



Athabasca University Students' Union

Council Meeting Minutes

Thursday June 17, 2021 at 6:30pm MT

Council: President Stacey Hutchings (chair), Vice President External Karen Fletcher, Vice President Finance and Administration Almigdad Eldoma, Vice President Community and Wellness Natalia Iwanek, Councillor Amber McDuffe, Councillor Katy Lowe, Councillor Regan Johnson

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

Guests: Kent Provost

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Agenda and Minutes

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| 1.0 | Announcement of Accessibility Officer | S. Hutchings |
| 2.0 | Land 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. <ul style="list-style-type: none">A moment of silence was held to acknowledge the sadness around the discovery of the bodies of children at residential schools, the grief in our Muslim community, and the oppression felt in the 2SLGBTQIA+ community. | S. Hutchings |
| 3.0 | Call for Attendance | S. Hutchings |
| 4.0 | Welcome and Member-At-Large Input | S. Hutchings |
| 5.0 | Approval of Agenda
Motion: BIRT AUSU council approves the June 17, 2021, meeting agenda.
<i>2021-06-17 Council Agenda DRAFT</i>

K. Fletcher / R. Johnson (Carried) | S. Hutchings |
| 6.0 | Approval of Minutes
Motion: BIRT AUSU council approves the May 25, 2021 minutes.

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N. Iwanek / A. McDuffe (Carried) | S. Hutchings |

Old Business

7.0 **Review of Action Items** All

Note: The status of action items can be found at the bottom of the minutes.

New Business

8.0 **Policy Revisions** A. Eldoma
8.1: Policy 2.19 Students' Council Meetings

Motion: BIRT AUSU council approves Policy 2.19 Students' Council Meetings.

Policy 2.19 Students' Council Meetings

S. Hutchings / A. Eldoma (Carried)

8.2 Policy 2.20 Equitable Access and Inclusion for 2SLGBTQIA+ Students N. Iwanek

Motion: BIRT AUSU council approves Policy 2.20 Equitable Access and Inclusion for 2SLGBTQIA+ Students.

Policy 2.20 Equitable Access and Inclusion for 2SLGBTQIA+ Students

A. McDuffe / N. Iwanek (Carried)

8.3 Policy 3.01 Election Conduct A. Eldoma

Motion: BIRT AUSU council approves the updates to Policy 3.01 Election Conduct.

Policy 3.01 Election Conduct

A. Eldoma / K. Lowe (Carried)

8.4 Policy 8.13 Indigenous Circle at AUSU Terms of Reference S. Hutchings

Motion: BIRT AUSU council approves Policy 8.13 Indigenous Circle at AUSU Terms of Reference.

Policy 8.13 Indigenous Circle at AUSU Terms of Reference

K. Lowe / K. Fletcher (Carried)

8.5: Policy 9.30 Equitable Access and Inclusion for 2SLGBTQIA+ Students N. Iwanek

Motion: BIRT AUSU council approves Position Policy 9.30 Equitable Access and Inclusion for 2SLGBTQIA+ Students and its inclusion in the AUSU Position Policy Manual.

Policy 9.30 Equitable Access and Inclusion for 2SLGBTQIA+ Students
2021-06 AUSU Position Policy Manual

A. Eldoma / R. Johnson (Carried)

Note: The following copies of Policy 3.04 Petitions, Referendums, and Plebiscites and Policy 3.05 Council Changeover have been approved by the executive committee as part of an informal review.

Policy 3.04 Petitions, Referendums, and Plebiscites
Policy 3.05 Council Changeover

9.0 Committee Appointments

9.1 Member Engagement and Communication Committee

N. Iwanek

Motion: BIRT AUSU council appoints Lorie Tran as the member-at-large for the Member Engagement and Communications Committee.

Lorie Tran – MEC Committee Application

A. Eldoma / A. McDuffe (Carried)

Reports

10.0 Reports for the month of May 2021

10.1 President’s Report

S. Hutchings

2021-05 President Report

10.2 Vice President External’s Report

K. Fletcher

2021-05 VP External Report

10.3 Vice-President Finance and Administration’s Report

A. Eldoma

2021-05 VP Finance and Administration Report

10.4 Vice President Community and Wellness’ Report

N. Iwanek

2021-05 VP Community and Wellness Report

10.5 Executive Committee Meeting Report

A. Eldoma

2021-05 Executive Meeting Report

10.6 Finance Committee Report

A. Eldoma

2021-05 Finance Committee Report

10.7 Awards Committee Report

R. Johnson

2021-05 Awards Committee Report

10.8 Member Engagement and Communication Committee Report

N. Iwanek

2021-05 MEC Committee Report

10.9 Student Advisory Committee Report

N. Iwanek

2021-05 Student Advisory Committee Report

10.10 Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion Committee Report

N. Iwanek

2021-05 EDI Committee Report

10.11 Executive Director’s Report

J. Campbell

2021-05 Executive Director Report

10.12 Communication and Member Services Coordinator’s Report

A. Janes

2021-05 Communication and Member Services Coordinator Report

Recognition and Acknowledgements

11.0 Recognition and Acknowledgements

All

- S. Hutchings recognized the great work that T. Hansen has done as Social Media Coordinator and wishes him the best.

- J. Campbell recognized the hard work that the Awards Committee did in distributing the May awards.
- A. Eldoma recognized the great work done by AUSU’s communications team over May and June.
- N. Iwanek recognized the great work AUSU has done on Pride Week and in helping our students through challenging news this month.
- K. Lowe recognized J. Campbell’s work over the course of the month.

Question and Answer Period

12.0 Question and Answer Period All

- K. Low asked a question about the consultation around the 2SLGBTQIA+ policies; N. Iwanek provided information about the consultations.

Next Meeting and Adjournment

The next meeting of council will be: July 15, 2021 (subject to change for the council retreat)
 Motion to Adjourn:

Summary of Action Items

Action Item	Name	Status	Deadline