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It's policy time! UCP members are now voting on 30 policy resolutions to become part of the party's official policy.

First up: "Defend Alberta's economy and autonomy by opposing all attempts by the Federal government to impose net zero by 2035."

Resolution passes pretty nearly unanimously. (Chair saw "two or three" no votes).

Next up, a resolution to "protect an individual's right to free expression."

@DavidJPba and @peteremcc speak against the motion, calling it unnecessary when "freedom of speech" is already protected.

Resolution passes.

@DavidJPba @peteremcc Res. 3 protects a medical practitioner's "right to research, speak and write" without threat of license suspension/removal.

A Calgary doc speaks in favor, calling it "fundamental."

"We have been shut down by the college...and Alberta Health (Services)."

Resolution passes.

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Resolution passes by large margin.

@DavidJPba @peteremcc Next up: Resolution 5 asserting Albertans should have the right to use cash instead of digital currency.

One of the 'no' speakers worries it's outside of Alberta's jurisdiction.

Rob Anders makes a call to bring back the gold standard instead.

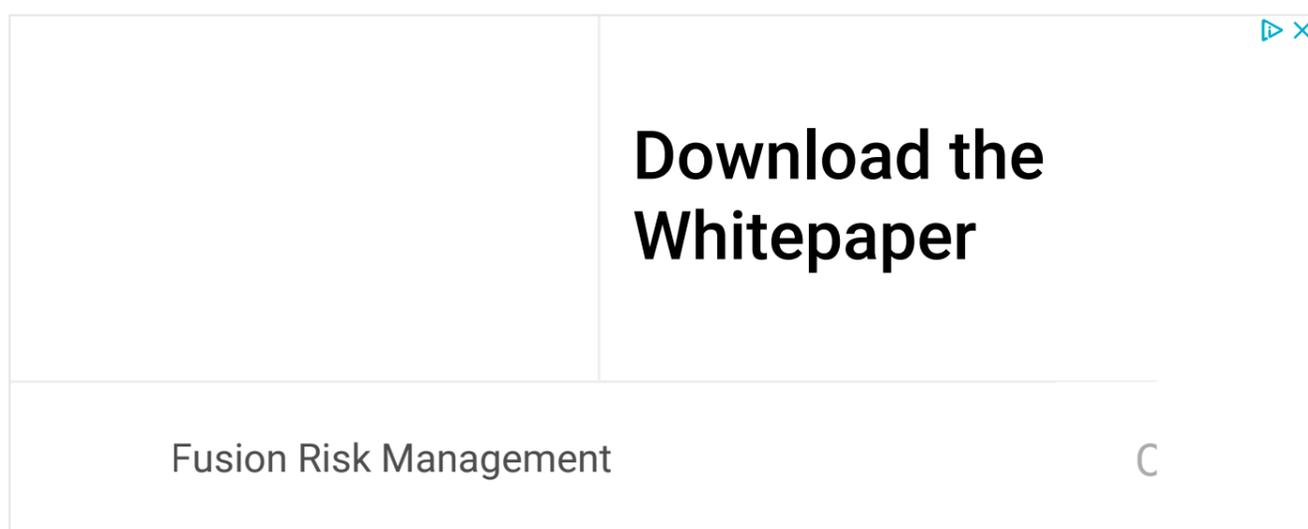
Nevertheless, resolution passes.

A spicy one: Res. 6: "Ban post-secondary institutions from using race as a factor in any admissions program or procedure."

A black no speaker says resolution makes UCP seem "anti-black or anti-BIPOC."

A Metis yes speaker: "I would rather be recognized for my hard work and perseverance."

Ban on race-based university admissions passes with large margin.



Next up: Resolution 7, which strives to "protect an individual's right to privacy and confidentiality of their health care information."

No speaker concerned hospital couldn't release if someone with typhus was running around.

Resolution passes with huge margin.

Here's one of the biggies: Resolution 8 requiring parental consent for students under 16 to change name/pronouns in school.

A no speaker says it's well-intentioned but comes at the expense of vulnerable youth.

