MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE UNIVERSITY OF REGINA SENATE HELD
SATURDAY, 8 FEBRUARY 2014 IN THE BOARD ROOM, FIFTH FLOOR,
ADMINISTRATION-HUMANITIES BUILDING, UNIVERSITY OF REGINA

PRESENT: J. Tomkins (Chair), J. Alexander, R. Arnot, M. Arscott, B. Bathgate, M. Borgares, S. Bouffard
(for H. King), C. Brown, L. Brown, T. Chase, C. Chernick, J. Coleman, J. Cormier, M.
Greifenhagen (for B. Hillis), G. Hepp, E. Hussein, L. Jankowski (Recorder), R. Kleer, G.
Kleisinger, J. Kotylak, L. Kreiser, R. Krismer, S. Lauder, T. Leurer, C. Luciuk, J. Maierhoffer,
Millard, L. Mougeot, C. Murphy (for W. Sgrazzutti), A. Neilson, A. Norgan, A. Opseth, R.
Palmarin, A. Parkinson, V. Petry, S. Petty, W. Ready, J. Reihl, A. Revet, H. Riemer, J. Ross, R.
Sahlu, S. Saxby, M. Smadu, J. Smith, E. Stachiw, V. Thomas, V. Timmons, J. Tupone, R.
Ward, J. White, S. Whitehead, S. Wilson, W. Wood, C. Xavier

Friedrick, A. Gaudes, L. Greenberg, S. Haque, G. Harvey, B. Hillis, H. King, D. Krell, G.
McCaffrey, R. Norris, M. Pritchard, L. Rosia, S. Schnell, W. Sgrazzutti, B. Soroka, J. Stewart,
P. Stroh, D. Toni, A. Wakabayashi

GUESTs: B. Brownlee, P. Maze, K. McGovern

The meeting was called to order at 1:30 p.m. and introductions were made.

1. Approval of the Agenda

   Thomas - Borgares
   Moved approval of the agenda as circulated. CARRIED

2. Approval of the Minutes of 18 October 2013

   Bathgate - Alexander
   Moved approval of the minutes as circulated. CARRIED

3. Business Arising from the Minutes - None

4. Optional Reports

   4.1 Chancellor

   Chancellor Tomkins presented his report and provided an update on the Senate membership.

   It was reported that Jerome Tholl with the Law Society of Saskatchewan resigned from Senate
   in December due to his immediate appointment as a Judge of the Saskatchewan Court of
   Queen’s Bench. The Law Society of Saskatchewan will have a vacant seat on Senate until
   July 1st.

   Dr. Luigi Benedicenti resigned from the Associate Vice-President (Academic) in December
   and Dr. Dena McMartin has replaced him as the new Associate Vice-President (Academic and
   Research).
It was also reported that the University Secretariat office received notification in December that the Regina Chapter of Interprovincial Association on Native Employment (IANE) no longer exists so the organization has been removed from the Senate membership list.

The Chancellor reminded Senators to respond to the call for volunteers to serve on Senate Committees and submit their form to the University Secretariat office by March 31st. He also asked Senators to consider submitting nominees to the Distinguished Service Award no later than February 19th and reminded Senators to submit any nominations for an Honorary Degree.

The Chancellor noted that the 40th Annual Spring Convocation will be held on June 4th, 5th, and 6th, 2014 at 2:00 p.m. at the Conexus Arts Centre.

4.2 President

President Timmons presented a verbal report to Senate. The President answered questions raised by Senators following her report. A copy of the report was provided to Senate following the meeting and is appended to the Minutes as Appendix 1.

4.3 University Secretary

4.3.1 Winter 2014 In-progress Report on Registration and Graduation, Appendix I of the Agenda

J. Smith, Associate Vice-President (Student Affairs) presented the report for information and provided a brief overview of the undergraduate and graduate registrations and graduation statistics. The five-year enrolments and population segmentation statistics were also appended to the report.

Discussion followed.

Management will add to the registration report to include the number of international students enrolled and from which countries, as well as the number of students enrolled in courses offered off campus.

4.3.2 2014 Senate Election, Appendix II of the Agenda

A. Revet presented the report for information. Senators were encouraged to nominate members of convocation living in the districts around the province. The deadline to submit nominations is April 15th, 2014.

