The meeting was called to order at 9:04 a.m. and introductions were made.

1. Approval of the Agenda

   Krismer – Borgares

   *Moved approval of the agenda as circulated.*

   **CARRIED**

2. Approval of the Minutes of 6 February 2016

   Chase - Peters

   *Moved approval of the minutes as circulated.*

   **CARRIED**

3. Business Arising from the Minutes

4. Optional Reports

4.1 Chancellor

   Chancellor Tomkins presented his report.
   
   - The Chancellor welcomed the new student Senators to their first Senate meeting and noted the retiring Senators would be acknowledged near the end of the meeting under item 10.1.
   - Annual Spring Convocation will be held on June 1st, 2nd and 3rd, 2016 at 2:00 p.m. at the Conexus Arts Centre. The Chancellor acknowledged the Honorary Degree Recipients for Spring Convocation: Gavin Semple, Jack Semple and Chief Tammy Cook-Searson.
4.2 President

President Timmons presented the report to Senate which included three key messages that Senators were encouraged to share with their constituents.

Senators were encouraged to submit their input to the Board of Governors regarding the renewal of the President for a third term.

The President’s Report will be provided to Senators following the meeting.

4.3 University Secretary

4.3.1 Annual Enrolment Report 2015 - 2016, Appendix I of the Agenda

John Smith, Associate Vice-President (Student Affairs) presented the report for information and provided a brief overview of the undergraduate and graduate enrolments and the population segment highlights of the report.

4.3.2 2016 Chancellor Election, Verbal Update

G. Sylvestre reported that the University Secretariat office received one nomination for the Chancellor election prior to the April 15th deadline. Sylvestre announced that Dr. Jim Tomkins was elected by acclamation to serve as Chancellor for a second three-year term effective from July 1, 2016 to end on June 30, 2019.

The nomination is appended to the Official File.

5. Reports from Senate Committees

5.1 Joint Committee on Ceremonies Report

5.1.1 Invocation, Appendix II

President Timmons presented the item for approval and summarized the discussions held at the Joint Committee on Ceremonies meeting held on April 22, 2016. It was noted that the Committee considered all the information and recommended that Senate consider using a preferential ‘secret’ ballot vote on the same four options that were considered at the Fall 2015 meeting of Council.

Timmons – Gallagher

Moved to conduct a preferential vote on the four recommendations from the Joint Committee on Ceremonies.

The Chancellor provided some background information and explanation on how the preferential vote would be conducted.

Discussion followed with several Senators providing their viewpoint on the subject.

The question was called on the motion. CARRIED
Following the discussion, the Chancellor explained the process for the vote. All questions raised by Senators were addressed. The Chancellor introduced the University’s Internal Auditor, Yulia Yevlanova, to act as the lead counter for the vote and two scrutineers from Senate were chosen to assist with the vote (J. Alexander and L. Brown).

Ballots were collected and Y. Yevlanova and the scrutineers withdrew from the meeting at 10:35 a.m. to count the ballots. The Chancellor noted that the results of the vote would be provided under item 10.1.

The tabulation form is *appended to the Official File*.

(There was a break at 10:35 a.m. The meeting reconvened at 10:50 a.m.)

5.1.2 New Program Hoods, Appendix II of the Agenda

The President presented the item for information.

5.2 Senate Bylaws Committee Report

5.2.1 Senate Bylaws – Revisions – Spring 2016, Appendix III of the Agenda

Timmons - Chase

*That Senate approve the revisions to the Senate Bylaws as presented in Attachment A (black-line version) and Attachment B (clean version)*.

The Chancellor presented the item for approval and noted there were a couple of amendments to report which included the following:

- change ‘Media Production Studies’ to ‘Film’ in section 6.4.2
- change the motion to include approval from the Board of Governors

The amended motion should read as follows:

*That Senate approve the revisions to the Senate Bylaws as presented in Attachment A (black-line version) and Attachment B (clean version) and recommend approval from the Board of Governors.*

Senator Millard thanked the Senate Bylaws Committee for their work on the revisions to the Bylaws.

