STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION OF MACEWAN UNIVERSITY

Minutes for the Executive Committee Meeting of the Students' Association of MacEwan University
August 20, 2025 @ 2:00pm

Voting Members:
Nathan Poon, President
Chioma Uzor, VP Academic
Wilfrid Youbi Fansi, VP External (absent)
Andrei Santiago, VP Governance & Finance
Alem Tesfay, VP Student Life

Resource Officials:
Darryl Kostash, General Manager (absent)
Alan Honey, Governance Advisor (Recording Secretary)

In Attendance:
Shannon Marshall, Executive Coordinator
Larissa Williams, Internal Advocacy Advisor
Parvin Sedighi, External and Stakeholder Relations Manager
Emily Lukacs, External Advocacy Advisor

1. Call to Order: 2:02pm

2. Treaty 6 Land Recognition

We would like to acknowledge that this meeting of the Students' Association of MacEwan University is taking place on the traditional territories of the people of the Treaty 6 region in Central Alberta.

The Students' Association of MacEwan University is situated in the centre of what we call the city of Edmonton, which is called Amiskwaciy Waskahikan or Beaver Hill House in Nehiyawewin (Cree). This is the traditional home of the Nehiyaw (Cree) and Michif (Métis), and meeting place for many Indigenous peoples including the Nakawe (Saulteaux), Siksika (Blackfoot), Nakota Sioux (Stoney) and other nations.

3. Approval of Agenda:
   VPA/VPGF
   CARRIED

4. Approval of Minutes for: August 13, 2025
   VPGF/VPSL
   CARRIED

	TOPIC	DISCUSSION	ACTION/MOTION
1.	Contingency Fund	Whiting - I would like to add an item to the EC agenda: I would like to transfer $1.65 million from our Contingency account to our Operating account to cover short-term cash-flow until we get our October fee payment from MacEwan.	**MOTION** **TO APPROVE A TRANSFER OF $1.65 MILLION FROM THE CONTINGENCY FUND TO THE OPERATING FUND** **VPGF/VPSL** **CARRIED**
2.	Student Groups	VPSL – applications provided. Helping Hands Club updated their mandate.	**MOTION**

			TO APPROVE THE MACEWAN HELPING HANDS CLUB **VPSL/VPA** **CARRIED** **MOTION** **TO APPROVE THE MINDFUL MOMENTS – DEMENTIA SUPPORT CLUB** **VPSL/VPGF** **CARRIED**
3.	Appointments		**MOTION** **TO APPOINT AANYA KHERA TO THE SEXUAL VIOLENCE EDUCATION AND ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR A TERM ENDING JUNE 30TH, 2026** **VPA/VPGF** **CARRIED**
4.	Business Cards	Pres – previous EC engaged prospective students for student leadership roles and were able to by coffee for those meetings. VPGF – specially printed business cards won't be too expensive. Estimated total cost would be about $425, including coffee. (based on on 5 student meetings each). RM – if EC wants to do this we can find the money within current budget lines.	
5.	Forever Canadian	Pres – note that SAMU is a non-partisan org and don't take sides on political issues. If you receive emails please forward to GM & I.	
6.	Outstanding Action Items		
7.	VP Academic's Report		
8.	VP External's Report	tabled	
9.	VP Governance & Finance Report	T&F prep & initial meeting with MacEwan. Met with BOG Chair. Alumni & Development meeting. Finance Committee meeting. NDP roundtable.	
10.	VP Student Life's Report	Met with Allison & Chandelle last week. SEC bbq event planning.	
11.	President's Report	NAITSA meeting. BOG Chair meeting.	
12.	GM Report	Building renos almost complete. Insurance update. Harder to deal with and get for some things. I'll be away next week.	**MOTION** **TO GO IN CAMERA**

			VPGF/VPA **CARRIED** **MOTION** **TO GO OUT OF CAMERA** **VPSL/VPA** **CARRIED**
13.	Recognition		

5. Adjournment
   Time: 3:00pm