MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE OF THE UNIVERSITY OF REGINA COUNCIL
27 FEBRUARY 2019
ADMINISTRATION-HUMANITIES BOARDROOM 527

MEMBERS PRESENT:


Recorder: S. Stewart

The meeting was called to order at 2:30 p.m. by the Provost and Vice-President (Academic) Dr. Thomas Chase. He expressed regrets for President Timmons who was attending meetings in Ottawa.

1. Approval of the Agenda

   Eisler - Gregory
   Moved that the agenda be approved as circulated.  
   CARRIED

2. Approval of the Minutes of Meeting 23 January 2019

   Melançon - Sherbert
   Moved that the minutes be approved as circulated.  
   CARRIED

3. Business Arising from the Minutes

   L. Castellanos, AVP (International), provided an update on the review of the University’s English Language Proficiency (ELP) requirements.
A task force has been created to review and compare the ELP requirements at the University of Regina to other comprehensive universities across Canada. Once the task force gathers all of the necessary information, recommendations may result which would be brought forward to Executive of Council for its consideration.

4. 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 and the traditional homeland of the Metis.

Dr. Chase offered the following remarks:

On February 13, 2019, a historic signing ceremony was held at First Nations University of Canada. The partnership between Star Blanket Cree Nation, First Nations University of Canada, University of Regina, Government of Saskatchewan, Government of Canada, City of Regina and CIBC creates Canada’s first urban reserve dedicated to education.

5. Report from the University Secretary

G. Sylvestre, University Secretary thanked all Council members for putting their names forward for the Council Elections to Executive of Council. Communication about the results will be sent to the faculties shortly, as well as a call for volunteers to Council’s Committees will be issued shortly.

6. Reports from Committees

6.1 Council Committee on Undergraduate Admissions and Studies, Appendix I, Pages 2 - 5.

J. Piwowar presented the report on behalf of the Committee

6.1.1 Faculty of Arts

6.1.1.1 Psychology

Revision to BA Honours in Psychology Content in Program Template

Piwowar - Kleer

Moved to remove the requirement of PSYC 406 or 407 from the Bachelor of Arts Honours in Psychology and replace with PSYC 408, effective 201930.

CARRIED
6.1.1.2 International Studies Program

Asian Studies and European Studies Concentrations Admissions

A typo was noted in the title of the motion; it should read “admissions.”

Piwowar - Kleer

Moved to suspend admissions to the Asian Studies Concentration and European Studies Concentrations from the Bachelor of Arts in International Studies and the Bachelor of Arts Honours in International Studies, effective 2019-20.

CARRIED

Chinese Studies Minor

Piwowar - Kleer

Moved to make the Chinese Studies minor historical, effective 2019-30.

CARRIED

6.1.2 Faculty of Business Administration

Faculty of Business Program Templates Revision

Piwowar - Grandy

Moved to change the statistics course requirement in all Faculty of Business program templates from STAT 100 to STAT 100 or STAT 160, effective 2019-20.

CARRIED

6.1.3 Faculty of Engineering and Applied Science

6.1.3.1 Petroleum Systems Program

Petroleum Systems Approved Electives

Piwowar - Hussein

Moved to update the approved electives in the Petroleum Systems Engineering program template as outlined in Appendix I, Page 4 of the Agenda, effective 2019-20.

CARRIED
6.1.4 Faculty of Science

6.1.4.1 Science Qualifying Program

**Update to Science Qualifying Program Process**

Piwowar - Farenick

Moved to update the requirements of the Faculty of Science Qualifying Process to clarify when students are to complete course(s) missing at the time of admission as outlined in Appendix I, Page 5 of the Agenda, effective 2019-2020.

CARRIED

7. Graduand Lists

*These lists were distributed confidentially at the meeting.*

7.1 Graduand Lists for Approval

Stilling - Cripps

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

7.2 Correction of Errors to Previously Approved Graduates

7.2.1 Faculty of Graduate Studies and Research

McNutt - Schroeter

Moved to approve the correction of the error to the credential of the previously approved graduate whose name appears on the list as distributed at the meeting and is appended to the official file.

CARRIED

8. Other Business


The report was received for information.
8.2 Academic Integrity Assessment Committee, For Discussion, Distributed at the meeting

R. Kleer, Chair, Academic Integrity Assessment Committee presented the report on behalf of the Committee.

Discussion followed. Topics of discussion included:
- The benefits of reporting on misconduct cases and outcomes
- ARTS 099 and the effectiveness of this course
- The importance of critical thinking skills in an undergraduate program
- Potential risks of an anonymous misconduct reporting system
- Concern with the working around high stakes tests and assessments
- Some recommendations might require investment in technology
- Support of exams held outside of gymnasiums
- Recognition of the educational aspect of misconduct processes, not only punishment

R. Kleer noted that the Committee is still collecting information. It was agreed that final recommendations will be brought forward through Council Committees to Executive of Council for approval.

9. Adjournment – Stilling (3:10 p.m.)

Glenys Sylvestre
Executive Director (University Governance) and University Secretary