

**Minutes for the Students' Council Meeting of the
Students' Association of MacEwan University
July 18, 2018 at 6:00pm in room #7-218**

In Attendance:

Cole Baker, Councillor
Andrew Bieman, Vice President External
Rachelle Drummond, Councillor
Jackie Kent, Vice President Academic
Jacob Marler, Councillor
Sylvie Masson, Councillor
Spencer Newton, Councillor
Emma Patterson, Vice President Operations
Sophia Qaderi, Councillor
Luis Ruiz, Councillor
Parvin Sedighi, President

Vanessa Sheppard, Councillor
Aubrianna Snow, Councillor
Tansy Spyker, Vice President Student Life
Alycia Stewart, Councillor
Kent Strayer, Councillor
Matthew Yanish, Councillor

SAMU Officials and Council Support:
Alan Honey, Governance Advisor
Duncan Wojtaszek, Director of Advocacy & Governance

Absent:

Jaden Melech, Councillor
Jared Millions, Councillor

*Ruiz Chairs meeting.

Meeting called to order at 6:00pm.

1. 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.

2. Approvals

2.1 MOTION **TO APPROVE THE AGENDA FOR JULY 18, 2018**

STRAYER/SNOW

CARRIED

2.2 MOTION **TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF JUNE 20, 2018**

STEWART/MASSON

CARRIED

3. Presentations

4. For Information

4.1. Reports

4.1.1. President

As presented.

4.1.2. Vice President Academic

As presented.

4.1.3. Vice President External

Advocacy meetings with MLAs.

4.1.4. Vice President Operations & Finance

As presented.

4.1.5. Vice President Student Life

As presented.

4.2. Executive Committee Minutes

Minutes of June 13 & 27, 2018 provided.

5. Question Period

5.1. Written Questions

Masson – My question is for the VPSL - What was the reasoning behind the Social Clubs event grant being denied? Was it the event itself or the decrease of students on campus during the Spring/Summer terms? Considering that a lot of funds tend to come out of executive club members pockets (in order to support the club) and clubs tend to have minimum funds, what precautions are being put in place for clubs requesting grants in the future? Our council report ended with that of a quote from Marc, the Idea and Social Club's executive, outlining the importance clubs have made in his life. This caused me to further question the reason for the grant being denied.

Vpsl - Thank you councilor Masson for your question. Even though this question is too operational I will give this in response. They were not denied getting a grant or holding the event (they were approved). The grant amount they received was lower than what they had asked for due to the procedures in place for how GASC distributes funds. We have reformatted some of our forms to further insure clarity around approvals due to the incident that you have mentioned. But it remains that club executives are responsible for practicing fiscal responsibility regarding club and personal money. We already have a large amount of training and supports in place for clubs. However, at the end of the day it is the students' responsibility to not over spend. As you know all SAMU policies and procedures are created and maintained to insure fairness and success of all students' during their time at MacEwan.

5.2. Oral Questions

Topics include:

H&D benefit plan; Safewalk.

6. In Camera Period

7. Motions & Business Orders of the Day

7.1. 2017-2018 Annual Report

MOTION TO APPROVE THE 2017-2018 ANNUAL REPORT

VPO/PRES

Favour: Vpsl, Masson, Qaderi, Drummond. Marler, Strayer, Snow, Vpe Sheppard, Vpo, Newton, Baker, Yanish, Vpa, Pres, Stewart, Baker

CARRIED

8. Consultation

9. Evaluation

10. Recognition

11. Adjournment

MOTION TO ADJOURN

MASSON

CARRIED

Next Meeting Date: August 15, 2018

Meeting adjourned at 6:20pm.