



University of Alberta Students' Union

## **POLICY COMMITTEE**

**Monday, July 17, 2017**

**6:30 PM**

**SUB 6-06**

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.

### **AGENDA (PC 2017-04)**

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| <b>2017-04/1</b>  | <b><u>INTRODUCTION</u></b>  |
| <b>2017-04/1a</b> | <b>Call to Order</b>  |
| <b>2017-04/1b</b> | <b>Approval of Agenda</b>   |
| <b>2017-04/1c</b> | <b>Approval of Minutes</b>  |
| <b>2017-04/1d</b> | <b>Chair's Business</b>   |
| <b>2017-04/1e</b> | Student Financial Assistance Policy Renewal   |
| <b>2017-04/2</b>  | <b><u>QUESTION/DISCUSSION PERIOD</u></b>  |
| <b>2017-04/2a</b> | Policy Renewal Check-ins  |
| <b>2017-04/2b</b> | Proposed Fall Meeting Schedule <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Monday September 11th</li><li>● Monday October 9th</li><li>● Monday November 6th (early because of Fall Reading Week)</li><li>● Monday December 11th</li></ul> |
| <b>2017-04/3</b>  | <b><u>COMMITTEE BUSINESS</u></b>  |
| <b>2017-04/4</b>  | <b><u>INFORMATION ITEMS</u></b>   |
| <b>2017-04/5</b>  | <b><u>ADJOURNMENT</u></b>   |
| <b>2017-04/5a</b> | <b>Next Meeting:</b> Monday, July 31, 2017 at 6:30PM in SUB 6-06.   |

**Tuesday July 10, 2017**

**6:30 pm**

**SUB 6-06**

**ATTENDANCE**

NAME	PROXY	PRESENT	SUBMISSION OF WRITTEN FEEDBACK (IF ABSENT)
Sandy Brophy		Y	
Daren Choi		Y	
Delaine Howie		Y	
Nathan Sunday		Y	
Haley Lefferson		Y	
Alannah Piasecki		Y	
Reed Larsen		N	Y
Ilya Ushakov		Y	
Shane Scott		Y	

**MINUTES (PC 2017-03)**

**2017-03/1 INTRODUCTION**

**2017-03/1a Call to Order**

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 6:31PM.

**2017-03/1b Approval of Agenda**

SUNDAY/CHOI MOVE to approve the agenda  
7/0/0. CARRIED

**2017-03/1c Approval of Minutes**

HOWIE

Suggested the following amendment:  
Councillor Sunday did provide feedback.

PIASECKI

Mentioned that he did not suggest to share in Google drive folder; and so it could be Counselor Brophy, and it can be double checked if he gets to the meeting today

CHOI/PIASECKI move to approve the minutes  
7/0/0. CARRIED.

**2017-03/1d Chair's Business**

**2017-03/2 QUESTION/DISCUSSION PERIOD**

**2017-03/2a CHANGING POLITICAL POLICY STANDING ORDERS**

SUNDAY

Said that doing something in the policy committee requires change to standing orders

HOWIE

Agreed that it requires change, and as soon as effect goes to standing orders, it goes to policy committee standing orders

CHOI

Asked if modifying the standing orders will help in getting acceptance of standing committee

SUNDAY

Mentioned that people didn't like infringing into powers of some other committees, and it is good that everyone seemed to receptive of the idea

HOWIE

Said that she is am receptive because that committee can make the changes, and she will check with DG if that is within the purview of political policy; and that will be definitely an amendment to be made at a later date; Also mentioned that it is interesting, and a lot of change were made; Asked for any further comments;

(There were no comments)

**2017-03/2b CHECK-IN ON POLICY RENEWALS**

HOWIE

Asked that when an action item is ready then then committee members can let her know, so that we can have it in the agenda; Added that they will probably have it the way it was done last year, i.e. one-by-one

CHOI

Updated the committee that it is not practical, given my own time constraints, to have made any progress; and said that he has got to do research to figure out the political policy and hasn't have time yet

HOWIE

Replied that it is fair, and asked if September is good

CHOI

Agreed with September

(Sandy Brophy joined the meeting)

HOWIE

Mentioned that Shane Scott is the next one and he has not submitted a report, Reed Larsen has neither and is not in town; and asked Haley Lefferson if she has any update

LEFFERSON

Said that she is trying to find if something can be changed, and she doesn't have experience and so she doesn't know what is to be changed and realize that it needs consultation and that's the way to go

PIASECKI

Updated that he would start in August

HOWIE

Mentioned that Reed Larsen is not here but his work is in progress

SUNDAY

Update that he interacted with three international student groups, and drafted out the outcome; everything is on-track and he should have something to show in the next meeting

BROPHY

For his update, said that he has a general wording from ISA, and has to look into a few points that are vague, such "student success"; Added that: he wants to figure out success in specific contexts; one point is that students enrol in the approved classes, and if they fail, it will have the opposite effect; another point is that something doesn't have to change but status quo has to; and if someone has one class with one mid-term and one final, then that should be fine;

So, overall it should be good although there are vagaries;

Said that there is nothing in policy regarding plagiarism issues and therefore he wants to reach out to the Chinese Student Association to see if they want to change anything; Added that there are separate international student groups, and want to make sure that this is the correct policy for, to implement;

HOWIE

Said that plagiarism issue does get into university disciplinary action thing and SU does not have any say there

BROPHY

Replied that it is about policy in which SU would advocate

HOWIE

Said that that is where one could have collective student voice and we can talk about that with VP Scott

SUNDAY

Said that in his draft of international policy, he has two points on that and doesn't know if that should be there

HOWIE

Said that she doesn't think that is an appropriate place

BROPHY

Plagiarism is an issue in which cultural issues can be expressed but internationalization may not be the right place

BROPHY

Said that he can put it in SU policy under "Fairness of Student Discipline"

HOWIE

Suggested that they can state the plagiarism is wrong and still have it

BROPHY

Added that they can give examples as well

HOWIE

Mentioned that the problems with examples is that they don't know what academic support services is, because there are so many academic support services

BROPHY

There is a group for students with disabilities, and they can probably approach ISA to contact students with disabilities

LEFFERSON

Asked if there other groups on campus that help with students with disabilities

HOWIE

Said that she thinks that it is a good idea to talk to this social groups

BROPHY

Mentioned he will get his part completed by the end of August

**2017-03/3**     **COMMITTEE BUSINESS**

**2017-03/4**     **INFORMATION ITEMS**

Next Monday (July 17, 2017), the schedule for Fall will be figured out, and he will move to once a month for next year

**2017-03/5**     **ADJOURNMENT**

No adjournment motion

**2017-03/5a**     **Next Meeting:** Monday, July 17 at 6.30 pm

Meeting adjourned at 7:03 pm.

**SUMMARY OF MOTIONS**

<b>MOTION</b>	<b>VOTES</b>
SUNDAY/CHOI moved to approve the agenda	7/0/0, CARRIED
CHOI/PIASECKI move to approve the minutes as amended:  HOWIE Suggested the following amendment: Councillor Sunday did provide a feedback;  PIASECKI Mentioned that he did not suggest to share in Google drive folder; and so it could be Counselor Brophy, and it can be double checked if he gets to the meeting today  Brophy confirmed that he agreed to do so	7/0/0, CARRIED