

# Athabasca University Students' Union

# Council Meeting Agenda

Tuesday, August 8, 2017 5:30 pm MT

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  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.

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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: Executive Director Jodi Campbell, Communications and Member Services Coordinator Donette

Kingyens, The Voice Managing Editor Karl Low

Members: Bonita Arbeau

Guests:

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.

2017-08-08 Council Agenda.pdf

#### 2.0 Approval of Council Meeting Minutes

S. Wasylyshyn

**Proposed Motion:** BIRT AUSU council approve the minutes of the July 11, 2017 regular council moeting.

council meeting.

2017-07-11 Council Minutes DRAFT.docx

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**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 (July 11, 2017 in this case) will be reviewed briefly.

#### **New Business**

#### 4.0 Member-at-large for MECC

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**Proposed Motion:** BIRT council approve \_\_\_\_\_\_\_'s appointment to the member engagement and communication committee for a term beginning immediately and ending in spring 2018 when committee appointments are reviewed following the general election.

**Note:** Councillors have received the short-listed application forms from the executive according to Policy 2.07 Council Governance: Member Representation on AUSU Committees.

A secret ballot using Simply Voting was used to conduct a vote prior to the meeting to determine which applicant would be chosen for the motion.

If more discussion is needed it will be done in-camera to preserve the privacy of the applicants. If an in-camera session is required, there will be a council motion to go into camera and another to come out of the in-camera session.

5.0 New Award All

**Proposed Motion**: BIRT council approve the AUSU awards committee recommendation to implement a new #igo2AU Award on a trial basis as presented.

Igo2AU Award Proposal.pdf

#### 6.0 2017/2018 Budget

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**Proposed Motion:** BIRT council adopt the 2017-2018 budget as presented and as recommended by the AUSU finance committee.

2017-2018 AUSU Budget\_DRAFT.xlsx

## 7.0 Policy Revisions

Executive

**Note:** Updated policy 9.12 Academics: Course and Program Development and Maintenance, and policy 9.21 Student Services: Career Services, Co-ops, and Job Placements were approved by executive as part of an informal review.

Policy\_9.12\_Course\_and\_Program\_Development\_Exec\_Edits.docx
Policy 9.21 Student Services Exec Edits.docx

Proposed Motion: BIRT AUSU council adopt the updated copy of policy 7.02 Member Services: Scholarships and Bursaries, as recommended by the AUSU Awards Committee.

Policy 7.02 Scholarships Awards and Bursaries RV 1.docx

Proposed Motion: BIRT AUSU council adopt the updated copy of policy 9.10 External Relations: Athabasca University National Presence.

Policy 9.10 Athabasca University National Presence.docx

Proposed Motion: BIRT AUSU council rescind policy 9.22 E-text Choice and Cost Savings Sharing in February 2018.

Policy 9.22 E-text Choice and Cost Savings Sharing.docx

If motion passes, policy 9.22 to be rescinded in February 2018.

**Action Item** 

#### Reports

#### 8.0 Reports for the Month of July 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.

8.1 President's Report

S. Wasylyshyn

2017-07 President Report.pdf AUSU Statement on 2018 draft budget.docx

8.2 Vice President External and Student Affairs' Report

J. Teterenko

2017-07 VP External Report.pdf

8.3 Vice President Finance and Administration's Report

S. Jacobsen

2017-07 VP Finance Report.pdf

8.4 Executive Meeting Report

S. Wasylyshyn 2017-07 Exec Meeting Report.pdf

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.

8.5 Finance Committee Report

S. Jacobsen

2017-07 Finance Committee Report.pdf

8.6 Awards Committee Report

R. Bleich

2017-07 Awards Committee Report.pdf

8.7 Member Engagement and Communication Committee Report

J. Teterenko

2017-07 MEC Committee Report.pdf

8.8 Executive Director's Report

J. Campbell

2017-07 Executive Director Report.pdf

8.9 Communication and Members Services Coordinator's Reports

D. Kingyens

2017-07 Communications Coordinator Report.pdf Newsletter Stats.xlsx

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

### **Question & Answer Period**

#### 9.0 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 <a href="mailto:ausu@ausu.org">ausu@ausu.org</a>, 770.497.7000, or 1.755.497.7003.

#### **Next Meeting and Adjournment**

The next meetings of council will be:

**Tuesday, September 12,** 2017, 5:30 pm MST – Public Meeting **Thursday, October 12,** 2017, 5:30 pm MST – Public Meeting

Motion to Adjourn