

**February 6th, 2024
6:00 P.M.
Council Chambers/Zoom**

The University of Alberta and the University of Alberta Students' Union occupy Indigenous land in amiskwaciwâskahikan (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, Dênesųłiné (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?

LATE ADDITIONS (SC-2023-21)

- 2023-21/1 **SPEAKERS BUSINESS**

- 2023-21/1a Join Zoom Meeting
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85666007012>

- 2023-21/2 **CONSENT AGENDA**

- 2023-21/3 **PRESENTATIONS**

- 2023-21/4 **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND BOG REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS**

- 2023-21/5 **BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORT**

- 2023-21/6 **OPEN FORUM**

- 2023-21/7 **QUESTION PERIOD**

- 2023-21/8 UNFINISHED BUSINESS
- 2023-21/9 BOARD AND COMMITTEE BUSINESS
- 2023-21/9d **FLAMAN/GRIFFITHS MOVE TO** amend Something Previously Adopted by amending The Landing's ballot question approved in motion 2023-16/9c by striking Plebiscite and replacing it with Referendum.
- See SC-2023-21.10
- 2023-21/10 GENERAL ORDERS
- 2023-21/11 CLOSED SESSIONS
- 2023-21/12 INFORMATION ITEMS
- 2023-21/12f Students' Council Submission
- See SC-2023-21.10
- 2023-21/12g Board of Governors Report
- See SC-2023-21.11

UASU Students' Council Agenda Submission Form

Council Meeting Date Tuesday, February 6, 2024

[Meeting Schedule](#)

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Type of Item Submission

Is this a Consent Agenda item?

Approval/Discussion Items

Motion

FLAMAN moves to Amend Something Previously Adopted by amending The Landing's ballot question approved in motion 2023-16/9c by striking Plebiscite and replacing it with Referendum.

Mover FLAMAN

Second GRIFFITHS

Presenter (If Not the Mover) N/A

Does this item require a closed session discussion?

Office/Committee Responsible Bylaw Committee

Purpose

The item is seeking to change The Landing's previously approved question being put to students in the 2024 General Election from a non-binding Plebiscite to a binding Referendum.

Executive Summary

See attached.

Relevant Bylaws/Policies/Standing Orders

Bylaw 6100: Dedicated Fee Units, sections 3 and 4.
Regulation 320.06: Plebiscite and Referenda Procedure.

Engagement and Routing

The Landing
Bylaw Committee
Students' Council

Approval Routing

Proposal submission by The Landing was provided to Bylaw Committee on November 16th, 2023. Bylaw Committee met on November 24th, 2023 to discuss the question. Bylaw Committee recommended the approval of the drafted question on November 30th, 2023. Students' Council approved the drafted question on December 5, 2023.

Strategic Alignment

Support and encourage diverse programming across campuses.
Connect students to academic and personal support services.
Enhance annual planning processes and implement multi-year forecasting to ensure the Students' Union can support the programs that students need.

[Strategic Plan](#)

Attachments



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Calls for Nominations

[Council Committees and Boards](#)

Written Nominations

Information Items

Presentations

Written Questions

Is there anything else that you would like to include?

No.

Date: 05/06/2024
To: Students' Council
Re: Motion to Amend Something Previously Adopted

Introduction

Hey Council!

As you may remember, The Landing submitted their proposal for a referendum intending to increase the amount of their DFU during this year's elections. Bylaw Committee took the proposal, discussed the question during their meeting on [November 24th, 2023](#) then approved the drafted question on [November 30th, 2023](#). That question then came to Council for approval on [December 5th, 2023](#). The question was approved; in addition to those for The Gateway and CJSR-FM. The week after that, members of The Landing came in to give a [presentation](#) on their Dedicated Fee Unit (DFU) referendum proposal.

The Problem

What nobody caught until this weekend until we reviewed all of the ballot questions prior to posting them on the website was that there was some conflicting wording in the submission for The Landing's question that was approved by both Bylaw Committee and Council:

***Plebiscite** Question*

Do you support the creation of a (5) year" The Landing" Dedicated Fee subject to the preceding conditions?

