

**Minutes of the Eighth  
Students' Association of Red Deer Polytechnic  
2022-2023 Council Meeting  
November 14<sup>th</sup>, 2022  
Council Chambers @ 5:30pm**

**Present:**

Aiyer, Shree – Councillor	Pass, Channing - Councillor
Bast, Erin – Vice President External	Rudd, Tiara - Councillor
Canas, Marian - Councillor	Sadeghi, Ali – Councillor
McLaughlin, Chloe - Councillor	Snow, Savannah – President
Fuiten, Alex – Vice President Academic	Sweiger, Elizabeth – Executive Director
Henri, Ryan – Councillor	Watson, Anne Marie - Chairperson
Kaur, Lovejeet – Councillor	Welch, Kiara – Councillor
	Young, Marian - Secretary

**8.0 Call to Order**

Chairperson Watson called the meeting to order at 5:35pm.

**8.1 Approval of Agenda**

22-23-65-C

Vice President Fuiten, Councillor Aiyer

MOTION: Motion to approve the agenda as presented.

CARRIED

**8.2 Land Acknowledgment – Ryan Henri**

**8.3 Approval of Meeting Minutes**

8.3.1 Approval of 2022-2023 Council Meeting Minutes #7

22-23-66-C

Councillor Sadeghi, Vice President Bast

MOTION: Motion to approve the minutes of the seventh 2022-2023 Council meeting as presented.

CARRIED

8.3.2 Approval of Executive Council Meeting Minutes #18

22-23-67-C

Councillor Welch, Councillor Sadeghi

MOTION: Motion to approve the minutes of the nineteenth, twentieth, and twenty-first 2022-2023 Executive Council meeting as presented.

CARRIED

**8.4 New Business**

8.4.1 Vice President Bast – Winter Credit Semester Load

Vice President Bast came to Council to request that she be approved to exceed the number of credits permissible for an SA Executive to take as per Association Bylaw. She requested to be allowed to take eighteen credits during the 2023 winter semester. The result of a negative vote would greatly harm her program completion timeline and prevent her from graduating.

22-23-68-C

Councillor Welch, Councillor Kaur

MOTION: to approve Vice President Erin Bast to exceed the allowable credit limit as per the Students' Association Bylaw 7.6.5.2 which states "the Vice President External must be enrolled in a minimum of 3 credits, to a maximum of 9 credits, during Fall and Winter terms", for the 2022-2023 Winter semester.

CARRIED

Vice President Bast abstained from the vote.

## **8.5 Old Business**

### **8.5.1 ASEC Membership**

22-23-69-C

President Snow, Councillor Sadeghi

MOTION: Motion to go into In-Camera.

CARRIED

22-23-70-C

Councillor Sadeghi, Councillor Welch

MOTION: Motion to come out of In-Camera.

CARRIED

22-23-71-C

Vice President Bast, Councillor Aiyer

MOTION: Be it resolved, as per ASEC Bylaw 4.3, the Students' Association of Red Deer Polytechnic intends to cease its membership with the Alberta Students' Executive Council, and be it further resolved that notification of such shall be forwarded to the ASEC Membership and ASEC office, as soon as possible.

CARRIED

Councillor Pass abstained from the vote

22-23-72-C

Councillor Kaur, Councillor Aiyer

MOTION: As per ASEC Bylaw 4.4.2, the Students' Association of Red Deer Polytechnic hereby requests that ASEC submit monthly financial statements to the SARDP President (via email at [saprez@rdpolytech.ca](mailto:saprez@rdpolytech.ca)), including comparative Balance Sheets and comparative year-to-date Income Statements, starting with the

month ending May 31<sup>st</sup>, 2022.  
CARRIED

## 8.6 **Executive Council, Council Committee and Other Reports**

### 8.6.1 Executive Council and Committee Reports

President – S. Snow  
VP Academic – A. Fuiten  
VP External – E. Bast

### 8.6.2

Executive Director – E. Sweiger – Verbal report given

- October Financial Statements will be in the agenda package for November 21<sup>st</sup>, 2022.
- Attended the AMICCUS – C (Association of Managers in Canadian College, University and Student Centres) Conference in Edmonton.
  - o Hosted a session on Food Insecurity on Campus. Compared to other schools, we are doing very well in handling food insecurity with our Food bank and Pay-what-you-can soup and pasta programs.
  - o This session highlighted how systemic and insidious this issue is across the country, and that SARDP is not unique in the challenges we are facing in this regard.
- Right to Learn Bursary
  - o ED Sweiger and VP Fuiten attended a meeting with Dr. Jackie Cowan, Instructor - School of Arts and Culture, and Abby Kaun, Donor Relations Advisor - Philanthropy & Alumni Relations to discuss a Right to Learn Bursary for BIPOC individuals. Dr. Cowan and other faculty members have raised 14k of the 30k needed to start an endowment at RDP. The deadline for them to raise this money is in 2024. They wanted to know if the SA could help them meet this goal.
  - o ED Sweiger proposed that the 14k be placed in the SA's established scholarship endowment and that the bursary be offered out of the SA endowment. In addition, instead of giving out one Right to Learn Bursary valued at \$1000, ED Sweiger suggested that there be two: One given to a new student and a second given to a continuing student, both valued at \$1000.
  - o Dr. Cowan will discuss ED Sweiger's proposal with her stakeholders and get back to her soon.

22-23-73-C

Councillor Rudd, Councillor Canas

MOTION: Motion to accept the Executive Council and Committee reports as presented.

CARRIED

**8.7 In-Camera Session**

**8.8 Information**

- 8.8.1 Sustainable Development Goals Accord information sheet
- 8.8.2 Schedule of Council Guests

22-23-74-C

Councillor Canas, Councillor Sadeghi

MOTION: Motion to accept the Information Items as presented.

CARRIED

**8.9 Adjournment**

22-23-75-C

Councillor Welch, Councillor Kaur

MOTION: Motion to adjourn at 8:03pm.

CARRIED



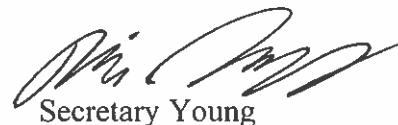
President Snow



Executive Director Sweiger



Chairperson Watson



Secretary Young