



University of Alberta Students' Union
**COUNCIL ADMINISTRATION
COMMITTEE**

**Tuesday, March 28, 2017
5:00 PM**

Council Chambers, University Hall

We would like to acknowledge that our University and our Students' Union are located on Treaty 6 Territory. We are grateful to be on Dene, Cree, Saulteaux, Métis, Blackfoot, and Nakota Sioux territory; specifically the ancestral space of the Papaschase Cree. These Nations are our family, friends, faculty, staff, students, and peers. As members of the University of Alberta Students' Union we honour the nation-to-nation treaty relationship. We aspire for our learning, research, teaching, and governance to acknowledge continuing colonial violence and respect Indigenous knowledges and traditions.

ATTENDANCE

NAME	PROXY	PRESENT
Reed Larsen (Chair)		Y
Rebecca Taylor		Y
Robyn Paches		Y
Frederique Ndatirwa		Y
Levi Flaman		Y
Nathan Sunday		Y
Emil Yim		Y

MINUTES (CAC 2016-19)

Meeting called to order at 5:04 PM.

2016-19/1 INTRODUCTION

2016-19/1a Call to Order

2016-19/1b Approval of Agenda

***NDATIRWA/YIM MOVES to approve the agenda.
7/0/0***

CARRIED

2016-19/1c **Approval of Minutes**

2016-19/1d **Chair's Business**

2016-19/2 **OLD BUSINESS**

2016-19/3 **NEW BUSINESS**

2016-19/4 **DISCUSSION**

2016-19/4a Bylaw Committee recommends the Council Administration Committee discuss the implications, practicality, and legality of allowing standing committees to include non-Students' Council members (i.e. students-at-large) to sit as voting members.

SUNDAY:

Aboriginal Relations and Reconciliation Committee wants to have 2 Aboriginal students and 1 or 2 Elders.

LARSEN:

Not at large but very specific. Doesn't think there's anything in standing orders that prevents us from having non-standing members vote, we just don't have any. The council itself has lots of legislation but standing orders in the larger sphere, we can decide the voting membership and we can delegate that authority as needed. What is the precedent for that? It may be the first time but we can do some research on previous ad-hoc committees.

PACHES:

The BoG sends the decisions to Finance which ratifies it as a vote.

FLAMAN:

Doesn't remember the notes. The topic of having ex officio seats at council/committee level but recalls it being nobody being in favour of it bc we're a representative democracy so if we start opening the door to having anyone coming in to vote, why not go be a direct democracy instead? Having non-voting seats ought to be enough to sway actual voting members decisions.

LARSEN:

It's always in the mandate of the committees.

PACHES:

The objectives of Ad-hoc Committee is to provide recommendations. The goal is to have the ad-hoc to move from the structure currently to standing order. Doesn't have an opinion on non-council members vote. If we're

giving non-student councillors non-voting rights on ad-hoc, it would be difficult, it would open up a larger discussion. Once we give voting right, it would be difficult to retract them. The eventual transition to standing committee.

SUNDAY:

The question is when it will be a standing committee to give those seats voting memberships.

LARSEN:

As CAC, our mandate would be to look through standing ordres to make sure it's possible.

REBECCA:

From Bylaw perspectives, each committee consists of this, when you ratify it then you can do what you want. It's Council's purview to vote yes or no and put it into bylaws.

LARSEN:

Re nominating ppl to the committee, if we decide to do it then we can do it. Council ratifies our committees every year. We would have to get a recommendation on the seats.

TAYLOR:

You either have ex-officio setas, the person in this position always has this seat or they would sit as non-voting members beause otherwise, you'd have to change the bylaws. Bylaw 100 is what outlines the voting memberships of the committees, cannot change this membership as a whole. You need to have a position to vote.

LARSEN:

It would be easy for student members for ASC.

TAYLOR:

Or say a student from X Faculty / Demographic but would have to be ratified by Council.

LARSEN:

Has to figure how Elder gets in to council either nominating committee process or doesn't know.

TAYLOR:

Thinks it would go into standing orders.

LARSEN:

It's possible. It would be a slight precedent. He can summarize this in Council. We have to work on how to nominate non-student members.

NDATIRWA:

For elders, does ASA do they have one on a yearly basis?

