

**Minutes of the First
SARDP 2023-2024 Council Meeting
May 15th, 2022**

Present:

Bast, Erin – President	Khanna, Jhanvi – Councillor
Brouwer, Amanda – Councillor	Rex, Rachel – Councillor
Chilibeck, Jalynn – Councillor	Sweiger, Elizabeth – Executive Director
Henri, Ryan – Councillor	Watson, Anne Marie – Chairperson
Kaur, Sukhmanjit – Councillor	Young, Marian – Secretary

Absent with notice:

Batac, Danilo

President Bast left at 6:19pm, returned at 6:23pm

President Bast left at 6:30pm, returned at 6:34

President Bast was asked to leave the room at 7:13pm and returned at 7:24pm

Councillor Brouwer arrived at 6:08pm

1.0 Call to Order

Chairperson Watson called the meeting to Order at 5:32pm.

1.1 Approval of Agenda

23-24-1-C

President Bast, Councillor Khanna

MOTION: Motion to approve the agenda as amended.

CARRIED

1.2 Land Acknowledgment

1.3 Approval of Meeting Minutes

1.3.1 Approval of 2022-2023 Council Meeting Minutes #18

Councillor Khanna, Councillor Kaur

23-24-2-C

MOTION: Motion to approve the minutes of the 18th 2022-2023 Council Meeting Minutes.

CARRIED

1.3.2 Approval of 2022-2023 Executive Council Meeting Minutes #38 – 40

23-24-3-C

President Bast, Councillor Khanna

MOTION: Motion to approve the minutes of the 38th, 39th, and 40th 2022-2023 Executive Council Meeting Minutes.

CARRIED

1.4 Discussion

1.4.1 Indigenous Art Purchase

The president of CUPE has reached out to the Association to gauge our interest in jointly purchasing a piece of Indigenous art by George Littlechild. He is a local to Red Deer and a RDP alumni. The piece would be part of the Polytechnic's

permanent art collection. The piece would have a plaque recognizing the Association's contribution. It would be placed in a highly visible location and would be ideally, on permanent display.

Council has suggested that we look into developing our own budget line or restricted fund for the purpose of purchasing art for our own space.

Council has suggested that we should look at the concept of stewardship over ownership.

23-24-4-C

Councillor Henri, Councillor Khanna

MOTION: Motion to expend an amount not to exceed \$5000 for the purchase of a George Littlechild canvas to be visibly displayed at Red Deer Polytechnic, contingent on the financial collaboration of Red Deer Polytechnic and the Canadian Union of Public Employees.

CARRIED

1.4.2 Executive Work Plans

Traditionally, the newly elected Executives would spend the summer creating a workplan for the year and bring it to Council for approval.

We are looking at changing this process to give Council more input into the development of the workplans. We will be piloting a new process in 2024, wherein Council will begin brainstorming for the 2024-2025 academic year. Council will make a formalized list of priorities by the end of March to inform new executives priorities and allow for continuity in Board direction.

Ideally, the executive workplan would become a living document that provides direction and priorities, while still providing the necessary flexibility to pivot when needed. A progressive living document will allow for better organizational continuity.

1.4.3 Tablets for Council

The 2022-2023 student association council approved a summer 2023 capital budget including \$4000 for the purchase of tablets for the use of council. The cost of these tablets is more than was anticipated, with the inclusion of a case screen protector and protection plan it is looking like it will be about \$500 per tablet. This initiative is part of the association's ongoing commitment to the sustainable development accord and reducing our consumption as an organization.

Council suggested looking at leasing options and suggested that some Councillors would prefer having a paper package over using a tablet at council. More research into options will be conducted.

1.5 Executive Council, Council Committee and Other Reports

1.5.1 Executive Council Reports

President – E. Bast

23-24-5-C

Councillor Rex, Councillor Chilibeck

MOTION: Motion to increase President Bast's salary from 30 hours per week to 35 hours per week from May 1st to August 31st.

CARRIED

President Bast was asked to leave the room for this discussion and was not present for the vote.

Executive Director – E. Sweiger

Committee Reports

- BARC – No Report
- EDII Committee – No Report
- Mental Health Committee – No Report

23-24-5-C

Councillor Chilibeck, Councillor Brouwer

MOTION: Motion to accept the reports as presented.

CARRIED

1.6 In-Camera Session

1.7 Information

If you would like to discuss any of these items, you must make a motion to move them to the Discussion Agenda.

1.7.1 Roberts Rules of Order – Cheat Sheet

23-24-7-C

Councillor Henri, Councillor Chilibeck

MOTION: Motion to accept the Information items as presented

CARRIED

1.8 Adjournment

23-24-8-C

Councillor Khanna, Councillor Brouwer

MOTION: Motion to adjourn at 8:15pm

CARRIED

Please see attached signature page.

Signature page for the Meeting Minutes of the First 2023-2024 Council Meeting on May 15th, 2023



Erin Bast, President



Elizabeth Sweiger, Executive Director



Marian Young, Secretary



Anne Marie Watson, Chair