MEMBERS PRESENT:


The meeting was called to order at 2:34 p.m. by President Timmons.

1. Approval of Agenda

   Stilling – Handerek

   moved that the agenda be approved as circulated.  CARRIED

2. Approval of Minutes of Meeting of 27 February 2013

   Dolmage – Germani

   moved that the minutes be approved as circulated.  CARRIED

3. Approval of the Council Minutes of Meeting of 6 March 2013

   Juschka – Foley

   moved that the minutes be approved as circulated.  CARRIED

   It was the decision of the Council Agenda Committee to approve the minutes at Executive of Council as well as the Council meeting on April 25th.

4. Remarks from the Chair

   President Timmons provided the following the report:

   The University is hosting a summit on the Humanities and Social Sciences on April 17th with leaders from across the Prairie Region meeting to discuss the need for economic development in balance with a need to support cultural awareness and meaningful
employment and education. An open to public town hall meeting lead by Drs. Gaffield and Maioni will be held that morning in Campion.

There was a large turn-out at the March 6th Council meeting. The recommendations are under consideration by the President and there will be a report back to Council at the April meeting.

The Provincial budget was announced last week with an operating grant increase of 1.94% and $10 million for a new Residence building with 605 beds and 90 day care spots. The new building will be located in parking lots 1 and 2. One million dollars was previously received for the design of the building.

Faculty and Staff Successes:
- Long Service Recognition Awards will be held March 28.
- Renewal of two Canada Research Chairs: Dr. Christine Chan in Energy and Environmental Informatics and Dr. Christopher Yost in Microbes, the Environment and Food Safety.
- Ian Hanna is returning to government with his one-year secondment completed. This position was previously in External Relations and moved to the President’s Office to achieve better communication with governments. This was a successful move and Ian has done very good work in advocating with government.

Student Successes and Initiatives:
- CIS Women’s Basketball Championships were held here in mid-March, Cougars received the silver medal.
- At the Championships, PotashCorp announced $150,000 donation in student support.
- The 8th Annual Graduate and Undergraduate Student Research Conference were held on March 16.
- Student-organized Relay for Life took place on March 22 for the Canadian Cancer Society.
- The Ministry of Advanced Education survey of 2009-2010 graduates is available on the ORP website. Some interesting numbers include: 23% were first-generation attendees that rises to 38% among Aboriginal students, students worked on average 26 hours per week while studying, 33% very satisfied with experience here but 1 in 10 dissatisfied with experience.
- An update on Nigerian students fighting deportation, letters have been sent to ministers to lift the deportation order given the new immigration rules. International students will now be eligible to work off campus.

Academic Matters:
- Campus presentations have taken place for the Search for Executive Director of Johnson-Shoyama Graduate School of Public Policy.
- Short list of candidates has been compiled, with candidate presentations scheduled for April for the Dean of Graduate Studies and Research.

Some Other Key Initiatives:
- President’s Task Force on Institut français has provided a preliminary report with recommendations that the President will review and report in May.

University Events:
- 5th Annual Forward Together Lecture was held last night. Buffy Sainte-Marie was the speaker.
- Inspiring Leadership Conference was on March 13 with approximately 500 people who attended.
• Shari Graydon Lecture was March 14 with discussion on scholars sharing expertise beyond academia.
• The 60 Days of Wellness continues and everyone is encouraged to participate in a campus walk.

**Going forward:**
• Aboriginal Summit on Post-Secondary Education is May 23 and 24 and registration is available online.

