The meeting was called to order at 9:01 a.m. and introductions were made.

1. Approval of the Agenda

“French Language Education at the University of Regina” was added to the agenda as item 7.3.

    Foire - Kohl

Moved approval of the agenda as amended. CARRIED

2. Approval of the Minutes of 5 February 2011

Senator Joanna Alexander, representative for the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Saskatchewan pointed out that she is not a Dr. The minutes were updated to reflect this change.

    Foire - Chamberlin

Moved approval of the minutes as amended. CARRIED

3. Business Arising from the Minutes - None

4. Optional Reports

4.1 Chancellor

Chancellor Ready presented his report.

Departing Ex officio members:
Sheila Dresen, Acting Dean of Nursing – effective May 31, 2011
Rod Kelln, Acting Vice-President (Research) – effective June 30, 2011
Anne Lavack, Dean of Business Administration – effective June 30, 2011
George Maslany, Acting Vice-President (Academic) – effective June 30, 2011
Shauneen Pete, Acting President, First Nations University of Canada – effective May 31, 2011
David Schantz, Acting Dean of Social Work – effective June 30, 2011

New Ex Officio Members:
Luigi Benedicenti, Associate Vice-President (Academic) – effective May 16, 2011
Thomas Chase, (Incoming) Provost and Vice-President (Academic) – effective July 1, 2011
david Gregory, Dean of the Faculty of Nursing – effective April 1, 2011
Dennis Fitzpatrick, (Incoming) Vice-President (Research) – effective July 1, 2011
Lynn Wells, Acting President, First Nations University of Canada – effective July 31, 2011

The Chancellor noted that the retiring Senators would be acknowledged near the end of the meeting under item 9.2.

The Chancellor acknowledged the Honorary Degree Recipients for Spring Convocation which included Paul Hill, Douglas Cardinal and Alanna Mitchell.

4.2 President

President Timmons provided the following report.

