

Oct 20th - 2:00pm-3:00pm - SUB 2-809/ Google Meet

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, Dënesųłiné (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
Michael Griffiths (Chair)		Y
Noor Abdelwahab		Y
Suhasini Dube (SAL)		N
Marc Dumouchel		N
Elm Elahi		Y
Fariha Fairuz (SAL)		N
Levi Flaman		Y
Saba Nisa (SAL)		N
Peter Ta		Y
Robin Paches		Y
Courtney Graham		N/A

MINUTES (HDP-2023-01-M)

1. CALL TO ORDER
 - a. GRIFFITHS called the meeting to order at 2:05 pm
2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA
 - a. TABLED
3. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES
 - a. N/A
4. CHAIRS BUSINESS
 - a. Introductions (name, pronouns, favourite halloween treat)
 - b. Committee Overview
 - i. GRIFFITHS: The HDP committee works to shape the health and dental plan, creating allocations and seeing which services should be phased out based on what students are communicating.
5. COMMITTEE BUSINESS
 - a. PRESENTATION - HDP ORIENTATION
 - i. by Robyn Paches (Program Manager)
 - I. PACHES: Presented a presentation. Described what the health and dental plan entailed, how the current SU health and dental plan compares to other plans and what the StudentCare team does. Then described what the UASU does, looked at the plan on a macro scale, discussed the pros of the plan, the history of the plan, the coverage of the comprehensive and basic plans, past year claims snapshots, and the plan structure and plan fee for 2024/2025
6. QUESTIONS/DISCUSSION

ELAHI: Can the statistics from other campuses be seen?

PACHES: No, each claims snapshot is confidential to each campus, and cannot be shared. Furthermore, each one is tailored for each campus.

7. ADJOURNMENT
 - a. GRIFFITHS adjourned the meeting at 2:49 pm