



## November 18, 2020 Students' Council Meeting - Audio Recording

### Speaker Key:

CH	Chair
PR	President
VPA	VP Academic
VPE	VP External
VPOF	VP Operations & Finance
VPSL	VP Student Life
CW	Councillor Williams
CTR	Councillor Tran
CTE	Councillor Tesfay
CY	Councillor Yanish
CSE	Councillor Semotiuk
CSI	Councillor Singh
CF	Councillor Fallis
CLL	Councillor Landberg Llave
CD	BOG Student Representative Dykes
CRO	Chief Returning Officer

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CH It's six o'clock, so we'll call this meeting to order. Item 1, Treaty 6, Land Recognition. We would like to acknowledge that this meeting of the Students' Association at 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 and Michif, and meeting place for many Indigenous peoples including the Nakawe, Siksika, Nakota Sioux and other nations.

Item 2, Approvals. 2.1, we have a motion. Can I have someone introduce that motion, please? Vice President Operations and Finance?

VPOF Thank you, Chair. I move to approve the agenda for November 18 2020.



CH Thank you. And a second? Councillor Williams, thank you. It has been moved and seconded to approve the agenda for November 18 2020. Is there any debate? No debate. Questions on the adoption of the motion to approve the agenda for November 18 2020. Is there anyone opposed? Please speak now. The motion is carried.

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Item 2.2. We have a motion. Can I have someone introduce that motion, please? Councillor Dykes?

CD I move to approve the minutes of October 21 2020.

CH Thank you, Councillor. And a second, please? Vice President External. It is moved and seconded to approve the minutes of October 21 2020. Is there any debate? Questions on the adoption of the motion to approve the minutes of October 21 2020? Is there anyone opposed? Please speak now. Motion carries.

Item 3, Presentations. Nothing for you there.

Item 4, For Your Information. 4.1, Reports. 4.1.1. President, any oral supplements?

PR Yes, thank you, Chair. The one thing I should add is that yesterday, as part of the CAUS Counterparts and Advocacy Week, I was able to meet with several MLAs, most of which were ministers in the government, to discuss the Council of Alberta University Student's priorities.

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And there was one advocacy meeting with an MP scheduled through CASA, which has been rescheduled, so the Advocacy Week has been going well, and that's all I have to add from my last report. Thanks, Chair.

CH Thank you, President. 4.1.2. Vice President Academic, any oral supplements?

VPA Hi. Yes. Thank you, Chair. I was able to also attend many CAUS Counterparts, the Council of Alberta University Students, meetings, which was very nice to collaborate and get to have some updates from my fellow VPAs. And then I also attended a ITM Community Link at the Faculty of Arts and Science, but I will leave those updates for next report. Thank you.

CH Thank you, Vice President. 4.1.3. Vice President External, any oral supplements?

VPE Yes. Thank you, Chair. In a similar vein to, actually, both the President and the VPA, I got to have a few advocacy meetings at the provincial level and an advocacy meeting at the federal level. I'll be putting more detail into those in my next report, but just I'll say that it went really well. I had the luck of the draw on the provincial front because we met with MLAs who were very friendly to our asks, and actually, the federal MP was very friendly to our asks, so it was a nice boxing with kid gloves on. Thank you, Chair.

CH Thank you, Vice President. 4.1.4. Vice President Operations and Finance, any oral supplements?

VPOF Yes. Thank you, Chair. I have a couple. So the first one was CAUS Counterparts. I did attend two of the meetings, but unfortunately, because I became ill again, I had to miss the rest of the Counterparts and the PAG meeting, so I'm just being accountable



to my actions there.

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As well as I am pleased to announce, if you haven't seen it already, MacEwan's new Finance and Administration CFO, Sharilee Fossum. I was on the hiring committee for this and I am very confident in her ability to represent the students as well as be very knowledgeable in her area, so I'm very excited to welcome her.

As well as I forget to mention that I attended the Virtual Students' Council training. I figured it was basically sharing forward, so I didn't include it in there, and that's everything for me. Thank you, Chair.

CH Thank you, Vice President. 4.1.5. Vice President Student Life, any oral supplements?

VPSL As presented. Thank you, Chair.

CH Thank you. 4.1.6. The Board of Governors' Student Representative, Councillor Dykes, any oral supplements?

CD As presented. Thank you, Chair.

