

# COUNCIL ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

## Tuesday, January 26, 2020 5:00 p.m. Google Meet

We would like to respectfully acknowledge that our University and our Students' Union are located on Treaty 6 Territory. We are grateful to be on Cree, Dene, 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 and work towards the decolonization of Indigenous knowledges and traditions.

#### **ATTENDANCE**

Name	Proxy	Present	Submission of Written Feedback (If Absent)
Dhir Bid		Υ	
Dave Konrad		Υ	
David Draper		Y	
Katie Kidd		Υ	
Daniela Carbajal		Υ	
Talia Dixon		N	
Amlan Bose		Υ	

#### **MINUTES (CAC-2020-17)**

**2020-17/1 INTRODUCTION** 

2020-17/1a Call to Order

BID: Called the meeting to order at 5:02pm.

2020-17/1b Approval of Minutes

2020-17/1c Approval of Agenda

**BID/KONRAD MOVED** to approve the agenda.

**CARRIED** 

2020-17/1d Chair's Business

BID: Noted that the Committee will approve its minutes CAC-2020-17 --

CAC-2020-01 at its next meeting.

## 2020-17/2 QUESTION/DISCUSSION PERIOD

#### 2020-17/3 COMMITTEE BUSINESS

## **2020-17/3a KONRAD/DRAPER MOVED** to approve KAIROS Blanket Exercise Second Principles.

DRAPER: Noted that the Second Principles implement the ARRC Recommendation that 'The SU shall mandate that a KAIROS Blanket Exercise be a part of Students' Council onboarding training.'

**CARRIED** 

#### 2020-17/3b Update on Land Acknowledgement guide

CARBAJAL: Updated that she and Draper are contacting Elders and First People's House for consultation of the Guide. Noted that there is no current deadline for Guide completion.

KIDD: Noted that Aboriginal Student Council believes that the Acknowledgement should reflect individuals' roles. Expressed concern at creating an Acknowledgement without consulting Council as a whole. Proposed that the Committee create a unique acknowledgement in a seminar held by Dr Matthew Wildcat.

DRAPER: Agreed with Kidd. Noted that Wildcat presented at the recent Alberta Student Leadership Summit.

CARBAJAL: Proposed creating different versions of the Acknowledgement for settlers and Aboriginals.

KONRAD: Proposed that the Committee identify how many members of Council it can be involved in the seminar and what institutional resources need to be provided to Wildcat for review. Considered that there would only be minor changes to the existing work.

DIXON: Agreed with Kidd's proposal.

KIDD: Noted that Aboriginal students have previously expressed concern at recognising their land. Noted that the SU could compensate Wildcat for his services. Considered that consultation may be more effective in the next session of Council given the limited number of remaining meetings in the current session.

BID: Clarified that the Acknowledgement is complete and it is the Guide that is incomplete.

KIDD: Proposed that Wildcat review the Guide and Acknowledgment.

KONRAD: Proposed that the Committee create a protocol for updating the Guide and Acknowledgment moving forward.

CARBAJAL: Proposed that the Committee create a Guide specific for Aboriginals.

KIDD: Expressed concern that ignoring ASCs recommendation would damage SU-ASC relations. Proposed that the Committee have a single Acknowledgment.

KONRAD: Considered that there could be an Aboriginal specific acknowledgement of traditional territory but that it would be inappropriate to have an Aboriginal specific land acknowledgment.

DIXON: Agreed that the SU should have a singular land acknowledgment for the organisation as a whole. Clarified that the purpose of the acknowledgment is to recognise relationships and move forward in reconciliation than reinforce settler guilt.

DRAPER: Noted that the SU is not an Aboriginal organisation like Aboriginal Student Council and should not attempt to co-opt the meaning of their message in a hollow manner.

## 2020-17/3c Update on Bylaw 100 Plains Cree Translation

KONRAD: Proposed that the Committee hire Dorthy Thunder of the Department of Native Studies to complete the translation as she has experience with government translations. Noted that he sent translation budget options to Kidd and Moyan for review. Expressed concern that a multi-year translation effort is not guaranteed to succeed.

KIDD: Inquired as to the total cost of the translation of Bylaw 100.

KONRAD: Responded that the translation would cost \$5550.

DIXON: Expressed concern that some members of ARRC do not support using these funds for translation as per ARRC-2020-10-M.

KIDD: Agreed that the Committee should look to non-ARRC funding sources to pay for the translation.

KONRAD: Considered that the quoted cost of translation is fair but that the Committee could look for lower-cost methods of translation such as volunteerism.

KIDD: Determined to explore translation funding options with Krahn.

KONRAD: Determined to contact Wildcat to request his support.

### 2020-17/3d Council Presentation Maximums & Consent Agenda

DIXON: Expressed concern that Council meetings regularly surpass their set end-time. Proposed starting Council meetings an hour earlier in the next year. Proposed increasing the frequency of Council meetings but reducing their total duration.

BID: Noted that Konrad proposes introducing consent agendas and adding presentations to the order papers for review, allowing questions only during meetings.

KONRAD: Proposed having a maximum of two long presentations or four short presentations. Agreed with Dixon that Council should have more meetings.

BID: Determined to discuss 2020-17/3d at the next Committee meeting.

#### 2020-17/4 <u>INFORMATION ITEMS</u>

#### 2020-17/4a <u>CAC Minutes 1 to 16</u>

Note: Meetings 2, 6, and 9 minutes unavailable

## 2020-17/4b KAIROS Blanket Exercise Second Principles

#### 2020-17/5 ADJOURNMENT

BID: Adjourned the meeting at 5:57pm.