

**STUDENT GROUP
COMMITTEE**

Friday, October 29, 2021

12:00 PM

Google Meet/In-Person

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
Christopher Beasley		Y
Abner Monterio, chair		Y
Daniela Carbajal		Y
Talia Dixon		Y
Caitlin Mcleod		Y
Selen Erkut		Y
Asyah Saif		Y
Aadhavya Sivakumaran		Y
Bin Ge Yang		Y
Jacqueline Yang		Y
Courtney Graham		N/A

MINUTES (SGC 2021-05)

2021-05/1 INTRODUCTION

2021-05/1a Call to Order

MONTEIRO CALLED the meeting to order at 12:06 P.M.

2021-05/1b Approval of Minutes

2021-05/1c Approval of Agenda

DIXON/SIVAKUMARAN MOVE TO approve the agenda.

CARRIED

2021-05/1d Chair's Business

MONTEIRO: Asks if the committee would like to do a meeting during Reading Week. Based on what SGC is doing, it may not be necessary to meet during Reading Week.

Opens a poll to decide if the committee should meet during Reading Week.

COMMITTEE: All vote in favour of meeting during Reading Week.

MONTEIRO: The meeting during Reading Week will stand but, if nothing is added to the agenda, then the meeting will be cancelled.

2021-05/2 QUESTION/DISCUSSION PERIOD

2021-05/3 COMMITTEE BUSINESS

2021-05/3a Decision on Proceeding with Student Group Submission Approval

ERKUT: Details the process of how student group committees are created, how they are screened and what to do if similar groups have existed in the past.

The reason that this specific case was brought to Student Group Committee was because a student group, of similar values, has existed in the past and this group had numerous conflicts and controversy with the University.

SAIF: There is nothing with the new proposed Pro Life group that goes against University policies; they meet all the criteria to exist. However, this student group proposal is being evaluated by SGC because student's have had controversies with similar groups in the past and student opinions should be valued in the process of deciding whether or not this group should exist.

MONTEIRO: Questions if SGC is making a recommendation or a decision regarding the student group proposal.

ERKUT: States that SGC will be making the decision as Student Group Services was unable to do so on their own.

BEASLEY: Questions whether the decision regarding the existence of the

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group will be made without a Pro-Life member present?

MONTEIRO: Further questions whether a Pro Life member would be required to be present if the student group that is being evaluated is not officially a student group at the time of the decision making process?

ERKUT: No one from Pro-Life will be present during the decision and no one from Pro-Life was notified that their application was being evaluated by the SGC. No contact has occurred with Pro-Life.

MONTEIRO: Questions the validity of notifying someone from the potential Pro-Life Group regarding the fact that their proposal is being reviewed.

ERKUT: States that no contact with any member of the potential Pro-Life group will be made until after a decision has been reached. The potential Pro-Life group members do not need to be contacted in any way about the decision making processes of SGC.

MCLEOD: Has not had a chance to contact DoS, so no further information can be provided about contact with the potential Pro-Life group members or whether or not contact will occur before a decision has been made.

J YANG: Questions if the Pro-Life group is applying to be a chapter of another organization or is applying to be an independent student group.

ERKUT: The Pro-Life group is applying to be their own organization, with an external affiliate.

MONTEIRO MOTIONS TO go in camera.

DIXON/J YANG MOVE TO go in camera.

CARRIED

MONTEIRO MOVES TO ex-camera

BEASLEY/CARBAJAL MOVE TO ex-camera.

CARRIED

MONTEIRO MOTIONS TO table the decision regarding the existence of the potential Pro-Life group.

BEASLEY/CARBAJAL MOVE TO table the decision regarding the existence of the potential Pro-Life group.

CARRIED



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2021-05/4a [Prolife New Group Submission](#)

2021-05/5 **ADJOURNMENT**

MONTEIRO adjourned the meeting at 1:03 P.M.

2021-05/5a **Next Meeting:** Friday, November 12th, 2021 @ 12-1 PM