- President Timmons welcomed Dr. Robert McCulloch, President of SIAST to Senate.
- SIAST and the University of Regina signed an Affiliated Agreement in November 2010.
- “Community Connections” outreach tour continued in Moose Jaw with the Woodrow Lloyd lecture, and also in North Battleford and Prince Albert.
- On February 15, a ceremony was held at Luther College to mark the 40th anniversary of the laying of the cornerstone at the University campus.
- The second annual “Inspiring Leadership” conference took place March 16, 2011. There were 500 people who attended which is double the number who attended in the first year.
- Dr. James Pitsula delivered the 3rd annual Forward Together lecture, speaking of the roles the Federated Colleges have played in the development of the University.
- As part of India Year in Canada 2011, in early April a dance group from India performed a free concert on campus for faculty, staff and students. As well, in early May three writers from India visited Luther College at the University of Regina for an event called “What We Write”: a dialogue between Indian and Saskatchewan writers.
- April 13 reception was put on by the Library in honour of Dr. Bill Howard, late English professor and University Librarian – to show a sample of his collection of 400 rare books donated to the library’s special collections.
- FNUniv Pow Pow in mid-April – special recognition was made of the University of Regina.
- Centennial events – in early February, a Founders’ Dinner was held to honour those who helped build the University of Regina. On May 28, the University held a President’s Centennial Gala to celebrate 100 Years of Excellence in Education, and to raise funds to help revitalize the College Avenue Campus.
- In April, it was the 25th Anniversary of first graduating class of Faculty of Kinesiology and Health Studies – formerly Faculty of Physical Activities Studies.
- The University of Regina has been accepted into the Agence universitaire de la francophonie. This is due in large part to the work of the Institut français.
- On May 9, the University and Canada Post unveiled a Centennial commemorative envelope.
- On May 27, FNUniv celebrated 35 years as a Federated College.
- Congratulations to Dr. Dena McMartin for being one of the recipients at the YWCA Women of Distinction Awards Gala announced on May 5th, 2011. Dr. McMartin was recognized for her outstanding contributions in Science, Technology and Environment.
• David Boehm, Director of Enterprise Risk Management, who most of you know from his time as Acting University Secretary, has accepted the position of Associate Deputy Minister with the Ministry of Advanced Education, Employment and Immigration.
• Convocation will be taking place on June 8, 9 and 10 – with more than 1,700 graduates. There will be four honorary degree recipients as well:
  - Shirley Douglas – conferred in February
  - Paul Hill
  - Douglas Cardinal
  - Alanna Mitchell
• The sixth annual Graduate and Undergraduate Student Research Conference took place April 1-2. Great work by our students.
• Jeremy Eckert was named CIS Field Athlete of the Year – a Campion Science student. This is the first time ever that a U of R athlete has received this honour.
• Congratulations to University of Regina student Andrew Konoff for being named Saskatchewanderer!
• There were three CIHR Banting and Best Canada Graduate doctoral awards for Psychology students who each received $35,000/year for three years.
• Dr. David Gregory began as Dean of the Faculty of Nursing, effective April 1, 2011.
• Dr. Dennis Fitzpatrick began last week as our new Vice-President (Research).
• The Search Advisory Committee for the position of Dean of the Faculty of Science has selected three short-listed candidates who have made campus presentations.
• Dr. Doyle Anderson has been named President of FNUniv.
• Dr. Luigi Benedicenti was named Associate VP (Academic) at the University of Regina, effective May 16.
• Dr. Lynn Wells is Acting President of the FNUniv until August 2nd.
• Dr. Craig Chamberlain will serve as Dean of Social Work until a successful search is conducted.
• Dr. Thomas Chase, Provost-Designate, has been on campus for the last couple of months preparing to take over as Provost and Vice-President (Academic).
• William Sgruzzutti has agreed to serve as University Librarian for another three years.
• Dr. Anne Lavack, Dean of the Faculty of Business Administration, has been appointed Provost and Vice-President (Academic) at Kwantlen Polytechnic University effective July 1. Congratulations to Anne.
• Dr. Morina Rennie has been appointed Acting Dean of the Faculty of Business Administration effective 1 July 2011 to 30 June 2012.
• Dr. Chase has prepared the University of Regina’s submission to the provincial government regarding the degree-granting consultations.
• There will be 350 students starting the new nursing program in September.
• For the winter 2011 term, enrolment was up 3.5% over winter 2010.
• Graduate studies enrolment was up 2.4% over the same time last year.
• For the spring/summer term, enrolment figures for the University and Federated Colleges are up 9.0% over spring/summer 2010.
• Looking forward, applications for fall 2011 are up 31%, and admissions are up 29% - and that is without Nursing numbers included. With Nursing included, applications are up 67% and admissions are up 44%.
• The new strategic research plan, entitled “Working Together Towards Common Goals: Serving Through Research,” was launched in late April.
• Work on the Academic Program Review continues. Data analysis for the final report is being completed, after which time the elected task force of faculty members will begin meeting. Within a year, they will produce a set of recommendations for the Provost and Vice-President (Academic).
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- Strategic Teaching and Learning Plan – there will be an update on this from Dr. Kleer and Dr. Chamberlain later in the Senate meeting.
- The Board of Governors approved a balanced budget for 2011-1012; this is always a difficult process, but a great accomplishment.
- There is a new Administrative Services Contract in place with the University of Regina and FNUniv as of April 1. Brian Christie is acting as liaison between University of Regina and FNUniv.
- T. Chase, incoming Provost and Vice-President (Academic) provided a brief update on the government submission for the degree granting consultations. It was noted that the University has asked the Government of Saskatchewan to proceed cautiously and have stressed the importance of upholding the current levels of quality education in the province.

4.3 University Secretary

4.3.1 Annual Enrolment Report 2010 - 2011, Appendix I of the Agenda

John Smith, Associate Vice-President (Student Affairs) presented the report for information and provided a brief overview.

It was noted that fall 2010 saw a 2.85% increase in full-load-equivalent undergraduate students from the previous year and the winter saw a 2.71% increase. Undergraduate headcounts surpassed the counts of 2009-10.

Graduate headcounts in spring/summer 2010 were up 8.6% compared to the same term in 2009. The fall headcounts were up over fall 2009 with a 4.4% increase and winter 2011 saw an increase of 2.4% over the year prior. Both winter and spring/summer 2011 saw a dramatic increase in international graduate students at the University of Regina with an increase of 26% and 22.6%.

There were 4,176 undergraduate awards distributed to students from May 1, 2010 to April 30, 2011 which totaled $3,570,075.78.

