MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE UNIVERSITY OF REGINA COUNCIL  
16 APRIL 2018  
EDUCATION AUDITORUM 106

MEMBERS: 106 present.

GUESTS: 1 present.

Attendance records are appended to the official file.

1. Introduction

Once quorum was reached, the meeting was called to order at 1:09 p.m. by President Timmons. President Timmons welcomed those attending the meeting from Saskatoon via live stream.

2. Approval of the Agenda

Hanson – Juschka
moved that the agenda be approved as circulated.

The question was called on the motion.  
CARRIED

3. Approval of the Council Minutes of the Meeting 9 December 2015

Juschka – Londono Sulkin
moved that the minutes be approved as circulated.

The question was called on the motion.  
CARRIED

3. Business Arising from the Minutes – None.

4. Report from the Chair of Council

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 and the traditional homeland of the Metis.
President Timmons offered the following remarks:

A search has been completed for the Associate Vice-President Academic. Congratulations to Dr. Nilgun Önder who was appointed to a five year term, beginning July 1, 2018. Thanks were given to Dr. Larena Hoeber who has been filling the interim position of the Associate Vice-President (Academic and Research).

A search for the Associate Vice-President Research and Dean of the Faculty of Graduate Studies and Research is currently underway. There are three shortlisted candidates, please attend the presentations from these candidates. The Vice-President, Research provided additional information about the position and the search.

The University of Regina will see a 0% increase in the province’s grant for 2018-2019.

6. Reports from Council Committees

6.1 Council Agenda Committee, Appendix I, pp. 2-3

L. Watson presented the report on behalf of the Council Agenda Committee and recommended the following motion to Council:

Watson – Londono Sulkin
Moved to change the procedural rules of Council, in order to do away with the requirement that the President call for University Council meetings twice a year.

Discussion followed and included:

- An inquiry of the President as to her intent to call together Council if requested/required (the President confirmed)
- A caution that Dr. Timmons will not always be the President
- That meetings of Council could be more or less frequent, depending on the situation and nature of issues requiring Council’s input and advice

The question was called on the motion.

CARRIED
5 opposed

6.2 Council Committee on Academic Mission, Appendix II, pp. 3-4

D. Juschka presented the report on behalf of the Council Committee on Academic Mission, and highlighted the 8 items of focus by CCAM during the 2018 Winter term.

Discussion followed.
6.3 Council Committee on Budget, Verbal Update

M. Cule presented a verbal report on behalf of the Council Committee on Budget.

The Council Committee on Budget has had additional meetings in the Winter term to evaluate unit budget submissions. At the meeting of 28 March, the Council Committee on Budget produced a recommendation to the University of Regina Budget Team on the priorities for new academic positions.

Discussion followed and included:

- Transparency/reporting of the Council Committee on Budget
- A request for the list of prioritization of requested positions by CCB (M. Cule went through the lists that were previously presented to the campus community at the Budget Forum on April 13, 2018)

7. Other Business

7.1 Council member elected to the Board of Governors, Verbal Update

C. Londono Sulkin noted that the biographies of each member of the Board of Governors is available on the University of Regina website. Each individual brings a unique perspective to the Board, members have knowledge and experience in a variety of areas.

Discussion followed including an inquiry regarding meetings of the Board.

In closing, President Timmons thanked everyone for coming, for Council members’ continued engagement and the Council Committees for their hard work. Appreciation was expressed to the Council Agenda Committee.

It was noted that Council meetings, as stated in the Rules and Regulations, are normally held to consider broad issues that are in the long term interests of the University. The President would like Council to consider issues like retention, student satisfaction and research impact, for example. Suggestions can continue to be submitted to the Council Agenda Committee through the University Secretariat for consideration.

8. Adjournment - DeCoste (1:59 p.m.)

Glenys Sylvestre
Executive Director (University Governance) and University Secretary