MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE OF THE UNIVERSITY OF REGINA COUNCIL
19 JUNE 2019
ADMINISTRATION-HUMANITIES BOARDROOM 527

MEMBERS PRESENT:


Guests: R. Blake, A. Couros, L. Robertson, D. Storie, L. Watson, C. Yost


Recorder: S. Stewart

The meeting was called to order at 2:33 p.m. by the President and Vice-Chancellor, Dr. Vianne Timmons.

1. Approval of the Agenda

The Chair requested Item 4 “Remarks from the Chair” be moved following Items 6 and 7.

Stilling - Spooner

Moved that the agenda be approved as amended.

CARRIED

2. Approval of the Minutes of Meeting of 22 May 2019

It was noted there was a typographical error in Item 4 “Remarks from the Chair” which should read “Acting Associate Vice-President (Research).”
DeCoste - Gregory

Moved that the minutes be approved as amended.

CARRIED

3. Business Arising from the Minutes – None.

5. Report from the University Secretary

No report.

6. Reports from Committees of Council

6.1 Council Committee on the Faculty of Graduate Studies and Research, Appendix I, Pages 3-4

L. Watson presented the report on behalf of the Committee.

6.1.1 Faculty of Graduate Studies and Research

Course Change

Watson - DeCoste

The motion was amended to change the effective date to 202010.

Moved that the following courses credit and billing hours be changes from 6 to 0, effective 202010.
Arts 601 – Graduate Co-op Work Term I
Arts 602 – Graduate Co-op Work Term II

The question was called on the amended motion.

CARRIED

6.2 Council Committee on Research, Appendix II, Pages 5-15, Attachments A, B, C, D

R. Blake presented the report on behalf of the Committee.

6.2.1 Constitutional Change and Name Change for Saskatchewan Instructional Development & Research Unit (SIDRU)

The two items were presented as an omnibus motion.

Blake - Spooner
Moved that the Council Committee on Research recommends that the Faculty of Education’s Faculty-based research centre, formerly known as the “Saskatchewan Instructional Development Research Unit” (SIDRU), be renamed the “Centre for Educational Research, Collaboration, and Development.”

Moved that the Council Committee on Research recommends to adopt the revised constitution for the Faculty of Education’s Faculty-based research centre, as found in Attachment A.

Discussion followed regarding the reasoning for the name change.

The question was called on the omnibus motion. CARRIED

6.3 Council Committee on Student Appeals, Appendix III, Page 16

R. Thomas presented the report on behalf of the Committee.

The report was received for information.

6.4 Council Committee on Undergraduate Admissions and Studies, Appendix IV, Page 17

S. Khan presented the report on behalf of the Committee.

The report was received for information.

6.5 Council Discipline Committee, Appendix V, Page 18

G. Sylvestre presented the report on behalf of the Committee.

The report was received for information.

6.6 Council Nominating Committee, Appendix VI, Pages 19-20, Attachment E

M. DeCoste presented the report on behalf of the Committee.

6.6.1 Replacements on Council Committee Requiring Council Membership

DeCoste - Leavitt

Moved that the individuals listed be approved to serve on the following committees, as detailed in Appendix VI, Pages 19-20 and Attachment E.
M. DeCoste noted that Yvonne Harrison is the Luther College representative on the Council Committee on Research. The listing will reflect this correction.

The question was called on the amended motion.

CARRIED

7. Graduand Lists

*These lists were distributed confidentially at the meeting.*

7.1 Graduand Lists for Approval

Grandy - Sherbert

**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 Corrections to Previously Approved Graduates

Grandy - Sherbert

**Moved to** approve the correction of the errors to the credentials of the previously approved graduates whose names appear on the lists as distributed at the meeting and are appended to the official file.

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.

President Timmons offered the following remarks:

Thank you to those who attended the Spring 2019 Convocation. This Spring, we awarded 2,221 parchments to 2,093 students, of whom 8.1% were self-declared Indigenous students and 18.8% were international students.

This year’s Convocation award winners were very impressive. Dr. Joanne Weber of the Faculty of Education received the Governor General’s Academic Gold Medal, Tristan Heisler of the Faculty of Engineering and Applied Science received the Governor General’s Silver Medal, Taya Triffo of the Faculty of Arts received the President’s Medal, and Annaliese Beck-McKenzie of Luther Science received the University Medal.
Congratulations to Pam Klein on her election as Chancellor by the University of Regina Senate at the June meeting. Ms Klein will serve as Chancellor from July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2022. She has been associated with the University of Regina for many years, most recently serving as Vice-Chair of the Board of Governors.

Dr. Jim Tomkins will complete his term as Chancellor on June 30, 2019. Dr. Tomkins has served the University of Regina for 50 years in various roles. His commitment and leadership will be missed.

Congratulations to Dr. Cathy Rocke, who has been appointed Dean of Social Work. Dr. Rocke is currently the Associate Dean (Undergraduate Programs) in the Faculty of Social Work at the University of Manitoba. Dr. Rocke will begin her appointment on January 2, 2020.

Dr. Amr Henni has been appointed Acting Dean of the Faculty of Engineering and Applied Science from July 1, 2019 to December 31, 2019. During this period Dean Hussein will be focusing on his research.

The University recently received a generous donation of 70 paintings and sketches by legendary Canadian artist Kenneth Lochhead from his family. Kenneth Lochhead, a member of the Regina Five, taught at the University for a number of years.

Over the summer all faculty and staff are encouraged to complete the “4 Seasons of Reconciliation” certificate program. Announced in April, the program was in part developed by First Nations University of Canada.

Following the Chair’s remarks, Executive of Council was invited to share any further information or raise items for discussion. Discussion followed and included:
- Potential lessons regarding the recent media reporting related to discarded wrestling awards
- Additional information was requested regarding the Strategic Plan for Sustainability
  - Dr. Timmons noted that the Provost and Vice-President (Academic) will present to Executive of Council on this topic in the Fall
- Difficulty with convocation attendance due to conflict with Congress
  - Dr. Timmons noted that she recently attended the Spring 2019 Convocation of Arctic College in Nunavut. Thank you to the Faculty of Education for their support of this program over the years
- The recent move of Alliance Health off the University of Regina campus, and the plan for nurse practitioners to provide primary health care to students
- Recent changes to parking rules and regulations
8. **Other Business**

8.1 Academic Integrity Assessment Committee, For Information, *Distributed at the meeting*

G. Sylvestre presented the report on behalf of the Committee.

Discussion followed. Topics of discussion included:
- Potential risks of an anonymous misconduct reporting system
- Concerns with reducing penalties of students who admit responsibility
- Concerns with linking academic misconduct with English Language Proficiency requirements
- Specific programs that include an education component related to academic integrity

This feedback will be provided to the Committee for consideration, prior to finalization of their recommendations.

9. **Adjournment – Çule (3:20 p.m.)**

\[Signature\]

Glenys Sylvestre  
Executive Director (University Governance) and University Secretary