

April General Assembly Meeting - April 7, 2021 at 5:30 PM

We wish to acknowledge that the land on which we gather is Treaty 6 territory and a traditional meeting ground for many Indigenous peoples. The territory on which we are meeting today is located along a traveling route and home to the Cree, Saulteaux, Metis, Blackfoot, and Nakota Sioux territory; specifically the ancestral space of the Papaschase Cree. It is also the homeland of Metis Nations, and a large gathering place for Inuit Canadians and settlers. These nations are our family, friends, and peers. Their spiritual and practical relationships to the land create a rich heritage for our learning and our life as a community. As members of the City of Edmonton Youth Council, we honour the nation-to-nation treaty relationship and are committed to continuing our reconciliation.

Invited Attendees

All Voting Committee Members, Samim, Mike, Kaylin, Christine, Andrew, YALs

1.0 Welcome [5:30 pm]	
1.1 Call to Order	Ricky
1.2 Treaty 6 Recognition (top of document)	Volunteer
1.3 Approval of the Agenda	Voting Committee Members
1.4 Approval of March Meeting Minutes	Voting Committee Members

2.0 Review [5:40 pm]	
2.1 Chair and Vice Chair Updates (5 mins)	Ricky & Anuj
2.2 Council Updates (5 mins) <u>Items Due</u>	Andrew
2.3 Administration Updates (5 mins)	Samim
2.4 Subcommittee Updates (3 mins per subcommittee)	Subcommittee Chair/Vice-Chair
2.5 Posting and Budget for Social Media (5 mins)	Ricky

3.0 Break [6:10 - 6:20]	
3.1Kahoot	Anuj

4.0 Discussion [6:20]	
4.1 Youth Tackling COVID-19 Webinar (5 mins)	Fajr Khaliqdina
4.1 Clean Water Initiative (15 mins)	Cherry and Initiative Lead(s)
4.2 Demographics Survey & Recommendations (20 mins)	Ahdithya/Anwi and Initiative Lead
4.3 CWSB Taskforce Response (15 mins)	Robyn and Initiative Leads
4.4 Merchandise (5 mins)	Anuj

5.0 Adjournment [7:25]	
5.1 Next Steps (Action Items)	Anuj
5.2 Motion to Adjourn	Ricky

Next General Assembly	
May 5th, 2021 @ 5:30PM	Google Meets
Note: The Google Meets Invite to the May GA (and all future GA's until June) have been sent to your emails	



April General Assembly

Details	
Date:	April 7, 2021
Location:	Google Meets
Time:	17:30-19:32

Attendance	
Invited	Pram T., Ryan J., Sarah F., Lakshmi P., Cherry C., Kasey E., Fajr K., Reetu A., Anuj K., Zaharadeen J., Avanideep L., Achyutha S., Irshad S., Quynh Anh N., Ricky L., Irmen D., Manujitha H., Robyn T., Ahdithya V. Samim, Mike, Kaylin, Christine, YALs
Late:	
Absent:	
Guests:	Andrew Knack

Meeting Start Time: 17:34

1.0 Welcome	
1.1 Call to Order	Ricky
1.2 Treaty 6 Recognition	 Kasey
1.3 Approval of the Agenda	Motioned by Ricky, seconded by LakshmiMoved/approved with no opposition or abtains
1.4 Approval of the March Meeting Minutes	Moved/approved with no opposition or abstains

2.0 Review	
2.1 Chair and Vice Chair Updates (5 mins)	 Ricky: Review or March 14 statement No tolerance for intolerant behaviour in any and all forms, completely unacceptable How to incorporate Indigenous ways of understanding into CEYC work and our lives? Enoch Cree meeting postponed until May Anuj: March 1 saw first monthly newsletter, we look forward to continuing advertising our work Remember to send in your intent letters These do not need to be sent, and will automatically update on a google document Keep recruitment time period in mind
2.2 Council Updates (5 mins)	 Motion passed will provide report within 90 days on racism, diversity, and safety Mass transit planning report underway April 28 report on alcohol in public parks Shisha lounge report: what requirements surround use? Cultural angle on discussion Biking is strangely controversial Edmonton, even though bike spending is small in Edmonton's GDP Make your voice heard on this issue!
2.3 Administration Updates (5 mins)	 Samim: currently working out payment details for spending of budget on initiatives Annual reports are in Looking into merch, also getting a surprise for volunteer week? Ohhhhhh. Keep eyes on Slack channels Email Carissa any payment questions
2.4 Subcommittee Updates (3 mins per subcommittee)	 Eric: leads will cover projects updates Robyn: policy attended anti racism and attended meeting workshop and used the knowledge to help improve our research Development and bonding sessions planned for May/June Ahdi: Internal has sent out emails for school visits Lots of recent twitter engagement (nice Anuj)
2.5 Posting and Budget for Social Media (5 mins)	• FILL IN
3.0 Break	
3.1 Kahoot	• Anuj

4.0 Discussion	
4.1 Youth Tackling COVID-19 Webinar (5 mins)	 Fajr: mental health foundation will send two speakers, and a UofA professor will come to speak on vaccines as well, last speaker still in the works Interactive focus, Kahoot games (fun unlike Anuj's) Chance to win Amazon gift cards Event link
4.2 Clean Water Initiative (15 mins)	 Irshad: research into Epcor indicates that they are working on combating lead levels Aridni: public facilities have seen some water quality concerns, but we have yet to get responses Sanaa: North Saskatchewan River water may hold heavy metal contaminants far above regulated limits Mudra: most of problem comes with pipes, and UofA professor ahas reinforced this notion Contacts to grad students and water council have not revealed critical issues in drinking water Swati: initiative is not looking critical and may be placed on the backburner for this term Callum: are we out of lines of contact? Any alternatives? Swati: phone calls and emails were made but responses were rare Anuj: more information will be needed to move forward

4.3 Demographics Survey & Recommendations (20 mins)	 Pram: lack of lower and upper age representation Only 5% of current CEYC members were in JH, 0% didn't complete high school Equal yes and no on post-secondaries, majority UofA Imbalance towards political left NO INDIGENOUS 83.9% identify as minorities, lacking black, north African and Latin American Imbalance to the south zone Two gender representations listed, mostly heterosexuals Low number of low wealth and marginalized populations Ahdi: how to promote better representation? "Casualizing" the dress code Change the entry process? Anuj: Indigenous representation is sorely lacking Robyn: formal structure of CEYC might me dissuasive Perhaps we could be a bit more casual or more formally train participants in conflict management. This could go a long way in ensuring CEYC success VCM interview process may need to be changed Lakshmi: some minorities are overrepresented Arindi: during applications, there could be more of a push for people to join (advertise more effectively) Avani: Non-CEYC members may find it hard to approach the council Callum: can reservations cooperate with CEYC? Overall, youth outreach needs to be stronger, especially among Edmonton's indigenous youth
4.4 CWSB Taskforce Response (15 mins)	 Initiative has five major themes to address racism Ayesha: reallocated funds could go to ti a wide host of projects that help communities Hansen: increased police training will combat discriminatory police practices Themes of discriminatory practices: no ban on street check currently. Ayesha: Representation of community with report
4.5 Merchandise (10 mins)	• Slack
5.0 Adjournment	
5.1 Next Steps (Action	Fill out the Policy Survey!

Items)	 Contest for merch design Intent forms Volunteer gift Consider summer term
5.2 Motion to Adjourn	Motioned By: Ricky Seconded By: Anuj Time: 19:32