

# Athabasca University Students' Union

Council Meeting Agenda
Thursday, January 20, 2022, at 6:30pm MST

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Council: President Stacey Hutchings (chair), Vice President External Karen Fletcher,

Vice President Finance and Administration Leah Campbell,

Vice President Community and Wellness Natalia Iwanek, Councillor Amber McDuffe, Councillor Cassandra MacKay, Councillor Dur-E-Najaf Syed, Councillor Eva Embree, Councillor Katy Lowe, Councillor Meredith Charlton, Councillor Regan Johnson, Indigenous Circle Representative Jo-Mary Crowchild-Fletcher (non-voting)

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

Wojtaszek, Communications and Member Services Coordinator Ashley Janes, Voice

Magazine Managing Editor Karl Low

 Please consider the key ethical principles of AUSU, which are respect for persons, respect for the organization, and respect for the common good.

- Attendees are encouraged to mute when not speaking to reduce background noise for all participants.
- The meeting will be recorded and will be conducted using Robert's Rules of Order to ensure effectiveness.

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	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.	S. Hutchings	
3.0	Call for Attendance	S. Hutchings	
4.0	Welcome and Member-At-Large Input	S. Hutchings	

**Note:** This is an opportunity to welcome guest observers and offer an opportunity for member input prior to the adoption of the agenda.

#### 5.0 **Approval of Agenda**

S. Hutchings

Proposed Motion: BIRT AUSU Council approves the January 20, 2022, meeting

agenda.

2022-01-20 Council Agenda

#### 6.0 **Approval of Minutes**

S. Hutchings

Proposed Motion: BIRT AUSU Council approves the November 18 and

November 25, 2021, minutes.

2021-11-18 Council Minutes 2021-11-25 Council Minutes

#### **New Business**

#### 7.0 **2021 Audited Financial Statements**

J. Campbell

Proposed Motion: BIRT AUSU council accepts the 2021 audited financial statements as presented by Kingston Ross Pasnak (KRP).

2021 AUSU Audited Financial Statements 2021 AUSU Final Audit Findings Report

NOTE: Chad Knippel from KRP will be joining us for the meeting and can answer any audit questions council might have.

#### 8.0 **Selection of Auditors for 2022**

J. Campbell

Proposed Motion: BIRT AUSU council appoints Kingston Ross Pasnak (KRP) as AUSU's financial auditor for the 2021-2022 fiscal year.

### **Old Business**

#### 9.0 **Review of Action Items**

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

#### 10.0 **Council Oath**

S. Hutchings /

J. Crowchild-Fletcher

Motion: BIRT AUSU Council approves the updated copy of the Council Oath of Office as recommended by the Indigenous Circle at AUSU.

2022-01-13 Councillor Oath

#### K. Fletcher / N. Iwanek

Note: This item was tabled at the October 21, 2021, meeting for further consultation with the Indigenous Circle at AUSU and the Executive Committee.

#### **New Business**

#### 11.0 Executive Compensation Review Committee

#### 11.1 Report and Recommendations

C.MacKay / M.Charlton

**Proposed Motion:** BIRT AUSU council approves the recommendations made by the Executive Compensation Review Committee.

2022-01-20 ECRC Report to Council

2021-11-30 Executive Compensation Review Comparison

#### 11.2 Policy 2.15 Executive Accountability and Compensation

L. Campbell

**Proposed Motion:** BIRT AUSU council approves the updates to Policy 2.15 Executive Accountability and Compensation.

Policy 2.15 Executive Accountability and Compensation

#### 12.0 Policy Updates

#### 12.1 Policy 2.03 Responsibilities of Executive Councillors

L. Campbell

**Proposed Motion:** BIRT AUSU council approves the updates to Policy 2.03 Responsibilities of Executive Councillors.

Policy 2.03 Responsibilities of Executive Councillors

#### 12.2 Policy 2.06 Student Representatives on AU Committees

L. Campbell

**Proposed Motion:** BIRT AUSU council approves the updates to Policy 2.06 Student Representatives on AU Committees.

Policy 2.06 Student Representatives on AU Committees

#### 12.3 Policy 2.14 Councillor Responsibility and Honoraria

L. Campbell

**Proposed Motion:** BIRT AUSU council approves the updates to Policy 2.14 Councillor Responsibility and Honoraria.

Policy 2.14 Councillor Responsibility and Honoraria

**Note:** The following copies of Policy 2.07 Member Representatives on AUSU Committees and 2.11 Committee Governance have been approved by the Executive Committee as a part of an informal review.