Yes speaker pushes back against "brainwash(ing) by woke activists."

Resolution requiring parental consent for kids under 16 to change their gender at school passes with a huge margin. This is effectively the New Brunswick and Saskatchewan policies that UCP members have now endorsed.

Now up: Resolution 9, which strives to eliminate diversity, equity and inclusion offices from public universities and colleges



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Resolution 10 opposes federal expansion of MAID qualifying criteria to include people with only mental illnesses.

Resolution wants province to assert conscience rights for individuals and facilities who don't want to participate in MAID.

Motion passes.

Resolution 11 wants support for succession of family farms. A no speaker says why carve out farms? Let all family businesses benefit.

Resolution passes decisively.

Resolution 12 is inspired by the debate over "15-minute cities," calling for prohibition of "land use or development planning initiatives that would restrict movement of residents."

Motion passes.

Resolution 13 is one Take Back Alberta is particularly keen on: "banning, except by plebiscite, all use of any and all electronic machines for tabulation or counting of ballots for any provincial election."

Even the reading of the resolution got applause.

A no speaker says this might ban calculators from being used in counting votes. (He gets groans).

Another no speaker, former MP Rob Anders, opposes the motion because it "doesn't go far enough. It doesn't include municipal elections."

Ban on electronic vote tabulation passes by huge margin. Chair jokes that it's a good thing they aren't using electronic clickers to count the vote.

Next up: Resolution 14 calling for a "Digital Bill of Rights" protecting privacy rights, the right to free expression without censorship or surveillance, security, transparency, and ownership of personal data.

Resolution passes.

Resolution 15 from Danielle Smith's constituency association is an interesting one: "Recognize that Albertans have many endangered God-given rights and freedoms that are not affirmed in the Canadian Constitution, its enactments or Charter of Rights and Freedoms."

The resolution says above and beyond Charter rights, Albertans should have the "right to keep arms, parents' rights, right to self-defence, right to privacy of personal information and access to government information, swift due process for

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Next up is Res. 16, which seeks to protect Alberta doctors from third-party interference, oppose compelling physicians to prescribe or prohibit them from prescribing treatments, and include right of physicians to prescribe off-label medications "using their best discretion."

Resolution 16 is basically an ivermectin/hydroxychloroquine resolution if you look at the rationale provided by the resolution sponsor.

Resolution passes decisively.

Resolution 17 supports a "comprehensive bill of parental rights which ensures that all legislation will recognize and support parents' rights to be informed of and in charge of all decisions to do with all services paid for by the province, including education and healthcare."

Resolution 17 supporting a parental rights bill passes with another decisive majority.

Resolution 18 encourages increased nitrogen production to "reduce costs and improve the availability of fertilizer for Alberta farmers."

One no speaker didn't like it because it sounded like central planning (I love Alberta).

Nevertheless, it passes decisively.

Here's an interesting one: Resolution 19 calls for a school voucher system so education funding follows the student, even if they go to a private school. It amends and expands on existing party policy.

One no speaker objects because it removes explicit reference to homeschool.

This is the first close vote of the day: They're switching to a manual count for the resolution supporting school vouchers. Much of the opposition seemed to be coming from the right (mainly home schoolers concerned they lose protections the way policy is worded).

School voucher resolution is defeated with 55 per cent opposed.

We're now at Resolution 20, which strives to ensure schools and teachers "do not provide access to materials of a sexual, racist, or abusive nature" that aren't part of the curriculum.

Motion passes (though a bit more opposition than most have received).

Now we're on Resolution 21, which says the Alberta government shouldn't establish solar farms on class 1, 2, or 3 soils. (I



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^ It passed with a huge margin (only a handful of no votes that I saw).

Resolution 23 is now up: It revises an existing policy on transportation and infrastructure to include collaboration with the territories and Alaska and Montana instead of just Saskatchewan and Manitoba.

Resolution passes pretty much unanimously.

Now we're on Resolution 24, which seeks to divide the Minister of Justice into two separate roles – Attorney General and Solicitor General. Sponsor claims public has no legal representation with combined roles.

Resolution passes.