5. Reports from Senate Committees - None

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

President Timmons presented the report.

6.1 Faculty of Arts

6.1.1 Admission Requirements

Timmons - Kleer

Moved to revise the transfer admission requirements for the Faculty of Arts such that applicants who have attempted a minimum of 15 credit hours of post-secondary
education will have their admission based on their performance on those credit hours, and, that those who have attempted fewer than 15 credit hours will have their admission based solely on their completion of the Faculty’s secondary school requirements as outlined on pages 7 and 8 of the agenda.

The question was called on the motion. CARRIED

6.2 Joint Report from the Faculty of Arts and Centre for Continuing Education

6.2.1 Revised Requirements for the Certificate and Diploma in Liberal Arts

Timmons - Kleer
Moved to revise the requirements for the Certificate and Diploma in Liberal Arts to align with the Faculty of Arts core requirements (Sections 9.9.15, 9.9.16 and 9.31 and 18.2.7.8 of the UG Calendar) as outlined on pages 8 to 10 of the agenda.

The question was called on the motion. CARRIED

6.3 Joint Report from the Faculty of Education and Centre for Continuing Education

6.3.1 Certificate in Adult Education and Training

Timmons - McNinch
Moved that:

- Admission to the Certificate in Adult Education and Training (CAET) program be suspended effective January 2014;
- The sunset clause for completion of the program by current students in the Certificate in Adult Education and Training (CAET) be the Fall of 2015; and,
- The Certificate in Adult Education and Training (CAET) be retired effective January 2016 as outlined on pages 10 and 11 of the agenda.

The question was called on the motion. CARRIED

6.4 Faculty of Graduate Studies and Research

6.4.1 Faculty of Arts – Master of Journalism Program – Proposal

Timmons - Eberlein
Moved that the Master of Journalism Program Proposal, be approved, as outlined at http://www.uregina.ca/president/governance/council/eofc-meetings.html

The question was called on the motion. CARRIED

6.4.2 Faculty of Arts – Test Scores for Masters of Arts English Graduate Applicants

Timmons - Eberlein
Moved that the test scores for Master of Arts English graduate applicants be raised to the following minimums: TOEFL Paper-based, from 580 to 600, with TWE (written paper component) of ≥ 5; and Internet-based, from 80 to 100; (Minimum scores of 25 in each of the four areas) IELTS Academic, from 6.5 to 7.5 (overall, and for each band), be approved as outlined on page 12 of the agenda.

There was a brief discussion on University services that help support graduate students to improve English language skills on campus.
6.4.3 Faculty of Fine Arts – Test Scores for Department of Film Graduate

Timmons - Eberlein
Moved that, in the Department of Film, that the minimum International English Language Testing System (IELTS – Academic Version) score be raised to 7.0, the TOEFL (paper) to 600 and the TOEFL (Internet) to 93 as outlined on page 12 of the agenda.

There was a further discussion held on TOEFL testing of international students.

The question was called on the motion. CARRIED

6.5 Faculty of Kinesiology and Health Studies

6.5.1 Creation of Certificate in Indigenous Health Practice

Timmons - Riemer
Moved that the Certificate of Indigenous Health Practice be approved as outlined on pages 12 to 15 in the agenda.

J. Tupone provided rationale for the community placement practicum for this program.

The question was called on the motion. CARRIED

6.6 Faculty of Nursing

6.6.1 Admission Requirements

Timmons - Gregory
Moved to revise the admission requirements specific to the Faculty of Nursing, as outlined on pages 15 and 16 of the agenda.

The question was called on the motion. CARRIED

6.6.2 Conditional Admission Requirements

Timmons - Gregory
Moved to add the following criteria for conditional admission to the admission requirements specific to the Faculty of Nursing as outlined on page 16 of the agenda.

The question was called on the motion. CARRIED

6.7 Faculty of Social Work

6.7.1 Academic Admission for BSW Program at Yukon College

President Timmons recommended amending the motion presented in the Agenda to read as follows.