The question was called on the amended motion. CARRIED

5.3 Senate Nominating Committee Report

5.3.1 2016 Senate District Election, Appendix IV of the Agenda

R. Krismer, Chair of the Senate Nominating Committee presented the item for information and pointed out that Ward Strueby was appointed to District 10 not District 3.
No nominations were received for District 8 (Dundurn-Delisle) and 9 (North Battleford-Prince Albert) and it was noted that the vacancies would be dealt with under item 5.3.2.

The nominations are appended to the Official File.

5.3.2 Appointment of Senate Representatives to Districts 8 and 9, Appendix III of the Agenda

R. Krismer, Chair of the Senate Nominating Committee presented the item for approval and noted the two vacancies. It was reported that no candidates had been recommended to date for either District and Senators were encouraged to recommend eligible candidates to the Secretariat office. Krismer reminded Senate that if no candidates are recommended to the Secretariat office then the Districts will remain vacant for the year.

Krismer - Smith

That Senate recommends the Executive Director, University Governance to appoint a District representative from Districts 8 and 9 for a one-year term if eligible alumni are recommended. If no candidates are recommended then the Districts will remain vacant for the year.

There was a friendly amendment to the motion to change ‘recommends’ to ‘authorize’. The amended motion should read as follows:

That Senate authorize the Executive Director, University Governance to appoint a District representative from Districts 8 and 9 for a one-year term if eligible alumni are recommended. If no candidates are recommended then the Districts will remain vacant for the year.

The question was called on the amended motion. CARRIED

5.3.3 Membership on Senate Standing and Faculty Council Committees, Appendix III of the Agenda

Krismer - Petry

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

R. Krismer, Chair of the Senate Nominating Committee presented the item to approve the Senate standing and faculty council committees for 2016-2017 for approval as noted on Attachment A on Page 136 of the agenda. Attachment A is appended to the Official File.

The question was called on the motion. CARRIED

5.3.4 Elected Senator to the Board of Governors, Appendix IV of the Agenda

The Chancellor confirmed that the motion would not be required since the process is governed by an election procedure as per the Senate Bylaws and The University of Regina Act.
Chancellor Tomkins reported that five nominations were received prior to the May 25th deadline and the biographies were distributed at the meeting. Each candidate was permitted to speak for two minutes regarding their nomination. J. Alexander and Y. Yevlanova both agreed to volunteer to be scrutineers for the election.

Ballots were circulated and collected. The scrutineers withdrew from the meeting to count the ballots with the results announced in item 10.1. All documentation has been appended to the official file.

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

President Timmons presented the report.

1. Council Committee on Undergraduate Admissions and Studies

1.1 Faculty of Arts

1.1.1 Certificate in Sustainability

Timmons - Bredohl
Moved to create the Certificate in Sustainability, effective 201630.

The question was called on the motion. CARRIED

1.1.2 Certificate in Nonprofit sector Leadership and Innovation

Timmons - Hillis
Moved to approve the creation of the NEW Certificate in Nonprofit Sector Leadership and Innovation (NSLI) as presented on Pages 140 and 141 of the agenda, effective 201630.

The question was called on the motion. CARRIED

T. Brehohl provided rationale for the creation of the new certificate programs offered in the Faculty of Arts.

1.2 Faculty of Education

1.2.1 Elementary Program PGPA Change for All Elementary Programs

Timmons – Tupper
Moved that all Elementary program students (with exclusion of NORTEP, SUNTEP, YNTEP, NTEP, FNUniv and Community-based programs) must maintain a PGPA of 70% in all years of the program in order to proceed in the program. Effective 201730.

J. Tupper provided rationale as to why SUNTEP, YNTEP, FNUniv and Community-based programs were excluded.

The question was called on the motion.
1.2.2 Admission Average for Internal and External Transfer Students

Timmons – Tupper
Moved that the admission average for applicants who have attempted 24 credit hours or more of university or university transfer credit be changed for the Elementary Teacher Education with exclusion of NORTEP, SUNTEP, YNTEP, NTEP, FNUniv, Community based and BAC to require a PGPA of 70% be approved. Effective 201730.

The question was called on the motion.

1.2.3 Change to Undergraduate Education Degree Requirement

Timmons – Tupper
Moved that all undergraduate education students be required to take 3 credit hours in Indigenous studies as a degree requirement. Effective 201630.

The question was called on the motion.

