



University of Alberta Students' Union

**COUNCIL
ADMINISTRATION
COMMITTEE**

**March 21st, 2023
4:45 P.M.
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, Dënesųłíné (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
Adrian Wattamaniuk (Chair)		YES
Fateh Arslan		YES
David Lee		YES
Christian Zukowski		YES
Aaryan Shetty		YES
Levi Flaman		YES
Milan Regmi		YES
Courtney Graham		N/A
Racquel Araujo-Aikman		N/A

MINUTES (CAC-2022-19-M)

2022-19/1 **INTRODUCTION**

2022-19/1a **Call to Order**

WATTAMANIUK called the meeting for order at 4:55 P.M.

2022-19/1b **Approval of Agenda**

SHETTY/FLAMAN MOVE TO approve the agenda.
CARRIED

2022-19/1c **Approval of Minutes**

Tabled.

2022-19/1d **Chair's Business**

Committee Standing Orders
Elk Island Draft Management
[Letter](#)
[Plan](#)

2022-19/1e **Reports**

Report of the Social Media Sub-Committee
Report of the Council Mentorship Program
Report of the Speaker

2022-19/2 **QUESTION/DISCUSSION PERIOD**

FLAMAN: Wants to move GovCamp to the May long weekend so that the program is done at the start of the year rather than at the end. Thinks that the recent trip to Augustana was valuable, but there were many vacancies, so those who did not attend had to rely on secondhand information.

ZUKOWSKI: Supports that there could be more team-building trips in the future with other groups as well. This could lead to Council building as there are currently many vacancies.

REGMI: The Social Media Sub-Committee has not been meeting for the past few weeks but should be more engaging for councillors. Aims to get more engagement in the sub-Committee. The mentorship program is going well.

2022-19/3 **COMMITTEE BUSINESS**

2022-19/3a **REGMI/WATTAMANIUK move to nominate one (1) member of CAC to the Social Media Sub-Committee**

Tabled.

2022-19/3b

Standing Orders Overview

Electronic Voting
Council Scholarship

WATTAMANIUK: Electronic voting is to be used for all main motions next year.

ZUKOWSKI: The new voting system will be used for main motions that can be contentious and that are regarding policy and procedure. When the electronic voting system cannot handle certain votes, Google Forms will continue to be used. Council can choose to use electronic voting by a simple majority vote. The speaker can accept votes through a variety of mediums. The votes of individual members will not be disclosed, so that electronic voting will be done by a secret ballot, but any member can request roll call voting, which will reveal votes. The speaker can rule that out of order to keep votes secret.

FLAMAN: Council debated the topic at length at the last meeting and agreed on a secret ballot.

WATTAMANIUK: The voting will continue to be anonymous.

FLAMAN: There was not much dissent regarding Council remuneration, but there was pushback against blanket remuneration. Therefore, Councillors who go above and beyond should be rewarded. The Council Scholarship is currently two \$500 per term. In rewarding those that go above and beyond, a third reward could be added, the Exemplary Service Award, for Councillors who maintain attendance, go above and beyond, and are nominated by others. Two other awards will be set aside. One will be for chairs and one for non-executive committee members, which would be for perfect attendance. There is no limit to the number of nominations or the amounts of awards that a student will win. In addition to the funds, the winners should also gain a certificate with tangible proof of their award.

2022-19/3c

Slack

2022-19/3d

GovCamp Timing

2022-19/4

ADJOURNMENT

WATTAMANIUK adjourned the meeting at 5:48 P.M.

2022-19/4a

Next Meeting: April 3rd, 4:45 PM