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**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE OF THE UNIVERSITY OF REGINA COUNCIL
22 OCTOBER 2025
ADMINISTRATION HUMANITIES BUILDING BOARDROOM 527 AND WEB CONFERENCING**

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Ex-Officio: L. Campbell, H. Chaudhry, D. Dick, A. Douai, R. Evans, D. Ford, S. Gaudet, d. Gregory, A. Hughes, J. Keshen (Chair), D. Meban, J. Nahachewsky, N. Önder, C. Rocke, J. Smith, T. Sperlich, A. Sterzuk, G. Sylvestre

Elected: M. Akinpelu, R. Alao, M. Argerami, A. Asfari, E. Beckwell, K. Bethune, C. Bradley, K. Butler, L. Clune, I. Coulson, M. Cule, S. Davies, A. Daley, M. DeCoste, J. deLugt, P. Douglas, O. El-Halfawy, A. Fizzard, M. Goodwin, M. Hart, O. Hoeber, S. Holmes, A. Hyduk, X. Jia, S. Johnston, C. Kulczycki, P. Leavitt, J. Lewgood, A. Manera, V. Mathews, T. McIntosh, C. Melhoff, E. McNair, M. Mouhoub, H. Nelson, Z. Papandreou, W. Peng, R. Petry, Y. Petry, C. Ramsay, E. Ruddy, M. Rutten-James, S. Sangster, D. Sharpe, G. Sherbert, D. Starblanket, M. Stewart, A. Stoddart, S. Talbot, H. Weger, C. Winter, S. Yim

Guests: N. Carleton, M. Diamantopoulos, P. Laforge

Regrets: P. Choi, D. Farenick, H. Riemer, D. Stilling, C. Widdifield

Recorder: S. Stewart

The meeting was called to order at 2:32 p.m. by the President and Vice-Chancellor, Dr. Jeff Keshen.

In keeping with the University's commitment to Reconciliation, the Chair acknowledged that the University is located on Treaty 4 territory with a presence in Treaty 6. These are the territories of the nêhiyawak, Anihšīnāpēk, Dakota, Lakota, and Nakoda, and the traditional homeland of the Métis/Michif Nation.

1. Approval of the Agenda

Z. Papandreou – M. Stewart

Moved that the agenda be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

2. Approval of the Minutes of Meeting of 24 September 2025

A. Douai – A. Hughes

Moved that the minutes be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

3. Business Arising from the Minutes – None.

4. Remarks from the Chair

President Keshen provided an update on recent activities, including:

- Update on 2025-2026 domestic and international enrolment
- Update on recent recruitment trips and events
- Update on the University of Regina Students' Union
- Update on the search for the Associate Vice-President (Human Resources)
- Update on the strategic planning process
- Recent achievements of University faculty, staff, and students

Following the Chair's remarks, Executive of Council was invited to share further information or raise questions for discussion. Topics of discussion included:

- Process for student clubs to access funding that was previously provided by the University of Regina Students' Union and the process for students to access services previously provided by the Student Advocate
- Opportunities for the University to recruit students from the United States
- Continued challenges with IRCC changes and processing delays

The Provost and Vice-President (Academic) provided a reminder of the call for volunteers to the Provost's Advisory Group: Exploring Structural Changes at the University of Regina.

5. Report from the University Secretary

A reminder that the Fall Convocation ceremonies will be held on Thursday, November 13th at the Centre for Kinesiology, Health, and Sport. There will be both a morning and afternoon celebration. All are encouraged to attend.

6. Reports from Committees of Council

6.1 Council Committee on Undergraduate Admissions and Studies, Appendix I, Pages 2-12

M. Diamantopoulos presented the report on behalf of the Council Committee on Undergraduate Admissions and Studies.

6.1.1 Faculty of Arts

Program Revision – Removal of ARTS 099

M. Diamantopoulos – T. Sperlich

Moved to remove ARTS 099 from all programs in the Faculty of Arts, effective 202620.

The question was called on the motion.

CARRIED

6.1.2 Faculty of Education

Admission Suspension – Mineurs pour les voies secondaire

M. Diamantopoulos – J. Nahachewsky

Moved that admission to the Mineurs pour les voies secondaire (DFLL et DFRN) Baccalauréat en Éducation Secondaire 2e concentration be suspended, effective 202620 and that these minors be made historical, effective 203220.

The question was called on the motion.

CARRIED

Program Revisions – Secondary Education Minors

M. Diamantopoulos – J. Nahachewsky

Moved that le BAC secondary students (DFLL and DFRN) be made eligible for any of the secondary minors, with the exception of the French minor (EFRN), effective 202620.

