

STUDENTS' COUNCIL

November 15th, 2022 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?

VOTES & PROCEEDINGS (SC-2022-15)

2022-15/I SPEAKERS BUSINESS

SPEAKER called the meeting to order at 6:08 PM

2022-15/1a Join Zoom Meeting

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Meeting ID: 856 6600 7012

SPEAKER SPECIAL ORDERS agenda item 3d to the top of presentations and agenda item 8d to the top of Board and Committee Business.

2022-15/2 CONSENT AGENDA

2022-15/2a Students' Council Votes and Proceedings (SC-2022-14) Tuesday, November 1st, 2022

See SC-2022-15.01

APPROVED

2022-15/3 PRESENTATIONS

2022-15/3d **MONTEIRO/FOTANG MOVETO** allow a presentation from the University of Alberta regarding the University Strategic Plan.

See SC-2022-15.10

CARRIED 27/00/00

FLAMAN/MONTEIRO MOVETO extend the presentation by 10 minutes. CARRIED 27/00/00

2022-15/3a **FOGUE/MONTEIRO MOVETO** allow Campus & Community Recreation and Athletics to give a presentation to Council on the Recreation and Athletics Fee

See SC-2022-15.07

CARRIED 25/00/00

FLAMAN/ALI MOVETO extend the presentation by 10 minutes. CARRIED 27/00/00

ALI/ARSLAN MOVETO extend the presentation by 10 minutes. CARRIED 26/00/01

2022-15/3b **FOGUE/VILLOSO MOVETO** allow the Campus Food Bank to give a presentation to Students Council

See SC-2022-15.08

CARRIED 27/00/00

FLAMAN//MONTEIRO MOVETO extend the meeting by 10 minutes. CARRIED 27/00/00

FLAMAN/DHILLON MOVETO extend the presentation by 10 minutes. CARRIED 26/00/00

2022-15/3c **DHILLON/MONTEIRO MOVETO** allow a representative from KSRSS to present their FAMF Creation Proposal

See SC-2022-15.09

CARRIED 24/00/00

FLAMAN/WATTAMANIUK MOVETO extend the presentation by 10 minutes. CARRIED 24/00/00

DHILLON/FLAMAN MOVETO extend the presentation by 10 minutes.

CARRIED 22/00/00

FLAMAN/FOTANG MOVETO extend the meeting until 10:00 P.M.

CARRIED 17/00/07

2022-15/4 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

FOGUE - VP Student Life - Report

VILLOSO - VP Operations and Finance - Report

FOTANG - VP External - Report KAUR - VP Academic - Report MONTEIRO - President - Report

2022-15/5 BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORT

DHILLON - Audit Committee - Report

FLAMAN- Bylaw Committee - Report

WATTAMANIUK - Council Administration Committee - Report

MONTEIRO - Executive Committee - Report

VILLOSO - Finance Committee - Report

ALI- Nominating Committee - Report

FOTANG - Policy Committee - Report

DORSCHEID - Board of Governors Representative - Report

VILLOSO - ARRC - Report

VILLOSO- SCFC - Report

BROOKS - Student Group Committee - Report

STEINBUSCH - Sustainability Committee - Report

SOTO - Translation Committee - Report

2022-15/6 OPEN FORUM

2022-15/7 QUESTION PERIOD

LIU: Asks VP FOTANG on his views regarding a referendum that was passed in the state of Arizona to allow international students to pay the same fees as domestic students.

FOTANG: Mentions that he has not seen the article describing this yet and will give his comment afterwards.

LIU: Asks if President MONTEIRO or VPVILLOSO could prepare a full report and analysis, with a detailed budget, of the Break the Record event before November 30th.

MONTEIRO: Will need clarification on the specifics of the report being asked about. Mentions that the BTR budget breakdown has already been made available to Council. Asks Councillor LIU to meet after the Students' Council meeting to further

discuss this.

SINGH: Questions VP VILLOSO regarding a new business that the SU is proposing to set up in Balmoral Lounge on South Campus.

VILLOSO: Mentions that Balmoral Lounge has been set up on an as-needed basis previously. This has been shifted to a daily basis to meet current demands. A presentation regarding the shift was presented to the Finance Committee. Mentions that she will forward the presentation to Councilor SINGH.

VILLOSO: Questions Councilor ALI for updates on the SAL for the SCFC Committee that was asked about previously on the Students' Council meeting of October 17th. Councillor Ali had previously stated that this SAL would be provided within three weeks of that meeting.

ALI: Mentions that the Nominating Committee has decided to wait to fill the SCFC Committee vacancy because the Nominating Committee had heard that the Sustainability Committee would also have SAL vacancies opening up soon and wanted to fill the applications at the same time. Will give an update on SAL positions being filled, sometime in early December.

ALI: States his concern that the proposed business at the Balmoral Lounge is not feasible and may end up costing the SU money.

SINGH: Asks VP VILLOSO about the ownership relationship between the Balmoral Lounge and the Students Union and if there would potentially be any changes to this established relationship.

VILLOSO: Mentions that Campus Community Recreation (CCR) has previously reached out to the SU in 2021 about their lack of food and beverage options on South Campus, which was impacting memberships and the reputation of the Disability Community Support Centre. With this information, the SU began a limited catering service in November 2021 at Balmoral Lounge. Since then, CCR has expressed interest in the SU providing full services and operations, as soon as the Balmoral Lounge kitchen has been refurbished.

