

# STUDENTS' COUNCIL

#### January 10, 2023 6:00 P.M. Council Chambers/Zoom

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, 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?

#### LATE ADDITIONS (SC-2022-19)

2022-19/1	SPEAKERS BUSINESS		
	Join Zoom Meeting https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85666007012		
	Meeting ID: 856 6600 7012		
2022-19/2	CONSENT AGENDA		
2022-19/3	<u>PRESENTATION</u>		
2022-19/4	EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT		
2022-19/5	BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORT		
2022-19/6	OPEN FORUM		
2022-19/7	QUESTION PERIOD		

2022-19/8	BOARD AND COMMITTEE BUSINESS
2022-19/9	GENERAL ORDERS
2022-18/9e	CLOSED SESSIONS
2022-19/10	INFORMATION ITEMS
2022-19/11	Executive Reports
2022-19/11f	See SC-2022-19.19



## **UASU Students' Council Agenda Submission Form**

Council Meeting Date Tuesday, January 10, 2023

**Meeting Schedule** 

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Type of Item Submission Information Item

Is this a Consent Agenda item?

## **Approval/Discussion Items**

Strategic Plan

### **Calls for Nominations**

**Council Committees and Boards** 

## **Written Nominations**

## **Information Items**

Agenda Title President Report #18

#### **Description of the Information Item**

Bi-weekly report to the Students' Council.

**Attachments** 



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## **Presentations**

## **Written Questions**

Is there anything else that you would like to include?

Thanks Courtney:)





**Date**: 01/10/2023

To: Students' Union Council

Re: President 2022/23 Report #18

#### Dear Council,

Happy New Year! I hope all of you had a restful holiday break. Since I have also been on vacation over the break. Here is an update on what I was up to before the holiday break.

#### **Student Experience Project Co-Design**

The SU, GSA, and University will we embarking on the creation of a Student Experience Strategic Plan (new name to come). This will be an extremely exciting opportunity to co-design a plan that puts student priorities at the forefront in every way. There will be plenty of opportunities to engage and share your feedback throughout the process and a presentation for the Council in the coming weeks.

#### **Elections Bylaw Reform**

Over the past several months, Councillor Flaman, Councillor Wattamaniuk, myself and the rest of the Bylaw Committee have been working to reform our elections bylaws to make them less redundant, more clear and concise, and implement many of the recommendations given to the Bylaw Committee from the C.R.O, D.I.E. Board, and Students' Council. These changes are ready for Council approval and are on the upcoming Agenda.

#### Governance Restructuring Task Force (GRTF) and Committee Restructuring

Since this summer, the executive and Students' Council have been trying to work towards completing the GRTF Recommendations. While we have started to make significant strides to change our bylaws and do the necessary background work, the final piece is tackling the challenges with the current structure of the Council and its Standing Committees. On the agenda, you will find a proposal put together by me in collaboration with the committee chairs to stimulate discussion around making the necessary changes required to complete the rest of the GRTF recommendations.

#### **Executive Goals Update**

I am extremely proud of this executive team's work over the past 8 months. We have gotten some significant advocacy wins over this term, and it wouldn't have been possible without the collaboration and teamwork of the SU. This term is not over yet, and we still have a way to go. We are excited to work with you to deliver on our commitments to the student body! In this upcoming meeting, we will update you on our progress.

Cheers,

Abner Monteiro (he/him)

President

University of Alberta Students' Union