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MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE OF THE UNIVERSITY OF REGINA COUNCIL 24 APRIL 2024

ADMINISTRATION HUMANITIES BUILDING BOARDROOM 527 AND WEB CONFERENCING

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Ex-Officio: E. Aito, L. Campbell, H. Chaudhry, J. D'Arcy, D. Dick, A. Douai, I. Dostaler, D. Ford, J. Keshen, S. Khan, J. Nahachewsky, N. Önder, Y. Petry, T. Phenix, C. Pollard, H. Riemer, C. Rocke, C. Schultz, A. Sterzuk, G. Sylvestre, C. Yost

Elected: M. Argerami, A. Armstrong, C. Bakker, L. Clune, I. Coulson, M. Coupal, M. Çule, M. Decoste, J. DeLugt, J. Demers, M. Diamantopoulos, R. Dosselmann, O. El-Halfawy, L. French, S. Gaudet, B. Green, B. Hall, A. Hancock, O. Hoeber, D. Hulston, S. Khan, C. Kulczycki, D. Lane, P. Leavitt, M. MacKinnon, A. Magnan, E. Mathews, E. McNair, D. Meban, A. Mudde, A. Oehler, K. Phillips, V. Ramshaw, M. Rennie, C. Riegel, S. Russell, J. Seinin, N. Shariar, G. Sherbert, J. Siemer, D. Sharpe, D. Wapp, L. Tiggelers, B. Tomin, G. Vujanovic, H. Weger, C. Widdifield, S. Wilson, J. Xue

Regrets: P. Bruno, P. Choi, M. Dalrymple, S. Dea, D. Farenick, J. Farney, M. Hart, S. Helewa, A. Hodson, M. Jerry, B. Lichtenwald, C. Ramsay, A. Sardarli, M. Trussler

Recorder: S. Stewart

The meeting was called to order at 2:31 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, Anihšināpēk, Dakota, Lakota, and Nakoda, and the traditional homeland of the Métis/Michif Nation.

1. Approval of the Agenda

C. Pollard – G. Sherbert

Moved that the agenda be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

2. Approval of the Minutes of Meeting of 25 March 2024

M. DeCoste – P. Leavitt

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:

- Attendance at various recruitment events
- Update on enrolment for upcoming Spring/Summer, Fall, and Winter terms, and the 2024-25 budget including tuition recommendations
- Conversion to M365 from the University's current platforms, and other software system changes
- Federal regulations limiting the issuing of study permits to Canadian post-secondary institutions
- Upcoming 50th anniversary celebrations
- Major capital project initiatives
- Update on food services transition

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

- Competitiveness of University of Regina tuition, and factors in student selection of postsecondary institutions
- Recruitment initiatives and how best to appeal to different types of students

5. Report from the University Secretary

G. Sylvestre reminded Executive of Council members of the call for volunteers for membership on Council's various committees.

A question was raised regarding the University of Regina Act, and whether the Act might be opened in the near term. G. Sylvestre noted that there were no current indications, but that there had been fairly recent changes to the Post-Secondary Education and Skills Training Act, which had limited impact on the University.

6. Reports from Committees of Council

- 6.1 Council Committee on Undergraduate Admissions and Studies, Appendix I, Pages 2-20
 - J. D'Arcy presented the report on behalf of the Council Committee on Undergraduate Admissions and Studies.

6.1.1 Faculty of Business Administration

Business Administration Co-operative Education Program Requirements - Revision

J. D'Arcy – S. Khan

Moved that the minimum hours that a Business Co-op student needs to be enrolled in the term before their co-op placements be revised, effective 202430.

CARRIED

6.1.2 Faculty of Education

Arts Education Elementary Program (Four-Year) – Program Revision

J. D'Arcy – J. Nahachewsky

Moved that the change outlined in Appendix I, Pages 3-4 of the Agenda be made in the Arts Education Elementary program (four-year) to meet the Saskatchewan Professional Teachers Regulator Board (SPTRB) certification requirements, effective 202430.

CARRIED

<u>Four-Year Elementary Bachelor of Education (BEd) SUNTEP Program – Program</u> Revisions

J. D'Arcy – J. Nahachewsky

Moved that the changes outlined in Appendix I, Pages 4-5 of the Agenda be made in the Four-Year Elementary BEd SUNTEP program, effective 202520.

CARRIED

Le Bac Grade Conversion Chart – Revisions

J. D'Arcy – J. Nahachewsky

Moved that the Bac en éducation (élémentaire, secondaire et français de base) section of the calendar be revised, effective 202510.

A question was raised regarding the passing grade at Université Laval compared to the University of Regina. It was clarified the grade conversion chart is to harmonize Laval's three different grading scales into an equivalent at the University of Regina, in order to lessen confusion for students.

The question was called on the motion.

CARRIED

<u>Two Year Elementary Bachelor of Education After Degree (BEAD) Program (60 Credit Hours) – New Program</u>

J. D'Arcy – J. Nahachewsky

Moved to created the SUNTEP Elementary BEd After Degree (BEAD) Program (60 credit hours), effective 202520.

CARRIED

6.1.3 Faculty of Media, Art, and Performance

Faculty of Media, Art, and Performance Concurrent Program Regulation - Revisions

J. D.Arcy – D. Dick

Moved to update the MAP Concurrent Program requirements, effective 202520.

CARRIED

The remainder of the report was received for information.

6.2 Council Committee on Budget, Appendix II, Page 21

M. Çule presented the report on behalf of the Council Committee on Budget and noted appreciation for the Chair's response to the report in his earlier comments.

The report was received for information.

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

P. Leavitt - M. DeCoste

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.

CARRIED

8. Other Business – None.

9. Adjournment – P. Leavitt (3:15 p.m.)

Glenys Sylvestre University Secretary