CH Thank you. And 4.1.7, The Chief Returning Officer. I'm going to assume the Chief Returning Officer included everything in their report. Any oral supplements?

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CRO Actually, Chair, there was just a mistake that I'd like to correct, if that's okay?

CH Go right ahead.

CRO Just for Students' Council, if you refer to the last two pages of my report, under Confirmation of Candidates, regarding two potential candidates who weren't eligible to stand for the 2020 Students' Council Election, it says that they were not eligible due to failing to meet the criteria set in the standing bylaws.

While that is true for one of the candidates, the other one wasn't approved due to missing a deadline. Actually, submission of their nomination form was submitted a couple of minutes late, and we strictly enforce our deadlines with our elections, and so that candidate was not approved. There were other issues with that submission as well, but I just want to make that clear that it wasn't just due to a violation of the bylaws.

And the second issue with the report, Mr Chair, is just that, in my sign-off of my title, it says, Chief Returning Officer 2010 to 2021, so I'm sure Council is aware that I have not been serving for over 11 years, so that's just a mistake to correct. Thank you.

CH Thank you, Jed. 4.2, Executive Committee Minutes of October 7th, 14th, 21st, 28th of 2020 are provided in your package for your information.

Move on to Item 5, Question Period. 5.1, Written Questions, in your package. 5.2, Oral Questions. So we'll take oral questions now. If you have a question, please type in Question in the chat and I will recognise you in the order in which you appear in the chat. So give you some time to type that out. Councillor Dykes?

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CD Yes. Thank you, Chair. I have a few questions directed to the President. So the first one is on the standing COVID bursary. I was wondering if there was anything further on this?

CH Thank you, Councillor. President?

PR Thank you so much. I believe there is. So one of the ideas that was thrown around to create a SAMU COVID bursary was basically repurposing or almost rebranding SAMU Cares in part to address that, so I think if there's any logistical pathway for a COVID-related bursary, it would probably be through SAMU Cares.

But as far as the details, I don't know exactly where it ended up. I know it's in progress. I know someone's looking into it, and I believe it would be the VP Academic who would have those further details. I'm not entirely sure, but that seems likely, so for any follow-ups, I think VP Academic should know, but I believe we are looking at using SAMU Cares for that.

CH Thank you. Councillor Dykes, next question?

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CD So my next one, also for the President, is regarding long-term revenue generation. I was just curious if there was anything further on this. I think it's a really exciting opportunity we have as the Students' Association. Thank you, Chair.

CH Thank you, Councillor. President?

PR I'm so happy you asked. Thank you, Chair. I'm happy you asked because I didn't get a chance to elaborate much on this in my report. It was a shorter part of the report, so if I can speak to it a bit, I think it's in the germination stage, so this is an idea that's very early on. We don't really have anything concrete.

But the general vision or direction of this initiative is I think we need to, as much as possible, rely on things other than student fees. And there are a couple other Students' Associations who are in the same boat as us, where it's vast majority reliant on student fees. I think, for us, it's probably above 90%, so it's a project that's going to be years in the making.

We're starting with this current executive team. I think our general manager is going to be a good asset in getting it started and continuing on to the next executive team, who can carry it further, but it's an exciting opportunity. And if I could give the gist of what we're thinking, it would be mostly using things like that building, like event space, things that are more possible in future years when COVID is more manageable to generate revenue for events and that kind of thing, among other ideas. So thank you.

CH Thank you, President. Councillor Dykes, next question?

CD That's all. Thank you, Chair.

CH That was only two questions. You said you had many. You...

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CD I thought that was many. More than usual.

CH They set the bar now. Councillor Tesfay?



CTE Thank you, Chair. I had a question for the Vice President External. I saw on the report that the U-Pass negotiation went well, which is good news. However, I had a question regarding the Ride Access Programme. So my question is, do students from other municipalities have access to the Ride Access Programme like we have here in Edmonton? For example, students from St Albert or Sherwood Park, are they able to apply for the low-income bus passes like we do here? Thank you, Chair.

CH Thank you, Councillor. Vice President?

VPE Unfortunately, the Ride Transit Programme is exclusively offered by ETS. This is actually one of the huge advantages of the U-Pass versus a lot of the other transit and fare products, is that the U-Pass is a collective agreement between all of the municipalities and everything. The Ride Transit Programme and the low-income passes and the two tiers and everything are offered exclusively through ETS.

