MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE OF THE UNIVERSITY OF REGINA COUNCIL
26 JANUARY 2022
VIA WEB CONFERENCING

MEMBERS PRESENT:


Guests: S. Cheng, S. Hirani, B. Kayseas

Regrets: S. Acoose, C. Butz, M. Davis, G. Grinyer, H. Huang, K. McNutt, A. Snider, A. Tremblay, B. Waytuck

Recorder: S. Stewart

The meeting was called to order at 2:30 p.m. by the President and Vice-Chancellor, Dr Jeff Keshen.

In keeping with the University’s commitment to Reconciliation, the Chair acknowledged that the University is located on Treaty 4 and Treaty 6 territory and the traditional homeland of the Métis.

1. Approval of the Agenda

The Chair requested the addition of Item 7.1.12 “Graduand List – La Cité universitaire francophone.”

Leavitt - Whalley
Moved that the agenda be approved as amended.

CARRIED
2. Approval of the Minutes of Meeting of 24 November 2021

Papandreou - Bracht

Moved that the minutes be approved as circulated.  

CARRIED

3. Business Arising from the Minutes - None

4. Remarks from the Chair

Dr Keshen provided an update on recent activities, including:
- Phased return to in-person learning for the remainder of the Winter 2022 term
- Budget update
- Disposal of unstable lab chemicals and continued work to ensure lab safety
- Update on recent Board of Governors retreat
- Funding opportunities available through the Research Office
- Update on the work of the Senior Leadership Team, including a project on institutional identity
- Results of the Canadian University Survey Consortium (CUSC) 2021 Graduating Students Survey
- Opportunity to pursue additional dual credit options for high school students
- Update on Darke Hall opening and operations
- 2022 Inspiring Leadership Forum – Happy on Purpose will occur virtually on March 2nd
- Update on the search for the Vice-President (Academic) and Provost

Following the Chair’s remarks, Executive of Council was invited to share any further information or raise questions for discussion. Discussion included:
- Budget deficit and current financial challenges
- Chemical disposal and mechanisms to communicate regulation changes and support compliance

5. Report from the University Secretary - None

6. Reports from Committees of Council

6.1 Council Committee on the Faculty of Graduate Studies and Research, Appendix I, Pages 3-7

A. Douai presented the report on behalf of the Council Committee on the Faculty of Graduate Studies and Research.

6.1.1 Faculty of Engineering and Applied Science

Program Changes – Co-op Hours

Douai - Hussain

Moved that program changes adjusting the co-op hours be made, effective 2022.  
Master of Engineering in Electronic Systems Engineering Co-op Option
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Master of Engineering in Environmental Systems Engineering Co-op Option
Master of Engineering in Industrial Systems Engineering Co-op Option
Master of Engineering in Petroleum Systems Engineering Co-op Option
Master of Engineering in Process Systems Engineering Co-op Option
Master of Engineering in Software Systems Engineering Co-op Option

CARRIED

6.1.2 Faculty of Graduate Studies and Research

English Language Proficiency Test – Duolingo

Douai - Oriet

Moved that the Duolingo online English test with a minimum score of 110 for all programs except Media Studies & Media Production, and English where 120 is the minimum, be accepted as an approved test of proficiency in English (ELP) for graduate admission, on a temporary basis for the 2022-2023 academic year (May 1, 2022 to April 30, 2023), effective immediately.

It was noted that this is an extension of the current regulations in place due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

The question was called on the motion.

CARRIED

The remainder of the report was received for information.

6.2 Council Committee on Undergraduate Admissions and Studies, Appendix II, Pages 8-24

S. Cheng presented the report on behalf of the Council Committee on Undergraduate Admissions and Studies

6.2.1 Faculty of Arts

Program Revisions – Certificate in Sustainability

Cheng - Dea

Moved to move PSYC 340 from the Sustainability in Practice section of the certificate to the Dimensions of Environmental Sustainability section of the certificate, effective 202220.

CARRIED
6.2.2 Faculty of Business Administration

Renamed Major – Major in Management

Cheng - Grandy
Moved that the Bachelor of Business Administration and Bachelor of Administration major currently named Management be renamed General Business Studies, effective 202220.

CARRIED

6.2.3 Faculty of Education

Bachelor of Education Elementary Program Revisions – Yukon Native Teacher Education Program

Cheng - Cranston
Moved that changes be made to the Yukon Native Teacher Education Program (YNTEP) Bachelor of Education Elementary (120 hours) program, effective 202220.

CARRIED

Program Revisions – Yukon Native Teacher Education Elementary Bachelor of Education After Degree

Cheng - Cranston
Moved that changes be made to the Yukon Native Teacher Education Program (YNTEP) Elementary Bachelor of Education After Degree (BEAD) Program (60 credit hours) program, effective 202220.

CARRIED

Program Revisions – Elementary and Secondary Bachelor of Indigenous Education Program

Cheng - Cranston
Moved that the approved JS 300-level requirement be replaced with JS 351 in the Elementary Bachelor of Indigenous Education Programs and the Secondary Bachelor of Indigenous Education Programs, effective 202220.

