

# University of Alberta Students' Union SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE

# 21 July 2021 6:00pm Google Meet

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 (Y/N)
Andrew Batycki, chair		Υ
Akanksha Yeola		Υ
Regan Morris		Ν
Talia Dixon		Υ
Megan Uglem		Y
Yousuf Iqbal		Ν
Rucha Patel		Υ
Mustafa Jaswal		Υ
Courtney Graham		N/A
Thomas Banks		N/A

#### MINUTES (SUSC 2020-01)

- 2020-01/1 INTRODUCTION
- 2020-01/1a Call to Order Meeting called to order at 6:00pm.
- 2020-01/1b Approval of Minutes
- 2020-01/1c Approval of Agenda
- 2020-01/1d Chair's Business

## 2020-01/2 QUESTION/DISCUSSION PERIOD

### 2020-01/2a Sustainability and Capital Fund Committee

DIXON nominated PATEL: declined. DIXON nominated UGLEM: declined. BATYCKI nominated JASWAL: declined. BATYCKI nominated DIXON: declined.

Nominations will continue at next meeting.

#### 2020-01/2b Committee Plan Document

BATYCKI: Identified that the Committee will focus on creating social and economic sustainability recommendations. Clarified that the timeline and priorities are found in the Plan within the Committee Drive.

DIXON: Expressed concern that sustainability as a concept has been co-opted by corporations and is focused on maintaining consumption.

JASWAL: Suggested that an important part of social sustainability is the fair treatment of people according to geographic location.

BATYCKI: Expressed concern that climate change reinforces economic and social inequalities by disproportionately affecting the global poor. Clarified that the Committee's social sustainability work will focus on improving physical and social design in SUB (such as ensuring accessibility and adherence to the WELL Design Principles) and promoting well-being as an organisation. Invited the Committee to review and make additions to the Plan.

## 2020-01/3 COMMITTEE BUSINESS

#### 2020-01/4 INFORMATION ITEMS

**2020-01/5 ADJOURNMENT** BATYCKI: Adjourned the meeting at 6:43pm.