SUNDAY:

No.

NDATIRWA:

The non-changing specific positions, the Aboriginal Service Centre - work with elder to see if they would be willing to be an ex-officio member. Maybe have representative of Native Studies then work from there.

SUNDAY:

The NSA and ASC are different.

LARSEN:

NSA is the faculty association and ASC is a student group but individuals that work for the university.

SUNDAY:

The Elder comes once a week, they're not FT.

PACHES:

They would have an agreement so we can put it in Bylaws.

LARSEN:

Ratifying a new member and ex-officio member. The students are standard, describes as student at large. Will work with Bylaw and will update standing orders.

NDATIRWA:

Is the ARC committee for all aboriginal students?

SUNDAY:

Not everyone, 40% of NS faculty is non-indigenous where ASC deals w/ specifically aboriginal students.

TAYLOR:

NSA would not represent aboriginal students in Arts/Sciences whereas ASC does.

2016-19/4b

GovCamp Scheduling and Logistics

LARSEN:

Councillor Christensen wants to move up GovCamp to early May so ppl can get that training earlier. The problem is that most execs are gone early

in the year and ppl often travel immediately so it's easier to find time later.

TAYLOR:

Re date, May long is possible but attendance went up by $\frac{1}{3}$ if it's NOT on the weekend.

PACHES:

Ppl do their own stuff during May long.

TAYLOR:

We jumped by 10-15 ppl when not doing it on the long weekend. We can do it but fewer attendance. We can do June 2-4 or 9-11. The execs should be free.

NDATIRWA:

Jun 2-4 is the best one especially for those enrolled in Spring courses.

LARSEN:

Convocation is Jun 5-15.

FLAMAN:

Prefers earlier dates but it's good for the new ppl.

LARSEN:

We'd have 2-3 meetings before GovCamp.

TAYLOR:

We'd do Robert's Rules and responsibilities before GovCamp.

SPEAKER:

Earlier is better in terms of getting Councillors trained. Also some time for execs to plan their goals for the year. You get a more well thought out planned to give the execs a week or two. Consider moving GovWeek off campus. He found that Councillors developed a better relationship when it's at a campsite or somewhere else.

TAYLOR:

It's more expensive, lower attention to session it's more of a hangout time but might be worth to book a camping site to just hang out. In terms of delivering professional content, going out of town is not conducive, it's hard to keep them focused, not the same access to technology. Gives a chance to build relationships so we need to balance that. Cabins are more pricey. Educational content doesn't get delivered as well as on campus.

SPEAKER:

You get a tighter between people if done on campus.

TAYLOR:

In favor of both but this year would not be practical. Everything is booked at this point. It's not budgeted.

LARSEN:

Robyn will take a look at GovCamp camping logistics and funds. We have 2 options to stay here or go abroad.

2016-19/4c

French Translations & Update on the Bylaw transition task force

NDATIRWA:

We have some Bylaws translated, she making sure translations are appropriate. The translation of the SU, when we research what other students use in french translation. She prefers a literal translation of the SU. Bylaw 500 and 4000 good to go. We're waiting for 600.

LARSEN:

Money is currently in finance principles for translation and the work that has been done.

PACHES:

We will be budgeting for translation of political policies and bylaws.

LARSEN:

It will be double checked. We're looking for honorariums for those doing translations.

PACHES:

It's budgeted so if it's passed today at Council, we'll discuss after looking into budget details.

LARSEN:

We'll wait for the first principles and develop a continued translation.

NDATIRWA:

For setting aside a budget, what will happen to the translation team?

PACHES:

Not aware of this team. Open to hearing who is on this team.

NDATIRWA:

She chose the members on the team. CSJ students, 2 ppl from main camps. Put post on Jobkin.

PACHES:

Would appreciate your support to pass this principle tonight.

2016-19/4d Update on the Bylaw transition task force
Item combined with Item 4c above.

2016-19/5 **ADJOURNMENT**

2016-19/5a **Next Meeting:** April 11, 2017 @ 5PM in Council Chambers

Meeting adjourned at 5:40 PM.

SUMMARY OF MOTIONS

MOTION	VOTES
<i>NDATIRWA/YIM MOVES to approve the agenda.</i>	<i>7/0/0 CARRIED</i>