MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE UNIVERSITY OF REGINA SENATE HELD
SATURDAY, 7 FEBRUARY 2015 IN THE BOARD ROOM, FIFTH FLOOR,
ADMINISTRATION-HUMANITIES BUILDING, UNIVERSITY OF REGINA


GUESTS: J. Hindley, K. McNutt

The meeting was called to order at 1:32 p.m. and introductions were made.

1. Approval of the Agenda
   Kotylak - Thomas
   Moved approval of the agenda as circulated. CARRIED

2. Approval of the Minutes of 17 October 2014
   Chase - 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.

   The Chancellor reported that Rene Archambault from the Assemblée communautaire fransaskoise resigned on January 19th and Sameema Haque from District 10 (Moose Jaw) resigned on November 13th.

   The Chancellor reminded Senators to respond to the call for volunteers to serve on Senate Committees and Faculty Councils and submit their form to the University Secretariat office by March 31st. Senators were also reminded to consider submitting a nomination for either the Distinguished Service Award or an Honorary Degree.
It was also noted that the 41st Annual Spring Convocation will be held on June 3rd, 4th and 5th, 2015 at 2:00 p.m. at the Conexus Arts Centre.

4.1.1 Report on Role of Senator, Verbal Update

The Chancellor reported on the feedback received from Senators regarding their satisfaction as a ‘University of Regina Senator’. The Chancellor received 20 responses from Senators which he felt was a good response rate. Most of the responses noted that Senators were satisfied with their involvement with Senate; some were ‘somewhat satisfied’ as they felt they would like to do more; no Senator’s were negative about their experience on Senate.

The Chancellor summarized a number of recurring themes that arose from the responses, such as:
- Better engagement of Senators as a means of two-way communication
- Strengthening at orientation the expectations of Senators appointed to Faculty Councils and Senate Committees
- Suggestions on how to raise the profile of Senators
- Issues/concerns with Senate election processes
- Senator engagement at Senate Meetings
- General observations/comments

The Chancellor thanked Senators for their responses and confirmed that he will follow up with the University Secretary to determine next steps to address the suggestions received.

4.2 President

President Timmons presented a verbal report to Senate which included three key messages for Senators to use in their communities when talking about the University of Regina and their role as a Senator.

The President answered questions raised by Senators following her report including a question on how management handles incidents on campus. President Timmons confirmed that management will present to Senators how the University addresses ‘issues management’ at a future Senate meeting. Management will also report back to Senate on the student’s completion rate within five years of starting at the University.

A copy of the President’s report will be provided to Senators following the meeting and is appended to the Official File.

4.3 University Secretary

4.3.1 Winter 2015 In-progress Report on Registration and Fall 2014 Convocation, Appendix I of the Agenda

J. D’Arcy, Registrar presented the report for information and provided a brief overview of the undergraduate and graduate registrations. Discussion followed. Management addressed questions raised by Senators.

4.3.2 2015 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, 2015.

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 Creation of BA Combined Major in Philosophy, Politics and Economics

Timmons - Kleer
Moved to create a BA Combined Major in Philosophy, Politics and Economics (PPE) as outlined on pages 8 to 10 of the agenda, effective 2015.

Discussion followed.

The question was called on the motion. CARRIED

6.1.2 Minor in French

Timmons - Kleer
Moved to create a minor in French as a Second Language, effective 1 September 2015.

The question was called on the motion. CARRIED

6.1.3 Admission Suspension – Bachelor of Journalism

The motion was WITHDRAWN at the Executive of Council meeting held in January. R. Kleer provided rationale on why the motion was withdrawn.

6.2 Faculty of Fine Arts

6.2.1 Revision to High School Admission Requirements

Timmons - Staseson
Moved that Photography 30 be added to the list of approved 30 level courses from Saskatchewan high schools for admission to Fine Arts (Section 2.4.1.1 of the UG Calendar), effective 2015.