Policy 2.07 Member Representatives on AUSU Committees Policy 2.11 Committee Governance

### 13.0 Near Virtual Work Environment

S. Hutchings

**Proposed Motion:** BIRT AUSU council approves the organizational move to a "near virtual work environment", based on the proposed recommendation of the Executive Committee.

2022-01-04 AUSU Near Virtual Work Environment

#### 14.0 Committee Appointments

#### **14.1 Finance Committee Appointment**

L. Campbell

**Proposed Motion:** BIRT AUSU Council appoints *[one councillor]* as a voting member of the Finance Committee.

#### 14.2 Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion Committee Appointment

N. Iwanek

**Proposed Motion:** BIRT AUSU Council appoints [one councillor] as a voting member of the Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion Committee.

#### Reports

### 15.0 Reports for the Month of November and December 2021

**Note:** Regular reports are circulated prior to the meeting and updates may be provided by the author at the meeting. Questions regarding reports may be posed during the question and answer period.

#### 15.1 President's Report

S. Hutchings

2021-11 President Report 2021-12 President Report

Resignation of Almigdad Eldoma

#### 15.2 Vice President External's Report

K. Fletcher

2021-11 VP External Report 2021-12 VP External Report

#### 15.3 Vice-President Finance and Administration's Report

L. Campbell

2021-11 VP Finance and Administration Report 2021-12 VP Finance and Administration Report

### 15.4 Vice President Community and Wellness' Report

N. Iwanek

2021-11 VP Community and Wellness Report 2021-12 VP Community and Wellness Report

#### 15.5 Executive Committee Meeting Report

L. Campbell

2021-11 Executive Committee Report 2021-12 Executive Committee Report

**Note:** Executive meeting reports are not public and circulated only to council for review.

#### **15.6 Finance Committee Report**

L. Campbell

2021-11 Finance Committee Report 2021-12 Finance Committee Report

#### **15.7 Awards Committee Report**

R. Johnson

2021-11 Awards Committee Report 2021-12 Awards Committee Report

#### 15.8 Member Engagement and Communication Committee Report

2021-11 MEC Committee Report 2021-12 MEC Committee Report

N. Iwanek

#### 15.9 Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion Committee Report

2021-11 EDI Committee Report 2021-12 EDI Committee Report N. Iwanek / A. McDuffe

#### 15.10 Indigenous Circle at AUSU Report

2021-11 Indigenous Circle Report 2021-12 Indigenous Circle Report J. Crowchild-Fletcher

### 15.11 Executive Compensation Review Committee

2021-11 ECRC Report 2021-12 ECRC Report C. MacKay

## **15.12 Executive Director's Report**

2021-11 Executive Director Report 2021-12 Executive Director Report

J. Campbell

#### 15.13 Communication and Member Services Coordinator's Report

2021-11 CMSC Report 2021-12 CMSC Report A. Janes

#### **Recognition and Acknowledgements**

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Councillors, staff, and observers are encouraged to make a brief statement recognizing and acknowledging organizational and individual accomplishments in the past month, highlighting where AUSU continues to make a positive difference in members' lives.

### **Question and Answer Period**

#### 17.0 Question & Answer Period

All

Councillors and observers are encouraged to participate in the question & answer period. This is a regular part of this meeting and as such will be recorded, will follow Robert's Rules of Order, and will be included in the minutes. Written questions may be provided by councillors or members to president@ausu.org and will be highlighted during this agenda item.

Each individual may be limited to one or two questions per meeting in order to allow access to as many participants as possible. At the discretion of the chair, and if time allows, additional questions may be asked by an individual.

The chair will direct all questions to the appropriate councillor or staff member for a response.

Members are also invited to contact the AUSU office with any questions that arise from the meeting at <a href="mailto:ausu@ausu.org">ausu@ausu.org</a>, 780-497-7000, or toll-free at 1-855-497-7003.

Next Meeting and Adjournment
The next meeting of AUSU Council will be: February 17, 2022 Motion to Adjourn

	Summary of Action Items			
Action Item		Status		
	Name	Deadline		