



**POLICY
COMMITTEE**

**Tuesday, May 14 , 2019
6:30 PM
SUB 6-06**

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)
Juan Vargas Alba (chair)		Y	
Abigail Isaac		Y	
Amber Sayed		Y	
Phoebe Marinakis		Y	
Samantha Tse		Y	
Katie Kidd		Y	
Joel Agarwal		Y	
Adam Brown		Y	
Jared Larsen		Y	

MINUTES (PC 2019-01)

2019-01/1 INTRODUCTION

2019-01/1a Call to Order
VARGAS ALBA: Called to order at 6:32pm

2019-01/1b Approval of Agenda
SAYED/LARSEN MOVED to approve the agenda.
9/0/0 - CARRIED

2019-01/1c

Approval of Minutes

LARSEN/TSE MOVED to approve the minutes of PC-2019-01-M.

9/0/0 - CARRIED

2019-01/1d

Chair's Business

VARGAS ALBA: Noted that the Committee can pursue drafting additional policies after it completes those seven requiring review as per the renewal schedule.

2019-01/2

QUESTION/DISCUSSION PERIOD

2019-01/3

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

2019-01/3a

Planning Policy Renewal

See PC-2019-01.02.

VARGAS ALBA: Considered that the Committee will likely quickly review and approve the Reconciliation Policy as the Committee of last session fully completed its development. Confirmed that the Committee will need to renew the Mandatory Non-Instructional Fees, Public Transit, Scholarships and Bursaries, Sexual Violence, Tuition, and Student Space Policies this session.

TSE: Determined to lead the renewal of the the Mandatory Non-Instructional Fees Policy with the support of Kidd and Brown.

BROWN: Determined to lead the renewal of the Public Transit Policy with the support of Larsen, Vargas Alba, and Sayed.

AGARWAL: Determined to lead the renewal of the Scholarships and Bursaries Policy with the support of Kidd, Isaac, and Marinakis.

LARSEN: Determined to lead the renewal of the Sexual Violence Policy with the support of Tse, Marinakis, and Isaac.

SAYED: Determined to lead the renewal of the Student Space Policy with the support of Vargas Alba and Tse.

BROWN: Determined to lead the renewal of the Tuition Policy with the support of Agarwal, Vargas Alba, and Kidd.

LARSEN: Proposed that the Committee discuss the potential policies it will draft after completing the aforementioned renewals.

BROWN: Proposed writing a Voluntary Student Unionism Policy.

AGARWAL: Proposed writing an Open Education Resource Policy and a Freedom of

Speech Policy.

LARSEN: Proposed writing a Students who Parent Policy. Noted that this would focus on child-care services.

KIDD: Proposed writing a Work Experience Policy.

SAYED: Proposed addressing interdepartmental resource discrepancies that require balancing via policy.

ISSAC: Proposed addressing a lack of academic advising in the Faculty of Arts via policy.

VARGAS ALBA: Determined to read through the ARRC Recommendations to establish a strategic plan for their implementation. Proposed creating an Active Transportation Policy. Proposed addressing a lack of transparency University Administration via policy. Emphasised that he intends to meet or exceed the number of policies (13) renewed in the 2018-2019 session. Noted that the Committee has an opportunity to be visionary in its proposals.

LARSEN: Inquired into whether he should create a policy for changes he intends to bring about in Residence and Ancillary Services.

VARGAS ALBA: Responded that Larsen could create a policy if he intends for the advocacy to be long-term.

BROWN: Emphasised that the Committee can also review policies that are not up for renewal.

VARGAS ALBA: Inquired into whether Translation Committee has yet set expectations as to how they will translate policy.

BROWN: Responded in the negative.

VARGAS ALBA: Directed project leads to prepare timelines of review, scales of revision, and scales of engagement for their respective renewals for the next meeting. Suggested that the renewal teams should meet in the interim.

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INFORMATION ITEMS

2019-01/4a

Policy Committee Minutes (PC-2019-00-M) - Monday, May 6, 2019.

See PC-2019-01.01.

2019-01/4b

2019/20 UASU - Policy Committee Tracking Sheet.

See PC-2019-01.02.

2019-01/4c Policy Committee Students' Union Website - Accessible [here](#).

2019-01/5 **ADJOURNMENT**
Adjourned the meeting at 7:02pm.

2019-01/5a **Next Meeting:** Tuesday, May 28, 2019 in SUB 6-06 @ 6:30PM.

SUMMARY OF MOTIONS

MOTION	VOTES
SAYED/LARSEN MOVED to approve the agenda.	9/0/0 - CARRIED
LARSEN/TSE MOVED to approve the minutes of PC-2019-01-M.	9/0/0 - CARRIED