

# Athabasca University Students' Union

# Executive Election Minutes Wednesday, March 17<sup>th</sup>, 2021 5:00 pm

Meeting Called By: Executive Director Jodi Campbell Type of Meeting: AUSU Executive Election Meeting

Minutes: Governance and Advocacy Coordinator Duncan Wojtaszek

#### **Expected Participants**

Council: President Stacey Hutchings, Vice President External and Student Affairs Natalia Iwanek,

Vice President Finance and Administration Almigdad Eldoma, Councillor Amber McDuffe,

Councillor Darcie Fleming, Councillor Katy Lowe, Councillor Karen Fletcher,

Councillor Kathryn Hadden, Councillor Monique Durette, Councillor Regan Johnson

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

NOTICE: this meeting will be recorded and will be conducted using Robert's Rules of Order when necessary to ensure efficiency and effectiveness.

# **Agenda and Minutes**

# 1.0 Land Acknowledgement

S. Hutchings

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.

2.0 Call for Attendance

S. Hutchings

# **New Business**

#### 3.0 Executive Election

J. Campbell

Note: Executive Director Jodi Campbell gave an overview of the executive election process.

# 4.0 Election of President

J. Campbell

- 4.1. Opening of the floor to nominations for president.
  - S. Hutchings self-nominated.
- 4.2. Closing of nominations for president.
- 4.3. Allotted time for each candidate to present an election speech.
  - S. Hutchings provided her election speech.
- 4.4. Question period for nominees.
  - D. Fleming asked a question on involving councillors in decision-making.
- 4.5. Voting conducted by email through secret ballot using on-line Simply Voting system.
- 4.6. Announcement of results by executive director.
  - J. Campbell announced S. Hutchings as the successful candidate.

# 5.0 Election of Vice President External (VPEX)

J. Campbell

- 5.1. Opening of the floor to nominations for VPEX.
  - K. Fletcher self-nominated.
- 5.2. Closing of nominations for VPEX.
- 5.3. Allotted time for each candidate to present an election speech.
  - K. Fletcher provided her election speech.
- 5.4. Question period for nominees.
  - N. Iwanek asked a question on what is most exciting about the role.
  - S. Hutchings asked a question about other provinces and AU.
  - K. Lowe asked a questions about advocating to the Government of Alberta.
- 5.5. Voting conducted by email through secret ballot using on-line Simply Voting system.
- 5.6. Announcement of results by executive director.
  - J. Campbell announced K. Fletcher as the successful candidate.

# 6.0 Election of Vice President Finance and Administration (VPFA)

J. Campbell

- 6.1. Opening of the floor to nominations for VPFA.
  - A. Eldoma self-nominated.
- 6.2. Closing of nominations for VPFA.
- 6.3. Allotted time for each candidate to present an election speech.
  - A. Eldoma provided his election speech.
- 6.4. Question period for nominees.
  - D. Fleming asked a question about supporting the Finance Committee in developing finance policies.
- 6.5. Voting conducted by email through secret ballot using on-line Simply Voting system.
- 6.6. Announcement of results by executive director.
  - J. Campbell announced A. Eldoma as the successful candidate.

# 7.0 Election of Vice President Community and Wellness (VPCW)

J. Campbell

- 7.1. Opening of the floor to nominations for VPCW.
  - N. Iwanek self-nominated.
- 7.2. Closing of nominations for VPCW.
- 7.3. Allotted time for each candidate to present an election speech.
  - N. Iwanek provided her election speech.
- 7.4. Question period for nominees.
  - A. McDuffe asked a question on a student health benefit plan.
- 7.5. Voting conducted by email through secret ballot using on-line Simply Voting system.
- 7.6. Announcement of results by executive director.
  - J. Campbell announced N. Iwanek as the successful candidate.

# **Next Meeting and Adjournment**

The next meeting of council will be:

AUSU Council Meeting on March 17<sup>th</sup>, 2021 at 6:30pm MT

Motion to Adjourn: S. Hutchings, 6:23pm