The question was called on the motion. CARRIED

6.2.2 Creation – Minor (Film Production)

Timmons - Staseson
Moved to create a FINE ARTS MINOR (Film Production)

The question was called on the motion. CARRIED

6.3 Faculty of Graduate Studies and Research
6.3.1 Master of Social Work (MSW) Admission Requirement Changes

Timmons - White
*Moved that SW 469 be removed as an admission requirement for the University of Regina, Master of Social Work degree effective Fall 2015 admission intake (January 2015)*

The question was called on the motion.  CARRIED

6.3.2 Business Administration – Public Safety Management

Timmons - Gaudes
*Moved that a specialization in Public Safety Management (as detailed on pages 14 and 15 of the agenda) be added to the Levene MBA program effective Fall 2015.*

Management addressed questions raised by Senators.

The question was called on the motion.  CARRIED

6.3.3 Nursing – Admission Requirements

Timmons - Gregory
*Moved that new admission requirements be implemented as detailed on pages 15 and 16 of the agenda for the CNPP effective for the 2016 application period*

The question was called on the motion.  CARRIED

6.4 Joint Faculty Motion

6.4.1 Earth Science 30

Timmons – D’Arcy
*Moved to add Earth Science 30 to the list of possible courses recognized for admission to the Faculty of Arts, Faculty of Business Administration, Faculty of Education, Faculty of Fine Arts, Faculty of Kinesiology and Health Studies, the Faculty of Social Work, and the Centre for Continuing Education for students applying for admission from a Saskatchewan high school for the Fall 2015 admission cycle.*

The question was called on the motion.  CARRIED

6.5 Council Committee on Academic Mission

6.5.1 Women’s and Gender Studies Program – Departmental Status

Timmons - Kleer
*Moved that the Women’s and Gender Studies program be granted the status of a department in the Faculty of Arts.*

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](http://www.uregina.ca/president/governance/council/eofc-meetings.html)
1. Faculty of Arts
   1.1 Revisions to Geography and Environmental Studies Program
   1.2 Arts Minors for Non-Arts Students
   1.3 Minor in Justice Studies
   1.4 Revisions – Advanced Certificate in Criminal Justice - Motion was sent back to CCUAS at the January Executive of Council meeting.
   1.5 Revisions – Concentration in Social Justice
   1.6 Revisions – Concentration in Criminal Justice

2. Joint Report from the Faculties of Arts and Science
   2.1 Revisions to BSc and BSc Honours Combined Major in Geology and Geography
   2.2 Revisions to BSc in Combined Major in Biology and Geography
   2.3 Revisions to BSc and BSc Honours Combined Major in Geography and Geology

3. Faculty of Education
   3.1 Child Development Centre - Motion was withdrawn at the January Executive of Council meeting.
   3.2 Internship
   3.3 PLACE – Health Education Majors
   3.4 PLACE – Math Education Majors

4. Faculty of Fine Arts
   4.1 Indian Fine Arts
   4.2 Music History & Literature Revisions
   4.3 Music History & Literature Requirements
   4.4 Vocal Technique Requirement
   4.5 Visual Arts Requirements
   4.6 Visual Arts Calendar Revisions
   4.7 400 Level Studio Course
   4.8 ART/INA Elective
   4.9 Art History Requirement

