



University of Alberta Students' Union
**SUSTAINABILITY
 COMMITTEE (SUSC)**

**October 19th, 2022
 4:00 P.M.
 Zoom/SUB 6-06**

The University of Alberta and the University of Alberta Students' Union occupy Indigenous land in amiskwacîswâskahikan (Beaver Hills House), on Treaty 6 territory. From time immemorial, the banks along the river valley have been known as the Pehonan, a meeting place for the nêhiyawak (Cree), the Niitsitapi (Blackfoot), Métis, Dënesųłiné (Dene), Ojibway/Saulteaux/Anishinaabe, Haudenosaunee and others. The University, the Students' Union and much of the city are located on the unlawfully stolen land of the forcibly removed Papaschase Cree.

We acknowledge that sharing this land gives each of us the responsibility to research the historic contexts of Treaty 6, to reflect on our personal relationships to the land, the Nations we've named, and to our roles in upholding justice on this territory. Since they began, the Students' Union and the University have benefited from historic and ongoing dispossession of land and resources from Indigenous Peoples. As a result, it is our responsibility to seek the restitution of this land and its resources. Finally, we seek to do better by working to make our learning, research, and governance align with the histories, languages, teachings, and cultures of First Nations, Métis, and Inuit Peoples in the land presently occupied by the Canadian state.

We encourage critical reflection by asking the following question. In relation to the territory on which you are situated, what role do you play in strengthening the resistance and resurgence of Indigenous students within your communities?

ATTENDANCE

NAME	PROXY	PRESENT
Mackenzie Burnstick		Y
Daniela Carbajal Velez		N
Brett Friesen		Y
Megan Jones (Non-Voting Member)		N
Pien Steinbusch		Y
Julia Villosio		Y
Kian Kyars		N
Fardeen Ansar		N
Audrey Johnson		Y
Courtney Graham		N/A
Jetro Dano		N/A

MINUTES (SUSC-2022-00-M)

2022-01/1 INTRODUCTION

2022-01/1a **Call to Order**

STEINBUSCH called the meeting to order at 4:10 PM

2022-01/1b **Approval of Agenda**

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2022-01/1c **Approval of Minutes**

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2022-01/1d **Chair's Business**

Chairs meeting - committee restructuring (why should our committee not be combined)

2022-01/2 QUESTION/DISCUSSION PERIOD

JOHNSON: Asks confirmation if the environmental section recommendation is appointed to her.

STEINBUSCH: Confirms.

2022-01/3 COMMITTEE BUSINESS

2022-01/3a **Check-in - progress on sustainability recommendations**

STEINBUSCH: States that the appointed sections be completed by the next meeting to (November 16) move forward with the consultations.

2022-01/4 ADJOURNMENT

2022-01/4a Next Meeting: November 16th, 2022 at 4:00 P.M in SUB 6-06/Zoom.

STEINBUSCH adjourns the meeting at 4:15 PM