

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE OF THE UNIVERSITY OF REGINA COUNCIL
WEDNESDAY, 25 FEBRUARY 2015
ADMINISTRATION-HUMANITIES BOARDROOM 527**

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Ex officio: V. Timmons, S. Bouffard, D. Button, T. Chase, S. Cheng, J. D'Arcy, A. Eberlein, A. Fizzard, D. Gagnon, A. Gaudes, d. Gregory, V. Greifenhagen, B. Hillis, E. Hussein, J. Kincaid, H. King, R. Kleer, D. Malloy, D. McMartin, A. Revet, H. Riemer, W. Sgrazzutti, J. Smith, R. Staseson, L. Wells, J. White

Elected: K. Arbuthnott, K. Bethune, D. Bowman, J. Buttigieg, C. Butz, R. Caines, A. Cameron, R. Camp, D. Candow, M. Chipanshi, M. Cule, P. Douglas, E. Eaton, C. Gelowitz, F. Gendron, P. Hart, S. Hengen, R. Horowitz, T. Levit, P. Lewis, O. Lovick, C. Murphy, Z. Papandreou, R. Piercey, F. Pirbhai-Illich, J. Piwowar, J. Purnis, C. Ramsay, C. Schick, G. Sherbert, J. Siemer, M. Spooner, D. Stilling, J. Wagner, L. Watson, A. Wee, H. Weger, A. Wolvengrey

Guests: K. Irwin, A. Volodin

Regrets: N. Ashton, D. Blachford, L. Cavanagh, J. Conway, J. Dale, G. Donnelly, J. Farney, R. Genoe, G. Grandy, L. Hoeber, D. Hulston, S. Lukasewich, J. Meehan, K. Montgomery, N. Novik, L. Peyachew, M. Rennie, A. Snider, M. Trussler, J. Tupper, Y. Zhu

Recorder: D. Schauerte

The meeting was called to order at 2:45 p.m. by V. Timmons.

1. Approval of Agenda

The agenda was amended for the addition of the Faculty of Kinesiology and Health Studies Graduant list listed under 6.1

Camp – Bouffard

moved that the agenda be approved as amended.

CARRIED

2. Approval of Minutes of Meeting of 28 January 2015

Clarification was made to 8.9 Report from the Faculty of Science that the fully funded chair for nuclear imaging is in the Department of Physics at the University of Regina.

Wagner – Ramsay

moved that the minutes be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

3. Remarks from the Chair

President Timmons thanked those who attended Council earlier this afternoon. The University Secretary has been asked to attend all Council Committee meetings and give a presentation on governance relating to Council Rules and Regulations.

A moment of silence was held to recognize Michele Sereda and Lacy Morin-Desjarlais, who lost their lives in an accident in early February; both had a close connection to our University.

Budget:

- A Salary freeze for Out of Scope Employees has been requested from government. This would apply only to out of scope managers and staff. The University is considering our response and will make a recommendation to the Board in March.
- Dr. Chase and Mr. Button will give a comprehensive budget update following this report, building on the February 9 budget forum.

Academic Matters:

- Enrolment as of February 3 was up 2.6% over the same time last year. The number of credit hours taught was up 3.1%.
- The Vice-President (Research) search is being finalized, with a recommendation going to Board in March.
- Dr. Thomas Chase's review for reappointment as Provost and Vice-President (Academic) has been finalized and a recommendation will be going to Board in March.
- The Dean of Nursing review of Dr. David Gregory has been completed and a five-year renewal appointment has been offered and accepted.
- The Dean of Education search is ongoing and applications are being reviewed.
- 2015 Centre for Teaching and Learning Teaching award nominations are due February 27.

Faculty and Staff Successes:

- Campus Security Officer Patrick Sherling was recognized by the Regina Police Service for helping save the life of a person on campus.
- Three employees received the Saskatchewan Council for International Co-operation's Global Citizen Awards for contributions to justice, international development: Dr. Shauneen Pete, Wilma Bell-Wessel and David Wessel.
- Dr. Patrick Neary was invited to speak at the Canadian Embassy in Washington D.C. about his research on sports-related concussions.
- Business Administration's Laboratory for Behavioral Business Research has received \$417,781 in CFI funding. Congrats to the many people involved in the grant application.

Student and Alumni Successes:

- Relay for Life was launched by UR Guarantee students on January 29, they have raised more than \$100,000 over past three years.
- A Chinese New Year celebration was organized by Chinese Students' Association with 600 people attending.
- PotashCorp donated \$150,000 to sponsor athletics programs.
- Geology alumnus Peter Ogryzlo was honoured by BC's association for mineral exploration. He had very good things to say about the education he received here and some current faculty members including Stephen Bend.
- Alumnus Kelly Wiebe, a distance runner was nominated for Sask Sport Male Athlete of the Year.
- The Spring career fair drew more than 100 companies recruiting our students.
- Career Development Conference was put on by Business Administration featuring local business leaders.

