneeba Qadir		Y
Ella Thomson		Y
Marc Junior Doire		Y

## **AGENDA (ARRC-2023-01-A)**

- 2023-01/1**                    **INTRODUCTION**
- 2023-01/1a**                **Call to Order**
- 2023-01/1b**                **Approval of Agenda**  
OLSEN/HOUSE move to approve the agenda  
9/0/0
- 2023-01/1c**                **Approval of Minutes**
- 2023-01/1d**                **Chair's Business**
- 2023-01/2**                    **QUESTION/DISCUSSION PERIOD**
- 2023-01/3**                    **COMMITTEE BUSINESS**
- 2023-01/3a**                Chair Selection  
PICH nominates THOMSON - Accepted  
HOUSE nominates DOIRE - Accepted  
  
THOMSON elected as ARRC Chair by secret ballot
- 2023-01/3b**                Standing Order Review  
[ARRC Standing Orders](#)
- 2023-01/4**                    **INFORMATION ITEMS**
- 2023-01/5**                    **ADJOURNMENT**  
THOMSON/OLSEN moves to adjourn  
9/0/0 Carried  
  
Meeting adjourned at 11:39  
  
Next meeting: Tuesday, August 1st at 11:00 a.m.