

COUNCIL COMMITTEE ON RESEARCH

Minutes of the Meeting of
May 11, 2017 (ADHUM 527 Boardroom)

Present: J. Wagner (Chair), T. Bredohl , N. Onder, I. Germani, D. Stilling, K. Irwin, C. Somers, R. Blake, C. Butz , D. McMartin, K. Arbuthnott

Guests: Raymond Deschamps, Cheryl Quewezance

Resource: P. Splett (Research Office), recorder

Regrets: D. Malloy, M. Sanchez, A. Miller, R. Khanam, D. Candow, C. Bradley, G. Donnelly, G. Grandy , S. Gray, K. Montgomery

1. Introductions

2. Approval of Agenda

Bredohl/Germani - *moved approval of the agenda*

CARRIED

3. Approval of the Minutes of January 6, 2017

Stilling/Onder – *moved approval of the minutes with revisions of approval of January 6, 2017 agenda.*

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4. Chair's Report (J.Wagner)

- a. Introductions of guest speakers, Cheryl Quewezance and Raymond Deschamps

5. VPR Report (D.McMartin)

- a. PARC - update

- PARC has suspended operations since there has been no external research funding in 5 years.
- PARC will exist as an entity since the lease is established for 5 more years with maintenance fees included in the lease. The lease was a U of R expense not a Centre expense.

- b. Internal Grants Update

- The Curiosity Research Grant and Research Cluster Grants will be annual.
- The Clean Energy Grant funding is done. There is a small amount left.
- New collaborations have been forming because of the Special Advisors networking to showcase the strengths of the University of Regina.

c. Regional Data Centre – Update

- Funding may be an issue, however the Government of Saskatchewan is interested in having the Data Centre in Regina.

d. Mexico Partnerships – Update

- Mexico government is interested in our capacity for “Carbon Capture use and storage.
- \$60 million in Alberta last year.
- Planning to target all areas involved in carbon capture.

e. UR Press - Update from Bruce Walsh

- U of R Press has published 6 national bestsellers since launching in June 2013 and is approaching a million dollars in revenue (from \$241,000 five years ago).
- In a lecture last year, John Ralston Saul said our Indigenous publishing program is the University of Regina’s greatest contribution to Canada.
- With a groundbreaking First Nations Language Reader series, dozens of manuscripts in development by Indigenous authors, Indigenous employees, and four nationally bestselling books on Indigenous issues, we have put the press at the centre of a vital national conversation while advancing scholarship, language acquisition, and culture. We now have books on Wood's Cree, Cree, Lillooet, Saulteaux, Blackfoot, and Gros Ventre in print, with Tlingit coming. We will be releasing two Open Access Cree texts next year. The Guardian and Publisher's Weekly both ran profiles of our Indigenous languages program.
- We have sold foreign rights to publishers in the UK, Korea, Japan, and China. The Guardian and the TLS have reviewed books we originated.
- Publisher's Weekly and the Chronicle of Higher Education Review ran articles on the press in April.
- We are launching the first podcast from a Canadian university press on the night of the SK Book Awards, called "How Books Happen."
- We have 17 nominations.

6. Indigenous Research Ethics and Indigenous Research Methodology – Cheryl Quewezance presentation

- Powerpoint presentation available on request.
- Circulated by email May 18, 2017

7. Research Centre Review Process – D. McMartin

- Formal Reviews are scheduled for CETRI and HRI
- The review will consist of a self-study and a review with the committee and Director.
- This is the first time the research centres have been reviewed.
- SIDRU was audited by the internal auditor and is implementing recommendations from the audit so is not being reviewed through centre review at this time.

8. VPR's Research Portfolio Plan – Raymond Deschamps

- Presentation on the Vice-President (Research) website:
<https://www.uregina.ca/president/executive-team/vp-research/projects-initiatives.html>

12. Adjournment

Stilling – *moved to adjourn.*