



University of Alberta Students' Union

POLICY COMMITTEE

Monday, January 30, 2018

6:00 PM

SUB 6-06

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AGENDA (PC 2017-10)

2017-10/1 INTRODUCTION

2017-10/1a Call to Order

2017-10/1b Approval of Agenda

2017-10/1c Approval of Minutes

2017-10/1d Chair's Business

2017-10/2 QUESTION/DISCUSSION PERIOD

2017-10/2a Policy Renewal Check-ins

2017-10/3 COMMITTEE BUSINESS

2017-10/3a Health and Wellness Policy Renewal

2017-10/3b Assessment and Grading Policy Renewal

2017-10/3c Academic Materials Policy Renewals

2017-10/3d Food Policy Renewal

2017-10/4 INFORMATION ITEMS

2017-10/4a PC-2017-09, Meeting Minutes

See PC 2017-09.01

2017-10/5 ADJOURNMENT

2017-10/5a **Next Meeting: Monday, February 12, 2018 at 5:30PM in SUB 6-06.**



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Monday, November 20, 2017

5:00 PM

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ATTENDANCE

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

MINUTES (PC 2017-09)

2017-09/1 INTRODUCTION

2017-09/1a **Call to Order**

HOWIE: Called the meeting called to order at 5:02.

2017-09/1b **Approval of Agenda**

USHAKOV, PIASECKI: Moved to approve the agenda.
7/0/0

2017-09/1c **Approval of Minutes**

CHOI, LARSON: Moved to approve the September 11th minutes.
6/0/1
Sunday abstains.

2017-09/1d **Chair's Business**

2017-09/1e Timeline Moving Forward

HOWIE: Communicated she will be increasing the frequency of communication with members leading policy implementation. Noted the vacant committee position will be filled on November 21st, 2017 at Students' Council.

2017-09/2 QUESTION/DISCUSSION PERIOD

2017-09/2a Proposed changes to the Internationalization Policy Draft See PC 2017-09.02

SUNDAY: Noted the internalisation draft policy does not reflect the changes from the consultation with University of Alberta International. Suggested elements of 'studying abroad' be included in the policy. Submitted the draft policy to the working Google folder for members to comment upon.

HOWIE: Inquired into the policy development moving forward.

SUNDAY: Responded that he will finish a second round of consultations with remaining parties, integrate the feedback thereof, and finally bring policy forward to Students' Council.

SCOTT: Suggested the Student Conduct and Accountability Statistical Report, which lists the number of internal students on academic probation, be used as a resource in policy development.

HOWIE: Established that discussion on the policy will continue at the next meeting.

2017-09/2b Policy Renewal Check-Ins

CHOI: Presented updates for academic materials. Noted his work continues and is focused on collecting the relevant data and statistics. Redetermined the expected completion date from November to December.

HOWIE: Presented updates for CSJ linguistic accessibility. Noted no draft is published as the discussions have been preliminary. Noted the project is on-track to be completed for December. Established deferred maintenance and student financial assistance are completed politics.

USHAKOV: Presented updates for food policy. Noted he is consulting the FoodBank. Placed expected completion for December. Presented updates for health and wellness policy. Redetermined expected completion date from January to February.

PIASECKI: Presented updates for residence policy. Noted no significant advancement has been made. Redetermined expected completion from December to January.

HOWIE: Determined to check-up on the progress of policy development two weeks prior to the next meeting.

2017-09/2c Possible Student-At-Large seats on Policy Committee

LARSON: Emphasized the function of Policy Committee is best fulfilled through consultations rather than a large membership. Expressed, as political policy has limited application to Students-at-Large, it be unnecessary to open new committee positions. Described Student-at-Large seats for the committee to be unnecessary.

SUNDAY: Suggested Students-at-Large would re-energise engagement on apathetic committees.

SCOTT: Suggested Students-at-Large would add value and democratic virtue to the development of political policy as the committee has a high proportion of executive members.

PIASECKI: Suggested committee spots be made available to leaders of representative student organizations.

SUNDAY: Advanced that the Student-at-Large members not be already involved in governance. Noted the Student-at-Large positions could be opportunities for involvement. Clarified the committee positions could be advisory or voting.

HOWIE: Suggested the Student-at-Large positions be opened on a rotating basis to permit target who are specially affected by the given policy development discussion.

SCOTT: Proposed Nominating Committee appoint Students-at-Large with the intent of reaching previously engaged student populations.

HOWIE: Inquired into whether Student-at-Large appointments are to be held to the same standard as councillors.

BROPHY: Responded that standards should be uniform.

HOWIE: Emphasized the Student-at-Large position as directed toward first-year students who wish to become involved in the Students' Union.

SUNDAY: Identified the relationship as mutually beneficial for Students-at-Large could improve their resume while the committee receives broader participation.

2017-09/2d Winter semester meeting schedule - Potential change of meeting day/time

HOWIE: Advised members that the Policy Committee will investigate a change of meeting time in order to accommodate new Winter Semester schedules. Committed to send a Doodle poll in order to determine availability.

2017-09/3 **COMMITTEE BUSINESS**

2017-09/3a Assessment and Grading Policy Renewal
See Document on Shared Google Drive.

BROPHY: Inquired into whether the Grading Policy should define student success and list the academic support services offered at the University.

HOWIE: Noted facts three, four, and the five accomplish the intention of fact. Removed fact six for redundancy.

SCOTT: Removed §23.4 in order to accommodate the new paperless University Calendar. Removed the term 'complex' to clarify performance-based learning in fact seven. Replaced the term 'learning objective' with 'learning outcome' in fact eight. Simplified fact nine to read "the use of rubric ensures the measurement process is reliable and consistent in producing results".

HOWIE, BROPHY: moved to extend the meeting by five ten minutes.
6/0/0.

HOWIE: Identified that fact ten refers to evidence not cited in the policy.
Removed fact ten for clarity.

SUNDAY: Replaced the phrase 'across Campus' to 'at the University of Alberta' in fact eleven.

HOWIE: Removed fact twelve on the varied forms of grading and assessment across faculties to maintain the scope of the policy.

CHOI: Inquired into whether the policy mention grade appeals.

HOWIE: Added the "Students may need to appeal a grade at some point during their academic career" as fact thirteen.

SCOTT: Added the corresponding draft resolution "students should have access to a fair appeal process".

BROPHY, SCOTT: moved to send the amended facts for the Assessment and Grading Policy Renewal to Students' Council.
6/0/0.

2017-09/3b Academic Materials Policy Renewal
See Document on Shared Google Drive.

HOWIE, SCOTT: moved to strike Item 3b from the agenda.
6/0/0.

2017-09/4 **INFORMATION ITEMS**

2017-09/4a PC-2017-07, *Meeting Minutes*

See PC 2017-09.01

2017-09/4b Internationalization Political Policy (Draft)

See PC 2017-09.02

2017-09/5 **ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned for 6:13pm.

2017-09/5a **Next Meeting:** Monday, December 11, 2017 at 5:00PM in SUB 6-06.

SUMMARY OF MOTIONS

MOTION	VOTES
USHAKOV, PIASECKI: Moved to approve the agenda.	7/0/0 - CARRIED.
CHOI, LARSON: Moved to approve the September 11th minutes.	6/0/1- CARRIED.
HOWIE, BROPHY: moved to extend the meeting by five ten minutes.	6/0/0 - CARRIED.
BROPHY, SCOTT: moved to send the amended facts for the Assessment and Grading Policy Renewal to Students' Council.	6/0/0 - CARRIED.
HOWIE, SCOTT: moved to strike Item 3b from the agenda.	6/0/0 - CARRIED.