We've really been pushing behind the scenes to get them to try and negotiate some kind of temporary pan-municipal pass, but it doesn't sound like that is moving forward. I can't remember which municipality it was, but one of the municipalities did actually offer free transit for a given amount of time.

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And one thing I will say is that if you refer to our U-Pass page on the SAMU website, we are keeping it up to date with all of the options that we become aware of from the other municipalities. So as soon as those things pop up, they will be on that page. And I was just reminded that it was Leduc was the municipality that offered free transit, and I do sympathise. It's quite a tricky issue, but hopefully that answers the question. Thank you, Chair.

CH Thank you, Vice President. The Vice President Operations and Finance, I think you had something to add to that?

VPOF Yes. Vice President External covered it mostly really well. I just wanted to add, so if you do live in St Albert or anything like that, you can still apply for the ride transit pass, but it is only effective in Edmonton for ETS services, so that does not include transfer to StAlts or any other services, so just to clarify that. Thank you.

CH Thank you, Vice President. Councillor Tesfay, any other questions?

CTE No, thank you.

CH Thank you. Councillor Tran?

CTR My question's also for the VP External just in regards to the U-Pass negotiation as well. Do you know when students will be notified if there will be or will not be a U-Pass for next semester? I'm just curious myself as a student, but I'm sure other students are curious too.

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CH Thank you, Councillor. Vice President?

VPE Thank you, Chair. Actually, in my report, I've been mentioning that in the Winter Semester, we will maintain the force majeure, so the U-Pass will not be offered in the Winter Semester, just given that we're still operating at the same reduced capacity. All



of the same reasoning that it was in place before is still in effect.

We are currently updating our statement on the U-Pass, so that'll be circulated very, very soon, and hopefully, that's covers it, but if there's any additional clarification I can offer, I'll definitely do so. Thank you, Chair.

CH Thank you, Vice President. Councillor Tran, anything further? No? Councillor Williams?

CW My question is for the Vice President Academic. In your report, you talked about the Proctorio demonstration that you got to witness. You said that it could be further explored or tested. Do you know if that is an option that MacEwan is looking to explore further?

CH Thank you, Councillor Williams. Vice President?

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VPA Thank you, Chair. Thank you for the question as well, Councillor Williams. This has been a hot topic this last while amongst many universities and SAs and SUs. So currently, from what I gather out of MacEwan, it is being explored a bit more because it does have a wide range of usages and features that could be helpful, but there is still questions at the university whether it will actually ever be enforced or allowed to be in use, so that is still up in the air.

I don't believe anyone at MacEwan has used eProctoring, which is good news. Some institutions went full force into using eProctoring without, you could say, proper consultation around the issue.

So currently, it is still being explored because academic integrity cases have increased or academic misconduct is still a very serious matter at MacEwan, and it can be a preventative measure, but if it's the best one is still to be determined. And there could be uses for and against it, but overall, we are being very careful in how we address such a topic as eProctoring. So hopefully, that answers your question.

CH Thank you, Vice President. Councillor Williams, anything further?

CW No further questions. Thank you, Chair.

CH Thank you. Other questions? Last call for questions.

We'll move on to the next item in the agenda, 6, in camera period. Nothing there.

Item 7, Motions in Business Orders of the Day. So for this section, we have a number of committee appointments, and so I'll just spend a little bit of time to let you know what the process is. Sorry, and I'm reading the chat at the same time. Nothing that I need to be aware of there.

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So the process for committee appointments. So you'll see in your package that we have a number of individuals who have declared their nomination for a particular committee, so for instance, if you look at Item 7.1, we have two nominations already, so that would be Councillor Williams and Councillor Tran. For those where we do not have any nominations, don't despair because we have a process for nominations from the floor.



And so the way that this will work is I will ask if there are any nominations from the floor for each motion, so each committee, as we proceed down the list. And I will just have you type in Nomination in the chat, and I will recognise you in the order in which you appear in the chat, and then you can either nominate yourself or nominate one of your colleagues.

If you nominate yourself, I'm assuming that you'll accept the nomination, so we'll add you to the list. If you nominate one of your colleagues, I will ask your colleague whether or not they accept the nomination and, of course, they have the option to accept or not. So then we will have a list of nominees, and I will recognise individuals in the order in which they were nominated.