1.3 Faculty of Media, Art, and Performance

1.3.1 New Media, Art, and Performance Minor (Pop Culture)

Timmons – Staseson
Moved that the following NEW Media, Art, and Performance Minor (Pop Culture) be created. Effective 201710.

The question was called on the motion.

1.3.2 New Media, Art, and Performance Minor (Community & Social Engagement)

Timmons – Staseson
Moved that the following NEW Bachelor of Arts Media, Art, and Performance Minor (Community & Social Engagement) be created. Effective 201710.

The question was called on the motion.

1.3.3 New Media, Art, and Performance Minor (Canadian Identities)

Timmons – Staseson
Moved that the following NEW Media, Art, and Performance Minor (Canadian Identities) be created. Effective 201710.

R. Staseson answered a question regarding demand for these new Minors. She indicated that demand for inter-disciplinary minors is increasing both inside and outside the Faculty of Media, Art, and Performance.

The question was called on the motion.
1.4 Faculty of Nursing

1.4.1 Addition of re-admission Regulation for Faculty of Nursing

Timmons – Gregory
Moved to approve the revision to Section 15.2 Admission, Re-Admission and Transfer by adding Section 15.2.1 Re-Admission to the Faculty of Nursing Re-Admission Regulations. Effective 201630.

The question was called on the motion. CARRIED

1.4.2 Requirements for Early Conditional Admission (Submitted as a joint motion from Enrolment Services and the Faculty of Nursing)

Timmons – Gregory
Moved to revise the requirements for Early Conditional Admission for Current High School Students. Effective for 201730.

d. Gregory provided rationale for the revisions.

The question was called on the motion. CARRIED

1.5 Faculty of Science

1.5.1 BSc Combined Major in Biology and Biochemistry

Timmons – Gagnon
Moved to suspend admission to the BSc Combined Major in Biology and Biochemistry, effective 201620.

The question was called on the motion. CARRIED

1.5.2 Science Qualifying Process

Timmons – Gagnon
Moved to update the Science Qualifying Process as indicated on Pages 146 and 147. Effective 201630

The question was called on the motion. CARRIED

1.5.3 Environmental Health and Science (ENHS) Program Changes

Timmons – Gagnon
Moved to remove INHS 111, CS 130, MATH 105, CS 100, BIOL 220, INHS 200, INHS 210, and PHYS119 from, and add CS 110, ENGL 110, PHIL 150, 3 Arts, or Media, Art, and Performance, or Indigenous Fine Arts electives, and 3 open electives to, the ENHS program as indicated on Pages 147-149. Effective 201630; and,

To increase the number of credit hours in the ENHS program from 120 to 129 credit hours. Effective 201630.

The question was called on the motion. CARRIED
1.5.4 New Environmental Health and Science After Degree (BScEHSAD)

Timmons – Gagnon

Moved to create the Environmental Health and Science Program After Degree (BScEHSAD) as noted on Pages 149 and 150. Effective 201630.

The question was called on the motion. CARRIED

2. Council Committee on Faculty of Graduate Studies and Research

2.1 Faculty of Education

2.1.1 Master of Indigenous Education (MIED) Program Creation

Timmons – Eberlein

Moved that the Master in Indigenous Education program be created. Effective 201710

The question was called on the motion. CARRIED

2.2 Faculty of Nursing

2.2.1 Clinical Nurse Specialist (CNS) – Master of Nursing Program Creation

Timmons – Eberlein

Moved that the Clinical Nurse Specialist (CNS) – Master of Nursing program be created. Effective 201730

The question was called on the motion. CARRIED

2.3 Faculty of Science

2.3.1 Master in Health Information Management (MHIM) Program Creation

Timmons – Eberlein

Moved that the Master in Health Information Management program be created. Effective 201730

The question was called on the motion. CARRIED

2.3.2 Johnson Shoyama Graduate School Masters Certificate in Non-Profit Management Re-activation and Modification

Timmons – Eberlein

Moved that the Masters Certificate in Non-Profit Management be re-activated and modified. Effective 201630

It was noted that there was a typo on Page 154 of the Agenda. Item 2.3.2 should read 2.4 – Johnson Shoyama Graduate School of Public Policy.

B. Hillis provided rationale for offering programs in Non-Profit Management. He explained that there is increasing demand for such programs.