President Timmons noted that the faculties of Business Administration and Social Work have increased faculty members over the last few years due to the demand of students enrolled in those programs.

Timmons added that the University is currently undergoing a detailed Academic Program Review which will show beneficial analysis on student enrollments and resources for every program at the University of Regina.

It was noted that the enrollment of aboriginal students have increased but it is difficult to get concrete numbers due to students not self identifying themselves on their applications.

The University was complimented for partnering with the Prairie Valley School Division for an enrichment opportunity event. This activity offered rural high school students a chance to attend University for a day. It was noted that this opportunity was a positive learning experience for the students and they hope the University will continue to offer these types of experiences to students in the future.

4.3.2 Report of the 2011 Senate Election Results, Appendix II of the Agenda
Annette Revet, University Secretary presented the item for information. An election was scheduled for 11 April 2011 to elect district Senate members for terms from July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2014. Nominations were called for the following districts:

- District 1 (Moosomin-Estevan)
- District 3 (Assiniboia-Bengough)
- District 5 (Maple Creek-Rosetown-Lloydminster)
- District 6 (Melville-Yorkton-Hudson Bay)
- District 11 (Regina)
- District 12 (Saskatoon)

The following persons were declared elected by acclamation:
- District 1 – Ann Norgan, B.Ed., Dist. (Incumbent)
- District 3 – Graham Harvey (M.B.A.)

No nominations were received for Districts 5 and 6, thereby leaving two vacancies for the coming year.

The following individuals were elected:
- Donald Millard (B.A.)
- District 12 – Peter Stroh (B.A., B.Ed., P.G.D., M.Ed.) (Incumbent)
- Cindy Xavier (M.B.A.)

Lavack - French
Moved that the ballots from the 2011 Senate Election be destroyed.

The question was called. CARRIED

5. Reports from Senate Committees

5.1 Joint Committee on Ceremonies

5.1.1 Honorary Degree Candidates for Addition to the Approved Roster, Appendix III of the Agenda, circulated at the meeting and appended to the official file.

Timmons – McNinch
Moved that the list of honorary degree candidates for addition to the approved roster by approved as detailed in the report to be distributed at the meeting.

President Timmons introduced the item and provided a brief update on the four candidates.

A. Revet reminded the Senate members to return the confidential report at the end of the meeting in order to destroy the copies.

The question was called on the motion. CARRIED

5.1.2 Hood for Master of Public Policy, Appendix III of the Agenda

President Timmons presented the item for information and noted that the hood for Master of Public Policy was approved as royal blue outside trim and burgundy inside trim and lining.

5.2 Senate By-Laws Committee
5.2.1 Amendment to Senate By-Laws to include the Centre for Continuing Education (CCE) Representation on the Council Committees for the Faculty of Arts and the Faculty of Engineering and Applied Science, Appendix IV of the Agenda

McNeil – Maslany

Moved that Senate approves the amendments to Section 5.6.1 and 5.6.4 of the Senate By-Laws to include representation from the Centre for Continuing Education (CCE) on the Faculty of Arts Council committee and the Faculty of Engineering and Applied Science Council committee.

Shirley McNeil, Chair of the Senate By-Laws Committee presented the report.

The question was called on the motion. CARRIED

5.3 Senate Nominating Committee

5.3.1 Membership on Senate Committees and Faculties, Appendix V of the Agenda

Chamberlin – Schnell

Moved that the Senate Nominating Committee recommends that the individuals whose names are designated with asterisks on the attached report (Attachment A) be approved to fill vacancies on Senate committees and faculties for the terms indicated.

C. Chamberlin, Chair of the Senate Nominating Committee presented the report. It was noted that Bland Brown should be replaced with Art Opseth as the representative of APEGS for the Faculty of Engineering and Applied Science Council Committee. The amendment was made to Attachment A, appended to the Minutes as Appendix 1.

The question was called on the motion. CARRIED

5.3.2 Senate Representative to the Board of Governors, Appendix VI of the Agenda

Chamberlin – Schnell

Moved that the Senate Nominating Committee recommends that a Senate member be approved as the Senate representative to the Board of Governors for a term effective July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2014.

