

**Minutes for the Students' Council Meeting of the  
Students' Association of MacEwan University  
October 17, 2018 at 6:00pm in room #7-218**

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**In Attendance:**

Cole Baker, Councillor  
Andrew Bieman, Vice President External  
Rachelle Drummond, Councillor  
Jackie Kent, Vice President Academic  
Jacob Marler, Councillor  
Sylvie Masson, Councillor  
Jaden Melech, Councillor  
Jared Millions, 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:*  
Timothy Jobs, Chair  
Alan Honey, Governance Advisor  
Samantha Hay, Governance Assistant

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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 OCTOBER 17, 2018**

**RUIZ/QADERI**

**MOTION TO AMEND AGENDA TO ADD 8.1 COUNCILLOR EXIT INTERVIEWS**

**PRES/VPSL**

**FAVOUR:**

**OPPOSE: MARLER**

**CARRIED**

**CARRIED**

**2.2 MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 19, 2018**

**DRUMMOND/STRAYER**

**CARRIED**

**3. Presentations**

**4. For Information**

**4.1. Reports**

**4.1.1. President**

CASA Equity, Diversity, & Inclusion committee update.

#### **4.1.2. Vice President Academic**

OER Fellowship Program update.

#### **4.1.3. Vice President External**

Alberta Party meeting re CAUS. CAUS presentation in Calgary.

#### **4.1.4. Vice President Operations & Finance**

MacEwan Committee on Internationalization meeting update.

#### **4.1.5. Vice President Student Life**

Dream Catchers session update.

#### **4.2. Executive Committee Minutes**

Minutes of September 12, 19, and 28, 2018 provided.

### **5. Question Period**

#### **5.1. Written Questions**

Newton - Mr. Vice-President External: You mentioned in your report that the Minister of Advanced Education's office was impressed with how many students participated in our tuition campaign. Did the Minister or his staff suggest in any way that this level of engagement from students will have a significant impact or help in the process of determining how the government will move forward with regards to tuition freezes?

Vpe - Thanks for the question, Councilor Newton. The Ministry staff did not directly indicate whether it made a difference in terms of next steps for tuition in Alberta, but they did say they want to set up a meeting with CAUS and the Minister of Advanced Education in the next few weeks. I think this suggests that the Minister of Advanced Education has felt the pressure from us, and wants to meet to discuss next steps in regard to tuition in Alberta.

#### **5.2. Oral Questions**

Topics include: SAMU Fund Development report; Meeting with rep for Minister of Advanced Ed.; International Students support on campus; STRIDE Panel event attendance; meeting with Kerry Diotte; Councillor nominations project; Consent panel topics; election/governance engagement; Dream Catchers conference;

### **6. In Camera Period**

### **7. Motions & Business Orders of the Day**

### **8. Consultation**

#### **8.1 Councillor Exit Interviews**

Pres – looking for feedback from those leaving council on the best way for us to hear about their experiences here on council.

### **9. Evaluation**

### **10. Recognition**

### **11. Adjournment**

**MOTION TO ADJOURN**

**SHEPPARD**

**CARRIED**

Next Meeting Date: November 21, 2018

Meeting adjourned at 7:03pm