



# Athabasca University Students' Union

## Council Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, November 18<sup>th</sup>, 2020  
6:30pm MT

**Meeting Called By:** Executive Committee  
**Type of Meeting:** AUSU Council Meeting  
**Minutes:** Governance and Advocacy Coordinator Duncan Wojtaszek  
**Participants**  
**Council:** Vice President External and Student Affairs Stacey Hutchings,  
Vice President Finance and Administration Monique Durette, Councillor Almigdad Eldoma,  
Councillor Amber McDuffe, Councillor Darcie Fleming, Councillor Devon Romanick,  
Councillor Joshua Ryan, Councillor Katy Lowe, Councillor Karen Fletcher, Councillor Natalia Iwanek,  
Councillor Regan Johnson

**Staff:** Executive Director Jodi Campbell, Governance and Advocacy Coordinator Duncan Wojtaszek,  
Communications and Member Services Coordinator Donette Kingyens,  
Voice Magazine Managing Editor Karl Low

**Members:** Emily Viggiani

**Regrets:** Councillor Kathryn Hadden

**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

<b>1.0</b>	<b>Call for Attendance</b>	All
<b>2.0</b>	<b>Welcome and Member at Large Input</b>	All
<b>3.0</b>	<b>Adoption of Agenda</b>	All
	<b>Motion:</b> BIRT AUSU council approves the November 18 <sup>th</sup> , 2020 meeting agenda as amended. <i>2020-11-18 Council Meeting Agenda DRAFT</i>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>A friendly amendment was adopted to add the ratification of an email voting.</li></ul>	
	<b>S. Hutchings / D. Fleming</b>	<b>Carried 11-0</b>
<b>4.0</b>	<b>Approval of Council Meeting Minutes</b>	All
	<b>Motion:</b> BIRT AUSU council approves the minutes of the October 21 <sup>st</sup> , 2020 council meeting. <i>2020-10-21 Council Meeting Minutes DRAFT</i>	
	<b>S. Hutchings / J. Ryan</b>	<b>Carried 11-0</b>

### Action Items

<b>5.0</b>	<b>Review of Action Items</b>	All
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## New Business

- 6.0 Policy Revisions**
- 6.1 Policy 3.01 Election Conduct** M. Durette
- Motion:** BIRT AUSU council approves the updated copy of Policy 3.01 Election Conduct.  
*Policy 3.01 Election Conduct DRAFT*
- J. Ryan / A. Eldoma** **Carried 11-0**
- 6.2 Policy 3.03 By-Elections** M. Durette
- Motion:** BIRT AUSU council approves the updated copy of Policy 3.03 By-Elections.  
*Policy 3.03 By-Elections DRAFT*
- The policy was tabled for the next meeting of council, moved by S. Hutchings; and seconded by A. McDuffe and the motion to table was carried unanimously.
- D. Fleming / K. Fletcher** **Tabled**
- 6.3 Policy 9.27 Co-Curricular Record** S. Hutchings
- Motion:** BIRT AUSU council approves Policy 9.27 Co-Curricular Record and adds it to the AUSU Position Policy Manual.  
*Policy 9.27 Co-Curricular Record DRAFT*
- S. Hutchings / D. Romanick** **Carried 11-0**
- 7.0 Council of Alberta University Students Membership (CAUS)** S. Hutchings
- Motion:** BIRT AUSU council approves the proposal to become a member of the Council of Alberta University Students (CAUS) and approves an unbudgeted expenditure of up to \$8,000 to cover the membership fee for the remainder of the 2020-2021 year.
- A friendly amendment was adopted to increase the amount in the motion to \$8,000.
- S. Hutchings / K. Lowe** **Carried 11-0**
- 8.0 CWB Investment Guidelines** M. Durette
- Motion:** BIRT AUSU council approves the updated copy of the investment guidelines as per Policy 6.07 Reserves and Investments.  
*AUSU Investment Guidelines DRAFT*
- J. Ryan / N. Iwanek** **Carried 11-0**
- 9.0 Ratification of Email Vote** S. Hutchings
- Motion:** BIRT AUSU council ratify the email motion that was passed on November 16<sup>th</sup>, 2020 that states, "BIRT AUSU Council approves an unbudgeted expense of up to \$10,000 for human resources support and services from MB Workplace Law."
- The motion was moved by S. Hutchings, and seconded by K. Lowe and was passed 12-0.
- S. Hutchings / J. Ryan** **Carried 11-0**

## Reports

- 10.0 For Information: Reports for the month of October 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.

<b>10.1 President's Report</b> <i>Resignation of Natasha Donahue</i>	N. Donahue
<b>10.2 Vice President External and Student Affairs' Report</b> <i>2020-10 VP External and Student Affairs Report</i>	S. Hutchings
<b>10.3 Vice President Finance and Administration's Report</b> <i>2020-10 VP Finance and Administration Report</i>	M. Durette
<b>10.4 Executive Meeting Report</b> <i>2020-10 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>10.5 Finance Committee Report</b> <i>2020-10 Finance Committee Report</i>	M. Durette
<b>10.6 Awards Committee Report</b> <i>2020-10 Awards Committee Report</i>	K. Lowe
<b>10.7 Member Engagement and Communication Committee Report</b> <i>2020-10 MEC Committee Report</i>	S. Hutchings
<b>10.8 Indigenous Student Representation Committee Report</b> <i>2020-10 Indigenous Student Representation Committee Report</i>	S. Hutchings
<b>10.9 Student Advisory Committee Report</b> <i>2020-10 Student Advisory Committee Report</i>	J. Campbell
<b>10.10 Executive Director's Report</b> <i>2020-10 Executive Director Report</i>	J. Campbell
<b>10.11 Communication and Members Services Coordinator's Report</b> <i>2020-10 Communications &amp; Member Services Report</i>	D. Kingyens

#### Question & Answer Period

<b>11.0 Question &amp; Answer Period</b>	N. Donahue
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#### Next Meeting and Adjournment

The next meeting of council will be:

**AUSU Special Council Meeting on November 24<sup>th</sup>, 2020 at 5:00pm MT**

**Motion to Adjourn:** S. Hutchings, 8:19pm

#### Summary of Action Items

Date	Status Deadline	Action Item and Responsible Party
Oct. 21, 2020	Ongoing  Nov. 18, 2020	Look into appropriate organizational consultants for AUSU, including a consultant looking at Indigenization.  Executive Committee
Oct. 21, 2020	Ongoing  Nov. 18, 2020	Investigate if there is a privacy concern with including councillor and executive councillor honoraria in policy.  Executive Committee