C. Chamberlin, Chair of the Senate Nominating Committee presented the report.

The question was called on the motion. CARRIED

5.3.2.1 Election of Senate Representative to the Board of Governors, biographies and ballots were distributed at the meeting

Chancellor Ready informed Senate that four nominations were received prior to the June 1st, 2011 deadline so there would be an election needed during the meeting. The nominee biographies were distributed at the door. Chancellor Ready thanked the nominees for putting their name forward. Each candidate was permitted to speak for two minutes regarding his/her nomination prior to the election. Brian Saunders and Walter Wood both volunteered to be the scrutineers for the election.
Ballots were circulated and collected. It was noted that counting of the ballots would immediately follow in the University Secretary’s office and that the results would be made available later in the meeting. *All documentation was appended to the official file.*

A suggestion was put forward to provide a list of current Board of Governors at the next election.

5.4 Senate Appeals Committee, Appendix VII of the Agenda

5.4.1 Senate Appeals Committee Report

Chancellor Ready presented the report for information.

6. Items for Approval/Information from Executive of Council, Appendix VIII of the Agenda

President Timmons presented the report.

An omnibus motion was made with respect to the following three motions.

6.1 Faculty of Arts

6.1.1 Bachelor of Arts in Urban History and Bachelor of Arts Honours in Urban History

Timmons - Kleer  
*Moved that the Bachelor of Arts in Urban History and the Bachelor of Arts Honours in Urban History be deleted as outlined in Appendix VIII, Page 12 of the Agenda.*

6.2 Joint Submission – Faculty of Arts, Kinesiology and Health Studies & First Nations University of Canada

6.2.1 Changes to the Bachelor of Health Studies

Timmons – Chamberlin  
*Moved that the admission requirements to the Bachelor of Health Studies be changed to permit direct entry through admissions using the established criteria for high school and post-secondary transfer/admission as outlined in Appendix VIII, Page 12 of the Agenda.*

6.2.2 Creation of the Certificate in Health Studies

Timmons – Chamberlin  
*Moved that the Certificate in Health Studies be approved as outlined in Appendix VIII, Pages 12 and 13 of the Agenda.*

J. Smith and C. Chamberlin will follow up to ensure the titles of the courses listed in the materials match the new high school curriculum.

The question was called on the omnibus motion.  

CARRIED

6.3 Faculty of Graduate Studies and Research

An omnibus motion was made with respect to the following three motions.

6.3.1 Work Experience for Students Laddering into the MBA Program
Timmons - Blachford
Moved that a minimum of 5 years work experience for students laddering into the MBA program from their Master’s Certificate in Business Fundamentals, Master’s Certificate in General Management, or Master’s Certificate in International Business be approved as outlined in Appendix VIII, Pages 13 and 14 of the Agenda.

6.3.2 Removal of the Graduate Records Examination (GRE) from the JSGS Admission Requirements for International Applicants

Timmons - Blachford
Moved that the amendment of the Johnson-Shoyama Graduate School admission requirements to remove the Graduate Record Examination (GRE) requirement for International applicants be approved as outlined in Appendix VIII, Page 14 of the Agenda.

It was noted that GRE stands for Graduate Record Examination which is a standard metric that is used worldwide across various educational institutions. This amendment is removing the admission requirement for international students.

6.3.3 Revision to the Entrance Requirements and Application for Fine Arts Interdisciplinary Studies

Timmons - Blachford
Moved that the amendment to the calendar description for entrance requirements and application for Fine Arts Interdisciplinary Studies be approved as outlined in Appendix VIII, Pages 14 and 15 of the Agenda.

The question was called on the omnibus motion. CARRIED

6.4 Faculty of Undergraduate Scholarship Committee

6.4.1 Classification for the Types of Awards

Timmons – Smith
Moved to revise the classification for the types of awards and grandfather all scholarships, awards, bursaries and prizes as defined in existing terms of reference to September 1, 2011 be approved as outlined in Appendix VIII, Page 15 and 16 of the Agenda.

J. Smith clarified that this motion will help to aid Awards Officers in identifying which classification and category the awards fall into.

