



Athabasca University Students' Union

Council Meeting Minutes

Thursday, January 22, 2026 at 3:00pm MST

Council:	President J. Lehmann (chair), Councillor C. Akuchie, Councillor D. Ramirez, Councillor O. Shepherd, Councillor F. Arsenault, Councillor N. Brown, Councillor A. Karien
Guests:	B. Kotowich of Focused Leadership Group
Regrets:	Councillor K. Thompson
Notes:	None

Agenda and Minutes

1.0 Welcome and Call for attendance

2.0 Land Acknowledgement

Athabasca University Students' Union respectfully acknowledges that we are on and work on the traditional lands of the Indigenous Peoples (Inuit, First Nations, Métis) of Canada. We also recognize that our student members span across the lands we now know as Canada and abroad, and we acknowledge and celebrate these Indigenous histories, languages, and cultures. As an organization, AUSU is committed to decolonization, reconciliation, and conciliation efforts, acknowledging that there is much to unlearn. AUSU will continuously strive to build equitable relationships with Indigenous learners at AU, as well as Indigenous members and staff within AUSU, advocate with and for Indigenous learners through consultation, and create spaces that are inclusive, respectful, and equitable.

3.0 Approval of Agenda

Motion 1: BIRT AUSU Council approves the January 22, 2026 meeting agenda.

J. Lehmann / N. Brown (Carried)

4.0 Approval of Minutes

Motion 2: BIRT AUSU Council approves the December 23, 2025 Council minutes.

2025-12-23 Council Minutes

J. Lehmann / A. Karien (Carried)

Motion 3: BIRT AUSU Council approves the January 12, 2026 Council Minutes.

2026-01-12 Council Minutes

J. Lehmann / N. Brown (Carried)

Community Agreement

5.0 Reassertion of Community agreement B. Kotowich

- Moderator: B. Kotowich

Old Business

6.0 Review of Action Items J. Lehmann

Note: The status of action items can be found at the bottom of the agenda.

New Business

7.0 Policy Review J. Lehmann

Motion 4: BIRT AUSU Council rescinds the following policies effective Immediately:

- Policy-1.01-Policy-Creation-Format-Maintenance-Review*
- Policy-2.18-Equity-Diversity-and-Inclusion*
- Policy-2.20-Equitable-Access-and-Inclusion-for-2SLGBTQIA-Students*
- Policy-2.21-Accessibility-and-Accommodations*
- Policy-7.02-Awards*

J. Lehmann / N. Brown (Carried)

Motion 5: BIRT AUSU Council approves the following policies effective Immediately:

- POL-003: AUSU Scholarships, Awards, and Bursaries Program*
- POL-006: Program Evaluation*
- POL-008: AUSU Food Assistance Program*

J. Lehmann / N. Brown (Carried)

8.0 Eventify Platform J. Lehmann

- Council discussed the topic and majority preferred this to be left to be decided by the incoming Council.

9.0 Annual Report

- The past fiscal year's report is in progress and will be finalised following the conclusion of the yearly audit.

Reports

10.0 None

Next Meeting and Adjournment

The next meeting of AUSU Council will be: January 28, 2026

Motion to Adjourn

Summary of Action Items

Action Item	Status
	Deadline
Name	