

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE OF THE UNIVERSITY OF REGINA COUNCIL
WEDNESDAY, 23 SEPTEMBER 2015
ADMINISTRATION-HUMANITIES BOARDROOM 527**

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Ex officio: V. Timmons, S. Bouffard, T. Bredohl, D. Button, L. Castellanos, T. Chase, S. Cheng, J. D'Arcy, A. Eberlein, A. Fizzard, D. Gagnon, d. Gregory, V. Greifenhagen, E. Hussein, J. Kincaid, H. King, D. Malloy, D. McMartin, J. Meehan, C. Murphy, A. Revet, H. Riemer, R. Staseson, J. Tupper, L. Wells, J. White

Elected: U. Ahsan, M. Andrews, E. Arries, L Brogden, P. Bruno, J. Buttigieg, C. Butz, R. Caines, S. Campbell, M. DeCoste, L. Domm, A. East, M. El-Darieby, J. Farney, F. Freddolini, C. Gelowitz, R. Genoe, R. Horowitz, S. Johnston, D. Kikulwe, J. Loucks, O. Lovick, A. Magnan, S. Murphy, K. Nolan, N. Novik, G. Novotna, Z. Papandreou, W. Pearce, R. Piercey, J. Piwowar, H. Pridmore, J. Purnis, M. Rennie, C. Schick, B. Schnieder, D. Senkow, D. Sharpe, G. Sherbert, J. Siemer, A. Snider, M. Spooner, M. Vanderwel, M. Vetter, J. Wagner, L. Watson, A. Zarzeczny

Guests: S. Gray, J. Spalding, C. Stephenson, D. Schoenhofen

Regrets: H. Akhand, M. Argerami, N. Aston, J. Barden, K. Bethune, D. Candow, J. Conway, M. Dockstator, G. Donnelly, P. Douglas, D. Farenick, A. Gaudes, R. Genoe, G. Grandy, H. Guliani, U. Hardenbicker, L. Heisler, S. Hengen, B. Hillis, D. Hulston, B. Kayseas, T. Kristoff, F. Labropulu, P. Leavitt, T. Levit, A. MacDonald, K. McNutt, R. Mayorga, S. Mikha, A. Miller, S. Mishra, D. Peters, L. Peyachew, C. Ramsay, L. Schaefer, D. Smith, J. Smith, D. Stilling, R. Truszkowski, A. Wee, H. Weger, Y. Zhu, M. Zimmerman

Recorder: P. Schouten

The meeting was called to order at 2:33 p.m. by V. Timmons.

1. Approval of Agenda

The agenda was amended to include the addition of the Faculty of Engineering and Applied Science granduand list under 6.1.

The agenda was amended to include the approval of the President's Distinguished Graduate Student Award. **Motion appended to the official record.**

Murphy - Brogden
moved that the agenda be approved as amended.

CARRIED

2. Approval of Minutes of Meeting of 24 June 2015

Amend 8.7 - The President's Breakfast for Athletes guest speaker name to Kelly Hrudehy.

Watson – Sherbert
moved that the minutes be approved as amended.

CARRIED

3. Remarks from the Chair

In keeping with the Indigenization commitment in the University's strategic plan, the Chair acknowledged that the University is located on Treaty 4 and Treaty 6 territory.

The President provided an update on a number of issues and answered questions.

4. Report from the University Secretary

Executive of Council members were reminded that convocation RSVPs are due October 1.

The Council Agenda Committee has set a date for Council to meet on December 9, 2015. It is the first day of finals.

There was a discussion about the timing of the Council meeting and EofC was advised that this is something the Council Agenda Committee wanted to try to see if better attendance can be achieved. If it doesn't work, the Council Agenda Committee will try a different approach for the next meeting.

5. Reports from Committees

5.1 Council Committee on Undergraduate Admissions and Studies, Appendix I

Liz Domm presented the following motion on behalf of the Council Committee:

Domm – Chase

Moved that Executive of Council amends the Terms of Reference of the Council Committee on Undergraduate Admissions and Studies which would include the Director of La Cité universitaire francophone (or designate) as a full member as outlined in Appendix I, page 1 of the agenda.

CARRIED

5.2 Council Committee on the Faculty of Graduate Studies and Research Appendix II

A. Eberlein presented the following motions:

5.2.1 Faculty Of Engineering And Applied Science

Program Change

Eberlein – Hussein

Moved that there be a program change to remove ENGG 900 – Engineering Graduate Seminar as a requirement for all MEng programs that require ENGG 701 – Engineering Practice and Experience in Canada, ENGG 702 – Engineering Practice and Continuing Learning in the Workplace, and ENGG 703 – Engineering Practice, Professional Development, Communication and Ethical Challenges, effective Fall 2015 as outlined in Appendix II, page 2 of the agenda.

CARRIED

5.2.2 Faculty Of Social Work

Master of Social Work Thesis

Eberlein – White

Moved that there be a Program Change to the Master of Social Work (Thesis route) as outlined in Appendix II on page 3 of the agenda, and that the changes be approved effective the Winter of 2016.

CARRIED

Master of Social Work Research

Eberlein – White

Moved that there be a Program Change to the Master of Social Work (Research practicum route) as outlined in Appendix II on page 4 of the agenda and that the changes be approved effective the Winter of 2016.

CARRIED

Master of Social Work Field Practicum

Eberlein – White

Moved that there be a Program Change to the Master of Social Work (Field Practicum route) as outlined in Appendix II on page 5 of the agenda and that the changes be approved effective the Winter of 2016.

CARRIED

Master of Social Work Admission Requirements

Eberlein – White

Moved that there be a change to the Admission Requirements to the Master of Social Work program that applicants have the equivalent of at least two years employment in a social work position following their BSW degree effective Winter 2016 as outlined in Appendix II on page 6 of the agenda. Human service employment gained prior to and during the BSW degree may be considered as part of the two year employment requirement.

