

# **Audit Committee**

Nov 17 2022 5:00 PM SUB 6-06

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, 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**

ALIENDANCE		
NAME	PROXY	PRESENT
Simran Dhillon, Chair		Υ
Fateh Arslan		Υ
Rana Thind		Υ
Haruun Ali	Leo Huang	Y
Abdul Abbasi		N
Lionel Liu		Y
Tanisha Sahu		N/A
Courtney Graham		N/A
Annie Miao		N/A

#### **MINUTES (AC-2022-09)**

**2022-09/1 INTRODUCTION** 

2022-09/1a Call to Order

DHILLON: CALLED the meeting to order at 5:12 PM.

2022-09/1b Approval of Agenda

**ARSLAN/LIU MOVE TO** approve the agenda for the meeting.

**CARRIED** 

2022-09/1c Approval of Minutes

**ARSLAN/THIND MOVE TO** approve the minutes from the last meeting.

CARRIED

2022-09/1d Chair's Business

1. Overview of Audit

DHILLON: Informs that the Committee has gone through all the mandates and that two SRA's are expected to be coming in next week.

- 2. Check-In
- 3. SRA Check-Ins

#### 2022-09/2 QUESTION/DISCUSSION PERIOD

# 2022-09/3 COMMITTEE BUSINESS 2022-09/3a 1. Email Updates

DHILLON: Questions members about updates on their emails.

HUANG: ALI had sent emails and heard back from KSSRS. ISSS and APSA haven't responded yet.

LIU: So far, only the NSA have replied that they will refer the audit information to their VP of Finance. ESS still needs to respond, but it was confirmed that SINGH knows the contact information for the ESS.

ARSLAN: Contacted OASIS but still waiting to hear back from them. Further contacted LSA and forwarded those emails to DHILLON but has heard no further updates since then.

THIND: States that he missed the last meeting and is behind on his part of emailing the associations. Plans to get it done as soon as possible.

DHILLON: Informs that the email templates are in the Google Drive folder. States that most of the associations that they were working on have replied.

Plans to send a mass email to the associations stating that their respective auditors have contacted them and to respond by next week if they still need to. Suggests that the Committee members send a follow-up email to the associations if they are still waiting to hear back after that.

### 2022-09/3b

#### 2. Financial Workshop Discussion

DHILLON: No updates as of now, but the workshops' dates will be sent, and which associations have registered so far so that, if members want, they can join.

ARSLAN: Questions about the timings of these workshops.

DHILLON: Potential dates for the workshops include: November 23rd, from 3 to 4 pm,November 25th, from 4 to 5 pm.

### 2022-09/3c

#### 3. KPMG

DHILLON: Hopes to set up a meeting time with KPMG, as they still need to present at Audit Committee A few meeting options to accommodate KPMG are as follows: 12 pm to 1 pm on November 23rd, 11 am to 12 pm on November 24th, or 5 pm to 6 pm on November 25th. The Committee can note down any concerns and submit them to Council or approve the KPMG audit and put it as a motion at the Students' Council.

ARSLAN: Questions if the meeting for the KPMG Presentation will be online.

DHILLON: Confirms.

Expresses concern over the fact that not all associations have responded. If this goes on, then there might be a possibility of some audits getting delayed.

To approve the audits, suggests that the Committee meets on December 8th from 2 pm to 4 pm; if not, the Committee will have to get back at it in January. This will be difficult as all members will have different schedules.

COMMITTEE: Decides on eschewing the extra December meeting to continue work again in January.

#### 2022-09/4

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

DHILLON: ADJOURNED the meeting at 5:33 PM.