5. **Report from the University Secretary** - No Report

6. **Reports from Committees**

   6.1 Advisory Group on Planning, Evaluation and Allocation, Appendix I, Page 2 of the Agenda

   T. Chase noted the report was provided for information and more information is available on the AGPEA website.

   6.2 Council Agenda Committee, Appendix II, Page 3 of the Agenda

   G. Lolos presented the report.

   **Council Rules and Regulations – Revisions to Section 4.1 Meetings of Council**

   Lolos – Juschka **moved that** a meeting of Council shall be convened by the University Secretary:

   a) at the call of the President;
   b) in response to a motion from Executive of Council requesting a meeting of Council;
   c) upon receipt of a challenge to a decision of Executive of Council, such a request may be made by at least twenty members of Council, no more than 10 of whom should be Executive members, and filed with the University Secretary within 10 working days of the issuance of the approved minutes of Executive of Council; or,
   d) upon receipt of a petition signed by 50 members of Council requesting a Special Meeting of Council.

   be approved, as outlined in Appendix II, page 3 of the agenda.

   Discussion followed. There will be a motion to Council to form an ad-hoc Committee to review the Council Rules and Regulations, changes need to be made to student membership, meetings of Council and updates to current practices. Concern was raised that this motion should be postponed until the ad hoc committee is formed or referred back to the Council Agenda Committee.

   Lukasewich – Stilling **moved to** postpone the motion until an ad hoc committee is formed by Council be approved.

   The question was called on the motion.

   **DEFEATED**
Discussion continued. Points A and B are new additions and C and D are currently stated in the Rules and Regulations. A friendly amendment was made to correct point C. The question was called on the motion, with the friendly amendment.

CARRIED

6. Graduand Lists

6.1 Graduand Lists for Approval

Juschka – McNinch moved that the all students whose names appear on the lists as distributed at the meeting and appended to the official file, having satisfied the requirements, be granted the degrees, diplomas and/or certificates as designated.

CARRIED

7. Business Arising from the Minutes

7.1 Academic Program Review Update

The motion to approve the Process Proposal for Structural Change has been deferred as a result of the motions from the March Council Meeting. The motions from the Council meeting are currently under consideration by the President and a report will be included at the April Council Meeting.

7.2 UR Press

D. Malloy provided an update on the University of Regina Press, formerly Canadian Plains Research Center Press. Bruce Walsh has been named head of the Press for a three year term. After a recent external review, it was renamed and new name tells of its importance to the University.

8. Reports from Faculties and Other Academic Units

8.1 Arts – No Report

8.2 Business Administration – No Report

8.3 Education – The SSHRC Travel Scholarship worth $6,000 was awarded to Jennifer Burton. She is a graduate student working with Dr. Andrea Sterzuk in the field of English as an Additional Language. Jennifer will be using the money to travel to Korea to visit various sites of EAL instruction. She is the first UofR student to receive this award.

8.4 Engineering and Applied Science – April 6th is Project Day, the annual showcase of student achievements presented through their final design project. An opening reception is April 4th with keynote speaker, Dr Wayne Clifton.

8.5 Fine Arts – April 3-6 is the Strive Student Festival presented by the Theatre Department, April 9th is the Creative Technologies Open House, and April 11th is the Visual Arts and Media Annual Open House and reception, all studios will be open.

8.6 Graduate Studies and Research – Rod Kelln (FGSR) and Linda Jiang (URI) visited Southwest Petroleum University in China to engage in discussions regarding a joint
graduate degree program in Petroleum Systems Engineering. This was followed with a visit to Chengdu University of Technology; the University of Regina has an agreement with this institution pertaining to the Master of Science in Geology. Discussions were centered on other prospects of research and graduate studies collaborations along with an interest voiced regarding a 2+2 undergraduate program in Computer Science. In the recent NSERC postgraduate scholarship competition, the success rate was 5 of 8 nominated. The results for SSHRC and CIHR are not yet available.

8.7 Kinesiology and Health Studies – CIS Women’s Basketball Championships from March 15-17 proved to be a great weekend for the whole community. The Annual Alumni and Awards Dinner were held March 20th. The 4th Annual Sport for Life Event is April 11th, hosting young aboriginal students for a full day with Mary Spencer as the keynote speaker.

8.8 Nursing – No Report

8.9 Science – Announcement regarding NSERC grants are 12 of the 18 have been successful, including both new applicants and renewals.