The question was called on the motion. CARRIED
3. Council Committee on Research

3.1 Regina Improvisation Studies Centre

Timmons – Staseson

_Moved that the Regina Improvisation Studies Centre be approved as a faculty-based research centre and that, once approved, this be recommended to the Board of Governors for final approval. Details of the full report may be viewed at [http://www.uregina.ca/president/assets/docs/council-minutes/2016/03-23%20Agenda.pdf starting on page 10]._

The question was called on the motion. CARRIED

3.2 Canadian Institute for Science and Innovation Policy (CISIP)

Timmons – Chase

_Moved that the Canadian Institute for Science and Innovation Policy (CISIP), as detailed in Attachment A, be approved as a faculty-based research centre and, once approved be recommended to the Board of Governors for final approval._

All questions were addressed.

The question was called on the motion. 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/president/governance/council/minutes.html](http://www.uregina.ca/president/governance/council/minutes.html)

1. Council Committee on Undergraduate Admissions and Studies

1.1 Faculty of Arts
   1.1.1 La Cité’s programs to be done as minors and second majors for Arts students
   1.1.2 Department of Indigenous Languages, Arts and Culture – Official Name Change
   1.1.3 Department of Indigenous Languages, Arts and Culture – Official Change of Unit Name
   1.1.4 RTD Policy – Arts Transition Program

1.2 Faculty of Education
   1.2.1 Changes to Secondary Program (Business Education major and minor)
   1.2.2 Changes to Secondary Program (English Education majors and minors)
   1.2.3 Elementary Program Template Revision
   1.2.4 Changes to Saskatchewan Urban Native Teacher Education Program (SUNTEP)
   1.2.5 Changes to Northern Teacher Education Program (NORTEP)

1.3 Faculty of Engineering and Applied Science
   1.3.1 Revisions to Engineering Minors

1.4 Faculty of Media, Art, and Performance
   1.4.1 Bachelor of Arts (Visual arts) Double Major

1.5 Faculty of Kinesiology and Health Studies
   1.5.1 Change to Certificate in Indigenous Health Practice
There was a typo. ‘Practive’ should be changed to ‘Practice’ in item 1.5.1.

1.5.2 Modification to Bachelor of Sport and Recreation Studies – Sport and Recreation Management to Add an Internship Option
1.5.3 College of the Rockies Articulation Agreements

1.6 Faculty of Nursing
1.6.1 Revision to Faculty Academic Performance Regulations
1.6.2 Addition to Academic Advising and Registration Regulations

1.7 Faculty of Science
1.7.1 BSc and BSc Honours in Biochemistry
1.7.2 Statistics
1.7.3 Statistics
1.7.4 Environmental Health and Science (ENHS) Program Move

1.8 Faculty of Social Work
1.8.1 Change to Application Deadlines in BISW/CISW
1.8.2 Revision to Certificate of Indigenous Social Work

1.9 Office of the Registrar
1.9.1 2017-2018 Academic Schedule

2. Council Committee on Faculty of Graduate Studies and Research

2.1 Faculty of Media, Art, and Performance
2.1.1 Master of Music in Conducting Program Change
2.1.2 Elective Requirements for the MMus Performance: Keyboard Instruments Change
2.1.3 Master of Music Performance: Voice Program Change
2.1.4 Elective Requirements for the MMus in Composition Program Change
2.1.5 Elective Requirements for the MA Musicology Program Change
2.1.6 Elective Requirements for the MA in Music: Theory Program Change
2.1.7 Master of Arts (MA) Program in Interdisciplinary Studies in Fine Arts Modifications
2.1.8 Master of Fine Arts (MFA) Program in Interdisciplinary Studies Modifications
2.1.9 Master of Fine Arts in Media Production Modifications
2.1.10 Master of Fine Arts in Visual Arts Modifications

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

7.1 Elected Senator to the Board – Verbal Update

E. Bourassa provided a brief update on activities undertaken by the Board of Governors which included the following report:

- The Board of Governors announced that Jermain McKenzie was elected President of the Students’ Union, began his term on the Board on May 1, 2016 and replaced Devon Peters who completed his second term on the Board on April 30, 2016. Patrick Maze,
The elected Senator on the Board will end his second term on June 30, 2016. Both D. Peters and P. Maze were thanked for their service on the Board.

