



University of Alberta Students' Union

AUDIT COMMITTEE

Date: July 20th, 2023

Time: 6pm - 8pm

Zoom/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 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
Damon Atwood		N
Megan Garbutt		Y
Adrian Lam		Y
Mason Pich		Y
Nathan Thiessen (Chair)		Y
Annie Miao		N/A
Tanisha Sahu		N/A

MINUTES (AC-2023-04-M)

2023-04/1

INTRODUCTION

2023-04/1a

Call to Order

THIESSEN: Called the meeting to order at 6:03 PM.

2023-04/1b

Approval of Agenda

GARBUTT/LAM MOVE TO approve the agenda of the meeting.
CARRIED

2023-04/1c

Approval of Minutes

GARBUTT/PICH MOVE TO approve the previous meeting minutes.
CARRIED

2023-04/1d

Chair's Business

THIESSEN: States that the Committee is still waiting for the financial information from the associations. Moving the Committee into the Fall Audits would be the best course of action as Fall Semester is quickly coming. Adds that the Committee might see more engagement from associations once the academic term officially begins.

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QUESTION/DISCUSSION PERIOD

2023-04/3

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

2023-04/3a

Discussion of Active Audits

THIESSEN: Informs that KSSRS, AUFSJ & ISA are currently active audits among the Committee, and ASA Audits are ready to be approved. Regarding KSSRS, there's a mismatch with one cheque, but overall it is all good.

GARBUTT: States that there have been no updates on the AUFSJ Audit since the last meeting.

PICH/GARBUTT MOVE TO approve the ASA audit
CARRIED; LAM Abstains

2023-04/3b

Audit Strategic Planning

THIESSEN: Points that the most important tasks for the Committee would be to streamline the process for the financial document submissions from the various associations and complete the pending audits from the last year's Committee. The Committee also aims to audit the Executives if time permits. Informs that there would be a performance audit for the UASU done by KPMG this year.

GARBUTT/PICH MOVE TO adjourn the meeting.
CARRIED

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ADJOURNMENT

THIESSEN: Adjourned the meeting at 6:23 PM.