And each individual that is nominated will receive 30 seconds in order to deliver a short speech on why they are worthy of sitting on that committee or why they're more worthy than others of sitting on that committee. And then once we've proceeded through the list of speeches of all the nominees, Alan will populate an online ballot and you will mark your selections in the ballot.

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Some committees have one individual, some committees have two, and some have three. For example, in 7.1, we have two spots on that committee that are open. If we have two individuals who have been nominated, the ballot will be a yes or no vote, and so you will mark in the ballot either yes or no beside each candidate as to whether or not you think they should be on the committee. Yes being yes, they should be on the committee. No being no, they should not be on the committee.

If we have more individuals nominated than we have positions, then you will mark an X beside. I don't know how the ballot actually works. You'll figure it out, but you'll select the same number of individuals as we have positions or fewer. So for example, in 7.1, if we have three individuals who have been nominated, you will select two of them or one, but I would recommend two because, frankly, we should fill both spots, and the individuals with the greatest number of votes will be successful in filling those committee spots.

That was a lot, but I'm going to pause here, and if you have any questions, I don't think you need to type in Question in the chat, but feel free to just ask any questions and let's clarify this before we get started here with a number of... Vice President Academic?

VPA

Thank you, Chair. I'm just curious, if there is no one up for a particular committee because there are only, I believe, eight Councillors, and we would like to keep some empty in case, as we appoint, hopefully, more individuals to Council to have the opportunity to sit on committees, what would the process look like then? Could we postpone indefinitely to next meeting for those appointments or how would you recommend us to go forward with that?

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CH

I think what we'll do is if we have nobody nominated for a particular committee, I'll just ask if anyone wants to read the motion and no one will read the motion, and we'll just deal with it that way, and then Alan can put it on a future agenda. And of course, if we have one individual to fill three spots, then we'll fill that one spot and we'll put the



motion on a future agenda with fewer spots.

So no more questions? Is everyone clear? Yes? Awesome.

So the first committee is the Bylaws and Policy Committee. I see that Councillor Williams and Councillor Tran have already put their names forward. Are there any additional nominations? So if you have a nomination, please type in Nomination in the chat. I'll give you a second. It's a long word, nomination. I know we all type quickly. Last call for nominations. I don't see it. If you hear some noise in the background, that's my two-year-old, who doesn't quite understand conversation level yet, so I apologise in advance.

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So the way that we'll proceed now is Councillor Williams will have 30 seconds and then Councillor Tran will have 30 seconds. So Councillor Williams, your 30 seconds begins now.

CW So I sat on BPC as a student-at-large this past year and I provided many fruitful points to the discussion regarding many of the bylaws, and I know that there's still work to be done on this committee that I would love to contribute to. I am a legal studies and business major and I love working with the law, whether it be bylaws and policies or federal law. Pretty much, I love law. BPC holds a very special place in my heart. It's how I got started into SAMU and as a councillor, and I hope to serve on it as a councillor this year to continue the work that I started as a student-at-large. Thank you, Chair.

CH Thank you, Councillor Williams. Councillor Tran, your 30 seconds begins now.

CTR So since the beginning of my time MacEwan, I've been involved with SAMU in a number of ways, mainly through volunteer programmes on Promo Squad, peer support, as well as sitting on committees. Although I have not sat on Bylaw and Policy Committee, I did sit on some previous committees, and I think this would be another way for me to diversify my experience and maybe provide some insight as somebody who has been involved with SAMU since the beginning of their time at MacEwan. Thank you, Chair.

CH Thank you, Councillor. So Alan will post the link for the ballot in the chat, as you see now. It's like we rehearsed this. So I'll have you click into that and cast your votes. Again, yes or no for this particular ballot, please.

Who is controlling the Google Doc here, Alan? I realise I'm pointing. You can't see where I'm pointing, but if I could just have the motion updated in the Google Doc with the results, that would be best. So we've got yes votes for both of them, so Vice President Operations and Finance, you can read the motion.

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VPOF Thank you. So I move to appoint Councillor Williams and Councillor Tran to the Bylaws and Policy Committee.

CH Thank you. And a second, please? Vice President External. It has been moved and seconded to appoint Councillor Williams and Councillor Tran to the Bylaws and Policy Committee. Is there any debate? If there is, speak now. Questions on the adoption of the motion as read? Is there anyone opposed? Please speak now. Motion carries.





Item 7.2, Audit Committee. So no nominations for that as of now, so if you have a nomination, please type Nomination in the chat. Councillor Fallis?