8.10 Social Work – The contract with Aurora College in NWT has been renewed for five years.

8.11 Centre for Continuing Education – Yesterday’s Memories: Tales from the College Avenue Campus with Jean Freeman and Lyn Goldman for an evening of stories from those who learned and worked at the University of Regina College Avenue Campus on April 3rd.

8.12 Library — April 3rd is the President and Teaching Showcase.

8.13 Institut français – April 4th is the bilingual Arab Spring and the Challenge of Change with Nilgun Onder moderating and numerous speakers.

8.14 Federated Colleges

8.14.1 Campion College – Musica Sacra on Good Friday March 29th, performed by Voices and directed by Diana Woolrich.

8.14.2 First Nations University of Canada – The Forward Together Lecture was well attended and the 35th PowWow is April 6 and 7 at the Brandt Centre.

8.14.3 Luther College – No Report

9. **Other Business**

9.1 The Drake Hall Five are performing in a fundraiser at the Owl on April 5.

9.2 Items for Approval by Executive of Council Respectfully submitted by Student Representatives to Executive of Council, Appendix I of the Official Minutes

N. Gray presented the report.

Revisions to Policies and Procedures Governing Council
Gray – Dipple moved that section 4.3 Election of Student Representatives to Council be amended as follows:

4.3.5 Election of Student Representatives to Council

1. Student representatives for the University of Regina Council are to be elected as soon as possible after commencement of the Fall semester but in no case later than October 31st of each year and the election is to be by all students registered in each electoral unit (electoral unit defined as Faculty, School, Federated College, and Centre for Continuing Education program students). During regular URSU elections, or terms running from July 1st following the election and ending June 30 the next, respecting the formula given 4.5.5. Only full-time (at least 9 credit hours) students are eligible for election. Membership will continue until the next regular election.

2. The formula is to be based on the current September non-student Council membership and on the previous Winter Semester student enrolment in electoral units.

3. Elections are to be held separately in each electoral unit and separate ballots prepared for each electoral unit. Special students vote in the electoral unit in which they are registered for a course. In the Centre for Continuing Education, full-time certificate students are eligible for nomination and all students not registered for courses in another electoral unit could vote in the Centre for Continuing Education.

4. Responsibility for nominations and elections is to be delegated to the Administrative Head of each electoral unit. The Administrative Head may seek assistance (e.g. from student societies).

5. The formula is to be:

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K = \frac{\text{Number of Non-Student Council}}{9} \times \frac{\text{Number of Students in A}}{\text{Total Number of Students}} = \text{Student Representation from A}
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K = \text{Number of Student representatives to be on Council}
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A = \text{Faculty or School}
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6. No electoral unit or division of the Faculty of Arts should have less than one student representative. Further, the Centre for Continuing Education shall have no more than three student representatives.

7. Students elected to Executive of Council will automatically become part of the student representation of the University of Regina Council.

Discussion followed. A friendly amendment was made to remove (at least 9 credit hours) from Point 1. Concern was raised about the application of the formula, the
method in which the motion was presented to Executive of Council, the need to review
the Council Rules and Regulations, representation from Graduate Students and URSU's
bylaws. It was agreed the motion would pass to allow for full student representation at
the upcoming Council meeting.

The question was called on the motion. CARRIED

Revisions to Policies and Procedures Governing Council

Gray – Dipple moved that section 4.3 Election of Student Representatives to Council be amended as
follows:

4.5.8 If, upon conclusion of URSU elections, some student representative
positions remain vacant, the URSU Board of Directors will be granted the power to
appoint student representatives to council from a list generated from the students
elected to URSU, Senate, and executive positions on recognized student
societies. The Board will make every attempt to be respectful of faculty ratios in
4.5.5 while balancing its need for full representation.

Discussion followed. President Timmons ruled the motion out of order, due to Section
76 of the University of Regina Act. The Motion was withdrawn.

10. Adjournment – Watson (4:11 p.m.)

Annette Revet
University Secretary