MEMBERS PRESENT:


Guests: B. Liski, N. Mobed, A. Ward


The meeting was called to order at 2:30 p.m. by T. Chase.

1. Approval of Agenda

Cripps – Watson

moved that the agenda be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

2. Approval of Minutes of Meeting of 23 April 2014

Ramsay – Froc

moved that the minutes be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

3. Remarks from the Chair

The Provost provided the following report on behalf of the President:

Academic Matters:
- Ms. Sally Gray has been appointed the Director of ORIP effective July 1. She has served as Director of Research Services at Wilfrid Laurier University.
- Dr. Sophie Bouffard has been appointed to a five-year term as the Director of L’Institut français. Dr. Bouffard is currently the Assistant Director of CCE.
- The Dean of Education search is in its final stages.
- Charity Royale raised $75,000 for two U of R initiatives: the Female Coaching Fellowship and the Neekaneewak Leadership Initiative. The University appreciates the support of George Reed and his organizing committee at Casino Regina.
- Official opening of the new $13-million Institute of Environmental Change and Society. Dr. Peter Leavitt, Canada Research Chair in Environmental Change and Society is the
director of this new lab. IECS will provide national leadership in the natural sciences, one of the first initiatives will be to host the Canadian Institute of Ecology and Evolution, the first time CIEE will be hosted in western Canada.
- In celebration of the 40th anniversary as an independent institution, a new award has been created for students, 40 awards worth $1,000 each for incoming first year students.

Faculty and Staff Successes:
- Congratulations to Dean Gagnon and the Faculty of Science for hosting a very successful Science Rendezvous with over a 1000 people in attendance.
- Faculty members have received over $1-million in SSHRC Insight Grant funding in March and April. A formal public announcement from SSHRC is forthcoming, but this is a huge achievement worth recognizing.
- Cara Bradley is the recipient of the 2014 Robert H. Blackburn Distinguished Paper Award.
- Dr. Sandra Zilles was named one of the top three Outstanding Young Computer Science Researchers in Canada by the Canadian Association of Computer Science.

Student Successes:
- Katherine MacMillan, a PhD student in Psychology received a P.E.O. International Scholar Award. Ms. MacMillan was one of only 85 doctoral students across North America to receive this $15,000 award.
- Jonathan Harris, a student at Johnson-Shoyama Graduate School of Public Policy received a national essay prize from the Justice Emmett Hall Memorial Foundation.

Enrolment and Admissions:
- Overall, seeing a 7.8% jump in our numbers for the Spring/Summer term, with this number likely to increase as condensed courses begin in June.
- An overall increase of roughly 4% for the Fall term, compared to this time last year. More concrete numbers will be available in the coming months.

Strategic Planning:
- Dr. Piwowar will provide an update later on the agenda.

There was a brief discussion on the current events happening at the University of Saskatchewan and the value of academic freedom.

4. Report from the University Secretary

A reminder Convocation replies are due on May 23 for the 40th Annual Spring Convocation.

4.1 Amendment to Appendix A, Council Rules and Regulations, Appendix I

A. Revet presented the report for information. It will also be included as an information item for the Fall Council meeting.

5. Reports from Committees

5.1 Council Committee on Academic Mission, Appendix II

A. Ward presented the report on behalf of the Committee Chair C. Yost.
5.1.1 Merger – Department of Political Science and the International Studies Program

Ward – Kleer moved that the Department of Political Science and the International Studies program be merged to form a new unit within the Faculty of Arts to be called the Department of Politics and International Studies, as outlined in Appendix II, pages 3-6 of the agenda.

Discussion followed on the approval process, the rationale and the International Studies Program.

CARRIED

5.2 Council Committee on Undergraduate Admissions and Studies, Appendix III

J. Piwowar presented the report.

Faculty of Nursing

5.2.1 Revisions to Faculty Academic Probation

Piwowar – Gregory moved to base Faculty Academic Probation on PGPA of 65% as opposed to CNUR GPA of 65% effective immediately, as outlined in Appendix III, page 7 of the agenda.

