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**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE OF THE UNIVERSITY OF REGINA COUNCIL
22 NOVEMBER 2023
ADMINISTRATION HUMANITIES BUILDING BOARDROOM 527 AND WEB CONFERENCING**

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Ex-Officio: L. Campbell, H. Chaudhry, P. Choi, J. D’Arcy, S. Dea, D. Dick, A. Douai, D. Farenick, J. Farney, S. Helewa, M. Jerry, S. Khan, J. Nahachewsky, N. Önder, Y. Petry, C. Pollard, H. Riemer, C. Rocke, C. Schultz, A. Sterzuk, G. Sylvestre, B. Waytuck, C. Yost

Elected: E. Almehdawe, C. Bakker, J. Bird, P. Bruno, L. Clune, I. Coulson, M. Coupal, M. Dalrymple, M. DeCoste, J. DeLugt, J. Demers, M. Diamatopoulos, R. Dosselmann, O. El-Halfawy, L. French, B. Green, A. Hancock, M. Hart, A. Hodson, O. Hoerber, S. Khan, M. Khondoker, C. Kulczycki, D. Lane, B. Lichtenwald, E. Mathews, V. Matthews, E. McNair, D. Meban, J. Melançon, A. Mudde, A. Oehler, W. Peng, K. Phillips, C. Polster, V. Ramshaw, C. Riegel, S. Russell, A. Sardarli, G. Sherbert, J. Siemer, D. Sharpe, T. Sperlich, D. Stilling, D. Swapp, L. Tiggelers, B. Tomin, G. Vujanovic, H. Weger, C. Widdifild, S. Wilson, K. Yow, M. Zimmermann

Regrets: M. Argerami, I. Dostaler, P. Leavitt, T. Shokirova, Y. Tang,

Guests: S. Hirani, S. Jobin, R. Paranjape

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, Anihšīnāpēk, Dakota, Lakota, and Nakoda, and the traditional homeland of the Métis/Michif Nation.

1. Approval of the Agenda

The Chair requested the addition of Item 7.1.4 “Graduand Lists for Approval – Faculty of Kinesiology and Health Studies.”

D. Stilling – G. Sherbert

Moved that the agenda be approved as amended.

CARRIED

2. Approval of the Minutes of Meeting of 25 October 2023

N. Önder – G. Vujanovic

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 development of the 2024-25 budget
- Fundraising for renovation of the Ad-Hum pit, and need to make the space accessible
- Work to understand increased workload in academic misconduct processes
- Upcoming recruitment events, including the Winter Snowcase at the Southland Mall
- Recent achievements by various University of Regina Faculty members
- Attendance at COP28 and priorities of the University at the event
- Recent meetings with Saskatchewan government officials
- Update on full year registration

The President recognized that this is a stressful time for students, especially those with connections to areas experiencing conflict and violence, and expressed an earnest desire for peace.

5. Report from the University Secretary

No report.

6. Reports from Committees of Council

6.1 Council Committee on Research, Appendix I, Pages 2-6

S. Hirani, Chair of the Council Committee on Research, presented the report on behalf of the Council Committee on Research.

6.1.1 University of Regina Research Chair and Fellow – Entropy Inc. Research Chair in Carbon Capture Technology and Entropy Inc. Fellow in Carbon Capture Technology

S. Hirani – P. Choi

Moved that the Entropy Inc. Research Chair in Carbon Capture Technology and the Entropy Inc. Fellow in Carbon Capture Technology be approved.

Discussion followed. Topics of discussion included:

- The University's commitment to sustainable initiatives and whether acceptance

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- of this type of funding is inconsistent with that commitment
- This research will increase efficiency of carbon-heavy industries, noting that the University supports multiple tools and research innovations (including microgrids, solar power, etc.) during this period of energy transition

It was noted that the approval process for research chairs as outlined in the Research Chair Policy may need a future revision to better suit the needs of the University.

The question was called on the motion.

CARRIED
10 Opposed

6.2 Council Committee on the Faculty of Graduate Studies and Research, Appendix II, Pages 7-

A. Douai, Chair of the Council Committee on the Faculty of Graduate Studies and Research, presented the report on behalf of the Council Committee on the Faculty of Graduate Studies and Research.

6.2.1 Faculty of Graduate Studies and Research

Graduate Calendar Change – Grounds for Deferral

A. Douai – D. Stilling

Moved to amend the Grounds for Deferral in the Graduate Calendar, effective 202420.

CARRIED

6.2.2 Johnson Shoyama Graduate School of Public Policy

New Program – Master of Public Administration (MPA) Internship Route

A. Douai – J. Farney

Moved that a Master of Public Administration (MPA) Internship Program Route be created, effective 202430.

It was requested that the note below the table be amended to read:

Note: The Internship Program Route will not have direct ~~admission~~ entry.

The question was called on the motion, including the proposed amendment.

CARRIED

A. Douai requested the following three courses be removed from the Item(s) for Information for course numbering revisions. These will be forwarded for information to a future meeting of Executive of Council:

- ENEL 858 – Advanced Topics in Embedded Systems (ENEL 890AM – Advanced Topics in Embedded Systems)
- ENIN 825 – Leadership in Engineering (ENIN 880CK – Leadership in Engineering)
- ENGG 825 – Leadership in Engineering (ENIN 880CK – Leadership in Engineering)

It was noted that ENEL 890AQ – Applied Computer Vision overlaps with course content in Computer Science. It was requested that, in future, there be consultations with the Department of Computer Science to avoid significant content repetition.

The remainder of the report was received for information.

6.3 Council Committee on Undergraduate Admissions and Studies

J. D’Arcy presented the report on behalf of the Council Committee on Undergraduate Admissions and Studies.

6.3.1 Admission Suspension – Pathway Program

J. D’Arcy – H. Riemer

Moved that the following Faculties be removed from the Pathway Program:

- Faculty of Kinesiology and Health Studies
- Faculty of Media, Art, and Performance
- Faculty of Science

And that admission to the Pathway Program be suspended immediately.

CARRIED

6.3.2 Centre for Continuing Education

Post Secondary Admission Requirements – Revision

J. D’Arcy – C. Schultz

Moved to change the admission requirements for applicants based on post-secondary admission criteria, effective 202420.

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. Stilling

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 – G. Sherbert (3:28 p.m.)

Glenys Sylvestre
University Secretary