



University of Alberta Students' Union

**COUNCIL  
ADMINISTRATION  
COMMITTEE**

**June 6, 2023**

**5:00 P.M.**

**Bill Smith Room (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, 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 Lam (Chair)		Y
Noor Abdelwahab		Y
Nathan Thiessen		Y
Mason Pich		Y
Precious Majekodunmi		Y
Muneeba Qadir		Y
Pedro Almeida		Y
Michael Griffiths		Y
Chris Beasley		
Christian Zukowski		N/A

Courtney Graham		N/A
Jetro Dano		N/A

**MINUTES (CAC-2023-02-M)**

**2023-02/1**

**INTRODUCTION**

**2023-02/1a**

**Call to Order**

LAM called the meeting to order at 5:09 PM

**2023-02/1b**

**Approval of Agenda**

**THIESSEN/PICH MOVE TO** approve the agenda (with amendments)  
CARRIED

**2023-02/1c**

**Approval of Minutes**

CAC-2023-00-M

CAC-2023-01-M

**PICH/ THIESSEN MOVE TO** approve the minutes (with amendments)  
CARRIED

GRAHAM: Mentions an amendment from using slush fund to Student Council Fund (CAC-2023-01-M)

**2023-02/1d**

**Chair's Business**

**2023-02/2**

**QUESTION/DISCUSSION PERIOD**

**2023-02/3**

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**2023-02/3a**

**Intro to the Council Mentorship Program**

GRAHAM: Gives an overview and introduction of the Council Mentorship Program, including the term of the program, structure, mentor-mentee relationship

LAM: States that they will be looking to see if anyone on the committee will run the program by the next meeting

ALMEIDA: Asks if the Executives can serve as mentors for the program

GRAHAM: States that the Executives can not join the program as mentors but can offer support about mentor/mentee inquiries

THIESSEN: Asks about the turn-out rate of the program.

GRAHAM: Mentions that there are no figures available. However, based on anecdotal evidence, one person from the program ran in the elections.

Adds that from the past 2 years, there have been between 12 - 15 mentees and 8 mentors (including the BOG Rep), and each mentor would have 1 -2 mentees under their watch

ABDELWAHAB: Asks if every councillor is a mentor

GRAHAM: States that councillors who would want to be a mentor would need to sign-up

**2023-02/3b**

### **CSJ Meeting Discussion**

ZUKOWSKI: Gives an update on the CSJ Meeting. States that the suggested Fall meeting dates are September 24th or November 4th- combining the meeting and retreat.

LAM: Reminds the committee that no decision needs to be made today.

**2023-02/3c**

### **Augustana Meeting/Retreat Discussion**

LAM: Mentions that there is no response yet from Augustana Students' Association.

THIESSEN: Asks if there are enough resources to accommodate an overnight stay at Augustana.

LAM: States that there are no rooms in dorms at Augustana, but the inquiry has been brought up to Governance to be discussed.

**2023-02/4**

### **COMMITTEE BUSINESS**

**2023-02/4a**

### **Opening of 2 Student-At-Large Positions for the Green and Gold Grant Adjudicator Committee**

#### **Motion1: To approves the Job Posting**

**THIESSEN/ALMEIDA MOVE TO** approve the Job Posting  
CARRIED

LAM: Mentions that the copy of the Job Posting is linked in the agenda and that the application deadline is June 18th, Sunday

## **Motion 2: To open the nomination subcommittee**

LAM: Gives an introduction on the Nomination Sub-Committee

ZUKOWSKI: Mentions that the committee creates sub-committees or interview panels of two permanent members each to handle the interview process

LAM: Asks the committee if anyone would want to be a part of the interview board for the Green and Gold Grant Adjudicator Committee

ZUKOWSKI: Mentions that in the past interviews, the committee itself could review the applications

LAM: Withdraws the motion as it is unnecessary

**2023-02/4b**

## **Social Media Sub-Committee**

### **Motion: To amend the Terms of Reference**

LAM: Mentions that there is already an approved term of reference. However, as the call for nominations was submitted, there was a noted discrepancy, and the mandate stated 5 councillors when it was changed to 3.

**PICH/THIESSEN MOVE TO** amend the Terms of Reference  
CARRIED

**2023-02/4c**

## **Student Senate**

### **Motion: To approve the Job Posting**

ALMEIDA: Mentions the need to have the senators be chosen by the end of the month

LAM: Adds that the Job Posting will be on June 18th as well. However, an interview process is required for the job posting, and the committee will form a subcommittee in the next meeting.

ABDELWAHAB: Mentions that Christian Fotang is still showing as VP-External on the application

The committee made unanimous consent to change VP-External to President on the Job Posting document.

**THIESSEN/PICH MOVE TO** approve the job posting  
CARRIED

2023-02/4d

**Changes to Students' Council Standing Orders**

**Motion: To recommend the adoption of the following amendments to Standing Orders to Students' Council.**

ZUKOWSKI: Introduces the motion to the committee. Mentions that they drafted these changes as well.

PEDRO: Mentions that the proposed changes are supposed to make the Governance processes easier for the Governance staff, including deadlines of the Order Papers

ZUKOWSKI: States why these amendments came about

ALMEIDA: Discusses with the committee the rest of the amendments

LAM: Mentions the possibility of creating an information sheet for Councillors regarding this matter.

ALMEIDA: States that once the committee approves this motion, it will be brought to Council, which will be an opportunity for further conversations

ZUKOWSKI: Mentions that the motion can include taking effect at a certain time

LAM: Mentions that if the committee approves the recommendation today, it will be discussed for approval at the June 20th Council meeting

**ALMEIDA/PICH MOVE TO** recommend the adoption of the following amendments to Standing Orders to Students' Council for implementation on July 4th, 2023

CARRIED

2023-02/5

**INFORMATION ITEMS**

2023-02/5a

[2022/2023 Augustana Retreat – Agenda](#)

2023-02/5b

[Green & Gold Adjudication Committee](#)

2023-02/5c

[Social Media Sub-Committee: Terms of Reference](#)

2023-02/5d

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2023-02/5e

[Motion to Amend Standing Orders May 9 2023](#)

2023-02/6

**ADJOURNMENT**

**Next Meeting: June 20, 2023 at 5 pm**

LAM adjourned the meeting at 5:55 PM