The question was called. CARRIED

The remainder of the report was received for information. The rationale and background for these items can be found online at: http://www.uregina.ca/presoff/council/executive/index.shtml

1. Faculty of Arts
   1.1 Major in Classical and Medieval Studies Revisions
   1.2 Revisions to the Requirements for the Honours Major in English
   1.3 Amendment to the Geography Minor Requirements
   1.4 Joint Submission – Faculty of Arts & Centre for Continuing Education – Revision to the Liberal Arts Certificate and Diploma
   1.5 Joint Submission – Arts, Kinesiology and Health Studies & First Nations University of
Canada – Changes to Courses Allowed/Required in the Bachelor of Health Studies

2. Faculty of Education
   2.1 Secondary Program – Recommendation on Proceeding to Pre-Internship
   2.2 Revisions to the Arts Education Majors and After Degree (BEAD)

3. Faculty of Fine Arts
   3.1 Amendment to the Minor in Theatre Arts

4. Faculty of Graduate Studies and Research
   4.1 Streamlining the Master of Business Administration (part-time) Program
   4.2 Program Changes to the Biology MSc Program
   4.3 Aalto Summer Academy International
   4.4 Named Areas of Concentration be removed from the MFA Visual Arts Program
   4.5 Discontinuation of two Business Administration Master’s Certificates and one name change
   4.6 Change to the Graduate Calendar Entry Regarding Course Equivalencies for 4 GBUS courses
   4.7 Change to the Graduate Calendar Entry for Business Administration – “Part-Time MBA”
   4.8 Removal of GSPP 812 from two JSGS Master’s Certificates

5. Faculty of Kinesiology and Health Studies
   5.1 Bachelor of Kinesiology with Minors in Human Kinetics and Gerontology – 2+2 Partnership with Karunya University, India

   President Timmons noted that this is the first program of its kind offered in India.

6. Faculty of Science
   6.1 Revision to BSc Combined Major in Biology and Geography
   6.2 Revision to Required Courses for Combined Major in Biology and Geography
   6.3 Revisions to BSc in Environmental Biology and BSc Honours in Environmental Biology

7. Faculty of Social Work
   7.1 Revisions to the Bachelor of Social Work – SW 100
   7.2 Revisions to the Bachelor of Social Work – ENGL 100 and SW 202
   7.3 Bachelor of Social Work – Completion Time Limit

8. Centre for Continuing Education
   8.1 ESL + 1 Program

9. Registrar’s Office
   9.1 Academic Schedule for 2012-2013
   9.2 Revisions to University RTD Regulations

10. Council Committee on Student Appeals
    10.1 Changes to Terms of Reference

    The committee will be changed from 8 members to 7 members to help with quorum and to make it more consistent with the Council Discipline Committee.

11. Undergraduate Scholarship Committee
    11.1 Changes to the Selection of the President’s Medal – WITHDRAWN MOTION

12. Council Committee on Research
12.1 Strategic Research Plan

The Strategic Research Plan was distributed electronically to all the Senators.

13. Distinguished University Professor Committee

13.1 Disbandment of the Committee - TABLED

It was agreed that the University Secretariat office would email a link to all Senators that includes the rationale and background for all the information items from the Executive of Council report. The link will be sent out to Senate prior to the Senate meetings.

7. Briefs, Submissions, or Recommendations from Elected or Appointed Senate Members

7.1 Alumni Crowning Achievement Awards

Senator M. Dagenais provided an update on the Alumni Crowning Achievement Awards. The seventh annual Alumni Crowning Achievement Awards gala hosted by the University of Regina and the University of Regina Alumni Association will be held on Saturday, October 1, 2011.

The recipients of this year's Alumni Crowning Achievement Awards are the following:

Dr. Eric Grimson BSc'75 (High Honours) is the recipient of the Lifetime Achievement Award. He was recently named Chancellor at MIT (Massachusetts Institute of Technology). Dr. Grimson is a leader in research of artificial intelligence as well as a dedicated and award-winning MIT professor.

Dr. Ross Mitchell BSc'86 (Hons), MSc'89 is the recipient of the Award for Professional Achievement. Dr. Mitchell's work is at the forefront of medical imaging informatics. His work helps physicians and surgeons improve disease diagnosis, treatment and monitoring.

Bernadette (Bernie) Kollman BAdmin'86 is the recipient of the Distinguished Humanitarian and Community Service Award. Ms. Kollman is the Vice-President for IBM's Public Service Sector division in Alberta. She is an inspirational leader to many young people and those who support them, taking up causes such as family violence, women and technology, and children and youth programs.