Resolution 25 expands an existing motion to make the Alberta Human Rights Tribunal "subject to the same rules of evidence and burden of proof as followed by the courts." New wording adds "and all other administrative and regulatory body hearings" after AHRT.

Resolution 25 is carried!

We're now on Resolution 26, which supports "fair, efficient, open, and competitive consumer and industrial electricity markets."

Motion passes.

We're almost done! Now on Resolution 27, which calls on the government to "repeal the no-fault insurance...legislation in Alberta and return to tort-based (also known as at-fault based) insurance."

A rather spirited debate on this one, but it handily passes.

Resolution 28 calls on regulatory professional associations to limit investigations only to activities that occur while on the job (sponsor cites Ontario psychologist college's investigation of @jordanbpeterason as what the policy wants to avoid).

It passes.

@jordanbpeterason Resolution 29 says "inmates who were female at conception" in provincial jails should not be jailed alongside any inmates who were "male at conception."

Sponsor says transgender inmates can be incarcerated in their own centres if need be.

Motion passes with little opposition.



it passes happily, and that is a wrap.

That concludes the policy resolutions. Lots of UCP attendees heading to the bar already, though the board election results are coming out shortly.

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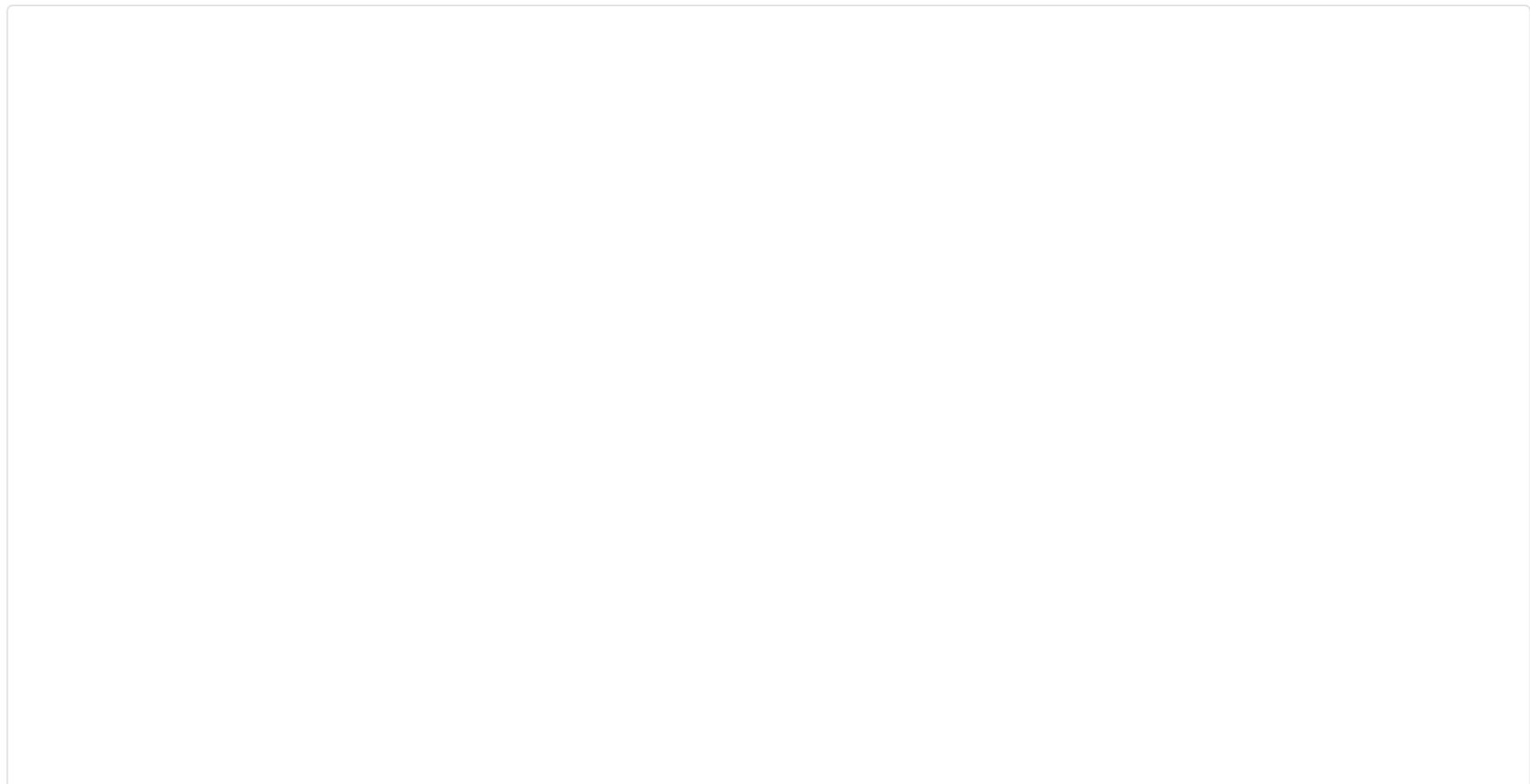
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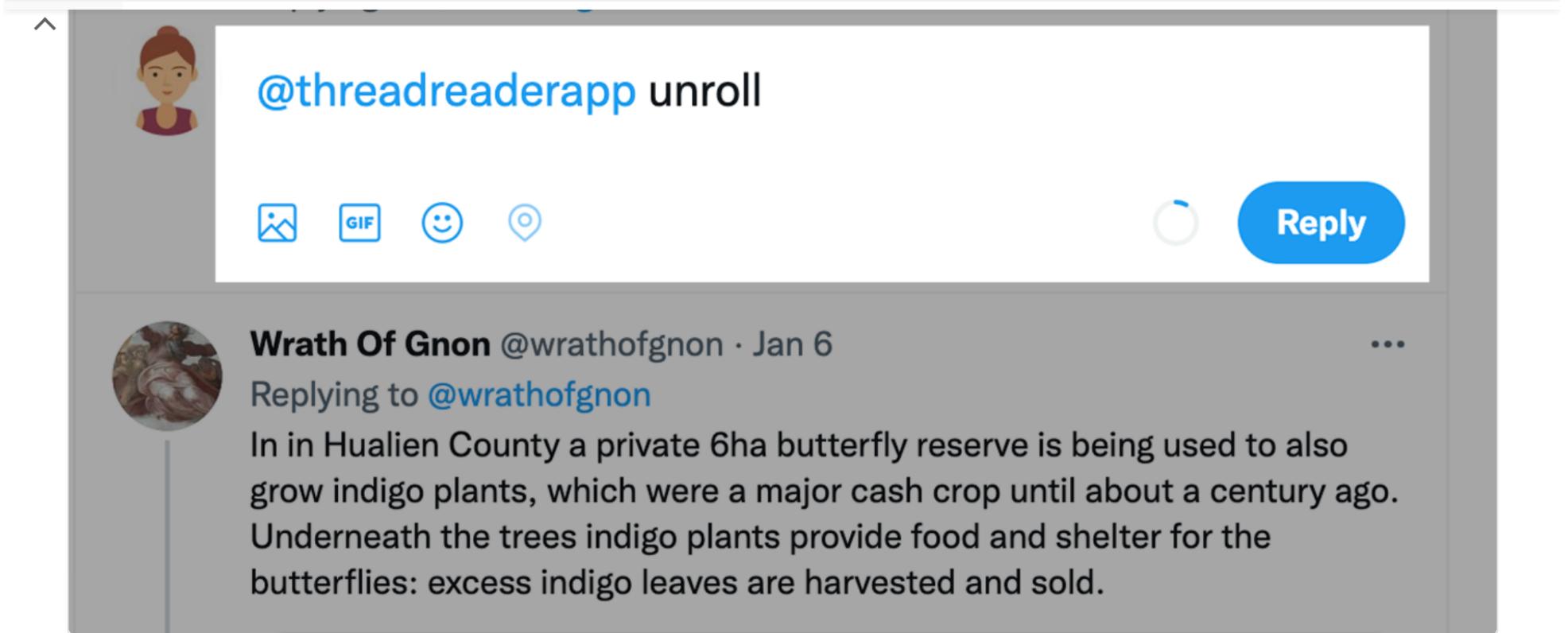
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Jun 7

THREAD: The Conservatives and the PPC are having it out about the World Economic Forum right now, so some fact checking (and context) is important.

