MEMBERS PRESENT:


Guests: D. Kikulwe, B. Liski, N. Mobed, C. Oriet


Recorder: D. Schauerte

The meeting was called to order at 2:31 p.m. by V. Timmons.

President Timmons announced the University of Regina has lowered its flag to half-mast as a symbol of solidarity with the City of Ottawa as a result of today’s tragic events. It is also lowered to honour the life of 24-year old reservist Nathan Cirillo, who died during these events standing guard at the National War Memorial. The flag will remain at half-mast as a tribute to Mr. Cirillo and his service to Canada, and as a symbol of our condolences to his family and friends.

1. **Approval of Agenda**

   Novik – Staseson
   moved that the agenda be approved as circulated.

   **CARRIED**

2. **Approval of Minutes of Meeting of 24 September 2014**

   Juschka – Watson
   moved that the minutes be approved as circulated.

   **CARRIED**

3. **Remarks from the Chair**

   The President provided the following report:

   Condolences were noted to the family of Jack Cowin, a longtime faculty member and artist from the University who passed away recently.

   **Academic Matters:**
• Reviews for the Acting Deans of Social Work and KHS will be taking place shortly.
• The Vice-President (Research) search committee has been expanded following the discussion at Executive of Council in September. A graduate student and another faculty member have been added to the committee.
• A search committee has been formed for a joint search with the University of Saskatchewan for the Executive Director of Johnson-Shoyama
• Fall 2014 enrolment numbers are at 13,902 students as of the end of the fourth week. This represents an increase of 2.3% over Fall 2013, which is in large part due to the new Faculty of Nursing.
• The numbers of self-declared Aboriginal and International students are both up.
• Progress continues toward implementing the recommendations made regarding the Institut français. The Implementation Task Group has prepared a draft organizational chart and is preparing draft governance documents, including terms of reference and committee structures, as well as a framework that clearly lays out responsibility for the Institut’s academic autonomy and community engagement. A timeline for recommendations to merge the Institut and the Department of French two units has been drafted.

Faculty and Staff Successes:
• Research InfoSource rankings from 2008-2012, ranked the University of Regina #1 in comprehensive category for international research collaboration. That is 51% of all publications co-authored by researchers in other countries.
• A recent national student survey with the Globe and Mail ranked the University of Regina poorly on student satisfaction levels; the Faculty of Education however, received praise as ‘fantastic’.

Student and Alumni Successes:
• Fall Convocation took place last week as the largest fall graduating class in our history, with 655 students receiving their degrees, diplomas, and certificates. The honorary degree recipient was Malcolm Lowe, Concertmaster of the Boston Symphony Orchestra. Dr. Lowe is a former student of the Conservatory of Performing Arts.
• The 10th annual Alumni Crowning achievement Awards will be presented tonight. The award recipients include; Leonard Schein, Courtney Keith, Sean MEachern, Barry Pittendrigh and Sel Murray.

Campus Events and Announcements:
• A recent gift, by Dr. Jacqui Shumiatcher, consisted of approximately $3 million in art will be displayed on campus and at the MacKenzie Art Gallery as part of the Shumiatcher Art Collection.
• The provincial cabinet held an off-site meeting at the University on October 15, the President and Vice-President (Research) present on the University and research impact.
• A Joseph Boyden reading and lecture was held last week, thank you to Campion and FNUniv for this great initiative.
• The Winter Council Meeting is currently being scheduled.

Areas of Focus Going Forward:
• A State of the University address and public forum is being planned for January.
• President’s Community Award will be awarded to Rene Kapoor on December 16.
• Christmas Open house at the President’s house will be December 12.

4. Report from the University Secretary – No Report
5. Reports from Committees

5.1 Council Committee on Undergraduate Admissions and Studies, Appendix I

K. Irwin presented the report.

5.1.1 Faculty of Arts

Revisions to Geography and Environmental Studies Program

Irwin – Kleer moved to delete all three concentrations in the BA Combined major in Economics and Geography effective 201520, as outlined in Appendix I, pages 2-3 of the agenda.

CARRIED

Arts Minor for Non-Arts Students

Irwin – Kleer moved to permit students from Faculties other than Arts to complete up to two Arts minors permitted by the student’s primary Faculty, effective 201520, as outlined in Appendix I, page 3 of the agenda.

CARRIED

5.1.2 Faculty of Fine Arts

Revision to High School Admission Requirements for Fine Arts

Irwin – Staseson moved that Earth Science 30 and Photography 30 be added to the list of approved 30 level courses from Saskatchewan high schools for admission to Fine Arts, effective 201530, as outlined in Appendix I, page 4 of the agenda.

CARRIED

5.1.3 Faculty of Science

Revision to BSc in Biology, Cellular & Molecular Biology Area of Concentration

Irwin – Gagnon moved to add course BIOL 406 and remove course BIOL 490BG as one of the 300/400-level Biology options from the BSc and BSc Honours program Cellular & Molecular Biology Area of Concentration in Biology (Sections 16.11.2.3 and 16.11.2.4 of the UG Calendar), and add BIOL 406 to the list of approved 300/400-level courses offered by Biology, effective 201520, as outlined in Appendix I, page 4 of the agenda.

CARRIED

An omnibus motion was put forward on the following two motions:

Irwin – Gagnon
Revisions to Department of Computer Science Programs

moved to add CS 205, CS 427, and CS 428 and remove CS 325, CS 327, and CS 305 in the list of approved electives in the Minor in Creative Technologies in Computer Science, effective 201530, as outlined in Appendix I, page 4 of the agenda.

