MEMBERS PRESENT:


Guests: B. Liski, N. Mobed, J. Yao


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

1. Approval of Agenda

   B. Anderson – S. Lukasewich
   moved that the agenda be approved as circulated.

   CARRIED

2. Approval of Minutes of Meeting of 26 June 2013

   J. Piwowar – L. Benedicenti
   moved that the minutes be approved as circulated.

   CARRIED

3. Remarks from the Chair

   President Timmons began with a moment of silence in honour for Dr. Larry Symes.

   President Timmons welcomed everyone to the first Executive of Council of the academic year.

   Key Issues:
   • A special meeting of Council is scheduled for September 27; this meeting was at the call of the President and in response to the petition.
   • The next regular scheduled meeting of Council is October 29th.
   • As per the President’s request with the Provincial Auditor the review of research-related policies and procedures is taking place. Dr. Martha Crago of Dalhousie and Dr. Martin Kirk of UBC were on campus earlier this month
   • The 2012-13 annual report is available on online. The University received a clean audit by the Provincial Auditors for the third straight year.
A public statement today was released regarding the overtime issue in the Faculty of Education. The response to Minister Norris was circulated at the meeting and is available online.

Faculty and Staff Successes:
- Welcome to new people on campus for this academic year:
  - Mr. James D’Arcy – new Registrar
  - Dr. Armin Eberlein – new dean of Graduate Studies and Research
  - Dr. Esam Hussein – new dean of Engineering and Applied Science
  - Dr. John Meehan – President of Campion
- Dr. Shauneen Pete has been seconded to the role of Executive Lead Indigenization for the period from July 1, 2013 until December 31, 2013.
- Dave Button has been recognized by the Association of Higher Educational Facilities Officers (APPA) with its Meritorious Service and also, named President of CAUBO.

Student Successes and Initiatives:
- Global Showcase was held in early September. UR International organized the event to celebrate diversity on campus. Now more than 12% of students are international.
- Annual Careers day was on September 23. More than 120 employers from the province and across the country, and thousands of students participated.
- Convocation will be held on October 19. k.d. lang will be the honorary degree recipient.

Academic Matters:
- Academic Program Review was completed this month with a final report distributed to the academic community. Curricular changes and unit reviews will continue to take place as part of the standard academic process.
- This fall eight Nursing students started in Swift Current.

Enrolment:
- Campus-wide enrolments for Spring/Summer 2013 were up 5% over last year and Credit hours up 10.9%.
- Fall 2013 enrolments as of September 4:
  - Course enrolments up about 4% year-over-year
  - Number of students up 1.6%
  - Record number, about 13,300 students
  - Fifth year of increased enrolments

University Events and Highlights:
- College Avenue Campus revitalization will host a formal launch of campaign on October 18.
- Luther Centennial events will be held in October.
- Sustainability month on our campus in October.

Going forward:
- Working to implement audit recommendations.
- Planning further community outreach, including a Northern Tour in October.

4. **Report from the University Secretary**

The Fall Convocation and Chancellor’s Installation will be at 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, October 19th. Platform Party assembly will be at 12:30 p.m. RSVPs are due October 4th.

The policy for Awarding the Title Emeritus remains postponed.
5. **Reports from Committees**

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

T. Chase noted the report was provided for information.

5.2 Council Nominating Committee Appendix II, Page 3 of the Agenda

5.2.1 Replacement on the Council Committee on Undergraduate Admissions & Studies

A. Revet presented the report for information.

5.3 Council Committee on Undergraduate Scholarships, Appendix I of the Minutes

5.3.1 President’s Medal for the 2013 Fall Convocation

Yao - Riemer moved that the President’s Medal for the 2013 Fall Convocation be awarded to Joseph Gordon Earl Swarbrick from the Faculty of Kinesiology and Health Studies be approved as detailed in Appendix I of the Minutes.

CARRIED

5.4 Faculty of Graduate Studies and Research Scholarship and Awards Committee, Appendix II of the Minutes

5.4.1 Approval of the President’s Distinguished Graduate Student Award

Riegel - Eberlein moved that Dr. Theresa Fitzgerald be awarded the President’s Distinguished Graduate Student Award be approved as detailed in Appendix II of the Minutes.

CARRIED

The remainder of the report was provided for information.

7. **Graduand Lists**

7.1 Graduand Lists for Approval

Chase – Juschka moved that 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 – None**

8. **Reports from Faculties and Other Academic Units**

8.1. Arts – September 25 was a good turnout for the public lecture by Globe and Mail National Affairs Columnist Jeffery Simpson, entitled University from the Inside Out and Outside In. To launch the Centennial of the First World War Professor Jay Winter, Professor of History at Yale University, will deliver a keynote address on October 3rd.

8.2 Business Administration – the Paul J. Hill legacy pin ceremony and the alumni crowning
achievement awards have been hosted by the Faculty.

8.3 Education – the impact of the residential school system, 100 Years of Loss Exhibition is being shown at the Fifth Parallel Gallery.

8.4 Engineering and Applied Science – all of the programs except one in the Faculty have been reaccredited for the maximum possible period, six years. The Software Systems engineering program has been reaccredited for three years, and will be reviewed then.

8.5 Fine Arts – a number of events are being held at the Mackenzie Art Gallery, in the Theatre and in the Fifth Parallel Gallery.

8.6 Graduate Studies and Research – international student numbers have increased and deadlines have been extended for visa students.

8.7 Kinesiology and Health Studies – is proud of the President’s Medal recipient, a KHS student and great ambassador for the University. Women’s soccer games are Saturday and Sunday this weekend.

8.8 Nursing – on October 29th, all midwives in Western Canadian have been invited to campus for a conference.

8.9 Science – enrolment numbers in the faculty are up 5%, as well as an increase in credit hours taught and expanded class sizes, including maximum capacity for labs.

8.10 Social Work – the Social Policy Research Unit is hosting a variety of presentations, more information is available online. The faculty will host its first course in French in the Winter Semester.

8.11 Centre for Continuing Education – an increase of 25% in online courses over last year, ESL has had a record enrolment increase this fall.

8.12 Library – recipient of the Dr. John Archer Library Award is Zina Scott, 3rd year student majoring in Biochemistry. A new Library Award trophy with a plaque of winners will soon be on permanent display. At the Center for Teaching and Learning; Teaching Development Days, for new graduate Teaching Assistants, is taking place this week and the call for applications for the President’s Teaching and Learning Scholars is open. The Second annual patron appreciation day will be on Sept. 26. Celebrating International Open Access Week on October 21-24.

8.13 Institut français – celebrated the new academic year event on September 19 at a 5a7. Members are encouraged the attend the next 5a7.

8.14 Federated Colleges

8.14.1 Campion College – new president Father John Meehan will be installed on November 30th.

8.14.2 First Nations University of Canada – recently celebrated their 10th anniversary of the Regina Campus. The presidential search is underway. Student enrolment is increasing.

8.14.3 Luther College – will be hosting their 100 year celebration event in October. Registration is open and tickets and more information is available online.
9. **Other Business**

On Thursday September 26th, the Saskatchewan Office of the Canadian Centre for Policy Alternatives will be presenting a night with former Parliamentary Budget Officer Kevin Page at the University of Regina.

The next Executive of Council Meeting is scheduled for October 30th.

10. **Adjournment** – Camp (3:46 p.m.)

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Annette Revet
University Secretary