

ULSU GENERAL ASSEMBLY MEETING

MINUTES

August 3, 2023 | 6:00 PM MST

MEETING #3 | 2022-2023

IN-PERSON: RM SU 180 - 4401 University Dr. W, Lethbridge AB T1K 3M4

ZOOM: <https://ulsu-ca.zoom.us/j/84129390236?pwd=a21pUVFnNWZOYXBXMWpmS3JFbzZBdz09>

VOTING MEMBERS: PRESIDENT - **MALEEKA THOMAS** | VP OPERATIONS & FINANCE - **RIKIN PATEL** | VP STUDENT LIFE - **YEWOE SACKY-FORSON** | VP ACADEMIC - **BRITTANY ALLEN** | VP EXTERNAL - **RACHELE PRESTON** | ARTSCI REP - **ELISHA WONG** | ARTSCI REP - **WEZI MUTAMBO** | ARTSCI REP - **JUSTIN MA** | ARTSCI REP - **JONAH PICKLE** | ARTSCI REP - **PENDING RATIFICATION** | ARTSCI REP - **PENDING RATIFICATION** | FINE ARTS REP - **PENDING RATIFICATION** | HEALTH SCI REP - **PENDING RATIFICATION** | EDUCATION REP - **VACANT** | DHILLON SCHOOL OF BUSINESS REP - **ANKIT MUKHERJEE** | DHILLON SCHOOL OF BUSINESS OF REP - **TAKREEM GHOURI** | CALGARY CAMPUS REP - **TEJASWANI KHURANA** | INDIGENOUS REP - **FOSTER WRIGHT** | INTERNATIONAL REP - **ANNIE EBENMELU** | RESIDENCE REP - **TYLER ANDERSEN** | FIRST-YEAR REP - **TBD - BY-ELECTION IN SEPTEMBER**

NON-VOTING MEMBERS: GENERAL MANAGER - **CHERI POKARNEY** | OPERATIONS COORDINATOR - **TRACY MERRIFIELD** | COMMUNICATIONS COORDINATOR - **MAX BARTLETT**

CHAIR: ROYAL ADKIN - **SCRIBE:** CHERI POKARNEY -su.manager@uleth.ca

ABSENT: Foster, Mason, Tejaswani, Takreem

1. **LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT** (2 minutes) - *Royal Adkin*

Oki and welcome to the 3rd meeting of the ULSU General Assembly. Our University's Blackfoot name is Iniskim, meaning Sacred Buffalo Stone. The University is located in traditional Blackfoot Confederacy territory. We honour the Blackfoot people and their traditional ways of knowing and caring for this land, as well as all Indigenous peoples who have helped shape and continue to strengthen our university community.

2. **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA** (1 minute)

2.1 **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

BIMT the General Assembly approves the agenda for August 3rd, 2023.

MOTION: [23109] MSC: R. Preston/B. Allen
Carried

3 APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES (1 minute)

3.1 APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

BIMT the General Assembly approve the minutes from May 29th, 2023.

MOTION: [23110] MSC: M. Thomas/A. Mukherjee
Carried

4. CHAIR REMARKS (2 minutes) - *Royal*

I'm happy to be here, on my birthday, nice to work with the SU on initiatives. I look forward to a good fall semester.

5. PRESENTATIONS TO COUNCIL (10 minutes)

6. REPORTS (30 minutes)

BIMT that the General Assembly approve of foregoing reports.

MOTION: [23111] MSC: R. Preston/M. Thomas
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6.1 VP OPERATIONS & FINANCE - *Rikin*

6.2 VP STUDENT LIFE - *Yewoe*

6.3 VP ACADEMIC - *Brittany*

6.4 VP EXTERNAL - *Rachele*

6.5 PRESIDENT - *Maleeka*

6.6 ARTS AND SCIENCE REPS - *Elisha, Justin, Jonah, Wezi*

6.7 FINE ARTS REP -

6.8 HEALTH SCIENCE REP -

6.9 EDUCATION REP -

6.10 DHILLON SCHOOL OF BUSINESS REP - *Ankit, Takreem*

6.11 CALGARY CAMPUS REP - *Tejaswani*

6.12 INDIGENOUS REP - *Foster*

6.13 INTERNATIONAL REP - *Annie*

6.14 RESIDENCE REP - *Tyler*

6.15 FIRST-YEAR REP - *Vacant*

7. ITEMS FOR ACTION: ULSU BUSINESS (10 minutes)

7.1 ULSU BY-ELECTION RATIFICATION

BIMT the General Assembly ratify the May 2023 by-election results for the 2023-2024 academic year.

MOTION: [23112] MSC: J. Pickle/R. Preston
Carried

Max - I noticed there is some confusion regarding mailbox ballots.. It seemd to come acaross as a 2nd election process, but it's not it's just an approval of the results. The process is for the election itself, not the individuals. We did converse with our legal counsel to insure that we were following our bylaw. There were some technical difficulties , but it didn't do anytning to prevent the fairness of the election. There was nothing preventing fairness. This is just a simple ratificaiotn and not a 2nd round of elections.

Tyler - Raven is an upstanding student and confident that she will will fulfill duties.

Max - If this is something to change in the future then LRC is where we will look and see if there is legislation where we an make special exemptions.

Royal - The LRC is where will make amendments.

Justin - How did this occur? When was the exemption made, and what was the timeline?

Cheri - There is contradictory information.

Jonah - What was the nomination process? Should this individual have been eligible to run for the position?

Max - There was a technical irregularity, and Raven did bring it forward to me. Cheri and I read the special exemption that I brought to the GA, and then it went to the election. As our legal counsel advised us, this would be still considered a fair vote. The vote happened, the information was put forward to the GA. This shouldn't prevent us from going to ratification, to go back on this now would be unethical. I'm confident that Raven will show us she is capable of doing this job, but for now there should not be any reason for this ratification to not occur.

Rachele - I just wanted to ensure the other Arts & Science Reps still feel supported in their roles with Raven as a rep.

8. ITEMS FOR ACTION: CLUBS, GROUPS, AND INDIVIDUALS (10 minutes)

9. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION (10 minutes)

10. IN-CAMERA - (0-30 minutes)

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location or that you are using a headset that ensures privacy and confidentiality are maintained. No business discussed in-camera is to be discussed once the motion is passed to move ex-camera.

11. OTHER BUSINESS *(0-10 minutes)*

Rachele - I think we should sing happy birthday to Royal.

Maleeka - If you are able to volunteer for FF and you haven't filled out the volunteer form, please fill it out, and yes, you can send the form to people outside of the SU. Also let me know if you want to volunteer for move-in day.

12. NEXT MEETING *(1 minute)*

13. ADJOURNMENT *(1 minute)*

13.1 ADJOURNMENT

BIMT the General Assembly adjourns the meeting of August 3rd, 2023.

MOTION: [23113] MSC: R. Preston/J. Pickle
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