Timmons – White
Moved that the academic admission requirements for the BSW Program at Yukon College for new applicants admitted March 1, 2014 and onwards, be accepted as outlined on pages 16 and 17 of the agenda.
The question was called on the motion. CARRIED

6.7.2 Change from Indian to Indigenous

President Timmons recommended that the motion be amended from what was included in the Agenda to include the name of the Masters program also be changed. The amended motion from what was presented in the Agenda was read as follows:

Timmons – White
Moved that, effective September 1, 2014, the name of the School of Indian Social Work be changed to the School of Indigenous Social Work, the name of the Bachelor and Master of Indian Social Work be changed to the Bachelor and Master of Indigenous Social Work and that the name of the Certificate of Indian Social Work be changed to the Certificate of Indigenous Social Work, as outlined on page 17 of the agenda.

The question was called on the motion. CARRIED

6.8 Council Committee on Undergraduate Scholarships

6.8.1 Strategic Plan for Undergraduate Awards

Timmons – Smith
Moved that the University of Regina Strategic Plan for Undergraduate Awards be approved, as outlined in ATTACHMENT A, pages 26 to 30 of the agenda.

The question was called on the motion. CARRIED

President Timmons presented the report for information. The rationale and background for the items can be found online at: http://www.uregina.ca/president/governance/council/eofc-meetings.html

1. Faculty of Arts
   1.1 Arts-Revised Advising Requirements
   1.2 Arts-Core Curriculum – GEOG 344
   1.3 Arts-Revision to BGISc Program Requirements
   1.4 Arts-Revision to the BA Combined Major in Geography and Economics
   1.5 Arts-Revision to Pre-Journalism Requirements
   1.6 Arts-Revisions to BA Honours Major in Psychology
   1.7 Core Requirements
   1.8 Revision to BA Major in Classical and Medieval Studies
   1.9 Minor in Classical Studies

2. Faculty of Education
   2.1 Elementary Program Changes
   2.2 Secondary Program Changes – TEAP Profile
   2.3 Secondary Program Changes – Pre-Internship Field Component
   2.4 Secondary Program Changes – Pre-Internship Field Component
   2.5 Education Curriculum Changes – Revisions of Grades in “IN” in Internship
   2.6 Major Electives for Secondary Social Studies Major
   2.7 Pre-Intern Professional Development Profile and Cooperating Teacher’s Report

3. Faculty of Engineering & Applied Science
   3.1 Revision to Selection of a Major
   3.2 Revision to Software Systems Engineering Program Curriculum
3.3 Revision to Electronic Systems Engineering Program Curriculum
3.4 Revision to Environmental Systems Engineering Program Curriculum
3.5 Rules for the Co-operative Education Internship Program
3.6 Environmental Systems Engineering Program Changes

4. Faculty of Fine Arts
4.1 Changes to the Bachelor of Fine Arts, Film Major
4.2 Changes to Core Film Studies Course Requirements
4.3 Incorporation of FA 202
4.4 Revision to the Natural and Social Sciences Requirement
4.5 Revision to the Research Skills and Methodology Competency
4.6 Amendments to BA Theatre and Performance
4.7 Amendments to BA Theatre and Performance
4.8 Amendments to BA Theatre and Performance
4.9 Bachelor of Arts (BA) Fine Arts Major, Culture of Display Concentration

5. Faculty of Graduate Studies and Research
5.1 Engineering & Applied Science – Process Systems Engineering Program – Curricula Revisions
5.2 Engineering & Applied Science – Master of Engineering (Co-op) Program in Industrial Systems Engineering – Minimum Requirements
5.3 Fine Arts – FA 801 Seminar in Interdisciplinary Theory and Criticism II
5.4 Fine Arts – FA 803 Interdisciplinary Seminar in Research Methodologies
5.5 Fine Arts – Creative Technologies as an area of concentration
5.6 Fine Arts – FA 802 Seminar/Studio in Interdisciplinary Theory and Practice
5.7 Fine Arts – MFA (Interdisciplinary Studies) Revisions
5.8 Fine Arts – MA (Interdisciplinary Studies) Revisions
5.9 JSGSPP – JSGS 807 Statistics for Public Managers
5.10 Fine Arts – FA 810AA-ZZ Course in the MFA and MA
5.11 Fine Arts – Elective to the MFA Media Production Degree
5.12 Fine Arts – Changes to MFA (Media Production)
5.13 Fine Arts – Elective to the MA Media Studies Degree
5.14 Fine Arts – Elective to the MA Media Studies

