



Athabasca University
Students' Union

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Council Meeting Agenda

Tuesday, May 9, 2017

5:30pm MST

- *Please consider the key ethical principles of AUSU, which are respect for persons, respect for the organisation, and respect for the common good, during this meeting of Council, and when participating in any AUSU function.*
- *Attendees are encouraged to mute their phone lines when not speaking to reduce background noise for all participants. Mute your line by pressing *6. Pressing *6 again will unmute your line.*
- *Council meetings are working sessions of Council. Observers should refrain from speaking during the working portion of the meeting but are encouraged to participate in the Question & Answer Period at the end of the meeting or to contact the AUSU office with any questions that arise. Any member may also contact any Councillor or staff member with issues that they would like to see addressed on a future Council agenda.*

Log in Protocol: AUSU uses an on-line conferencing system. Go to <https://athabasca.pgimeet.com/AUSUCouncil>, If you have not used the system recently, you may get a screen with the account number and asking for a password. If so, click "(This is not me)", and in the next screen you should be asked for your name and email address. Enter those and click "Join Meeting". On the next screen you can either create your own individual password and click "Register", or you can click "Continue as guest" (small grey type below the orange "Register" button).

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Meeting Called By: Shawna Wasylyshyn, President

Type of Meeting: AUSU Council Meeting

Minutes: Donette Kingyens, Communications and Member Services Coordinator

Expected Participants

Council: President Shawna Wasylyshyn, Vice President External and Student Affairs Julian Teterenko, Vice President Finance and Administration Scott Jacobsen, Councillor Robin Bleich, Councillor Andrew Gray, Councillor Amanda Lipinski, Councillor Kim Newsome, Councillor Brandon Simmons

Staff: Communications and Member Services Coordinator Donette Kingyens, The Voice Managing Editor Karl Low

Members: Bonita Arbeau

Guests:

Absent:

Notice: THIS MEETING WILL BE RECORDED FOR EASE OF MINUTING AND WILL BE CONDUCTED USING ROBERT'S RULES OF ORDER WHEN NECESSARY TO ENSURE EFFICIENCY AND EFFECTIVENESS.

Agenda and Minutes

1.0 Adoption of Agenda S. Wasylyshyn

Proposed Motion: BIRT AUSU Council adopt the agenda.

2017-05-09 Council Agenda.pdf

2.0 Approval of Council Meeting Minutes S. Wasylyshyn
Proposed Motion: BIRT AUSU Council approve the minutes of the April 11, 2017 regular council meeting.

2017-04-11 Council Minutes DRAFT REV1.pdf

Note: Approval of all public council minutes, for special, regular, and interim council meetings, takes place at the next regular public meeting.

Old Business

3.0 Review of Action Items S. Jacobsen
Note: The status of the action and agenda items at the bottom of the most recent regular council minutes (April 11, 2017 in this case) will be reviewed briefly.

New Business

4.0 Voice Action Plan S. Wasylyshyn
Proposed Motion: WHEREAS the 2016-2017 AUSU Council Goals include a goal to implement a council approved action plan for The Voice;
BIRT AUSU Council approve the 2017 Voice Action Plan.
Draft 2017 Voice Action Plan.pdf

5.0 Policy Revisions Executive
Proposed Motion: BIRT AUSU Council adopt the updated copy of policy 3.04 Election, Referendum, and Plebiscite Management: Referendum.
Policy_3.04_Referendum_Exec_Edits.docx

Proposed Motion: BIRT AUSU Council adopt the updated copy of policy 3.05 Election, Referendum, and Plebiscite Management: Council Changeover.
Policy_3.05_Council_Changeover_Exec_Edits.docx

6.0 MEC Committee Recommendation J. Teterenko
Proposed Motion: BIRT AUSU Council adopt the recommendation of the MEC Committee and approve a 25th anniversary re-branding, including a new logo and colour scheme and implement it permanently on a go-forward basis over the next 8 months.
AUSU 25 Anniversary Logo.jpg

7.0 Ratification of Email Motion S. Wasylyshyn
Proposed Motion: BIRT AUSU Council ratify the following email motion from May 2017:
Whereas AUSU Policy 2.15 authorizes the Executive Director to purchase equipment for Executive use during their term;
Whereas a computer used solely for AUSU Executive work would not exceed a value of \$1000;
Whereas VP EX Julian Teterenko would prefer a computer with higher value and increased capability;
Whereas the current AUSU budget allocates \$2000 for Executive Equipment;

Whereas Julian is willing to pay the difference up front to obtain a higher valued computer with increased capability;

BIRT AUSU Council approve the AUSU Executive Equipment contract and authorize the AUSU acting ED to purchase a computer as described within the said contract.

J. Teterenko ./ R. Bleich

Carried/Defeated: TBD

AUSU Executive Equipment Contract.pdf

8.0 In Camera Session

8.1 Meeting to go In-Camera for discussion and vote on confidential HR matters.

Proposed Motion: BIRT AUSU go in-camera.

In Camera Tip Sheet.pdf

Note: If the motion is carried, those attendees not on the current council will be asked to leave the meeting during the discussion and invited to rejoin the meeting to observe the decisions and any motions arising from the discussion.

Reports

9.0 Reports for the Months of April 2017.

Note: Regular monthly reports from executive, staff, and committees are circulated prior to the meeting. Any updates or highlights will be presented by the author of the report. Questions regarding the reports may be posed.

9.1 President's Report

2017-04 President Report.pdf

S. Wasylyshyn

9.2 Vice President External and Student Affairs' Report

2017-04 VP External Report.pdf

J. Teterenko

9.3 Vice President Finance and Administration's Report

2017-04 VP Finance Report.pdf

S. Jacobsen

9.4 Executive Meeting Report

2017-04 Exec Meeting Report.pdf

S. Wasylyshyn

Note: Executive meeting reports are not public documents. Any decisions made by the Executive appear in a separate public report for ratification by Council. The Executive meeting report is circulated to Council for review and acceptance in their role as the governing council of AUSU.

9.5 Finance Committee Report

2017-04 Finance Committee Report.pdf

S. Jacobsen

9.6 Awards Committee Report

2017-04 Awards Committee Report.pdf

R. Bleich

9.7 Member Engagement and Communication Committee Report

2017-04 MEC Committee Report.pdf

J. Teterenko

9.8 Executive Director's Report

No report received

9.9 Communication and Members Services Coordinator's Reports

D. Kingyens

9.10 Approval of Reports

All

Proposed Motion: BIRT Council approve the March 2017 reports as presented.

Question & Answer Period

10.0 Question & Answer Period

S. Wasylyshyn

Observers are encouraged to participate in the Question & Answer period.

This is a regular part of this meeting and as such will be recorded, will follow Robert's Rules of Order, and will be minuted.

This section of the meeting will be limited to 30 minutes in length.

Each observer will be limited to one question per meeting in order to allow access to as many participants as possible. Each observer may ask one corollary question for each of their original questions. At the discretion of the Chair, and if time allows, one additional question may be asked by an observer.

The Chair will direct the question to the appropriate Councillor or staff member for a response.

Observers are also invited to contact the AUSU office with any questions that arise from the meeting at ausu@ausu.org , 770.497.7000, or 1.755.497.7003.

Next Meeting and Adjournment

The next meeting of Council will be:

June meeting to be determined

Tuesday, July 11, 2017, 5:30 pm MST – Public Meeting (Tentative)

Motion to Adjourn