

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE OF THE UNIVERSITY OF REGINA COUNCIL
25 SEPTEMBER 2019
ADMINISTRATION-HUMANITIES BOARDROOM 527

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Ex Officio: V. Timmons, E. Aito, L. Castellanos, T. Chase, J. Cranston, J. D'Arcy, D. Farenick, G. Grandy, d. Gregory, S. Helewa, A. Henni, B. Hillis, N. Jones, B. Kayseas, H. King, R. Kleer, K. McNutt, N. Önder, Y. Petry, T. Phenix, K. Ricketts, H. Riemer, J. Smith, R. Staseson, G. Sylvestre, B. Waytuck, J. White

Elected: I. Al-Anbagi, M. Akinpelu, A. Bais, K. Bommvaram, P. Bruno, A. Cameron, S. Campbell, N. Chevalier, D. Cripps, M. DeCoste, E. Eaton, J. Farney, J. Feeney, D. Gagnon, C. Gelowitz, B. Hall, D. Halabuza, S. Hengen, L. Hoerber, M. Hrebenik, S. Khan, C. Kulczycki, K. Lehmann, P. Lewis, A. Magnan, J. Mantesso, R. Manzon, D. Meban, J. Melançon, J. Munro, B. Nelke, Z. Papandreou, J. Piwowar, C. Ramsay, B. Reul, B. Ridha C. Riegel, A. Rubalcava, O. Salad Hersi, J. Siemer, A. Snider, C. Somers, M. Spooner, B. Sterenberg, D. Stilling, B. Stockton, A. Stoddart, D. Storie, R. Truskowski, A. Urban, M. Van Luven, J. Wagner, L. Watson, S. Whalley, H. Weger, S. Wilson, S. Young

Guests: S. Azadbakht, K. Finlay, C. Yost

Regrets: A. Bansal, M. Brigham, D. Cripps, D. Dick, P. Leavitt, P. Mather, T. McIntosh, K. McNutt, D. Moen, G. Russell, D. Sharpe, A. Snider, A. Wickson-Griffiths

Recorder: S. Stewart

The meeting was called to order at 2:45 p.m. by the President and Vice-Chancellor, Dr. Vianne Timmons.

1. Approval of the Agenda

Stilling - Spooner

Moved that the agenda be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

2. Approval of the Minutes of Meeting of 19 June 2019

Önder - Grandy

Moved that the minutes be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

3. Business Arising from the Minutes

3.1 Report from the Council Committee on Research, Appendix I, Pages 3-29

C. Yost presented the report on behalf of the Committee and acknowledged the leadership of former Chair R. Blake.

Discussion followed. Topics of discussion included:

- Office location of Vice-President (Research)
- Promotion of graduate studies at the University
- Tuition and fees for graduate students
- Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC) funding

Thanks were given to all who have provided feedback. If members of Council have additional feedback related to the Council Committee on Research, they can contact C. Yost or provide comments on the Council Discussion Forum.

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:

A number of events are occurring or have occurred related to reconciliation. Thanks were given to everyone who participated in the Treaty 4 Gathering in Fort Qu'Appelle. The event was well attended by University faculty, staff, and students.

September 30, 2019 is Orange Shirt Day. The day is a way to honour the healing journey of Residential School survivors and their families and commit to the ongoing process of reconciliation.

The President welcomed new and returning Executive of Council members.

Enrolments continue to be positive. Spring/Summer 2019 enrolment was up 6.8% as compared to last year. As well, Fall 2019 enrolment is up over 6%. This is our 11th consecutive year of increased enrolments.

We continue to communicate our top capital and operating priorities to the government.

The "You Belong Here. Racism Doesn't" campaign is continuing this Fall. This campaign is becoming increasingly important in our community. A number of events have been planned for the Fall, including a presentation on unconscious bias with Anthony McLean on October 1st.

Approximately 35 individuals in the University and its federated colleges participated in the recent orientation for new faculty members. They are an enthusiastic and accomplished group.

Convocation will take place on October 18th. The Honorary Degree Recipient is Art Wakabayashi, Chancellor Emeritus, distinguished public servant, and member of the Order of Canada. At this ceremony, we will also celebrate the installation of our new Chancellor, Pamela Klein. All members of Executive of Council are encouraged to attend the Convocation ceremony.

Equity, diversity, and inclusion (EDI) will become a significant focus for us over the next number of years. We have important work to do in this area.

President Timmons invited d. Gregory, Dean, Faculty of Nursing, to provide information on the planned student wellness centre, which is being created to offer primary health care and health promotion for students at the University.

The President and the Provost held a town hall jointly with the University of Regina Students' Union (URSU) earlier in the day. Topics of discussion included tuition, affordability, and student mental health.

President Timmons invited J. Smith, Associate Vice-President (Student Affairs), to provide an update on the opening of the bookstore and central testing facility. The renovated bookstore will be opening shortly. The central testing facility will move into its new space in November. A soft launch of the central testing facility is scheduled for Spring/Summer 2020, with full implementation in Fall 2020.

