



University of Alberta Students' Union

SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE (SUSC)

January 25th, 2024

2:00 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 Niitsítapi (Blackfoot), Métis, Dënesųłíné (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
Michael Griffiths		
Adrian Lam		
Megan Jones		
Sophie Martel		
Finn Thornley		
Damon Atwood		
Christian Fotang		
Karina Afonya		

AGENDA (SUSC-2023-05-A)

2023-05/1 INTRODUCTION

2023-05/1a Call to Order

2023-05/1b Approval of Agenda

2023-05/1c Approval of Minutes

TABLED

2023-05/1d Chair's Business

Committee Members Update - SAL removed for attendance.

Fall Semester Green Fund Applications Update - all three that were awarded are being processed.

2023-05/2 QUESTION/DISCUSSION PERIOD

2023-05/3 COMMITTEE BUSINESS

2023-05/3a Roundtable feedback on the fall green fund adjudication process to hear how everyone felt the process went, what you liked, what improvements could be made, and set the plan for the upcoming semester.

2023-05/4 INFORMATION ITEMS

2023-05/4b [Winter Semester Green Fund Deadline is Feb 19th!](#)

2023-05/4c [SAL Seats Open!](#)

2023-05/5 ADJOURNMENT

Next meeting: February 8th at 2:00 P.M.