



# Athabasca University Students' Union

## Council Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, June 17<sup>th</sup>, 2020

6:30pm MT

- Meeting Called By:** President Natasha Donahue  
**Type of Meeting:** AUSU Council Meeting  
**Minutes:** Governance and Advocacy Coordinator Duncan Wojtaszek  
**Participants:**  
**Council:** President Natasha Donahue, Vice President External and Student Affairs Stacey Hutchings, Vice President Finance and Administration Monique Durette, Councillor Darcie Fleming, Councillor Devon Romanick, Councillor Joshua Ryan, Councillor Katy Lowe, Councillor Regan Johnson  
**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:** Councillor Kathryn Hadden  
**Members:** Natalia Iwanek

**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

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| <b>1.0</b> | <b>Call for Attendance</b>   | N. Donahue         |
| <b>2.0</b> | <b>Welcome and Member at Large Input</b><br><b>Note:</b> This is an opportunity to welcome guest observers and offer an opportunity for member input prior to the adoption of the agenda.                  | N. Donahue         |
| <b>3.0</b> | <b>Adoption of Agenda</b><br><b>Motion:</b> BIRT AUSU council approves the June 17 <sup>th</sup> , 2020 meeting agenda.<br><i>2020-06-17 Council Agenda DRAFT</i>  | N. Donahue         |
|            | <b>K. Lowe / J. Ryan</b>   | <b>Carried 8-0</b> |
| <b>4.0</b> | <b>Approval of Council Meeting Minutes</b><br><b>Motion:</b> BIRT AUSU council approves the minutes of the May 20 <sup>th</sup> , 2020 council meeting.<br><i>2019-05-20 Council Meeting Minutes DRAFT</i> | N. Donahue         |
|            | <b>R. Johnson / J. Ryan</b>  | <b>Carried 8-0</b> |

### Action Items

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| <b>5.0</b> | <b>Review of Action Items</b> | N. Donahue |
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## New Business

- 6.0 Policy Revisions**
- 6.1 Informal Review of Policies 8.01, 8.02, 8.04, and 8.08** M. Durette
- Note:** The following copies of Policy 8.01 Terms of Reference: Finance Committee, Policy 8.02 Terms of Reference: Awards Committee, Policy 8.04 Terms of Reference: Member Engagement and Communications, and Policy 8.08 Terms of Reference: Executive Compensation Review Committee have been approved by the executive committee as part of an **informal review**.
- Policy 8.01 Terms of Reference: Finance Committee*  
*Policy 8.02 Terms of Reference: Awards Committee*  
*Policy 8.04 Terms of Reference: Member Engagement and Communications Committee*  
*Policy 8.08 Terms of Reference: Executive Compensation Review Committee*
- 7.0 Indigenous Student Representation Committee**
- 7.1 Indigenous Student Representation Committee Creation** N. Donahue
- Motion:** BIRT AUSU council approves the creation of an ad hoc Indigenous Student Representation Committee.
- M. Durette / R. Johnson** **Carried 8-0**
- 7.2 Policy 8.11 Indigenous Student Representation Committee Terms of Reference** N. Donahue
- Motion:** BIRT AUSU council approve Policy 8.11 Terms of Reference: Indigenous Student Representation Committee.
- Policy 8.11 Indigenous Student Representation Committee DRAFT*
- J. Ryan / D. Fleming** **Carried 8-0**
- 7.3 Indigenous Student Representation Committee Membership** N. Donahue
- Motion:** BIRT AUSU council appoint Devon Romanick, Darcie Fleming, Regan Johnson, Monique Durette, and Stacey Hutchings to the ad hoc Indigenous Student Representation Committee as a voting members.
- D. Fleming / S. Hutchings** **Carried 8-0**
- 8.0 E-mail Vote Ratification**
- Motion:** BIRT AUSU Council ratify the email motion that was passed on June 5, 2020 that states, "BIRT the Athabasca University Students' Union student council approves the allocation of \$15,000 from the AUSU operational reserves to be donated to the Athabasca University Emergency Relief Fund."
- The motion was moved by N. Donahue, and seconded by K. Lowe and was passed 9-0.
- R. Johnson / J. Ryan** **Carried 8-0**

## Reports

- 9.0 For Information: Reports for the month of May 2020.**
- 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** N. Donahue
- 2020-05 President Report*  
*Resignation of Councillor Ian Stewart*

<b>9.2 Vice President External and Student Affairs' Report</b> <i>2020-05 VP External and Student Affairs Report</i>	S. Hutchings
<b>9.3 Vice President Finance and Administration's Report</b> <i>2020-05 VP Finance and Administration Report</i>	M. Durette
<b>9.4 Executive Meeting Report</b> <i>2020-05 Executive Meeting Report</i>	M. Durette
<b>Note:</b> 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.	
<b>9.5 Finance Committee Report</b> <i>2020-05 Finance Committee Report</i>	M. Durette
<b>9.6 Awards Committee Report</b> <i>2020-05 Awards Committee Report</i>	K. Lowe
<b>9.7 Member Engagement and Communication Committee Report</b> <i>2020-05 MEC Committee Report</i>	S. Hutchings
<b>9.8 Executive Director's Report</b> <i>2020-05 Executive Director Report</i>	J. Campbell
<b>9.9 Communication and Members Services Coordinator's Report</b> <i>2020-05 Communications &amp; Member Services Report</i>	D. Kingyens

**Question & Answer Period**

<b>12.0 Question &amp; Answer Period</b>	N. Donahue
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A question from the floor was raised regarding the resignations of councillors and the timeline for a by-election</li> </ul>	

**Next Meeting and Adjournment**

The next meeting of council will be:  
**July 15<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm MT**

**Motion to Adjourn:** J. Ryan, 7:32pm MT

**Summary of Action Items**

Date	Status	Deadline	Action Item and Responsible Party