CARRIED

Faculty of Social Work

5.2.2 Revision to Transfer Credit Calendar Entry

Piwowar – White moved that the two sentences be deleted from Section 17.3.2.1, as outlined in Appendix III, pages 7-8 of the agenda.

CARRIED

5.2.3 Revision to Prior Learning Assessment & Recognition

Piwowar – White moved to remove the sentence from the UG Calendar, under Section 17.8.4.4, under Prior Learning Assessment and Recognition (PLAR): “If successful in the PLAR application, the student must register in INSW 448 or 458 and pay the tuition for the fifteen credit hours that this course is worth, effective May 1, 2014, as outlined in Appendix III, page 8 of the agenda.

CARRIED

Centre for Continuing Education

5.2.4 Revisions to Certificate in Indigenous Access Transition Education

Piwowar – Wells moved to change Adult Math, AMTH 001 to AMTH 091 and AMTH 002 to AMTH 092, effective immediately; and, to remove ILP 301 and ENGL 100, reducing the total credit hours for the IATEC from 30 to 24 credit hours, effective immediately, as outlined in Appendix III, pages 8-9 of the agenda.

CARRIED
5.2.5 **Revisions to FNUniv’s Certificate in Administration**

Piwowar – King

moved to change the name “Certificate in Administration” to “Certificate in Administration – Level I and to add ADMN 100 as a core requirement, effective immediately; and, to change the name “Certificate in Continuing Education Administrative Development” to “Certificate in Administration – Level II” and to add ADMN 100 as a core requirement, effective immediately, as outlined in Appendix III, pages 9-10 of the agenda.

CARRIED

5.2.6 **Revisions to FNUniv’s Certificate in Administration (Indian Management)**

Piwowar – Wells

moved to change the name of the “Certificate in Administration (Indian Management)” to “Certificate in Administration (Indigenous Management)” and to add ADMN 100 as a core requirement, as outlined in Appendix III, pages 10-11 of the agenda.

WITHDRAWN

H. King withdrew the motion to change the name of the “Certificate in Administration (Indian Management)” to “Certificate in Administration (Indigenous Management)” at this time.

Piwowar – King

moved to add ADMN 100 as a core requirement to the Certificate in Administration (Indian Management), as outlined in Appendix III, pages 10-11 of the agenda.

CARRIED

Office of the Registrar

5.2.7 **2015-16 Academic Schedule**

Piwowar – Revet

moved that the proposed 2015-16 Academic Schedule with the exception of a one business day break from the end of classes and the start of examinations be approved. This approval includes the provision that classes that end on December 7, 2015 will not have an exam until December 10, 2015 or later, as outlined in Appendix III, pages 11-12 of the agenda.

CARRIED

Thank you to the Committee for their work and consideration of the Academic Schedule.

5.2.8 **Policy re: Audio-Recording and Video-Recording of Classes**

Piwowar – Louis

moved that the following policy be approved and added to Section 5 of the UG Calendar: Students may audio-record or video-record classes only if they have received authorization from the instructor. Such authorization may come about as a result of a request made to the Centre for Student Accessibility. In the case
of classes that involve participation by students, consent of the other students in
the class is also required.

If students receive authorization, the following conditions apply:
1. The materials remain the intellectual property of the instructor.
2. The materials may only be used for the purposes of private study, and may
not be used by any other persons other than the student receiving the
authorization.
3. Unless there is a different agreement between the student and the instructor,
the materials must be destroyed immediately after the end of the semester in
which the class has taken place.

Any violation of this policy will be considered an act of misconduct and will be
dealt with through that process, as outlined in Appendix III, pages 12-13 of the
agenda.

The remainder of the report was received for information.

5.3 Council Nominating Committee, Appendix IV

B. Plouffe presented the report.

5.3.1 Replacements on Council Committees Requiring Council Membership

Plouffe – Novik
moved that the individuals listed be approved to serve on the committees for
terms as indicated, as outlined in Appendix IV, page 14 of the agenda.

CARRIED

5.3.2 Terms of Reference

Plouffe – Watson
moved that the terms of reference for the Council Nominating Committee be
amended and approved, effective July 1, as outlined in Appendix IV, page 15 of
the agenda.

