

# Athabasca University Students' Union

# **Council Meeting Minutes**

Thursday, October 17, 2019 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm MDT

Meeting Called By: President Brandon Simmons

Type of Meeting: AUSU Council Meeting

Minutes: Governance and Advocacy Coordinator Duncan Wojtaszek

**Expected Participants** 

**Council:** Vice President External and Student Affairs Natasha Donahue (Meeting Chair), President Brandon

Simmons (Late), Vice President Finance and Administration Brittany Daigle, Councillor Sarah Blayney Lew, Councillor Darcie Fleming, Councillor Melinda Goertz, Councillor Christine Hudder, Councillor Amanda Lipinski, Councillor Alice Namu, Councillor Lisa Oracheski, Councillor Josh Ryan, Councillor

Mark Teeninga

J. Ryan/M. Goertz

Staff: Executive Director Jodi Campbell, Governance and Advocacy Coordinator Duncan Wojtaszek, Voice

Magazine Managing Editor Karl Low, Communications and Member Services Coordinator Donette

Kingyens

**Regrets:** 

Members: Karlee Kapler

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT: Athabasca University Students' Union respectfully acknowledges that we are on and work on the traditional lands of the Indigenous Peoples (Inuit, First Nations, Métis) of Canada. We honour the ancestry, heritage and gifts of the Indigenous Peoples and give thanks to them.

Agenda and Minutes				
1.0	Call for Attendance	N. Donahue		
2.0	Welcome and Member at Large Input	N. Donahue		
	J.			
3.0	Adoption of Agenda	N. Donahue		
	Motion: BIRT AUSU council approves the October 17, 2019 meeting agenda.			
	2019-10-17 Council Agenda DRAFT			
	B. Daigle/L. Oracheski Carried 11-0			
4.0	Approval of Council Meeting Minutes	N. Donahue		
	<b>Motion:</b> BIRT AUSU council approves the minutes of the September 19, 2019 council meeting.			
	2019-09-19 Council Meeting Minutes DRAFT			

Carried 11-0

**Action Items** 

#### 5.0 Review of Action Items

N. Donahue

#### **New Business**

#### 6.0 Policy Revisions

B. Daigle

#### 6.1 Policy 2.04 Discipline Process

**Motion:** BIRT AUSU council approves the updated copy of Policy 2.04 Council Governance Discipline Process.

Policy 2.04 Council Governance Discipline Process DRAFT

B. Daigle/S. Blayney Lew

Carried 11-0

#### 6.2 Policy 2.08 Meeting Attendance

**Motion:** BIRT AUSU council approves the updated copy of Policy 2.08 Council Governance Meeting Attendance as amended.

Policy 2.08 Council Governance Meeting Attendance DRAFT

#### A. Lipinski/M. Goertz

Carried 10-1

 Friendly amendment to clarify that it does not apply to meetings of the Executive Committee, but does apply to members of the Executive Committee by adding the word "meetings" in 2.08.01.

#### 6.3 Policy 2.11 Committee Governance

**Motion:** BIRT AUSU council approves the updated copy of Policy 2.11 Committee Governance.

Policy 2.11 Committee Governance DRAFT

J. Ryan/M. Goertz

Carried 11-0

## 6.4 Policy 2.14 Councillor Responsibilities and Honoraria

**Motion:** BIRT AUSU council approves the updated copy of Policy 2.14 Councillor Responsibilities and Honoraria.

Policy 2.14 Councillor Responsibilities and Honoraria DRAFT

L. Oracheski/S. Blayney Lew

Tabled 11-0

#### 6.5 Policy 5.02 Staff Hiring

**Motion:** BIRT AUSU council approves the updated copy of Policy 5.02 Staff Hiring.

Policy 5.02 Staff Hiring DRAFT

J. Ryan/S. Blayney Lew

Carried 12-0

#### 6.6 Policy 5.03 Staff Management

**Motion:** BIRT AUSU council approves the updated copy of Policy 5.03 Staff Management.

Policy 5.03 Staff Management DRAFT

B. Daigle/L. Oracheski

Carried 12-0

#### 7.0 Year End Update

B. Daigle

**Note:** AUSU's fiscal year ended on September 30, 2019 and an update regarding next steps will be provided.

#### 8.0 Get Out the Vote Update

N. Donahue

**Note:** Since September 15, 2019, AUSU along with CASA have been working to get as many students as possible to pledge to vote in the Canadian Federal Election on October 21, 2019. An update will be provided on our progress to date.

#### Reports

#### 9.0 For Information: Reports for the month of September 2019.

**Note:** Regular monthly reports from executive councillors, 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

2019-09 President Report

**B. Simmons** 

9.2 Vice President External and Student Affairs' Report

2019-09 VP External and Student Affairs Report

N. Donahue

9.3 Vice President Finance and Administration's Report

2019-09 VP Finance and Administration Report

B. Daigle

9.4 Executive Meeting Report

2019-09 Executive Meeting Report

B. Daigle

**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

2019-09 Finance Committee Report

B. Daigle

9.6 Awards Committee Report

2019-09 Awards Committee Report

B. Daigle

9.7 Member Engagement and Communication Committee Report

2019-09 MEC Committee Report

N. Donahue

9.8 Executive Compensation Review Committee Report

2019-09 Executive Compensation Review Committee Report

M. Teeninga

9.9 Executive Director's Report

2019-09 Executive Director Report

J. Campbell

9.10 Communication and Members Services Coordinator's Report

2019-09 Communications Coordinator Report

D. Kingyens

#### Question & Answer Period

## 10.0 Question & Answer Period

N. Donahue

# **Next Meeting and Adjournment**

The next meeting of council will be: November 21, 2019 at 6:30 pm MST

Motion to Adjourn: J. Ryan, 7:41pm

Summary of Agenda Items				
Date	Status	Agenda Item and Responsible Party		
	Deadline			

Summary of Action Items				
Date	Status	Action Item and Responsible Party		
	Deadline			