



Athabasca University Students' Union

Council Meeting Agenda

Thursday, January 19, 2023 at 6:00pm MST

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Council:

President Karen Fletcher (chair), Vice President External and Indigenous Circle Representative Trishtina Godoy-Contois, Vice President Finance and Administration Dur-E-Najaf Syed, Vice President Community and Wellness Natalia Iwanek, Councillor Cilhane Ahmed, Councillor Blake Collett, Councillor Eva Embree, Councillor Anli He, Councillor Amber McDuffe, Councillor Allie Wojtaszek, Councillor Rebecca Wuebbolt

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.

Agenda and Minutes

1.0	Announcement of Accessibility Officer	K. Fletcher
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 also recognize that our student members span across the lands we now know as Canada and abroad, and we acknowledge and celebrate these Indigenous histories, languages, and cultures. As an organization, AUSU is committed to decolonization, reconciliation, and conciliation efforts, acknowledging that there is much to unlearn. AUSU will continuously strive to build equitable relationships with Indigenous learners at AU, as well as Indigenous members and staff within AUSU, advocate with and for Indigenous learners through consultation, and create spaces that are inclusive, respectful, and equitable.	K. Fletcher
3.0	Call for Attendance	K. Fletcher
4.0	Welcome and Member-At-Large Input	K. Fletcher

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** K. Fletcher
Proposed Motion: BIRT AUSU Council approves the January 19, 2023 meeting agenda.

2023-01-19 Council Agenda

- 6.0 Approval of Minutes** K. Fletcher
Proposed Motion: BIRT AUSU Council approves the December 15, 2022 minutes.

2022-12-15 Council Minutes

Old Business

- 7.0 Review of Action Items** All
Note: The status of action items can be found at the bottom of the agenda.

- 8.0 Policies**
8.1 Policy 7.02 Awards D. Syed

Policy 7.02 Awards

Motion: BIRT AUSU Council approve the changes to Policy 7.02 Awards.

C. Ahmed / D. Syed

- 8.2 Policy 2.22 Alternative Dispute Resolution** D. Syed

Policy 2.22 Alternative Dispute Resolution

Motion: BIRT AUSU Council approve Policy 2.22 Alternative Dispute Resolution.

R. Wuebbolt / B. Collett

- 8.3 Policy 6.05 Expenditures** D. Syed

Policy 6.05 Expenditures

Proposed Motion: BIRT AUSU Council approve the changes to Policy 6.05 Expenditures.

Note: The attached copy of Policy 1.01 Policy Creation, Format, Maintenance, and Review has been approved by the Executive Committee as a part of an informal review.

Policy 1.01 Policy Creation, Format, Maintenance, and Review

- 9.0 Student Price Card**

Motion: BIRT AUSU Council approves the SPC student discount card as a new service at AUSU.

C. Ahmed / N. Iwanek

New Business

10.0 2022 Audited Financial Statements

J. Campbell

Proposed Motion: BIRT AUSU Council accepts the 2022 audited financial statements as presented by Kingston Ross Pasnak (KRP).

2022 AUSU Audited Financial Statements
2022 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.

11.0 Selection of Auditors for 2023

J. Campbell

Proposed Motion: BIRT AUSU Council appoints Kingston Ross Pasnak (KRP) as AUSU's financial auditor for the 2022-2023 fiscal year.

12.0 Bylaws

D. Syed

AUSU Bylaws, February 16, 2023

Proposed Motion: Whereas the Post-Secondary Learning Act gives authority to AUSU Council for the creation and amendment of its own bylaws, be it resolved that AUSU Council adopt the proposed changes to the AUSU Bylaws as presented in the attached document titled, "AUSU Bylaws, February 16, 2023". This document represents the only official bylaws of the Athabasca University Students Union and hereby replaces any prior versions or copies.

Note: This agenda item is the first reading of changes to the AUSU Bylaws in accordance with the current bylaws section 1.01 e) "Special Resolution". The second reading is scheduled to take place during the February 16, 2023 Council meeting. Both readings of the AUSU Bylaws must be passed with a greater than 2/3 majority vote. If both motions pass, the proposed bylaw changes will be officially adopted.

Reports

13.0 Reports for the Month of December 2022

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.

13.1 President's Report

K. Fletcher

2022-12 President Report

13.2 Vice President External's Report

T. Godoy-Contois

2022-12 VP External Report

13.3 Vice-President Finance and Administration's Report

D. Syed

2022-12 VP Finance and Administration Report

13.4 Vice President Community and Wellness' Report

N. Iwanek

2022-12 VP Community and Wellness Report

13.5 Finance Committee Report <i>2022-12 Finance Committee Report</i>	D. Syed
13.6 Awards Committee Report <i>2022-12 Awards Committee Report</i>	D. Syed
13.7 Member Engagement and Communication Committee Report <i>2022-12 MEC Committee Report</i>	N. Iwanek
13.8 Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion Committee Report <i>2022-12 EDI Committee Report</i>	N. Iwanek
13.9 Indigenous Circle at AUSU Report <i>2022-12 VP External Report</i>	T. Godoy-Contois
13.10 Executive Director's Report <i>2022-12 Executive Director Report</i>	J. Campbell
13.11 Communication and Member Services Coordinator's Report <i>2022-12 CMSC Report</i>	A. Janes

Recognition and Acknowledgements

14.0 Recognition and Acknowledgements	K. Fletcher
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

15.0 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 ausu@ausu.org or 780-497-7000.	

Next Meeting and Adjournment

The next meeting of AUSU Council will be: February 16, 2023
Motion to Adjourn

Summary of Action Items			
Action Item		Status	Deadline
		Name	
Look at changing council and executive retreats for accessibility, efficacy, and cost.		Started	
		K. Fletcher	Ongoing
Look at decisions being ratified at public meetings in bylaws.		Completed	
		D. Syed	January 19, 2023