We erroneously approved The Landing's question as a **plebiscite** rather than a **referendum**. Even though in all of the preceding submissions and the presentation The Landing gave, they always stated the intent to run a referendum. And just a couple of lines up in the approved conditions, Number 2 specifically states that "If the **referendum** passes, The Landing will become independent of the Students' Union as per Bylaw 6100."

The Solution

The solution should be a relatively simple one; amend the previously approved question by striking **Plebiscite** and replacing it with **Referendum** as noted on the following page.

The Landing Fee

Purpose

The Landing is the main campus provider of support, programming, and events related to gender, sexuality, and sexual health for undergraduate students. It is The Landing's goal to promote gender equity on a broad scale and advocate for the safety, inclusion, and celebration of students of all genders and sexualities in campus life. The Landing's mandate is to affect meaningful change in the quality of life of students who are marginalized based on gender and/or sexuality. The Landing's Board would oversee the administration of the proposed fee. The Board will consist of 7-12 elected or appointed members from the following categories:

- a. 1-2 volunteer representatives
- b. 1 Students' Union Executive member or delegate appointed from Students' Union Council.
- c. 2-3 campus community representatives (academic or non-academic University staff)
- d. 1-2 representatives from 2SLGBTQ+ serving organizations in Edmonton
- e. 2-4 undergraduate student-at-large representatives

Conditions

If successful, The Landing Dedicated Fee will continue for a (5) year term beginning September 1st, 2024 and expiring August 31st, 2029, subject to the following conditions:

1. All eligible Students' Union members shall pay \$3.75 per term, with;
 - a. The amount increasing annually to match CPI;
 - b. The amount only being assessed in the Fall and Winter terms; and
 - c. The amount remains the same for full-time and part-time students.
2. Augustana and off-campus students are not subject to the fee.
3. Students shall have the option to opt-out, subject to opt-out deadlines.
4. If the referendum passes, The Landing will become independent of the Students' Union as per Bylaw 6100.
5. There shall be at least one Students' Council member on The Landing's board.

Plebiscite Referendum Question

Do you support the creation of a five (5) year Dedicated Fee subject to the preceding conditions?

Regards,

 

Levi Flaman

Vice-President Operations & Finance 2023-24
University of Alberta Students' Union

Saturday, February 3, 2024

UASU Students' Council Agenda Submission Form

Council Meeting Date Tuesday, February 6, 2024

[Meeting Schedule](#)

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Type of Item Submission Information Item

Is this a Consent Agenda item? Yes

Approval/Discussion Items

[Strategic Plan](#)

Calls for Nominations

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Written Nominations

Information Items

Agenda Title Monthly BOG Rep Report

Description of the Information Item

Monthly report of the BOG Rep

Attachments



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Presentations

Written Questions

Monthly Report - January 2024

Greetings UASU Council, welcome to my eighth regular report. January was a busy start to 2024 and it was totally epic. The most life-changing involvement I which took up way too much of my time was participating in the annual Law Show on campus, which was a Mamma Mia inspired show where I experienced my Meryl Streep fantasy and played Donna. Outside, below is a specific list of action items I completed this past month.

- Participated in the Senate/GFC/Board Summit to discuss implementation of the University Strategic Plans across different stakeholder groups.
- Attended the Joint BOG/BHRCC meeting.
- Created content and explainer's around issues on campus such as changes to tuition, deferred maintenance, and sexual and gender-based violence.
- Highlighted opportunities for direct advocacy and participated in direct calls to action regarding the University Sexual Assault Centre.

It's a bit of a quieter time from a BOG meeting perspective. Here is my Calendar of official BOG and BOG Committee meetings. Things will certainly ramp up in the coming two months as decision-making around tuition spices up

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FEBRUARY

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BOG - Board of Governors meeting

BGC - Board Governance Committee meeting

BRPAC - Board Reputation and Public Affairs Committee meeting

Please shoot me an email or a DM to @stephenraitz.is.bog.hehe on IG, if you have questions!



Stephen Raitz

Your UAlberta Undergraduate Board of Governors Representative.