6. Faculty of Nursing
6.1 Revisions to the SCBScN Program Curriculum

7. Faculty of Science
7.1 Definition of a Natural Science Elective
7.2 Change to BSc and BSc (Honours) Program with Majors in Geography, Economics or Psychology

8. Faculty of Social Work
8.1 Program Changes for BSW Program at Yukon College
8.2 Social Work Program Changes for BSW Program at Yukon College
8.3 Extension of Moratorium on Awarding of PLAR Credit for SW 348
8.4 Credit for SW 348, Practicum I
8.5 Change of Name of SW Qualifying
8.6 Limitations to Pre-Social Work Program
8.7 Grade Point Average (GPA) Calculation for Admission to BSW Program

9. Centre for Continuing Education
9.1 Revisions to Certificate in Public Relations
9.2 Unit Name Change for Career and Professional Development

10. Registrar’s Office
   10.1 Academic Recovery Program Sub-committee Recommendations

11. University Secretariat
   11.1 Policy – Awarding the Title Emeritus

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

7.1 Senate Representatives to the Board – Verbal Update

P. Maze gave a brief update on activities undertaken by the Board of Governors since the last Senate Meeting.

- The University of Regina is undergoing a policy renewal project which has resulted in several policies coming to the Board for approval. A new policy governance framework has also been approved. The Board is pleased that management has undertaken this important initiative.
- Progress continues to address the recommendations from the Provincial Auditor’s reports from 2013 on Research, as well as the audit on purchasing and tendering processes which the Board received from the Provincial Auditor in late fall 2013. The Board continues to oversee management’s response to these recommendations and receives regular reports.
- The Board approved the appointment of Dr. Joe Piwowar to lead the development of the University of Regina’s next five year strategic plan. The current plan is scheduled to end in 2014.
- The Board is pleased with the progress of the construction of the residence project. The project continues to be on schedule to have 605 beds, a 150 car parkade and 90 child daycare spaces open in time for the start of classes in September 2015.
- In December, the Board of Governors presented two outstanding individuals with the Board of Governors’ Distinguished Service Award for their significant service to the University. Mr. Harvey Mazinke (former board chair) and Dr. Michael Tymchak (retired emeritus professor) received this honour.
- The Board of Governors has issued a call for nominations for next year’s recipient of the Distinguished Service Award and encourages Senators to submit nominations for the Board’s consideration.
- The next Board of Governors meetings are scheduled for early March and early May 2014 as budget planning for 2014-15 is underway. The Board of Governors will also review and approve the plan that is being prepared by Dr. Piwowar for the development of the University’s strategic plan that will guide the University through to 2019.

There was a brief discussion on the recent governance review that was completed at the University in cooperation with the Ministry of Advanced Education and a brief discussion on the residence project. The Chancellor thanked P. Maze for his report.

8. Academic and Administrative Reports

8.1 Presentation on the ‘Highlights from the CUSC 2013 Survey of First-Year Students’ by Kate McGovern, Senior Institutional Research Analyst, Office of Resource Planning.
Introductions were provided. There was a brief question and answer session held following the presentation. The University Secretariat office agreed to provide a copy of the presentation to the Senate.

Chancellor Tomkins thanked Ms. McGovern for her informative presentation.

9. Other Business

Senator L. Mougeot noted that the Saskatchewan Urban Municipalities Association (SUMA) booked the University of Regina facility to host a three-day conference last summer and commended the staff for the great service they received. Mougeot was impressed with the accommodations, catering, facilities and the service by staff and encouraged other organizations to consider booking the facility.

J. White encouraged Senators to advocate for human rights during the months of February and March. It was recommended that Senate send a request to the City of Regina to fly the rainbow flag.

Mougeot – Krismer
Moved that Senate request that the City of Regina fly the rainbow flag.

The question was called on the motion. CARRIED

The University Secretariat will arrange to have the Chancellor send a letter to the City of Regina with this request.

9.1 Next Meeting of Senate – 9:00 a.m., Wednesday, 4 June 2014.

10. Adjournment – 3:45 p.m. Kleisinger.

Annette Revet
University Secretary