Campus Events and Announcements:

- The State of University Address to the Regina Chamber was held on January 30. It was a great opportunity to build community support, show the relevance of our work and contributions we make.
- The University was rated one of top employers in Saskatchewan by “Canada’s Top 100 Employers.”
- Saskatchewan Book Award shortlist event was held at Campion on February 13. University of Regina Press received a couple nominations, including for books involving employees: Dr. Pauline Minevich and Dr. Stephen King.
- Wesley Wark recently spoke on global security agenda for the Arts Open Minds series.
- Harold MacKay recently spoke on Saskatchewan’s impact on Canada’s financial system for Business Administration speaker series.

Areas of Focus:

- Implementing strategic plan in all units.
- Student retention will be one of the President’s main objectives. Focusing on how to retain our students and encourage their success while they are on campus.
- The Inspiring Leadership Forum is sold out for March 11.

The Provost and Vice-President (Administration) were invited to talk about University budget. Their presentation can be found at: <http://www.uregina.ca/orp/budget/2015-16-budget.html>
The presentation was followed by Q&A.

4. Report from the University Secretary

A. Revet reminded Executive of Council that the call for volunteers for Council Committees is due this Friday. The deadline for Honorary Degree Candidate nomination is March 31st.

5. Reports from Committees

5.1 Council Committee on Research, Appendix I

A Volodin presented the report.

Ex officio member of Executive of Council and Council – Director, Office for Research, Innovation and Partnership

Volodin - Camp

moved that Executive of Council recommends approval to Council that the Director, Office for Research Innovation and Partnership be added as an ex officio member of Executive of Council as defined in Section 4.3.4 of the Council Rules and Regulations, and as outlined in Appendix I, page 2 of the agenda.

CARRIED

Policy on Care and Use of Animals

Volodin – Buttigieg

moved that the policy on Care and Use of Animals be approved as outlined in Appendix I, pages 5-8 of the agenda.

CARRIED

Policy on Research Centres and Institutes

Volodin – Wagner

moved that the policy on Research Centres and Institutes as outlined in Appendix I, pages 9-15 be recommended to Senate and the Board of Governors for approval.

CARRIED

The remainder of the report was received for information.

5.2 Council Committee on Undergraduate Admissions and Studies, Appendix II

K. Irwin presented the report.

5.2.1 Faculty of Arts

An omnibus motion was put forward on the following four motions:

Irwin – Kleer

Department of French

moved to rename the department of French to the department of French and Francophone Intercultural Studies, effective 1 September 2015, as outlined in Appendix II, pages 16-22 of the agenda.

BA Major in French

moved to rename the BA Major in French to BA Major in French and Francophone Intercultural Studies, and to revise the requirements of the latter to reflect changes made to the course content in the FRN courses, effective 1 September 2015, as outlined in Appendix II, pages 16-22 of the agenda.

BA Honours Major in French

moved to rename the BA Honours Major in French to BA Major in French and Francophone Intercultural Studies, and to revise the requirements of the latter to reflect changes made to the course content in the FRN courses, effective 1 September 2015, as outlined in Appendix II, pages 16-22 of the agenda.

BA Minor in French

moved to rename and revise the minor in French to a minor in French and Francophone Intercultural Studies, effective 1 September 2015, as outlined in Appendix II, pages 16-22 of the agenda.

The question was called on the omnibus motion.

CARRIED

BA Major in Environmental Studies

Irwin – Kleer

moved to remove GEOL102 as a required course in the BA Major in Environmental Studies, effective 201520 as outlined in Appendix II, pages 22-24 of the agenda.

CARRIED

5.2.2 Faculty of Education

An omnibus motion was put forward on the following three motions:

Irwin – Lewis

Revisions – Pre K-5 and Middle Year Templates

moved that in both the Pre K-5 and Middle Years templates, effective Fall 2015, all named non-Education courses beyond first year 100 level introductory courses will include the phrase, "or approved elective." (Middle Years: GEOG 120, SOC 208); (Pre K-5: SOC 213), be approved as outlined in Appendix II, pages 24-25 of the agenda.

Pre K-5 – Humanities Course

moved that effective Fall 2015, the Humanities course in Semester 2 of the Pre K-5 template will be replaced with Modern Language, as outlined in Appendix II, pages 24-25 of the agenda.

ECS Revisions – Pre K-5 and Middle Year Templates

moved that ECS 301 in semester 5 of the Middle Years and Pre K-5 templates be combined with ECS 311 from semester 6, and be replaced with ELNG 325 The Teaching of Writing. The conflated ECS course in semester 6 will be effective for the Fall 2015 intake, as outlined in Appendix II, pages 24-25 of the agenda.