CARRIED
Program Revisions – Bachelor of Indigenous Education After Degree Secondary Program, Visual Arts Major

Cheng - Cranston
Moved that changes be made to the Bachelor of Indigenous Education After Degree (BEAD) Secondary Program, Visual Arts Major (60 credit hours) template, effective 202220.

CARRIED

Graduation Requirements – Distinction

Cheng - Cranston
Moved that the Faculty of Education Policy around Graduation with Distinction be updated to include the final Internship Placement Profile (IPP) rating of “Good”, effective 202220.

CARRIED

6.2.4 Faculty of Kinesiology and Health Studies

Residency Requirement Revision

Cheng - Riemer
Moved to change the residency requirement in the Faculty of Kinesiology and Health Studies’ programs, effective 202220.

CARRIED

6.2.5 Faculty of Media, Art, and Performance

Program Rename – Bachelor of Arts in Theatre and Performance Studies

Cheng - Whalley
Moved that the Bachelor of Arts in Theatre and Performance studies be renamed Bachelor of Arts in Theatre and Drama Studies, effective 202220.

CARRIED

Program Revision – Bachelor of Arts in Media, Art, and Performance Major, Creative Technologies Concentration

Cheng - Dick
Moved to remove CTCH 203 and 303 from Research and Methodologies section of the Bachelor of Arts, Media Art and Performance Major, Creative Technologies Concentration as they are required courses for the Creative Technologies Concentration, effective 202220.

CARRIED
Program Revisions – Visual Arts Major and Major Concentrations

Cheng - Dick
Moved that the majors and major concentrations in Visual Arts be revised, effective 2022.

CARRIED

6.2.6 Faculty of Science

Eligibility Requirements Revision – Co-operative Education Program

Cheng - Farenick
Moved to update undergraduate co-op eligibility requirements, effective 2022.

D. Farenick noted that the revision was for the Computer Science program only. In addition the supporting materials should refer to pg. 252 of the Undergraduate Calendar.

The question was called on the motion.

CARRIED

New Major – Data Science

Cheng - Farenick
Moved to create the Bachelor of Science with a major in Data Science, effective 2022.

CARRIED

New Program – Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Statistics

Cheng - Farenick
Moved to create the Bachelor of Science (Honours) with a major in Statistics, effective 2022.

CARRIED

Admission Requirements – Computer Science Major

Cheng - Farenick
Moved to enable the Faculty of Science to require an admission average higher than the stated 70% minimum for high school applicants to the Computer Science major, in order to limit enrolment to ensure appropriate program delivery, effective 2022.

CARRIED
6.2.7 Faculty of Social Work

Suspension of Prior Learning and Assessment Recognition (PLAR)

Cheng - Rocke

Moved to temporarily suspend applications for PLAR credit toward SW 348 Practicum I, effective 2022.

CARRIED

6.3 Council Committee on Research, Appendix III, Pages 25-45

S. Hirani presented the report on behalf of the Council Committee on Research.

6.3.1 Research Chair – Child Trauma Research Centre Research Chair

Hirani - Yost

Moved that the proposal for the Child Trauma Research Centre (CTRC) Research Chair in Intervention and Prevention Approached Supporting Child and Youth Health and Well-Being be approved.

CARRIED

6.3.2 Graduate Advanced Training and Entrepreneurship (GATE) Centre

Hirani - Douai

Moved that the proposal for the Graduate Advanced Training and Entrepreneurship Centre be approved.

Discussion followed. Topics of discussion included:
- Model presented may be too restrictive and may not invite a diversity of entrepreneurial approaches
- Focus of the proposed Centre is to improve the experience of graduate students
- Consultation on the Centre occurred with the Council Committee on Research (CCR) and the Council Committee on the Faculty of Graduate Studies and Research
- It was suggested that Council Committee on Academic Mission (CCAM) could have been consulted, instead of or in addition to CCR

After discussion, the following subsidiary motion was made:

Petry - Murphy

Moved that the Graduate Advanced Training and Entrepreneurship (GATE) Centre be referred to the Council Committee on Academic Mission (CCAM) for further consideration.
The question was called on the motion, and a vote was taken through a virtual show of hands using web conferencing (Zoom) technology. The motion was passed by majority vote of Committee members.

CARRIED

CCAM will consider the academic questions raised and provide a recommendation to Executive of Council.

7. **Graduand Lists**

*These lists were distributed confidentially prior to the meeting.*

7.1 **Graduand Lists for Approval**

Gregory - Cranston

**Moved that** all students whose names appear on the lists as distributed at the meeting and having satisfied the requirements, be granted the degrees, diplomas and/or certificates as designated.

CARRIED

8. **Other Business**

8.1 **Faculty of Arts – Faculty of Arts Renaming**

S. Dea presented the report on behalf of the Faculty of Arts.

Prior to the meeting, a revised motion was sent to Executive of Council.

Dea - Sperlich

**Moved that** Executive of Council recommend to Senate that it rescind its October 18, 2019 motion “that the Faculty of Arts be named the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences,” effective 202120.

The question was called on the revised motion

CARRIED

8.2 **Faculty of Social Work – Faculty Based Research Centre**

C. Rocke presented the report on behalf of the Faculty of Social Work.

The report was received for information.
9. **Adjournment** - Argerami (3:51 p.m.)

Glenys Sylvestre  
Executive Director (University Governance) and University Secretary