Revisions to BSc Programs in Computer Science

moved to
- Add CS 428 to and remove CS 305 from the BSc in Software Systems Development programs (Section 16.13.2.6 of the UG Calendar);
- Add CS 428 and remove CS 305 as an option in the Post-Diploma BSc in Computer Science (Section 16.13.2.7 of the UG Calendar); and,
- Add CS 205 to and remove from the BSc Business Area of Concentration in Computer Science (Section 16.13.2.8 of the UG Calendar) effective 201530, as outlined in Appendix I, pages 4-5 of the agenda.

The question was called on the ominous motion. CARRIED

5.1.4 Centre for Continuing Education

Revision to CCE High School Admission Requirements

Irwin – King
moved to revise the Centre for Continuing Education’s high school admission requirements to include Earth Science 30 effective 201530, as outlined in Appendix I, page 5 of the agenda.

CARRIED

6. Graduand Lists

6.1 Graduand Lists for Approval

Revet – Watson
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 – No Report

8.2 Business Administration – A. Gaudes invited all of EoC to a presentation by Ambassador Selcuk Unal, Turkey’s Ambassador to Canada on October 23. Ambassador Unal will be joined by Kent Campbell, the Deputy Minister of Intergovernmental Affairs.
The 41st Annual Hill Business Dinner will be held next Friday, with Don Walker as the guest speaker. The dinner is the largest run event by students. In September, the dean reported registration numbers are up and wanted to add that 90% of first year Business courses are delivered outside of the faculty.

8.3 Education – J. Tupper followed up on the recent Globe and Mail survey indicated the Faculty was recognized as fantastic. The 2014 SAFE conference will be held this week including a public event viewing of the award winning documentary Two Worlds Colliding. Director Tasha Hubbard will be present to talk about the film and where issues stand ten years after the film was released.

8.4 Engineering and Applied Science – E. Hussain announced the faculty has approved an External Advisory Board to advise on the needs of the Engineering Community and promote faculty and alumni. The first meeting will take place in January 2015.

8.5 Fine Arts – R. Staseson announced MFA alumni Robin Lambert has been nominated for the RBC Emerging Artist People’s Choice Award. The 5th Parallel will be hosting an International Project entitled #3CL: Three City Link. It is a collaborative project linking Fine Arts researchers, artists and students in three cities: Regina, SK; Coventry, UK; and Gyumri, Armenia. The live event will run November 3-14.

8.6 Graduate Studies and Research – No Report

8.7 Kinesiology and Health Studies – H. Riemer announced the press conference tomorrow regarding the new George Reed Centre for Accessible Visual Communications, funded by the George Reed Foundation. The Man Up Against Violence events will be held October 27-31 with the keynote speaker Jackson Katz on October 30th.

8.8 Nursing – No Report

8.9 Science – No Report

8.10 Social Work – No Report

8.11 Centre for Continuing Education – No Report

8.12 Library – W. Sgrazzutti announced the 2014 COHERE (Collaboration for Online Higher Education Research) conference will be held October 27-28 and more information is available online or from Kate Cushon. The GSI data expo will be held November 18, please contact Marilyn Andrews for more information.

8.13 Institut français – S. Bouffard announced student lectures are being held with the Department of French once a week over the noon hour. More information will be announced shortly in English regarding the November 5th lecture by Dr. Bruno Dupeyron on International Migration in North America, as part of the Department of French Seminars.

8.14 Federated Colleges

8.14.1 Campion College – Father Meehan announced the Joseph Boyden talk was very well received. Campion College hosted its convocation ceremony on
October 17th. The Campion College Alumni of Distinction Awards will be presented to Randell Garvey and Curtis Kleisinger on November 6th. Allison Fizzard will be officially installed as the new dean on November 10th.

8.14.2 First Nations University of Canada – No Report

8.14.3 Luther College – V. Greifenhagen announced information is available for the Voluntary Sector Studies Network at Luther College. A launch event is planned for October 30th. On November 2 the Luther Bach Choir presents a Best of the Baroque Concert Series entitled “Lutheran Sacred Music through the Ages.” The program features Dr. Barbara Reul speaking on “Thinking outside the Bachs.”

9. Other Business

9.1 Strategic Plan Update

President Timmons discussed the approval process of the Strategic Plan. At the September 10th meeting of Council, Council endorsed the draft plan and agreed to receive, via email, the final version of the Draft Strategic Plan for final input prior to the Board of Governors receiving the final version for its approval.

It was agreed Executive of Council would vote on the Draft Strategic Plan at this meeting, after the discussion.

All input received on the final draft will be forwarded to the Board of Governors along with the final draft.

Senate unanimously approved and endorsed the Draft Strategic Plan on October 17th.

J. Piwowar presented the draft strategic plan and outlined the changes since the previous draft was circulated. Discussion followed.

Camp – Spooner moved the endorsement of the 2015-2020 University of Regina Strategic Plan by Executive of Council and recommends approval of the Strategic Plan to the Board of Governors.

The question was called on the motion.  

CARRIED

Papandreou – Juschka moved that the 2015-2020 University of Regina Strategic Plan be provided to all of campus for an electronic vote.

Discussion followed for or against the motion.

Papandreou – Cule moved to make an amendment to the motion that the electronic vote be distributed to only Council.

The question was called on the amendment.  

DEFEATED
The question was called on the original motion.

10. **Adjournment** – Novik (3:48 p.m.)

   Annette Revet, University Secretary