Portage-Lisgar Conservative candidate Branden Leslie is chirping PPC leader Maxime Bernier for having attended Davos.

In response, Bernier called him a "liar" and said he didn't attend the WEF Annual Meeting, but rather visited Davos, the town, at Stephen Harper's request to meet with other foreign ministers.

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May 23

BREAKING: "Eminent Canadian" and Trudeau family friend David Johnston advises against public inquiry into Chinese interference in Canadian elections.

Johnston's report has five conclusions: - Foreign governments are interfering in Canadian elections - "In full context," leaked materials were "misconstrued in some media reporting" - There are "serious shortcomings" in how intelligence is communicated and processed

- A "further public process" is required, but formal inquiry isn't necessary. Instead, advises further public hearings as a "second phase" of Johnston's mandate. - Trudeau should invite oversight committees to review Johnston's conclusion and classified information.

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Feb 17

BREAKING: Public Order Emergency Commission finds the federal government's invocation of the Emergencies Act was appropriate.

Commissioner Paul Rouleau writes that he reached this conclusion "with reluctance." He further says that some of the federal government's emergency measures were not appropriate.

Rouleau finds that the asset freezing provisions in the emergency orders were appropriate and effective, though he thought there should have been a mechanism to have your accounts unfrozen after complying with the emergency orders.

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Jan 17

First up on this morning's agenda in Davos: a press conference about the metaverse and the World Economic Forum's Global Collaboration Village with Klaus Schwab, Microsoft's Brad Smith, and Accenture's Julie Sweet.

Microsoft's Smith says the vision is a "village without borders." Schwab says the Global Collaboration Village is a "true global village in a virtual space."

Smith says the project will bring the World Economic Forum to more people in the world.

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agendas. It's not an intergovernmental organization, though world leaders arguably treat it as one.

It's important to ask what participants – the WEF's invited guests to its annual meetings in Davos – get out of it. For NGO leaders, it's an audience with business leaders (potential donors) and policy-makers. For corporate executives, it's face-time with politicians.

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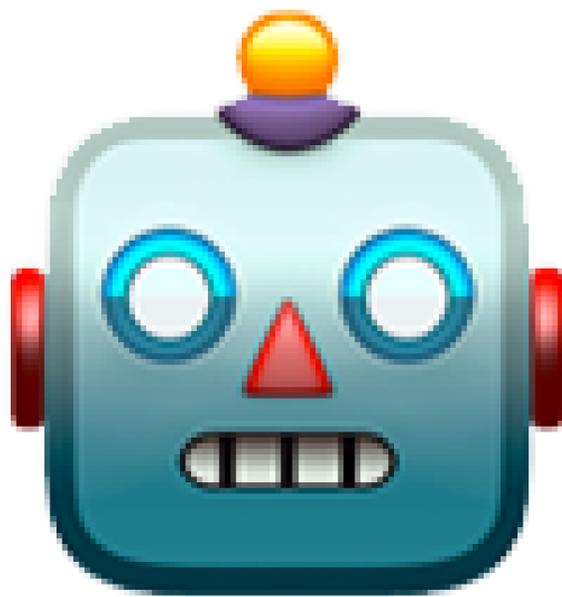
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You can be against the Freedom Convoy and also be against the Emergencies Act. The debate is not about whether the convoy was good or bad, but whether it constituted a threat to the security of Canada rising to the level of a national emergency, as defined by the law.

There are several key sections of the Emergencies Act and the Canadian Security Intelligence Service Act that people need to read before they sound off on whether Justin Trudeau was justified in invoking the Emergencies Act.

Firstly, while the Emergencies Act deals with a range of emergencies, at hand here is Part II, dealing with a "Public Order Emergency." This is the type of emergency the government declared.

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