The question was called on the omnibus motion.

CARRIED

EACS 203 – eliminated

Irwin – Lewis

moved that effective Fall 2015, the EAES 203 seminar be eliminated from the Arts Ed program template, as outlined in Appendix II, page 25 of the agenda.

CARRIED

5.2.3 Faculty of Nursing

Revision of wording to Section 15.1.4.3 of the UG Calendar

Irwin – Gregory

moved to revise the wording of Section 15.1.4.3, Reassessment of a Grade for Clinical Practice Education Courses in the University of Regina Undergraduate Calendar as noted below, effective 201520.

Clinical practice education is an integral part of the Nursing program. ~~As submission of original (graded) copies of term work is not possible for reassessment, a separate process for reassessment of clinical grades has been approved.~~ Reassessment of clinical grades is based ~~only on procedural fairness~~ a fair and open process, which will include all term work and assessment/evaluation. Students wishing a reassessment of a clinical practice education grade must request the reassessment as per the deadlines, fees and process outlined in §5.10.2 of the Undergraduate Calendar. Students are

advised that failure to initiate the request for reassessment within 5 days from the notification of a failing grade can result in delay in progression in the program. ~~The reassessment will be heard by a committee that will recommend action to the Dean of Nursing. The Dean of Nursing will render a decision with respect to the grade under review. The decision of the Dean is final with respect to this faculty level appeal process.~~ For more information see the SCBScN Student Handbook, as outlined in Appendix II, pages 25-26 of the agenda.

CARRIED

5.2.4 Faculty of Science

An omnibus motion was put forward on the following six motions:

Irwin – Gagnon

Removal of Courses from all Biology Programs

moved to remove BIOL 315, BIOL 455, and BIOL 465 from all Biology programs effective 201530, as outlined in Appendix II, pages 26-38 of the agenda.

BIOL 407

moved to add BIOL 407 as one of the 300/400-level Biology options to the BSc and BSc Honours in Biology, Cell & Molecular Biology Area of Concentration programs and the BSc Combined Major in Biology and Biochemistry program. BIOL 407 should also be added to the list of approved 300/400-level courses offered by Biology effective 201530, as outlined in Appendix II, pages 26-38 of the agenda.

BIOL 316

moved to add BIOL 316 to the BSc and BSc Honours in Biology, Ecology & Environmental Biology Area of Concentration programs and the BSc and BSc Honours in Biology, Environmental Biology (Joint) programs effective 201530, as outlined in Appendix II, pages 26-38 of the agenda.

BIOL 456

moved to add BIOL 456 to the BSc Honours in Biology, Ecology & Environmental Biology Area of Concentration program effective 201530, as outlined in Appendix II, pages 26-38 of the agenda.

BIOL 457

moved to add BIOL 457 as well as change the name from SIAST to Saskatchewan Polytechnic in the BSc and BSc Honours in Biology, Environmental Biology (Joint) programs effective 201530, as outlined in Appendix II, pages 26-38 of the agenda.

BIOL 376 and 475

moved to add BIOL 376 and remove BIOL 475 as one of the 300/400-level Biology options in the BSc and BSc Honours Ecology & Environmental Biology Area of Concentration programs and BSc the Combined Major in Biology and

Geography program effective 201530, as outlined in Appendix II, pages 26-38 of the agenda.

The question was called on the omnibus motion.

CARRIED

Minor in Geology

Irwin – Gagnon

moved to add a note to the GEOL 270 requirement in the Minor in Geology program effective 201530, as outlined in Appendix II, pages 38-39 of the agenda.

CARRIED

BSc Honours Program Amendment

Irwin – Gagnon

moved to amend the BSc Honours in Environmental Geoscience program as indicated below effective 201530, as outlined in Appendix II, pages 39-40 of the agenda.

CARRIED

BSc Geology Amendment

Irwin – Gagnon

moved to amend the BSc in Geology program as indicated below effective 201530, as outlined in Appendix II, pages 40-42 of the agenda.

CARRIED

BSc and BSc Honours in Computer Science

Irwin – Gagnon

moved to remove CS 375 and add CS 476 in the BSc and BSc Honours in Computer Science programs and amend the BSc in Computer Science further as indicated below effective 201530, as outlined in Appendix II, pages 42-44 of the agenda.

CARRIED

5.2.5 Report from the University Secretary

CCUAS – Terms of Reference

Irwin – Revet

moved that Executive of Council approves an amendment to the Terms of Reference of the Council Committee on Undergraduate Admissions and Studies which would include the Director of UR International as a full member, as outlined in Appendix II, page 45 of the agenda.

