



**Minutes for the Students' Council Meeting of the
Students' Association of MacEwan University
November 20, 2024 at 6:00pm in the Council Chamber**

Voting Members:

Gabriel Ambutong, President
Tolu Dare, Councillor
Aryan Dutta, Councillor
Aidan Fisher, Councillor
Cornelius Glasgow, Councillor
Darcy Hoogers, Vice President Academic
Cierra Jacobs, Councillor
Joseph A. La Torre, Vice President Governance
and Finance
Aleace Moom, Vice President Student Life
Moselle Namoc, Councillor
Maade Okai, Councillor
Nathan Poon, Councillor
Israel Reyes, Councillor

Joehn Torres, Councillor
Vincent Trinh, Councillor
Chioma Uzor, Councillor
vacant, Councillor
Loyal Zidan, Councillor
vacant, Vice President External

SAMU Officials and Council Support:

Matthew Yanish, Chair
Darryl Kostash, General Manager
Alan Honey, Governance Advisor
Caitlin Yambao, Admin Support

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 20, 2024

JACOBS/ZIDAN

CARRIED

2.2 MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF OCTOBER 16, 2024

UZOR/FISHER

CARRIED

3. Presentations

3.1. kihêw waciston Presentation

MOTION TO TAKE A 5 MINUTE RECESS

VPSL/JACOBS

CARRIED

***Called to order at 6:09pm**

4. For Information

4.1. Reports

4.1.1. President

EC Retreat.

4.1.2. Vice President Academic

As presented.

4.1.3. Vice President Governance & Finance

As presented.

4.1.4. Vice President Student Life

As presented.

4.1.5. Governance Investigations and Reinstatement Committee (in camera)

4.1.6. Chief Returning Officer

4.2. Executive Committee Minutes

Minutes of October 9, 16, 23, and 30, 2024 provided.

5. Question Period

5.1. Written Questions

Trinh - For VPA's Report - I notice that the report mentions that the success of keeping Reading Week will be kept specifically for the 2025/2026 Academic Year. Does that mean MacEwan will still plan to remove Reading Week for future terms? (Ex: 2026's Fall Reading Week)

VPA - Thank you for your question, Councillor Trinh. As it currently stands, MacEwan is not looking to remove the Fall Reading Break in the foreseeable future.

5.2. Oral Questions

Topics include: Exec Remuneration; Candidates & campaigning/election; Reading Break; student voice on calendar advisory committee;

6. In Camera Period

6.1. Councillor Reinstatement

MOTION TO GO IN CAMERA

ZIDAN/OKAI

CARRIED

MOTION TO GO OUT OF CAMERA

VPGF/ZIDAN

CARRIED

7. Motions & Business Orders of the Day

7.1. Councillor Reinstatement

MOTION *TO NOT REINSTATE SONIA YUSUF AS A COUNCILLOR FOR A TERM ENDING OCTOBER 31, 2025*

VPGF/VPSL

Favour: Pres, Poon, Uzor, Fisher, Glasgow, Dutta, Namoc, Trinh, Okai, Jacobs, Zidan, Dare, Vpsl, Vpa, Vpgf

Abstain: Reyes

CARRIED

MOTION TO TAKE A 5 MINUTE RECESS

VPSL/ZIDAN

CARRIED

7.2. Executive Compensation

*Executive Committee declares a conflict of interest and leaves room during topic 7.2.

MOTION *TO REALLOCATE THE VPE SALARY FROM SEPTEMBER 15, 2024 TO APRIL 30, 2025 TO EACH OF THE EXECUTIVES, DUE TO THEIR TAKING ON A PORTION OF THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE VICE PRESIDENT EXTERNAL AFTER THE VICE PRESIDENT EXTERNAL RESIGNED. THE PERCENTAGE ALLOCATION OF THE SALARY WILL BE 27.5% TO THE PRESIDENT, 16.5% TO THE VICE PRESIDENT ACADEMIC, 5.5% TO THE VICE PRESIDENT GOVERNANCE AND FINANCE, AND 5.5% TO THE VICE PRESIDENT STUDENT LIFE*

POON/ZIDAN

Favour: Poon, Uzor, Fisher, Glasgow, Reyes, Dutta, Namoc, Trinh, Okai, Jacobs, Zidan, Dare

Abstain: Pres, Vpa, Vpsl, Vpgf

CARRIED

MOTION *TO AMEND THE AGENDA TO MOVE 7.7 STRATEGY AND ENGAGEMENT COMMITTEE TO RIGHT BEFORE 7.3 AUDIT COMMITTEE*

ZIDAN/DUTTA

CARRIED

7.7 Strategy and Engagement Committee

Nominees: Reyes, Okai, Trinh, Uzor, Dare, Dutta,

MOTION *TO APPOINT COUNCILLORS OKAI, UZOR, AND DUTTA TO THE STRATEGY AND ENGAGEMENT COMMITTEE*

VPGF/JACOBS

Favour: Pres, Poon, Uzor, Fisher, Glasgow, Reyes, Dutta, Namoc, Trinh, Okai, Jacobs, Zidan, Dare, Vpsl, Vpa, Vpgf

CARRIED

7.3. Audit Committee

Nominees: Reyes, Poon, Zidan

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

VPGF/OKAI

Favour: Pres, Poon, Uzor, Fisher, Glasgow, Reyes, Dutta, Namoc, Trinh, Okai, Jacobs, Zidan, Dare, Vpsl, Vpa, Vpgf

CARRIED

7.4. Finance Committee

Nominees: Fisher, Trinh

MOTION TO ADJOURN

ZIDAN

CARRIED

Next Meeting Date: December 18, 2024

Meeting adjourned at 8:20pm