



STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION OF MACEWAN UNIVERSITY

Minutes for the Students' Council Meeting of the Students' Association of MacEwan University September 17, 2025 at 6:00pm in the Council Chamber

Voting Members:

Olad Ayodeji, Councillor
Tolu Dare, Councillor
Jencel Diaz, Councillor
Aryan Dutta, Councillor
vacant, Councillor
Chistian Galera, Councillor
Cierra Jacobs, Councillor
Alem Tesfay, Vice President Student Life
Moselle Namoc, Councillor
Maade Okai, Councillor
Nathan Poon, President
Israel Reyes, Councillor
Seun Sadare, Councillor

Andrei Santiago, Vice President Governance
and Finance
Joehn Torres, Councillor
Vincent Trinh, Councillor
Chioma Uzor, Vice President Academic
Wilfrid Youbi Fansi, Vice President External
Loyal Zidan, Councillor

SAMU Officials and Council Support:

Tim Jobs, Chair
Darryl Kostash, General Manager
Alan Honey, Governance Advisor
Caitlin Yambao, Admin Support

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 SEPTEMBER 17, 2025

JACOBS/OKAI

CARRIED

2.2 MOTION

TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF AUGUST 20, 2025

VPA/ZIDAN

CARRIED

3. Presentations

3.1. 2024-2025 Audited Financials

4. For Information

4.1. Reports

4.1.1. President

**Advo meeting with MPs last week. w/ Vpe
SLW this week.**

4.1.2. Vice President Academic

Student rep opportunity.

4.1.3. Vice President External

Met with City councillor candidate.

4.1.4. Vice President Governance & Finance

4.1.5. Vice President Student Life

4.2. Executive Committee Minutes

Minutes of August 13, 20, 27, and September 3, 2025 provided.

5. Question Period

5.1. Written Questions

Trinh - For VPSL - About the PAWSS/WAGS rebranding, can you go more in detail as to why "student handlers are no longer included in the program, and cats have been removed," and other changes made to the program? I'm sure as time goes on more information will be known, but I feel there's been a lack of communication from MacEwan about PAWSS' sudden shutdown and rebranding so any information you can provide would be great!

Vpsl - Thanks for the question, Councillor Trinh.

As for why student handlers are no longer included in the program, that decision has puzzled me as well. The email I received stated that it is because there aren't currently the resources or structures in place to support student handlers safely and sustainably. I will be following up on this and will get back to you with more information.

In regard to cats, the update noted that they can no longer be included in the program. The reasoning given was that cat dander is more difficult to control and that cat-related allergies are more common. It was also mentioned that recruitment is underway for a program coordinator to support WAGS, and regular Tuesday visits to the library are scheduled to begin this fall semester.

5.2. Oral Questions

Topics include: Tuition & fees meeting; mental health fee; NDP roundtable meeting; last minute appointments of students to MacEwan committees; strategic reporting by EC; STEP & student/youth employment incentives; new website toolkit for international learners; Healthy Campus Alberta relevance for students; Fall Fest; GFC goals for the coming year; Block Party attendance; potential conflict of interest; PAWS/WAGS program at MacEwan; MacEwan digital IDs;

6. In Camera Period

7. Motions & Business Orders of the Day

7.1. 2024-2025 Audited Financials

MOTION TO ACCEPT THE 2024-2025 AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
VPGF/JACOBS

Favour: Ayodeji, Dare, Diaz, Galera, Jacobs, Vpsl, Namoc, Okai, Pres, Reyes, Sadare, Vpgf, Trinh, Vpa, Vpe, Zidan

CARRIED

7.2. 2024-2025 Councillor of the Year Vote

8. Consultation

9. Evaluation

10. Recognition

11. Adjournment

MOTION TO ADJOURN

ZIDAN

CARRIED

Next Meeting Date: October 15, 2025

Meeting adjourned at 7:13pm.