President Timmons invited K. Finlay, Lead Facilitator (Strategic Planning), to provide an update on the strategic planning process. Updates will occur at each Executive of Council meeting.

5. Report from the University Secretary

Thanks were given to Executive of Council members who attended the orientation prior to the meeting.

5.1 Revisions to the Council Rules and Regulations, Appendix II, Pages 30-69

G. Sylvestre presented the report to Executive of Council.

It was noted on Page 31 of the agenda package that Johnson Shoyama Graduate School of Public Policy should not be included in 2.2.3 Election of Student Representatives to Council. These students will be included in Graduate Studies.

It was further noted on Page 35, the Director, Research Office should not be included in Appendix A. The respective Associate Vice-Presidents are represented on Executive of Council and Directors will no longer be included.

Sylvestre - McNutt

Moved that Executive of Council approve the revisions to the Council Rules and Regulations in Attachments A and B, as amended.

The question was called on the amended motion.

CARRIED

6. Reports from Committees of Council

6.1 Council Committee on the Faculty of Graduate Studies and Research, Appendix III, Pages 70-72

N. Jones presented the report on behalf of the Committee.

6.1.1 Faculty of Business of Administration

MAdmin Program Change

Jones - Grandy

Moved that the Master of Administration (co-op option) be modified as outlined in Appendix III, Pages 70-71, effective 202010.

CARRIED

6.1.2 Faculty of Science

Program Change

Jones - Farenick

Moved that the description for the PhD program in Mathematics and Statistics be modified, as outlined in Appendix III, Page 71, effective 202030.

CARRIED

The remainder of the report was received for information.

6.2 Faculty of Graduate Studies and Research Scholarship Committee, Appendix to the Minutes

The report was distributed confidentially at the meeting.

A. Cameron presented the report on behalf of the Committee.

6.2.1 President's Distinguished Graduate Award

Cameron - Jones

Moved that Dr. Tegan Beattie (Doctor of Philosophy in Physics) be awarded the President's Distinguished Graduate Award.

CARRIED

6.3 Council Committee on Undergraduate Awards, Appendix to the Minutes

The report was distributed confidentially at the meeting.

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

6.3.1 President's Medal

Hoeber - DeCoste

Moved that the President's Medal for the 2019 Fall Convocation be awarded to Quinn Bast from the Faculty of Engineering and Applied Science.

CARRIED

6.4 Council Committee on Undergraduate Admissions and Studies, Appendix IV, Pages 73-81

J. Piwowar presented the report on behalf of the Committee.

6.4.1 Faculty of Arts

6.4.1.1 Catholic Studies

Revision to the Minor in Catholic Studies

The motion was **withdrawn** from the agenda.

6.4.1.2 Indigenous Language and Linguistics – First Nations University of Canada

Other Courses in Linguistics

Piwowar - Kayseas

Moved to add FRN 330AA-ZZ and FRN 430AA-ZZ to the list of "Other courses in Linguistics," effective 202020.

CARRIED

6.4.1.3 Law and Society

Revisions to the Approved Elective List for Law and Society

Piwowar - Kleer

Moved to include PHIL 276 and JS 276, Professional Ethics, to the Group II approved elective list for Law and Society programs, effective 202020.

CARRIED

6.4.1.4 Nonprofit Sector Leadership and Innovation – Joint Motion with the Centre for Continuing Education

Revisions to Certificate in Nonprofit Sector Leadership and Innovation

Piwowar - Chevalier

Moved to amend the Certificate in Nonprofit Sector Leadership template with the changes to course numbers and pre-requisites, effective 202020.

CARRIED

6.4.2 Faculty of Education

6.4.2.1 Four-Year Arts Education Program and Arts Education After Degree (BEAD)

Program Changes

Piwowar - Cranston

Moved that changes be made to the Four Year Arts Education Program, Arts Education Major and Arts Education After Degree (BEAD) Program, Arts Education Major, effective 202020.

CARRIED

6.4.3 Faculty of Science

6.2.3.1 Residency and Transfer Credit

Revision to Residency and Transfer Credit

Piwowar - Farenick

Moved to change the wording in the Science section titled *Residency and Transfer Credit* as outlined in Appendix IV, Page 81, effective 202020.

CARRIED

7. Graduand Lists

These lists were distributed confidentially at the meeting.

7.1 Graduand Lists for Approval

Chase - Kayseas

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

8. Other Business

8.1 Report from the Faculty of Arts, Appendix V, Pages 82-83

R. Kleer presented the report on behalf of the Faculty of Arts.

Kleer - Önder

Moved that Executive of Council recommend to Senate that the Faculty of Arts be renamed the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, effective 202120.

Discussion followed. Topics of discussion included:

- Natural sciences not being included in the proposed name
- Costs related to the change in name

CARRIED

1 OPPOSED

9. Adjournment – Watson (3:50 p.m.)



Glenys Sylvestre
Executive Director (University Governance) and University Secretary