



STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION OF MACEWAN UNIVERSITY

**Minutes for the Students' Council Meeting of the
Students' Association of MacEwan University
November 15, 2023 at 6:00pm in Council Chamber**

Voting Members:

Gabriel Ambutong, President
Jakob Cardinal, Vice President External
Delaney Huhtala, Councillor
Mayank Kaushik, Councillor
Joseph A. La Torre, Vice President Governance
and Finance
Maade Okai, Councillor
Nhi Phan, Councillor
Nathan Poon, Councillor
Inder Singh, Councillor
Alem Tesfay, Councillor
Joehn Torres, Councillor
Chioma Uzor, Councillor
Stephan Vasquez, Vice President Academic

Sonia Yusuf, Councillor
Layal Zidan, Councillor
vacant, Councillor
vacant, Councillor

SAMU Officials and Council Support:
Timothy Jobs, Chair
Darryl Kostash, General Manager
Alan Honey, Governance Advisor

Absent:

Cierra Jacobs, Vice President Student Life
Ian Kamenwa, Councillor

Meeting called to order at 6:00pm.

<Intros>

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 NOVEMBER 15, 2023

KAUSHIK/UZOR

**MOTION TO AMEND THE AGENDA TO INSERT COUNCILLOR REINSTATEMENT
AS THE FIRST ITEM UNDER MOTIONS & BUSINESS ORDERS OF THE
DAY SECITON**

PRES/HUHTALA

CARRIED

CARRIED

2.2 MOTION

TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF OCTOBER 18, 2023

VPGF/ZIDAN

CARRIED

3. Presentations

4. For Information

4.1. Reports

4.1.1. President

4.1.2. Vice President Academic

4.1.3. Vice President External

4.1.4. Vice President Governance & Finance

PD session reminder – tomorrow 11am-1pm.

4.1.5. Vice President Student Life

4.1.6. Students' Council Operations Committee (In Camera)

4.1.7. Chief Returning Officer

4.1.8. Governance Investigations and Reinstatement Committee (In Camera)

4.2. Executive Committee Minutes

Minutes of October 18, 20, 25, and November 2, 2023 provided.

5. Question Period

5.1. Written Questions

5.2. Oral Questions

Topics include: Academic Standing Policy re. nursing program; work integrated learning in nursing program; international student tuition; Grammarly Go tool; AI working group;

*Torres arrives at 6:07pm.

6. In Camera Period

MOTION TO GO IN CAMERA

VPGF/ZIDAN

CARRIED

6.1 Councillor Vacancy

6.2 Councillor Reinstatement

MOTION TO GO OUT OF CAMERA

TORRES/ZIDAN

CARRIED

7. Motions & Business Orders of the Day

7.1. Councillor Reinstatement

MOTION TO REINSTATE ABBY BEKA AS COUNCILLOR FOR A TERM ENDING OCTOBER 31, 2024

PRES/VPGF

Favour: Pres, Vpe, Huhtala, Kaushik, Vpgf, Okai, Phan, Poon, Singh, Tesfay, Torres, Uzor, Vpa, Yusuf, Zidan

CARRIED

7.2. Councillor Vacancy

MOTION TO APPOINT KATHERINE MACDONALD AS A COUNCILLOR FOR A TERM ENDING OCTOBER 31, 2024

VPGF/ZIDAN

Favour: Pres, Vpe, Huhtala, Kaushik, Vpgf, Okai, Phan, Poon, Singh, Tesfay, Torres, Uzor, Vpa, Yusuf, Zidan, Beka

CARRIED

7.3. Strategy and Engagement Committee

Nominees: Okai, MacDonald, Uzor, Singh, Torres

MOTION TO APPOINT COUNCILLORS OKAI, SINGH, AND TORRES TO THE STRATEGY AND ENGAGEMENT COMMITTEE

VPGF/PRES

Favour: Pres, Vpe, Huhtala, Kaushik, Vpgf, Okai, Phan, Poon, Singh, Tesfay, Torres, Uzor, Vpa, Yusuf, Zidan, Beka, MacDonald

CARRIED

7.4. Audit Committee

Nominees: Zidan, Poon, Yusuf

MOTION TO APPOINT COUNCILLORS ZIDAN, POON, AND YUSUF TO THE AUDIT COMMITTEE

VPGF/KAUSHIK

Favour: Pres, Vpe, Huhtala, Kaushik, Vpgf, Okai, Phan, Poon, Singh, Tesfay, Torres, Uzor, Vpa, Yusuf, Zidan, Beka, MacDonald

CARRIED

7.5. Finance Committee

Nominees: Yusuf, MacDonald, Tesfay, Phan

MOTION TO APPOINT COUNCILLORS MACDONALD AND PHAN TO THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

VPGF/OKAI

Favour: Pres, Vpe, Huhtala, Kaushik, Vpgf, Okai, Phan, Poon, Singh, Tesfay, Torres, Uzor, Vpa, Yusuf, Zidan, Beka, MacDonald

CARRIED

7.6. Students' Council Operations Committee

Nominees: Huhtala, Poon, Torres, Yusuf

MOTION TO APPOINT COUNCILLORS HUHTALA AND POON TO THE STUDENTS' COUNCIL OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

VPGF/SINGH

Favour: Pres, Vpe, Huhtala, Kaushik, Vpgf, Okai, Phan, Poon, Singh, Tesfay, Torres, Uzor, Vpa, Yusuf, Zidan, Beka, MacDonald

CARRIED

7.7. Governance Committee

Nominees: Zidan, Kamenwa, Yusuf, Tesfay, Phan

MOTION TO APPOINT COUNCILLORS ZIDAN, YUSUF, TEFAY, AND PHAN TO THE GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE

VPGF/ZIDAN

Favour: Pres, Vpe, Huhtala, Kaushik, Vpgf, Okai, Phan, Poon, Singh, Tesfay, Torres, Uzor, Vpa, Yusuf, Zidan, Beka, MacDonald

CARRIED

8. Consultation

9. Evaluation

10. Recognition

11. Adjournment

MOTION TO ADJOURN

ZIDAN

CARRIED

Next Meeting Date: December 20, 2023

Meeting adjourned at 7:17pm.