CF Thank you, Chair. I would like to nominate myself for the position on Audit Committee.

CH Thank you. Other nominations? Vice President Student Life?

VPSL I would like to nominate Councillor Semotiuk.

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CH Thank you. Councillor Semotiuk, do you accept the nomination?

CSE I was actually going to nominate myself for another committee, so for right now, I'd like to decline that and I'd like try for this other committee, if that is all right.

CH Thank you.

CSE Thank you for the nomination, though. I really appreciate it.

CH Thank you. Councillor Tesfay?

CTE I would like to nominate myself for the Audit Committee.

CH Thank you, Councillor. Other nominations? Last call for nominations. We have two nominations for three positions, so we will begin with speeches, starting with Councillor Fallis and then Councillor Tesfay. So Councillor Fallis, your 30 seconds begins now.

CF Beautiful. Thank you, Chair. So I would like to put myself forward for Audit Committee. I sat on Audit Committee previously through Student Council and I learned quite a bit from it in the past semester or so, and I now that I have that background knowledge, I would like to continue the work in advocating and representing properly on the Audit Committee now that I have the basic understanding of what's going on, being able to speak out a little bit more.

I have past experience with finances and auditing through organisations outside of SAMU, and of course, through SAMU clubs as well.

CH Thank you, Councillor Fallis. Councillor Tesfay, your 30 seconds begins now.

CTE Hi, everyone. As you know, my name is Alem Tesfay and I'm a part of different student groups around MacEwan like [unclear], GAMU. I'm also the Vice President of the Investment Club as well. This year, I'm hoping to be a part of the Audit Committee because I've had the fortune of attending a meeting and the training session as well. As someone who has owned or had a licensed business, I understand the importance of audits, so I'm hoping to come back to the Audit Committee. Thank you.

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CH Thank you, Councillor. So you've heard the speeches. There's the link for the poll. Do your voting now. Yes or no, please. This is amazing how fast this is. I feel like when I introduce my father in law to Google Maps. This is like that.

So we've got yes votes for both of them. Vice President Operations and Finance, can I have you read the motion, please?



VPOF I move to appoint Councillor Casey Fallis and Councillor Alem Tesfay to the Audit Committee.

CH Thank you. We'll just have their last names there, so Councillor Fallis and Councillor Tesfay. I'm assuming you're okay with that amendment to the motion?

VPOF Yes.

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CH Great. Thank you. And a second, please? Councillor Semotiuk, thank you. It has been moved and seconded to appoint Councillor Fallis and Councillor Tesfay to the Audit Committee. Is there any debate? Speak now. Questions on the adoption of the motion as read? Is there anyone opposed? Please speak now. Motion carries.

Item 7.3, Budget and Finance Committee. We have two positions and we have zero nominations so far. If you have a nomination, please type in Nomination in the chat. Councillor Landberg... I can't see the rest of your last name. I'm sorry. Landberg...

CLL No worries.

CH Llave. Am I saying that right? Landberg Llave?

CLL Yes.

CH Excellent. Councillor Landberg Llave, the floor is yours.

CLL Thank you, Chair. I move to appoint myself to the Budgeting and Finance Committee.

CH So it's not a motion. You nominate yourself, so...

CLL Sorry.

CH No, don't apologise. That's fine. Councillor Tran?

CTR I'd like to appoint Councillor Fallis to the Budget and Finance Committee. Thank you, Chair.

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CH Councillor Fallis, do you accept the nomination?

CF Thank you, Chair. I do accept the nomination.

CH Thank you. Any other nominations? Last call for nominations. We have two nominees for two positions, and so we will start with Councillor Landberg Llave and then we will move on to Councillor Fallis. Councillor Landberg Llave, your 30 seconds begins right now.

CLL Thank you. I have a keen interest in this committee, and I believe that I can be an asset for two reasons. So the first reason that I'll put forward is that I am in touch with the student body and I really strive to be in touch, and I believe that I can echo their wants into this committee. The second reason is that I am a detail-oriented person and I can translate the big picture into the details necessary.

CH Thank you, Councillor. Councillor Fallis, your 30 seconds begins right now.

CF Excellent. Thank you again, Chair. I would like to become Budget Finance Committee.



