



University of Alberta Students' Union

STUDENT GROUP COMMITTEE

Wednesday, August 7, 2019

5:30PM

SUB 0-48

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)
Nathan Sunday (Chair)		Y	
Amber Sayed		N	
Joel Agarwal		Y	
Jared Larsen		Y	
Isha Godara		Y	
Duke Nguyen		Y	
Jie Cheng		Y	

MINUTES (SGC 2019-04)

2019-04/1

INTRODUCTION

2019-04/1a

Call to Order

SUNDAY: Called the meeting to order at 6:06pm.

2019-04/1b

Approval of Agenda

LARSEN/AGARWAL MOVED to approve the agenda.

CARRIED

2019-04/1c

Approval of Minutes

LARSEN/NGUYEN MOVED to approve the minutes of SGC-2019-00-M.

CARRIED

2019-04/1d

Chair's Business

2019-04/2 **QUESTION/DISCUSSION PERIOD**

2019-04/2a Introduction to the Student Group Committee

SUNDAY: Introduced himself as a Native Studies councillor and chair of the Committee.

CHEN: Introduced herself as a geology student. Noted she joined the Committee at the recommendation of a friend.

NGUYEN: Introduced himself as a political science and economics student. Noted that he joined the Committee to learn more about the Students' Union.

LARSEN: Introduced himself as a business student and Students' Union Vice-President Student Life.

AGARWAL: Introduced himself as an open studies student (having recently graduated with a biology degree) and Students' Union Vice-President Academic.

SUNDAY: Noted that this is the first year in which this Committee existed. Explained that the Committee will receive reports from Student Group Services that detail the results of investigations into student group misconduct. Explained that the Committee decides what sanction, if any, is required on the basis of the evidence presented to it. Outlined that the Committee also reviews contentious event requests and provides policy advice and general student group oversight. Emphasised that members should send proxies, written feedback, call into the meetings in the event of their absence. Directed members to review the Committee Manual.

2019-04/2b Student Group Services: Student Group Awards Recommendations

See SC-2019-04.02.

SUNDAY: Outlined that Student Group Services requested that the Committee aid in awarding student group awards by reviewing the applicants and providing their commentary. Determined to request a rubric for the review of these applications from SGS.

SUNDAY: Determined to review applicants for the Community Outreach Award.

AGARWAL: Determined to review applicants for the Student Group of the Year Award.

LARSEN: Determined to review applicants for the Best Event of the Year Award.

CHEN: Determined to review applicants for the Student Group Progress Award.

NGUYEN: Determined to review applicants for the Most Promising Student Group Award.

SUNDAY: Clarified that the review of these applicants should occur by August 16th.

AGARWAL: Inquired into how winners for these Awards will be selected.

SUNDAY: Responded that the SGS Awards Committee will make the final selections but that the Committee's comments will help SGS make decisions. Clarified that award applicants can request to see any commentary made by the Committee in relation to their applications. Advised the Committee to write comments with the expectation that they will be made public.

2019-04/3

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

SUNDAY/LARSEN MOVED to amend and approve all SGC Standing Orders according to all changes to the SUSC Standing Orders Google Document occurring on August 7, 2019.

SUNDAY: Outlined that his proposed changes add requirements from Bylaw 100 into and item l(d), which allows the Committee to assist in the review of awards, to the mandate. Noted that other changes include changing 'will' to 'shall', adding the Committee membership to the Standing Orders, adding attendance regulations from Bylaw 100, rephrasing 'no-councillor' to read 'student at large', removing 6(l)e which is a requirement for adjudicating with regard to natural justice as the Students' Union has no definition for this term, allowing students at large members to use proxies, correcting document numbering, and allowing any member of the Committee to run for chair.

AGARWAL: Proposed replacing the term natural justice with the phrase 'with full consideration to the facts and details of the situation'

SUNDAY: Supported the change.

CARRIED

2019-04/4

INFORMATION ITEMS

2019-04/4a

Student Group Committee Minutes (SGC-2019-00) - Monday, May 6, 2019 (ONLINE).

See SGC-2019-04.01.

2019-04/4b

Student Group Services: Student Group Awards Recommendations

See SC-2019-04.02.

2019-04/5 ADJOURNMENT

2019-04/5a Next Meeting: Wednesday, August 21, 2019 at 6:00PM in SUB 0-48.

SUMMARY OF MOTIONS

MOTION	VOTES
SUNDAY/LARSEN MOVED to amend and approve the SGC Standing Orders according to his SUSC Standing Orders Google Document dated August 7, 2019.	CARRIED