CARRIED

5.4 Council Committee on Undergraduate Scholarships and Awards

J. Kincaid presented the report.

5.4.1 Governor-General’s Academic Silver Medal

Kincaid – Obrigewitsch
moved that the Governor-General’s Academic Silver Medal for the 2014 Spring
Convocation be awarded to Kevin Michael Williams from the Faculty of Science
(Campion), as distributed at the meeting.

CARRIED

5.4.2 University Medal

Kincaid – Gagnon
moved that the University Medal for the 2014 Spring Convocation be awarded
to Vincent Martin Langevin from the Faculty of Science, as distributed at the
meeting.

CARRIED
5.4.3 President’s Medal

Kincaid – Gelowitz

**moved that** President’s Medal for the 2014 Spring Convocation be awarded to Matthew Robert Sanche Dipple from the Faculty of Engineering and Applied Science, as distributed at the meeting.  

**CARRIED**

5.5 Faculty of Graduate Studies and Research Scholarship Committee

A. Eberlein presented the report.

Eberlein – McNutt

**moved that** Ms Amber Fletcher be awarded the Governor General’s Academic Gold Medal, as distributed at the meeting.  

**CARRIED**

The remainder of the report was received for information.

6. Graduand Lists

6.1 Graduand Lists for Approval

Kleer – McNinch

**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**

It was noted that two students will be receiving their degrees posthumously.

7. Business Arising from the Minutes – None

8. Reports from Faculties and Other Academic Units

8.1 Arts – No Report

8.2 Business Administration – No Report

8.3 Education – No Report

8.4 Engineering and Applied Science – No Report

8.5 Fine Arts – No Report

8.6 Graduate Studies and Research – Dean Eberlein recently returned from a trip to China with the President. They met with the China Scholarship Counsel. Four new scholarships have been awarded and scholarships have tripled over the last few years from CSC.

8.7 Kinesiology and Health Studies – No Report

8.8 Nursing – Joan Wagner is one of 30 nurses selected from 128 global nurse leaders to attend the Global Nursing Leadership Institute in Geneva Switzerland in September.
The Institute is sponsored by the International Council of Nurses and is intended to develop international leadership in Nursing.

8.9 Science – No Report

8.10 Social Work – Dean White attended the convocation ceremonies at both Aurora College and Yukon College.

8.11 Centre for Continuing Education – No Report

8.12 Library – The Library will be implementing an integrated services area on the main floor that will bring together the services previously provided at the Information Desk, Borrowing Desk and the Micromaterials Desk. The renovations started and will be completed in June. The recipient of the 2014 Dr. John Archer Library Award for undergraduate students is Avnee Paranjape. She is in her third year of the Bachelor of Arts (Honours) and Bachelor of Science in Biology programs. Avnee won $1,000 for writing the best reflective essay about how she used the Library’s resources and services to complete her research project for Dr. Susan Johnston’s English 349 Methods in Literary History course. Applications for the 2015 award will be accepted starting in January. Canada’s Collaboration for Online Higher Education and Research is hosting the 2014 conference at the University. It will take place October 27-28. The conference theme is “Access and Diversity in Blended and Online Higher Education: Pedagogies and Policies.”

8.13 Institut français – No Report

8.14 Federated Colleges

8.14.1 Campion College – No Report

8.14.2 First Nations University of Canada – Dr. Bob Kaysees has accepted the position of Acting Associate Vice-President (Academic) for a four month term. The Presidential Search has been completed and the new president was announced. Dr. Mark Dockstator will begin on July 1. A formal announcement will follow.

8.14.3 Luther College – No Report

9. Other Business

9.1 Strategic Plan Update, Appendix IV

J. Piwowar provided an update. Internal consultations have concluded with 20 sessions and over 270 individuals attending. External consultations will continue. Alumni have been sent an online questionnaire through the Alumni E-Newsletter. A discussion question was posed “What should the UofR be known for” and an open discussion followed.

10. Adjournment – Watson (3:57 p.m.)

Annette Revet
University Secretary