Just with background experience regarding finances I touched on in my last speech, so I'm currently been the Treasurer for MacEwan Rotaract, which has one of the SAMU Student Groups for the past couple of years. I've also done quite a bit of budgeting work with Girl Guides of Canada just regarding their provincial budgets, along with the Texas Youth Parliament, so it just feels in line with what I've done in the past and would like to continue to do. Thank you.

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CH Thank you, Councillor. We'll post the ballot right there. We've got yes votes for both of them, so Vice President Operations and Finance, I'll have you read the motion, please.

VPOF Thank you, Chair. I move to appoint Councillor Landberg Llave and Councillor Fallis to the Budget and Finance Committee.

CH Thank you. And a second, please? Vice President External, thank you. It has been moved and seconded to appoint Councillor Landberg Llave and Councillor Fallis to the Budget and Finance Committee. Is there any debate? Please speak now. Questions on the adoption of the motion as read? Is there anyone in opposition? Please speak now. Motion carries.

Item 7.4, Governance Remuneration Advisory Committee. We have one position and zero nominees, so we'll open nominations now. Councillor Dykes?

CD I would like nominate Councillor Singh for this position.

CH Thank you, Councillor. Councillor Singh, do you accept the nomination?

CSI I accept. Thank you.

CH Thank you. Other nominations? Last call for nominations. We have one nominee for one position, so Councillor Singh, your 30 seconds begins right now.

CSI Thank you, Chair. I am interested in this position because I feel I present an unbiased and completely open outlook on the remuneration of the executive committee. I feel like I could do a good job in just being point blank and being unbiased with it. Thank you. That's good.

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CH Thank you, Councillor. We'll post the link to the ballot right away. There you go. We've got yes votes for that one, so Vice President Operations and Finance, I'll have you read the motion, please.

VPOF Thank you, Chair. I move to appoint Councillor Singh to the Governance Remuneration Advisory Committee.

CH Thank you, Vice President. And a second? Councillor Tesfay, thank you. It has been moved and seconded to appoint Councillor Singh to the Governance Remuneration Advisory Committee. Is there any debate? Please speak now. Questions on the adoption of the motion as read? Is there anyone in opposition? Please speak now. The motion carries.

Item 7.5, Leadership and Review Committee. We have two nominees, Councillor Williams and Councillor Tran for two positions so far. So we will open the floor for



additional nominations now. Councillor Yanish?

CY Thank you, Chair. I would like to nominate myself for the position.

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CH Thank you, Councillor. Other nominations? Last call for nominations. So we have three nominees for two positions. We have a competition, so sharpen your speeches. We're going to start with Councillor Williams, then move to Councillor Tran, and conclude with Councillor Yanish. So Councillor Williams, your 30 seconds begins right now.

CW Thank you, Chair. While I don't have experience in this committee, I'd love to expand my experience within SAMU, and I feel this committee fits who I am and what I want to bring to the table best. I've read through the last report from this committee and I have ideas to help work through what's left on the table for this committee and ideas to further this committee.

I believe that this committee lines up with what I advocated for in my campaign, and that's increasing student engagement, starting with us finding ways to further engage with our fellow students. I believe that this would be the committee for me to actively work on what I campaigned for and that the students elected me for.

CH Thank you...

CW Thank you, Chair.

CH Councillor Williams. Councillor Tran, your 30 seconds begins right now.

CTR Thank you, Chair. As previously mentioned, I am someone who has been involved and engaged with students and within SAMU since the beginning of my educational journey as somebody who has volunteered for multiple SAMU volunteer programmes in addition to sitting on committees.

Previously, I sat on the Leadership and Review Committee as a student-at-large, and I was unable to continue my work just due to my subsequent appointment, but I would like to continue that work. In addition to this, I think I do bring a wealth of experience...

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CH Thank you.

CTR In terms of student engagement being involved...

CH Thank you, Councillor Tran. Sorry, I don't mean be rude. I'm just going to enforce the 30 second cut-off, so sorry, not sorry. I think that's what people say. Councillor Yanish, your 30 seconds begins now.

CY Thank you, Chair. Long story short, without repeating points already said, apathy is boring. I'd love to combat that. Leadership and Review Committee is just something I've wanted to be part of in the past, and given what it's purview is, I feel it's in accordance with my strengths, and I would love to be a part of it. Thanks.

CH Thank you, Councillor. We'll populate the ballot, and there you go. So again, you'll select two individuals out of the three [silence]. So the successful candidates were Councillor Williams and Councillor Tran. So Vice President Operations and Finance, I'll have you read the motion, please.



