

# **Audit Committee**

## February 9 2023 6:00 PM SUB 6-06/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, 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
Simran Dhillon, Chair		Υ
Fateh Arslan		N
Rana Thind		Y
Madina Usserbayeva		N
Abdul Abbasi		Y
Milan Regmi		Y
Tanisha Sahu		N/A
Courtney Graham		N/A

## **MINUTES (AC-2022-12)**

**2022-12/1 INTRODUCTION** 

2022-12/1a Call to Order

DHILLON: CALLED the meeting to order at 6:06 PM.

#### 2022-12/1b Approval of Agenda

TABLED.

#### 2022-12/1c Approval of Minutes

TABLED.

#### 2022-12/1d Chair's Business

DHILLON: States that they had a meeting with KPMG regarding the concerns raised at the Council over the UASU Audit report. Requests members to inform them if they are running for the UASU elections so that no additional tasks are assigned to them.

## 2022-12/2 QUESTION/DISCUSSION PERIOD

## 2022-12/3 COMMITTEE BUSINESS

### 2022-12/3a Audit Updates

DHILLON: Asks the committee members to upload all the documents they have received from their respective associations.

ABBASI: States that the ESA documents have been uploaded to the Google Drive folder.

DHILLON: Informs that they have received bank statements from KSSRS via email and will need to review each separately. Adds that The audits for BSA, KSSRS, and ESA will be approved by an e-vote.

THIND: Informs that they might need someone to recheck HCA's documents.

DHILLON: Confirms and approves HCA's audit at the next meeting. Plans to get the approvals over e-vote by Monday morning so the funds can be dispersed to these associations.

Adds that they are still trying to meet the associations who haven't responded. Hopes to have follow-up conversations with OASIS and MSA and to have a few other associations ready for their audit approvals for the next meeting.

Plans to create a spreadsheet to keep track of the associations who haven't responded and wants to devise an action plan for them.

#### 2022-12/3b Committee Meeting Time

DHILLON: Asks if members are available for a special meeting next week on Thursday from 6 pm-7 pm.

REGMI: Informs that he will not be available at that time.

DHILLON: Points that the committee can invite other members to meet quorum and get the audits approved.

ABBASI: Asks if the committee meetings can be moved to Wednesday. Adds that he can only stay for 20-25 minutes on Thursday meetings.

DHILLON: States that timings possibly can't be changed due to time conflicts, but to make things easier, the committee can deal with the agenda items that require voting at the start of the meeting.

## 2022-12/4 ADJOURNMENT

DHILLON: ADJOURNED the meeting at 6:28 PM.