5. Faculty of Graduate Studies and Research
   5.1 Arts – Suspension of the MA and MSc – Geography Program
   5.2 Business Administration – Master of Business Administration Co-op Programs
   5.3 Business Administration – Master of Human Resource Management Co-op Programs
   5.4 Business Administration – Master of Administration of Leadership Co-op Programs
   5.5 Engineering and Applied Science – Revision – Software Systems Engineering
   5.6 Engineering and Applied Science – Revision – Electronic Systems Engineering
   5.7 Engineering and Applied Science – Revision – Industrial Systems Engineering
   5.8 Engineering & Applied Science – Revision – Process Systems Engineering
   5.9 Engineering And Applied Science – Revision – Petroleum Systems Engineering
   5.10 Engineering and Applied Science – Revision – Environmental Systems
   5.11 Graduate Studies and Research – Graduate Work Experience
   5.12 Social Work – Master of Social Work Program Changes
   5.13 Arts – Master of Arts Economics Program Changes
   5.14 Arts – Master of Arts in French Studies Program Changes
   5.15 JSGSPP – Curriculum Changes to the Master of Public Administration (MPA)
   5.16 Nursing – Sequence of Courses
   5.17 Social Work – Addition of SW 885 to MSW Thesis Based
   5.18 Social Work – Removal of Courses

6. Faculty of Nursing
 Faculty Academic Performance Regulations Revisions
Faculty Academic Performance Regulations Revisions
Faculty Academic Performance Regulations Addition
Reassessment of a Grade for Clinical Practice Education Courses

Faculty of Science
Revisions to BSc in Biology, Cellular & Molecular Biology Area of Concentration
Revisions to Department of Computer Science Programs
Revisions to BSc Programs in Computer Science

Faculty of Social Work
Revisions to BSc Programs in Computer Science
Revisions to BSc Programs in Computer Science
Revisions Section 17.3.3

Centre for Continuing Education
IELTS Score
Admission Suspensions

Council Committee on Research
Ethics – Research with Humans

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

Senate Representatives to the Board – Verbal Update

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

- The Board of Governors has met three times since the last meeting of Senate – a special meeting in November to approve the new Strategic Plan and a regular scheduled meeting in December 2014. The Board also met in late January to approve the tentative agreement reached with URFA. The agreement was ratified by the URFA membership on January 29th.

- 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. Management appeared at the Public Accounts Committee in December and January to report on its progress to address the Provincial Auditor’s recommendations.

- The Board of Governors approved the 2015-2020 University of Regina’s Strategic Plan called “peyak aski Kikawinaw”. Management is currently working to complete the new metrics for the Performance Measurement Framework.

- The Board continues to be 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 one individual with the Board of Governors’ Distinguished Service Award for his significant service to the University. Dr. George Maslany (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 regular meetings for the Board of Governors are scheduled for early March and early May 2015 as budget planning for 2015-16 is underway.

If logistics can be arranged, management agreed to organize a tour of the new residence building for Senate members.

The Chancellor thanked A. Revet for the report.

8. Academic and Administrative Reports

8.1 Presentation on “Research at the University of Regina: Innovating Life” presented by Dr. David Malloy, Vice-President (Research)

Introductions were provided. Malloy noted that the newsletter on research called ‘Innovating Life’ was distributed at the door.

There was a brief question and answer session held following the presentation. The University Secretariat will send out a copy of the presentation following the Senate meeting and will append to the official file.

Chancellor Tomkins thanked Dr. Malloy for his informative presentation.

(No guests withdrew from the meeting prior to the In Camera session at 3:37 p.m.)

9. In Camera session

9.1 Senate Appeals Committee Report

9.1.1 Senate Appeals Committee – Terms of Reference, Appendix IV of the Agenda

Wakabayashi - Borgares

That the Senate Appeals Committee recommends to Senate that the amendments noted below as blackline changes to the Senate Appeals Committee terms of reference be approved, effective immediately.

Management will consider the suggestion by a Senator in its next revision of the terms of reference to outline the process for the recusal of committee member’s prior Senate Appeal hearings (if required).

The question was called on the motion. CARRIED

9.1.2 Senate Appeals Committee Report, Appendix IV of the Agenda

Chancellor Tomkins presented the report for information.
10. Other Business

10.1 Next Meeting of Senate – 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, 3 June 2015.

10.2 Spring Convocation – 2:00 p.m. on June 3, 4 and 5, 2015

11. Adjournment – 3:42 p.m. by Gregory.

Annette Revet
University Secretary