CARRIED

5.2.6 Report from the Director of Enrolment Services and the Director of UR International

Addition of Pearson Test of English (PTE) Academic to the approved list of language proficiency test

Irwin – Kincaid

moved to add the Pearson Test of English (PTE) Academic to the list of approved language proficiency tests (Undergraduate Calendar Section 2.2.3), except for the Faculty of Nursing, to be effective for the Spring/Summer 2015 admission cycle. An overall minimum score of 59 with a minimum score of 59 in each area will be required, as outlined in Appendix II, pages 45-47 of the agenda.

CARRIED

The remainder of the report was received for information.

6. **Graduand Lists**

6.1 Graduand Lists for Approval

Chase – Caines

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

CARRIED

7. **Business Arising from the Minutes – None**

8. **Reports from Faculties and Other Academic Units**

8.1 Arts – No Report

8.2 Business Administration – A. Gaudes invited members to a presentation by Mr. Michael Tremblay, the Vice President, Public Sector from Microsoft Canada on February 26. The topic of the presentation is "Microsoft Business Update".

8.3 Education – No Report

8.4 Engineering and Applied Science – E. Hussein announced a donation from Crescent Point Energy Corp.

8.5 Fine Arts – R. Staseson announced "The Urban Night as Interdisciplinary Object", a lecture by Dr. William Straw, Director of the McGill Institute for the Study of Canada on February 26.

The Beyond the Book Series: The Trail of the Atom - Image, Witness and Archive, will feature Peter C. van Wyck, a Professor of Communication and Media Studies on March 10.

Dr. Risa Horowitz was recently honoured to attend an open house, in the presence of Her Majesty the Queen and His Royal Highness Prince Philip. Dr. Horowitz's art work was unveiled in an event to celebrate the renovation of Canada House in London, England. Her artwork is now on permanent display at Canada House.

8.6 Graduate Studies and Research – A. Eberlein announced the 3MT – Three Minutes Thesis on March 21. Students have three minutes to present their thesis. The GSA and FGSR are finalizing arrangements for the first Mitacs workshop offered at UofR. This 2-day workshop, Foundations of Project Management I, is planned to be offered in March. The UofR has created the Canadian Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Scholarship. From 2015-2018, it will provide scholarships to 40 outgoing Canadian students and 12 incoming international graduate students. This program will

be the UofR's first graduate-level international scholarship, open to students at the master's or doctoral level in any discipline.

- 8.7 Kinesiology and Health Studies – No Report
- 8.8 Nursing – No Report
- 8.9 Science – D. Gagnon congratulates the Department of Mathematics & Statistics for receiving accreditation for the Actuarial Program. The UofR offers a four-year Bachelor of Science degree in Actuarial Science. It is one of only 10 programs that are nationally accredited by the Canadian Institute of Actuaries.
- 8.10 Social Work – No Report
- 8.11 Centre for Continuing Education – No Report
- 8.12 Library – B. Sgrazzutti reported the Library has added 40 additional seats for study space on the main floor. The Mircomaterials has been moved to the sixth floor. 3D printing is now available at the Library as a pilot phrase and more information is available online.
S. Chang announced upcoming workshops: Diverse Perspectives in Teaching, developed with the federated colleges, more information is available on CTL webpage.
- 8.13 Institut français – S. Bouffard announced The Centre canadien de recherche sur les francophonies en milieu minoritaire (CRFM), the research arm of the University of Regina's Institut français, is pleased to announce its research grant competition. The CRFM offers grants to individual researchers and research teams in five categories. The closing date for the 2015 Competition is March 6.
- 8.14 Federated Colleges
 - 8.14.1 Campion College – J. Meehan announced the Nash Memorial Lecture: Dead Man Walking: The Journey Continues will take place March 5th with Sister Helen Prejean, CSJ, presenting. A book sale and signing will follow.
 - 8.14.2 First Nations University of Canada – L. Wells encouraged everyone to check out the new FNUniv website at www.fnuniv.ca.
 - 8.14.3 Luther College – B. Hillis invited members to view a group art exhibit entitled "Moved by Spirit" being hosted in the Chapel during Lent from March 5–April 10. V. Greifenhagen invited members to a Voluntary Sector Studies Network Koffee Klatch on February 27. A Koffee Klatch, kaffeeklatsch, is German for "an informal social gathering for coffee and conversation".
The Public Forum "The Quest for \$75 billion!" a forum on financing for the Nonprofit Sector will be held March 3.

9. Other Business - The next meeting of Executive of Council is scheduled for March 25. Members are encouraged to provide discussion topics for President's report.

10. Adjournment – Watson (4:06 p.m.)



Annette Revet, University Secretary