

**Council Meeting** – August 20, 2024 – 6:00pm MST  
Microsoft Teams

**Present:**

Brittany Hollett	Vice-Chair	Voting Member
David Roy	Council Member	Voting Member
Gagan Jhajj	Council Member	Voting Member
Pamela Ferguson	Council Member	Voting Member
Paul Ackah	Council Member	Voting Member
Sarrah Ahmed	Council Member	Voting Member
Meaghan Sullivan	Executive Director	Staff Member
Kelly DeCoste	Manager	Staff Member

**Regrets:** Sunny Bhasin, Kenechukwu Onwudinjo

**Agenda Item**

**1.0 Call to Order:**

B. Hollett called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**2.0 Acknowledgement of Traditional Indigenous Territories:**

B. Hollett gave the Acknowledgement of Traditional Indigenous Territories.

**3.0 Conflict of Interest Check:**

B. Hollett inquired if any Council Members had any real or perceived conflict of interest.  
No conflicts were declared.

**4.0 Approval of the Agenda:**

**Motion:**

To approve the agenda as presented.

**S. Ahmed/ P. Ackah  
6-0-0  
Motion Carries**

*The motion was approved by general consent.*

**5.0 Adoption of Previous Minutes:**

**5.1 Regular Minutes of the Council from July 16, 2024**

**Motion:**

To approve the minutes as circulated.

**D. Roy/ P. Ackah  
6-0-0**



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**Motion Carries**

*The motion was approved by general consent.*

**6.0 Required Approvals:**

No business was conducted in the current meeting.

**7.0 Items for Discussion:**

**7.1 Ends**

No business was conducted in the current meeting.

**7.2 Executive Limitations**

No business was conducted in the current meeting.

**7.3 Governance Process**

No business was conducted in the current meeting.

**7.4 Board-Executive Director Delegation**

No business was conducted in the current meeting.

**8.0 Ownership Linkage:**

**8.1 Council Member Monthly Reports**

P. Ferguson asked for clarification regarding the due dates for council monthly reports. M. Sullivan discussed the importance of providing them one week prior to council meetings to ensure the information is as up to date as possible for the monthly meeting. Council agreed that they will aim to have reports submitted by the due date of one week prior to council meetings.

M. Sullivan noted that Council has been doing great work in terms of student advocacy.

**9.0 Monitoring Executive Director Performance**

**9.1 Executive Director Report**

M. Sullivan provided an overview of the work currently underway from the operations perspective. An account has been set up to begin collecting union dues from RAs/TAs,



however, there will be no direct deposit from AU. Collective Bargaining with AU is a priority item. The AUGSA credit card is now in use and budget development for 2025 begins next month. The new Awards Management System is on schedule. The abstract deadline for the GSRC was extended to September 1<sup>st</sup>. A draft timeline for 2025 elections is complete and K. DeCoste is continuing with AUGSA communications.

#### **10.0 Self-Evaluation & Governance Process**

No business was conducted in the current meeting.

#### **11.0 Information Requested by the Board**

No business was conducted in the current meeting.

#### **12.0 In-Camera Session**

#### **13.0 Questions/Adjournment.**

P. Ferguson shared that she is now able to take on provincial advocacy as her conflict of interest has been removed. P. Ferguson stated that she no longer works for the provincial government and would like to take on provincial advocacy in addition to federal advocacy, noting that this is currently within the portfolios of S. Bhasin and K. Onwudinjo. M. Sullivan noted that conversations and the federal and provincial levels are great for student advocacy but cautioned that this could significantly increase P. Fergusons workload.

B. Hollett felt that it was a great idea to have advocacy representatives working at both the provincial and federal levels as advocacy is an important priority for AUGSA council.

**Motion:**

To have P. Ferguson conduct provincial and federal advocacy.

**P. Ackah/ B. Hollett  
6-0-0  
Motion Carries**

*The motion was approved by general consent.*

**Motion:**

To adjourn the meeting at 6:50 pm.

**P. Ferguson /D. Roy  
6-0-0  
Motion Carries**





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*The meeting was adjourned by general consent.*



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