The question was called on the motion.

CARRIED

English Language Proficiency Revision – Faculty of Education

M. Diamantopoulos – J. Nahachewsky

Moved that the English Language Proficiency requirements for the Faculty of Education be revised, effective 202620.

Clarification was provided that the blue text in the agenda materials is the verbiage that will be added to the Academic Calendar.

The question was called on the motion.

CARRIED

Admission Suspension – Certificate in Early Childhood Education and Certificate in Teaching Elementary School Mathematics

M. Diamantopoulos – J. Nahachewsky

Moved to suspend admission to the Certificate in Extended Studies in Early Childhood Education and the Certificate in Teaching Elementary School Mathematics, effective immediately.

The question was called on the motion.

CARRIED

6.1.3 Faculty of Education and Centre for Continuing Education

Admission Suspension – Certificate in Early Childhood Education and the Helping Professions

M. Diamantopoulos – J. Nahachewsky

Moved to suspend admission to the Certificate in Early Childhood Education and the Helping Professions, effective immediately.

The question was called on the motion.

CARRIED

6.1.4 Faculty of Science

Admission Suspension – Post-Diploma Bachelor of Science in Computer Science

M. Diamantopoulos – M. Hart

Moved to suspend admissions or transfers into the Post-Diploma Bachelor of Science in Computer Science, effective 202610.

The question was called on the motion.

CARRIED

Program Revision – Bachelor of Science in Computer Science

M. Diamantopoulos – M. Hart

Moved to revise the Bachelor of Science in Computer Science program, effective 202620.

The question was called on the motion.

CARRIED

Program Revision – Bachelor of Science Honours in Computer Science

M. Diamantopoulos – M. Hart

Moved to revise the Bachelor of Science Honours in Computer Science degree, effective 202620.

The question was called on the motion.

CARRIED

Program Revision – Bachelor of Science in Psychology and Bachelor of Science Honours in Psychology

M. Diamantopoulos – M. Hart

Moved to revise the Bachelor of Science in Psychology program and Bachelor of Science Honours in Psychology program, effective 202620.

The question was called on the motion.

CARRIED

6.1.6 Faculty of Media, Art, and Performance

New Program – Minor in Art History and Curatorial Studies

M. Diamantopoulos – D. Dick

Moved to create the new Minor in Art History and Curatorial Studies, effective immediately.

The question was called on the motion.

CARRIED

6.2 Council Committee on Research

N. Carleton presented the report on behalf of the Council Committee on Research.

6.2.1 Policy Update – Care and Use of Animals (RCH-020-005)

N. Carleton – A. Sterzuk

Moved that the “Care and Use of Animals (RCH-020-005)” policy be revised as outlined in Attachment B.

N. Carlton introduced the item, noting that many of the proposed revisions resulted from a need to align with requirements of the Canadian Council on Animal Care (CCAC).

Discussion followed. Topics of discussion included:

- Uncertainty with respect to who will administer the training and how this will be verified
- Lack of clarity in the proposed policy regarding President's Committee on Animal Care (PCAC) responsibility in situations where there has not been previous peer review
- Roles and responsibilities of the animal facilities manager are not defined
- Responsibilities of those who do research or teaching using animals is not differentiated for faculty members and students – should there be increased responsibilities for faculty members/principal investigators?

After discussion a subsidiary motion was introduced:

M. Stewart – O. El-Halfawy

Moved to refer the motion back to the Council Committee on Research.

The question was called on the subsidiary motion.

CARRIED

7. Graduand Lists

The lists were distributed confidentially prior to the meeting and are appended to the Official File.

7.1 Graduand Lists for Approval

N. Önder – d. Gregory

Moved that all students whose names appear on the lists distributed at the meeting and having satisfied the requirements, be granted the degrees, diplomas, and/or certificates as designated.

The question was called on the motion.

CARRIED

7.2 Correction of Errors to Previous Approved Graduate Lists

7.2.1 Faculty of Arts

T. Sperlich – d. Gregory

Moved to approve the correction of errors to the credentials of previously approved graduates whose names appear on the lists as distributed.

The question was called on the motion.

CARRIED

7.2.2 Faculty of Nursing

R. Evans – d. Gregory

Moved to approve the correction of errors to the credentials of previously approved graduates whose names appear on the lists as distributed.

The question was called on the motion.

CARRIED

8. Other Business

None.

9. Reports from Faculties, Academic Units, and Federated Colleges

The Deans provided updates on past and future events and activities in their faculties and academic units.

10. Adjournment – M. Stewart (3:37 p.m.)