

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE UNIVERSITY OF REGINA COUNCIL
FRIDAY, 27 SEPTEMBER 2013
EDUCATION AUDITORIUM 106**

Members: 287 present

Guests: 128 present

Attendance records are appended to the official file.

Call to order: 2:00 p.m.

1. Approval of the Agenda

W. Lockhart – P. Campbell

moved that the agenda be approved as circulated.

The question was called on the motion.

CARRIED

2. Comments of the Chair, Appendix I of the Agenda

President Timmons opened the meeting with comments from the Chair.

It was asked that the proceedings be conducted in a respectful, considerate manner.

Observers and guests are guests of Council and are not able to participate in the meeting.

Media recording is allowed during the meeting, as per the approval of Council at the last Council meeting.

This special meeting of Council was called by the President and in response to a petition signed by more than 50 members of Council requesting a Special Meeting of Council.

Council's proceedings are guided by Robert's Rules of Order which state that: "*A special meeting* is a separate session held at a time different from that of any regular meeting, and convened only to consider the items of business specified in the call of the meeting."

Robert's Rules go on to state that at a special meeting "With the exception of motions that relate to procedure without direct reference to a particular substantive item of business, only business mentioned in the call of a special meeting can be transacted at such a meeting. For that reason, business for this special meeting can only include what was covered in the call for the meeting. There can be no amendments to the Agenda to add additional business. Also for this reason the minutes from the last meeting of Council will not be approved at this meeting and will be done at the next regular meeting of Council which is planned for October 29.

Section 78 of the University of Regina Act provides for the "Duties of Council" that the council may make recommendations to the President regarding matters considered by the council to be of interest to the university.

President Timmons outlined the procedures for the meeting.

3. Motion submitted by Petitioners, Appendix II of the Agenda

3.1 Motion submitted by Susan Johnston, Associate Professor, Faculty of Arts

S. Johnston – P. Campbell

moved that the following question shall be put to the members of the University of Regina Council by a secret ballot to close ten days hence, and that all members of Council shall be informed of the result:

The University of Regina Council has lost confidence in the President and the Vice-President (Academic).

be approved, as outlined in Appendix II, pages 16-21 of the agenda.

Presentation from S. Johnston. She asked Council to think of the future of the University of Regina, and to put the question to the membership at large, it is a question of trust, that is not to be taken lightly. S. Johnston calls Council to support the motion.

Discussion followed with members of Council speaking either in support or against the motion.

P. Campbell – G. Lolos

moved that the motion be taken by secret ballot at the meeting be approved.

CARRIED

Discussion followed.

The question was called on the motion submitted by the Petitioners.

Ballots were circulated and collected. The ballots were counted twice.

NOT CARRIED
135 Not in Favor
134 In Favor
8 Abstentions
1 Spoiled Ballot

In closing, the President commented on this matter, noting its seriousness and the division on campus. She is committed to healing the divisions on campus and we must work together to move forward. The President announced that she will hold a public meeting; open to all employees, students, alumni and members of public and government as an opportunity to publicly discuss matters of concern. Council is encouraged to speak to the President directly or make an appointment to discuss their concerns.

4. Adjournment – J. White (3:35 p.m.)



Annette Revet
University Secretary