Adds that a proposed lease has been sent to the SU for the rental space of the Balmoral Lounge kitchen space.

FLAMAN: Asks VP VILLOSO for an update status on Balmoral Lounge and when exactly that lounge will be opening.

VILLOSO: Mentions that the SU Director of Operations follows all appropriate channels for the lease signage. Adds that, according to SU legislation, the SU Director of Operations does not, technically, need to bring the proposal to the Finance Committee, but did so for transparency and to get the committee's "blessing" on the endeavour.

Adds that the SU Director of Operations is the person to reach out to get information regarding where the SU is currently at with the lease agreement.

LIU: Asks VPA KAUR if she has any updates regarding practicum implementations.

KAUR: Mentions that practicum fees will be analysed to determine whether that is a problem that the majority of the students are facing.

Mentions that a survey, regarding this, has been sent out and that a report will be shared as soon as possible.

ARSLAN: Reminds Council that Students' Union staff are professional enough to make decisions regarding Balmoral lounge. The appropriate information was shared at the Finance Committee and transparency in the matter has clearly been evident.

ALI: Asks President MONTEIRO why the Executive Committee overstepped their boundaries and nominated individuals to a University selection committee, when that responsibility is explicitly defined as belonging to Nominating Committee.

MONTEIRO: States that the Executive Committee didn't reach out to ALI and the Nominating Committee for this matter, because the timeline to fill the seats were very limited and the seats needed to be filled immediately. Adds that in order to fill those seats and to ensure that there was student representation on the committee, the Executive Committee reached out directly to councillors and students who might have been interested in the positions.

Adds that this nomination process was understood to lie with the Executive Committee and it was not until ALI read his committee mandate at the previous Chair's meeting that it was understood to fall within the purview of Nominating Committee. Mentions that this allocation of nominating powers was news to everyone on Council and is not something that anyone was intentionally overstepping. This is why it is so important that the SU is going through restructuring and ensuring that all committee mandates are clearly and effectively met.

Suggests having a conversation between the Executive Committee and Nominating committee regarding this matter.

SINGH: Asks about International Student Financial Aid. Mentions that there has been advocacy for the past 2-3 yrs to reduce unmet needs among the International Students who qualify for university bursaries. Currently, the University doesn't have enough money to meet the financial bursary needs of all international students.

Adds that going over the financial aid report by the RO, there was not a clear indication of what international student unmet need is. Mentions that this would be a good cause for the UASU to advocate for.

MONTEIRO: Mentions that this matter has been raised during the last meeting with COSA and the University Registrar. Adds that one of the things that the ISA president, during COSA, asked the University for was a breakdown of how much of the 7.5% tuition increase is going towards International Tuition and how much is being allocated to different resources.

Adds that the University has agreed to give a breakdown of the 7.5% because of the SU's tuition consultation advocacy efforts.

REGMI/LIU MOVETO extend question period. CARRIED 22/00/00

2022-15/8	BOARD AND	COMMITTEE BUSINESS
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2022-15/8d **WATTAMANIUK/DHILLON MOVETHAT** the location of the Tuesday,

November 29th, meeting of Students' Council be changed to Campus Saint-Jean.

See SC-2022-15.14

CARRIED 19/00/00

2022-15/8a **STEINBUSCH/REGMI MOVETO** nominate one (1) member of Council to the

Ad-hoc Sustainability committee

See SC-2022-15.11

CARRIED 18/00/00

STEINBUSCH nominates REGMI (accepted)

REGMI is appointed to the Sustainability Committee via acclamation.

2022-15/8b **FOTANG/ALI MOVETO** nominate one (1) member of Council to the Policy

Committee.

See SC-2022-15.12

CARRIED 18/00/00

REGMI nominates LIU (declined)

DHILLON nominates REGMI (accepted)

REGMI is appointed to the Policy Committee via acclamation.

2022-15/8c ALI/STEINBUSCH MOVETO nominate two (2) members of Council to the

Nominating Committee.

See SC-2022-15.13

CARRIED 17/00/00

FLAMAN nominates REGMI (accepted)

ALI nominates LIU (accepted)

REGMI and LIU are declared appointed to Nominating Committee via acclamation.

2022-15/8e FLAMAN /MONTEIRO MOVETO approve Bill 1: Simplifying and Clarifying

Governance Documents in second reading based on the following principles

See SC-2022-15.15

CARRIED 19/00/00

2022-15/9 GENERAL ORDERS

2022-15/9a ABBASI/CARBAJAL VELEZ MOVE TO discuss low engagement in the elections

and how to increase engagement in future elections.

See SC-2022-15.16

TABLED

2022-15/9b **FOTANG/FOGUE MOVE TO** discuss the City of Edmonton Budget

Deliberations.

See SC-2022-15.16

CARRIED 17/00/00

2022-15/10 <u>CLOSED SESSIONS</u>

2022-15/11 <u>INFORMATION ITEMS</u>

2022-15/11a Students' Council Votes and Proceedings (SC-2022-14) Tuesday, November 1st, 2022

See SC-2022-15.01

Executive Committee Reports

2022-15/11b

See SC-2022-15.02-06

Students' Council Submissions

2022-15/11c

See SC-2022-15.07-16.

Students' Council - Attendance

2022-15/11d

See SC-2022-15.17

Board of Governors Report

2022-15/11e See SC-2022-15.18

Speaker adjourned the meeting at 9:47 P.M.