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VPOF Thank you, Chair. I move to appoint Councillor Williams and Councillor Tran to the Leadership and Review Committee.

CH Thank you. And a second? Councillor Fallis, thank you. It has been moved and seconded to appoint Councillor Williams and Councillor Tran to the Leadership and Review Committee. Is there any debate? Speak now. Questions on the adoption of the motion as read? Is there anyone in opposition? Please speak now. Motion carries.

Move on to the Item 7.6, Appointment Advisory Committee. We have one position open with zero nominations. We'll open nominations now. Councillor Dykes?

CD Thank you, Chair. I'd like to nominate Councillor Yanish for this position.

CH Thank you, Councillor. Councillor Yanish, do you accept the nomination?

CY Thank you, Chair. Yes, I do accept the nomination.

CH Thank you. Vice President Academic?

VPA I would like to nominate Councillor Semotiuk.

CH Thank you, Vice President. Councillor Semotiuk, do you accept the nomination?

CSE Yes, actually, I would love to accept the nomination.

CH Thank you. Other nominations? Last call for nominations. So we've got two nominees for one position. We will begin with Councillor Yanish and then move on to Councillor Semotiuk. So Councillor Yanish, your 30 seconds begins right now.

CY Thank you, Chair. My time on Council, I've come to understand the personalities and character traits that are and are not conducive to being effective on Students' Council. So I feel, given that, if I were in this position, I would be able to speak with a lot of authority as to who is or is not a viable addition to Students' Council, especially when we're in a time where we desperately need more engagement, so that, along with the fact that I've interviewed dozens...

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CH Thank you...

CY Of people...

CH Councillor Yanish. Appreciate it. Thank you. Councillor Semotiuk, your 30 seconds begins right now.

CSE Thank you, Chair. I know I'm still relatively new to this whole process, but I had a really awesome connection even in the interview and just recognising the power of relationships within the Student Council. In my past, I've also worked different jobs where I've been able to take on new employees and train them. I've worked with different leadership opportunities where I've also been able to just work... I feel like I could also gauge people's character pretty well, and I just love meeting new people, so this could be a really cool opportunity.

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- CH Thank you...
- CSE But I appreciate the nomination.
- CH Councillor Semotiuk. Thank you. And we'll populate the ballot, and there you have it. President, you have a point of information? Go ahead, state your point.
- PR Thanks, Chair. I was making the point on behalf of another Councillor, but I see you've filled that in, so thank you.
- CH Councillor Yanish is the successful nominee there, so Vice President Operations and Finance, I'll have you read the motion, please.
- VPOF Thank you, Chair. I move to appoint Councillor Yanish to the Appointment Advisory Committee.
- CH Thank you. And a second? Councillor Williams, thank you. It is moved and seconded to appoint Councillor Yanish to the Appointment Advisory Committee. Is there any debate? Please speak now. Questions on the adoption of the motion as read? Is there anyone in opposition? Please speak now. Motion carries.
- Item 7.7, Health and Dental Subcommittee. We have one open position with zero nominees so far. We'll open nominations now. Councillor Tesfay?
- CTE I would like to nominate Councillor Semotiuk.
- CH Thank you. Councillor Semotiuk, do you accept the nomination?
- CSE There's actually another committee I'd like to try out for, and I don't know too much about this, so I will decline, but thank you for the nomination.
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- CH Thank you. Other nominations? Last call for nominations. Councillor Tesfay?
- CTE I would like to nominate myself for the Health and Dental Subcommittee.
- CH Thank you. Other nominations? Last call for nominations. We have one nominee for one vacant position, so Councillor Tesfay, your 30 seconds begins right now.
- CTE Cool. So I made a promise to myself that regardless of if I get voted to a committee or not, that I would attend each committee at least once this year. And the reason why I have an interest in this committee specifically is because I got to learn a lot about health and dental this year, so much so that I actually got to switch my dental plan because of how good the SAMU dental is compared to my own insurance. But I would like to learn more so I could help serve students more, but thank you
- CH Thank you, Councillor Tesfay. We'll populate the ballot, and there you have it [silence]. I think we're waiting on one individual, but I don't think it's going to make a difference, so we've got yes votes for Councillor Tesfay. So Vice President Operations and Finance, I'll just have you read the motion.
- VPOF Thank you, Cahir. I move to appoint Councillor Tesfay to the Health and Dental Subcommittee.