CARRIED

Item for Discussion

Academic Regulation and Required to Discontinue Status

A discussion took place about what is available from other faculties; what recourse the student has, and that a subcommittee be created to research the topic more thoroughly. The University Secretary was asked to establish a committee to review this matter.

Amendment to the Agenda - President's Distinguished Graduate Student Award

A. Eberlein presented the following motion on behalf of the Awards Committee:

Eberlein - Schick

Moved that President's Distinguished Graduate Student Award for the 2015 Fall Convocation be awarded to Dr. Ryan Fitzgerald. ***Motion appended to the official record.***

CARRIED

5.3 Council Committee on Undergraduate Awards

F. Feddollini presented the following motions on behalf of the Council Committee:

President's Medal for the 2015 Fall Convocation

Feddollini –Riemer

Moved that that the President's Medal for the 2015 Fall Convocation be awarded to Sara Lynn Illerbrun from the Faculty of Kinesiology and Health Studies. ***Motion appended to the official record.***

CARRIED

5.4 Joint Committee of Senate and Council on Ceremonies, Appendix III

5.4.1 Honorary Degree Candidate for Addition to the Approved Roster

Revet – Chase

Moved that the honorary degree candidate for addition to the Approved Roster, *appended to the University's official file*, be approved.

CARRIED

5.4.2 Invocation

The Joint Committee of Senate and Council on Ceremonies submitted an item (refer to Appendix III, pages 9-10 of the agenda) to Executive of Council for consideration of what could be done regarding the Invocation at future Convocation ceremonies.

Executive of Council members discussed the options presented; however, given the significance of the change and the fact that it will change over 40 years of tradition at the University, it was determined that this question needed to be considered by a broader representation of the campus. The following motion was made:

Conway - Gelowitz

Moved that the question on invocation be referred to Council for consideration at Council's next meeting.

The question was called on the motion.

CARRIED

6. Graduand Lists

6.1 Graduand Lists for Approval

Note the addition of the graduand list from the Faculty of Engineering and Applied Science.

Chase – Tupper

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 – N/R

8.2 Business Administration – N/R

8.3 Education - N/R

8.4 Engineering and Applied Science

The Regina Engineering Students' Society held its first annual Honour Pin Ceremony on Friday, September 18, 2015.

8.5 Fine Arts

The Faculty of Fine Arts now has its first two artists in place for the Michele Sereda Artist in Residence for socially engaged practices. Joey Tremblay, director/playwright, who is the Artistic Director of Curtain Razors (replacing Sereda) will be with the Faculty one semester, and Eagleclaw Thom, an interdisciplinary artist, will be with the Faculty for two semesters. Thom will be working on a project about missing and murdered aboriginal women. The Faculty of Fine Arts is working on a collaborative placement with the Faculty of Education, and it is their hope that in the next 2-3 years that they will have artists in residence in every faculty at the University, whether they are in residence for two weeks or two semesters. This initiative will intersect well with new upcoming program offerings that are in the works, and there are no other universities in Canada with a similar residency program, that aims to include all faculties.

8.6 Graduate Studies and Research

The Faculty of Graduate Studies and Research is pleased to have 54 fully funded graduate students.

8.7 Kinesiology and Health Studies – N/R

8.8 Nursing – N/R

8.8 Science – N/R

8.9 Social Work

The Faculty of Social Work and the Faculty of Nursing is moving to a co-location in Saskatoon.

8.10 Centre for Continuing Education – N/R

8.11 La Cité universitaire francophone

Starting in the Fall 2016 (201630), La Cité – in partnership with the Faculty of Science, will be offering French sections to 1st year science courses.

8.12 Library - N/R

8.13 Federated Colleges

8.13.1 Champion College

- The provincial government is similarly taking back 5% from all of the federated colleges, as it did for the University.
- Champion has a new "social justice and leadership" Living and Learning Community in the University's new residence.
- As a response to the Truth and Reconciliation report, Champion will be organizing with the First Nations University of Canada an Indigenous Immersion Experience this summer for Jesuits in training.
- Champion has a new café called "Brewed Awakening".

8.13.2 First Nations University of Canada

- The renovation project started this summer is almost complete.

8.13.3 Luther College

- Dr. Pamela Dickey Young, Professor in the School of Religion at Queen's University is giving a lecture entitled "Sex, Religion and Canadian Youth: Identities Under Construction" to be held on Monday, September 28, 2015. All are invited to attend.

9. Other Business

9.1 Sexual Assault and Violence Policy, Appendix IV

D. McMartin presented this item to Executive of Council. She noted that the Sexual Assault and Violence Policy was new to the University and after significant consultation with the campus community, approved by the Board of Governors at its September Board meeting.

A discussion took place on the meaning of the title and resources available to support the policy.

9.2 English Proficiency Placement Exam

A discussion took place on what is currently available to students and professors.

9.3 Synchronizing the Semester Start Dates with those of the University of Saskatchewan

A discussion took place on the impact of having such a late start date for the school year and the options available to get the credit hours needed. It was noted that this year was an exception.

9.4 Research Infrastructure Support, Appendix V

A discussion took place on what is done within each faculty to cover the costs of ineligible expenses in the Federal grants.

With regards to ordinary office supplies for research, it is expected that each faculty should cover these costs.

9.5 Student Health Services

A concern was raised that there is no walk-in medical facility for students in residence of the University. The President discussed the plans that are being discussed to address this issue in the short and longer term..

The next meeting of Executive of Council is scheduled for October 28, 2015.

10. Adjournment – Sherbert (4:25 p.m.)



Annette Revet, University Secretary