Twyla Meredith BAdmin'82, CEO and President of Saskatchewan Gaming Corporation is the recipient of the Dr. Robert and Norma Ferguson Award for Outstanding Service to the University and the University of Regina Alumni Association. Ms. Meredith has been an active member of the University of Regina Alumni Association and a dedicated volunteer in CIS Women's Hockey and Basketball.

Rachel Mielke BAdmin'03 is the recipient for Outstanding Young Alumnus award. Ms. Mielke is an accomplished young entrepreneur and the founder of Hillberg and Berk, a company already well-known for its distinctive line of jewellery. As a model for other young entrepreneurs, she speaks to high school and university classes and volunteers for organizations such as the Business and Professional Women's Association.

7.2 Homecoming 2011

B. Pollock, Vice-President (External Relations) provided an update on the homecoming week. The main events will be the Alumni Crowning Achievement Awards dinner, University of Regina Rams football game and the alumni reunion. Senate can expect to receive invitations
to these events and there will be more details posted on the website in the near future.

7.3 French Language Education at the University of Regina

Senator R. Archambault spoke about the concerns that the francophone community has expressed over the lack of answers that have been provided on the new structure for French language post-secondary education at the University of Regina. President Timmons noted that she has met with the francophone community and has been clear that the University of Regina is committed to providing French language education in the province. Timmons added that the University is currently undergoing an Academic Program Review and will have to wait until the review is complete before any decisions are made. Discussions on the new structure are ongoing between the University of Regina, the francophone community and both the provincial and federal governments. The University administration appreciates the engagement of the French community with regards to this initiative.

8. Academic and Administrative Reports

8.1 Presentation on the “Strategic Teaching and Learning Plan” by Dr. Richard Kleer, Dean of Arts and Dr. Craig Chamberlin, Dean of Kinesiology and Health Studies, Appendix IX of the Agenda

Information regarding the presentation was distributed with the Senate Agenda and can be found at the following link: http://www.uregina.ca/ctl/. R. Kleer and C. Chamberlin provided a brief update on the plan. The main goal of the teaching and learning plan is to emphasize the importance of good teaching and to make it a top priority on campus, to increase the quality of teaching that is offered at the University and to find a consistent method to assess good teaching practices. The plan will be an integrated plan which supports quality teaching, learning and research.

There was a lengthy discussion that followed. Senators in general were pleased with this initiative and stressed that good teaching is critical and should be a top priority for the University.

It was noted that the Committee plans to engage various group discussions over the next year for input into the plan.

Chancellor Ready thanked the presenters for their informative presentation.

9. Other Business

9.1 Senate Representative to the Board of Governors – Announcement

Chancellor Ready announced that Ms. Elaine Bourassa, representative for District 11 (Regina), was elected as the Senate representative to the University’s Board of Governors for a three-year term effective July 1, 2011.

The Chair thanked Margaret Dagenais, Robert Krismer and Lana Krogan for running in the election and also thanked the scrutineers for offering their time.

Wood - Saunders
Moved to destroy the ballots for the election.

The question was called. CARRIED

9.2 Recognition of Departing Senate Members

The following members of Senate were acknowledged for their service to the University upon completion of their terms:

Paulette Brooks, District 11 (Regina)
Linda Bumbac, District 3 (Assiniboia–Bengough)
Jeanne Caswell, District 5 (Maple Creek-Rosetown-Lloydminster)
Arlene Goulet, Inter-provincial Association on Native Employment (IANE)
Ben Grebinski, Senate Representative to the Board
Grace Jasper, Saskatchewan Association of Social Workers
H. Kerby Kelly, Saskatchewan Association of Optometrists
Edward McCall, Saskatchewan Veterinary Medical Association
Shirley McNeil, Saskatchewan Registered Nurses Association

Chancellor Ready thanked the retiring Senate members and they were presented with letters of appreciation and a framed landscape photo of the University of Regina.

It was announced that lunch would be held at the University Club followed by Convocation at the Conexus Arts Centre at 2:00 p.m.

9.3 Next Meeting of Senate - 1:30 p.m., Friday, 14 October 2011.

10. Adjournment – 11:24 a.m. French.

Annette Revet
University Secretary