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CH Thank you. And a second, please? Councillor Landberg Llave. It has been moved and seconded to appoint Councillor Tesfay to the Health and Dental Subcommittee. Is there any debate? Please speak now. Questions on the adoption of the motion as read? Is there anyone in opposition? Please speak now. Motion carries.

We'll move on to 7.8, Awards Subcommittee. We have two open positions and zero nominees, so I'll open nominations now. Councillor Semotiuk?

CSE I'd like to nominate myself for this committee, please.

CH Thank you. Other nominations? Vice President Operations and Finance?

VPOF Thank you, Chair. I'd like to nominate Councillor Singh.

CH Thank you. Councillor Singh, do you accept the nomination?

CSI Thank you for the nomination. Unfortunately, I will have to decline. I don't know much about awards and I don't want to overwork myself, so thank you.

CH Thank you. Other nominations? Last call for nominations. We have one nominee for two positions, so Councillor Semotiuk, your 30 seconds begins right now.

CSE So I've been involved in different SAMU opportunities that include Student Advisory Committee and attended and have been involved in other different clubs across SAMU. And I think it's an important job to recognise and acknowledge just the contributions that people are making, and so I just think it's cool and I'd love to be a part of that process.

And in my programme and past student practicums, I've also had to review and write different reports in an objective manner, so I think I could bring these experiences to this role. Once again, I know I'm new to this process, but I'd love to be a part of just helping people during this time in COVID.

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CH Thank you, Councillor Semotiuk. We'll populate the ballot, and there you have it. We've got a yes for Councillor Semotiuk. So Vice President Operations and Finance, I'll have you introduce the motion, please.

VPOF Thank you, Chair. I move to appoint Councillor Semotiuk to the Awards Subcommittee.

CH Thank you. And a second? Councillor Williams. It has been moved and seconded to appoint Councillor Semotiuk to the Awards Subcommittee. Is there any debate? Please speak now. Questions on the adoption of the motion as read? Is there anyone in opposition? Please speak now. Motion carries.

Item 8, Consultation. Nothing there.

Item 9, Evaluation. The link is in your form. I'll give you a few minutes to fill out the evaluation [silence]. We are waiting for one more person. Looks like all the forms are in. I can never tell if you're continuing to type or if you're researching whether or not the slap chop really works and, of course, the only answer is that we'll never know.

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Item 10, Recognition. If you have recognition, I'll ask that you type in Recognition in



the chat. Vice President Operations and Finance?

VPOF Thank you, Chair. I would like to recognise everybody who applied for positions on Committee. I thank them as well. It is very needed and appreciated and I really encourage you to stay involved. Thank you.

CH Thank you, Vice President. Other recognition? Last call for recognition. Councillor Yanish?

CY Thank you, Chair. I would also just like to recognise some of the new Councillors who seemingly were not afraid whatsoever to assume these positions on these committees. Because I, I certainly, when I was this new on Council, I didn't know just how valuable being on these committees are, and how really the bulk of the work that we get done is done in these committees.

So I applaud you, all of you, for applying for the ones you did, and getting on the ones that you did, and I look forward to seeing the work that all of you are able to accomplish. Thanks, Chair.

CH Thank you, Councillor. Councillor Tesfay?

CTE Sorry, I don't know why, but my messages keep on getting sent privately to people before all the panellists, but I would like to recognise Vice President External and Vice President Operations for the detailed answer they gave me. I don't think I had the chance to thank them, so thank you.

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CH Thank you. Councillor Semotiuk?

CSE I just like to return some of that recognition back to some of the other veteran council members and the executive members, even the chair. This is really exciting to be a part of this. And I'm really glad to be here and you guys are all awesome.

CH Thank you, Councillor. Other recognition? Last call for recognition. So I want to recognise Council. I think to those who are sitting on committees, congratulations. To the new Councillors, well done today. We had a meaty agenda. I messaged Alan privately and said, we nailed this meeting. I think that we went through it with our due diligence, but very well, so congratulations.

And so we'll move on to Item 11, Adjournment. We have a motion? Someone to read that motion? Vice President Academic?

VPA I move to adjourn.

CH Thank you. This motion only requires one mover and is not debatable. Is there anyone in opposition to the motion to adjourn? Please speak now. Motion carries. This meeting is adjourned. Goodnight everyone.

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