MEMBERS PRESENT:


Guests: S. Gray, A. Volodin, N. Mobed, N. Ashton


Recorder: P. Schouten

The meeting was called to order at 2:33 p.m. by T. Chase (acting Chair).

1. Approval of Agenda

The agenda was amended to include the addition of the Faculty of Education graduand list under 6.1.5

Bredohl – Brogden

moved that the agenda be approved as amended.

CARRIED

2. Approval of Minutes of Meeting of 23 September 2015

Amend the minutes of section 9.4 to read – “With regards to ordinary office supplies for research, it is expected that each faculty should cover these costs.”

Amend the minutes of section 8.11 to read – “Starting in the Fall 2016 (201630), La Cité – in partnership with the Faculty of Science - will be offering French sections to 1st year science courses.”

Ramsey - Brogden

moved that the minutes be approved as amended.

CARRIED
3. Remarks from the Chair

In keeping with the Indigenization commitment in the University’s strategic plan, the Chair acknowledged that the University is located on Treaty 4 and Treaty 6 territory.

Provost Thomas Chase chaired the meeting of Executive of Council and provided the following comments:

- President Timmons met with the Prime Minister Designate (Justin Trudeau) that morning as she is at meetings with Universities Canada.
- Congratulations to Clinical Sociology who were re-accredited for 7 years which is a significant accomplishment as it is a very difficult process and rare to achieve the longest possible term for re-accreditation.
- There are two possible media issues that council members need to be aware of:
  - (i) There was a disturbance in an evening classroom that was filmed and posted on the internet. If anyone is asked, the incident is being handled according to the non-academic misconduct policy.
  - (ii) The McLane’s ranking report is out electronically today and in print by Friday. Historically, this report generates media attention.

4. Report from the University Secretary

There is no report.

5. Reports from Committees

5.1 Council Committee on Research

The Council Committee on Research presented a draft policy called the Research Chairs Policy. It was agreed that the policy would be brought forward for discussion; however, there was no recommendation for approval. Discussion followed. Suggestions were made and there will be clarifications made in order to ensure that the policy aligns with the University of Regina Act. The Policy will be updated and brought back to a future E of C meeting.

The remainder of the Council Committee on Research report was presented for information.

5.2 Council Committee on Undergraduate Admissions and Studies, Appendix I

L. Domm presented the following motions on behalf of the Council Committee:

Report from the Faculty of Science

Domm - Gagnon

moved to add Math 103 as a calculus option to Section 16.9.1.1 – Structure of the Program, of the Undergraduate Calendar and Course Catalog: Effective 201630.

CARRIED
Domm - Gagnon moved to close admissions to the BSc Combined Major in Biology and Statistics program. Effective 201610.

CARRIED

Domm - Gagnon moved to add the newly created BIOL 310 – Microbiology Diversity and Cell Function to the BSc and BSc Hons program in Biology, Cellular & Molecular Biology Area of Concentration.

CARRIED

Domm - Gagnon moved to approve the following Omnibus motions regarding BSc and Joint BSc and BSc Hons and Joint BSc Hons in Biology programs.

- To remove BIOL 220 (Introductory Microbiology) and replace it with one Biology course at the 2XX, 3XX, or 4XX level. Effective Date: 201630

- To add BIOL 275 as a required course, add one course from BIOL 2XX, BIOL 3XX, 4XX, or BIOC 220, and remove both instances of BIOL 275, 276 or BIOC 220 Effective Date: 201630

- To add BIOL 402 as a required course and remove either one BIOL 3XX or 4XX or one course from the “Courses From” list. Effective Date: 201630

- To replace BIOL 265 with the newly created BIOL 378 course. Effective Date: 201630

CARRIED

Domm - Gagnon moved to adopt MATH 103 and MATH 112 as an alternative calculus stream in the BSc and BSc Hons in Biology programs (which currently require MATH 110 and MATH 111), and to adopt MATH 103 as an alternative to calculus requirement for the BSc & BSc Hons in Environmental Biology programs (which currently require only MATH 110). Effective Date: 201630.

CARRIED

Domm - Gagnon moved to update the requirements of the Minor in Physics as Outlined below: Effective 201630.

CARRIED

6. Graduand Lists

6.1 Graduand Lists for Approval

Schick - Eberlein 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 (N/R).

8.2 Business Administration - Dean Gaudes thanked everyone who attended the successful Business Administration Dinner held the night before.

8.3 Education - The Faculty of Education wishes to acknowledge Dr. Sean Lessard as recipient of the Canadian Education Association Pat Clifford Award for early career research. This is a prestigious award and Dr. Lessard is most deserving.

Dean Tupper also acknowledged Thom Collegiate teacher and Masters of Education student Kim Sadowsky as recipient of the Governor General's History Award for Teaching Excellence, for her work on treaty education. We are proud that she is one of ours!

8.4 Engineering and Applied Science - N/R

8.5 Fine Arts - N/R

8.6 Graduate Studies and Research - N/R

8.7 Kinesiology and Health Studies – No report but reminded everyone of the Man Up against Violence events that are scheduled during the week.

8.8 Nursing - N/R

8.8 Science - N/R

8.9 Social Work - N/R

8.10 Centre for Continuing Education - N/R

8.11 La Cité universitaire francophone – On November 5th there is a new lecture series starting entitled “Off the Beaten Track”

8.12 Library - N/R

8.13 Federated Colleges

8.13.1 Campion College – President Meehan reported that:
(i) Campion and Luther Colleges had a successful voter challenge prior to the federal election. Luther won the challenge and voter turnout from both colleges was high.
(ii) Dr. Joan Halmo and Dr. Robert Labbie will be honoured at the Campion Alumni of Distinction dinner at the Saskatchewan Hotel on Nov. 5.
(iii) A group of students will represent Campion and the U of R at the Social Justice “teach-in” in Washington, DC on Nov. 7-8.
8.13.2 First Nations University of Canada - N/R

8.13.3 Luther College – President Hillis invited everyone to attend on November 8 at 7:30 p.m. “Best of the Baroque” by the Luther Bach Choir with featured guest speaker Dr. Yvonne Petry.

9. Other Business

9.4 Internationalization Plan, Appendix 3

L. Castellanos and H. King presented this item to Executive of Council. Discussion followed with feedback provided by Executive of Council members. The draft plan will return to Executive of Council for approval.

The next meeting of Executive of Council is scheduled for November 25, 2015.

10. Adjournment – Sherbert (3:40 p.m.)

Annette Revet
University Secretary