

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Thursday, August 2, 2018 5:15 PM SUB 0-55

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)
Emma Ripka (ex-officio)(chair)		Y	
Lane Anderson		Y	
Amlan Bose		N	
Tahra Haddouche		Y	
Steven Lin		Y	
Brianne St. Hilaire		N	
Nathan Sunday		Y	
André Bourgeois (ex-officio)		Y	
Robert Bilak		Y	
Mariam Hosseiny		N	

MINUTES (FC 2018-03)

2018-03/1 INTRODUCTION

2018-03/1a Call to Order

RIPKA: Called the meeting to order at 6:03pm.

2018-03/1b Approval of Agenda

BILAK/BOURGEOIS MOVED to approve the agenda. 6/0/0 - CARRIED

2018-03/1c Approval of Minutes

BILAK/RIPKA MOVED to approve the minutes of *FC-2018-02-M* 6/0/0 - CARRIED

2018-03/1d Chair's Business

RIPKA: Established that §6.2 of Standing Orders constrains the possible membership of granting committees to Committee members only. Expressed concern over the availability of Committee members to exclusively fill granting committee positions. Proposed amending §6.2 to allow both Council and Committee members to serve on granting committees.

BILAK: Supported the change contingent upon the implementation of a reporting process to the Committee.

SUNDAY: Suggested Ripka attach the amendment and its motion to the agenda of the next meeting for a vote.

RIPKA: Determined to act on Sunday's suggestion.

2018-03/2 **QUESTION/DISCUSSION PERIOD**

2018-03/2a DFU Marketing Responsibilities (Bylaw 6200.4)

RIPKA: Proposed amending Bylaw §6100.5, relating to Dedicated Fee Unit oversight, to include a provision mandating recipients to develop a marketing/communication plan with which to inform students of their value and the DFU opt-out option.

SUNDAY: Noted that concerns over the student awareness of the opt-out option were raised during the Alberta Public Interest Research Group referendum. Supported Ripka's proposal.

RIPKA: Considered that recipients of mandatory DFU fees, in particular, should demonstrate their value and advertise their services to students.

BILAK: Supported mandatory marketing.

BOURGEOIS: Expressed concern over the potential for confusion to arise from compelling all recipients to independently advertise the DFU opt-out. Promoted centrally communicating the opt-out option through the Students' Union.

SUNDAY: Supported any measure to better communicate the opt-out option.

BOURGEOIS: Established that the SU provides notice of the DFU opt-out option in multiple communications to students leading up to the deadline. Recommended that Sunday propose additional means of communicating the opt-out option.

RIPKA: Determined to present her proposal to and collaborate with Bylaw Committee moving forward.

SUNDAY: Determined, as a member of Bylaw Committee, to bring forward the proposed amendment.

BILAK: Inquired into whether the proposed provision would mandate or recommend a marketing plan.

RIPKA: Responded that a recipient who provides reasonable and rational justification for not developing marketing/communication plan will not be required to do so. Noted that the Committee does not seek to direct the operations of DFU recipients.

2018-03/2b Standing Orders & Evotes

RIPKA: Identified the absence of an eVoting procedure. Determined to draft a procedure for presentation and consideration at the next meeting.

BILAK: Considered that formalising an eVote procedure would incentivise other committees to act similarly.

SUNDAY: Requested Ripka raise the issue of the absence procedure at the next meeting of committee chairs.

2018-03/2c Fall Meeting Schedule

RIPKA: Anticipated increasing the frequency of the meetings to bi-weekly during the academic year. Determined to send a Doodle Poll to discern the membership's availability.

2018-03/3 COMMITTEE BUSINESS

2018-03/4 <u>INFORMATION ITEMS</u>

2018-03/4a Finance Committee, *Minutes* - FC-2018-02-M

See FC-2018-03.01.

2018-03/5 ADJOURNMENT

2018-03/5a Next Meeting: TBD.

SUMMARY OF MOTIONS

RIPKA: Adjourned the meeting at 5:40pm.

MOTION	VOTES
BILAK/BOURGEOIS MOVED to approve the agenda.	6/0/0 - CARRIED
BILAK/RIPKA MOVED to approve the minutes of <i>FC-2018-02-M</i>	6/0/0 - CARRIED