- The Board of Governors held two regular meetings since the last meeting of Senate held in March and May.
- The Board approved the financial statements for the University’s pension plans for the year ending December 31, 2015 at the May Board meeting.
- The 2016 Risk Register was approved. It was reported that there is one new risk in the top ten related to pension liability associated mainly with the Non-Academic defined pension plan.
- The Internal Auditor provided a status update to the Board in March and May regarding activities completed. Bourassa thanked Y. Yevlanova for her work.
- The Board is undertaking a process of consultation to inform consideration of the renewal of President Timmons for an additional term.
- The Provincial Budget was announced June 1st which is much later than usual due to the Spring election. The Senate can expect to see highlights from the University of Regina Budget for 2016-2017 sent out to the University community in June.
- The next regular meetings for the Board of Governors are scheduled for early July and mid September 2016. In July, the Board will meet to approve the University budget, annual audited financial statements for the University and 2015-16 Annual Report.

The Chancellor thanked E. Bourassa for her report.

8. **Academic and Administrative Reports**

8.1 There was a presentation on ‘Research Update: Research Clusters’ by Dr. David Malloy, Vice-President (Research)

President Timmons provided introductions. Dr. Malloy provided an overview of the research agenda focusing on the research clusters.

The presentation is appended to the Official File.

Chancellor Tomkins thanked Dr. Malloy for his presentation.

(E. Bourassa, J. Hindley and Y. Yevlanova withdrew from the meeting prior to the In Camera session which was held at 11:48 a.m. following the presentation.)

9. **In Camera Session**

9.1 Senate Appeals Committee Report, *Verbal Update*

Chancellor Tomkins provided a verbal report and noted that the committee heard one appeal on April 6th which was denied by the committee.

9.2 Honorary Degree Candidates for Addition to the Approved Roster, Appendix II of the Agenda, distributed to Senators during the In Camera session

Timmons - Krismer
Moved that the list of honorary degree candidates for addition to the Approved Roster, appended to the University’s official file, be approved.

President Timmons presented the item for approval. All questions were addressed by management.

*All documentation is appended to the official file.*

The question was called on the motion. CARRIED

(The *In Camera* session ended at 11:58 a.m.)

10. Other Business

10.1 Reports from Scrutineers, *Verbal Report*

G. Sylvestre reported the results of the secret ballot vote for the Invocation item 5.1.1. Sylvestre noted that the majority of Senators voted for the following option:

*D. To have a moment of silent gratitude/prayer to mark the occasion.*

The Chancellor confirmed that the results would be reported back to the Joint Committee on Ceremonies to implement the change to the Invocation for the 2016 Fall Convocation.

G. Sylvestre also reported that Dr. Art Opseth was elected as the Senator to the Board of Governors for a three-year term effective July 1, 2016.

All nominees were thanked for letting their name stand for the election.

10.2 Destruction of Election Ballots

Chase - McMartin

Moved to destroy the ballots for items 5.1.1 and 5.3.4.

The question was called on the motion. CARRIED

10.3 Recognition of Departing Senate Members

The Chancellor and the President recognized the following departing members of Senate for their service to the University.

Joanna Alexander, College of Physicians and Surgeons of Saskatchewan  
Cindy Brown, Interior Designers of Saskatchewan Inc.  
Rob Currie, Saskatchewan League of Educational Administrators, Directors and Superintendents (LEADS)  
Margaret Dagenais, U of R Alumni Association  
Darlene Krell, Saskatchewan Association of School Councils  
Robert Krismer, District 9 (North Battleford – Prince Albert)  
Sandy Lauder, Saskatchewan Association of Agrologists  
Patrick Maze, Elected Senator to the Board  
Audrey Neilson, District 8 (Delisle-Dundurn)
Art Opseth, Association of Professional Engineers and Geoscientists of Saskatchewan
Alan Parkinson, Association of Professional Community Planners of Saskatchewan
Jeff Reihl, Chiropractic Association of Saskatchewan
Victor Thomas, The Regina District Chamber of Commerce

All Senators were thanked for their participation and respectful debate regarding the Invocation item.

10.4   Next Meeting of Senate – 9:00 a.m., Friday, 21 October 2016


Glenys Sylvestre
University Secretary