

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE OF THE UNIVERSITY OF REGINA COUNCIL
28 September 2016
ADMINISTRATION-HUMANITIES BOARDROOM 527

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Ex officio: V. Timmons, E. Aito, T. Bredohl, L. Castellanos, S. Cheng, J. D'Arcy, M. Dockstator, D. Farenick, A. Fizzard, S. Gray, A. Gaudes, d. Gregory, V. Greifenhagen, B. Hillis, E. Hussein, H. King, R. Kleer, D. McMartin, H. Riemer, J. Smith, R. Staseson, G. Sylvestre, J. Tupper, B. Waytuck, L. Wells, J. White

Elected: I. Al-Anbagi, M. Andrews, E. Arries, N. Ashton, A. Bais, N. Barber, P. Bruno, S. Campbell, M. DeCoste, J. de Lugt, L. Domm, G. Donnelly, M. El-Darieby, R. Floricel, C. Gelowitz, S. Granovsky-Larsen, S. Hengen, R. Horowitz, D. Hulston, S. Johnson, S. Johnston, D. Kikulwe, P. Laforge, P. Leavitt, T. Levit, J. Loucks, O. Lovick, A. MacDonald, C. Massing, T. McIntosh, A. Molina, K. Nolan, G. Novotna, Ö. Nilgün, P. Osmond-Johnson, W. Pearce, J. Piwowar, H. Pridmore, C. Ramsay, T. Salm, B. Schlieder, B. Schumacher, D. Senkow, W. Sgrazzutti, G. Sherbert, M. Spooner, D. Stilling, M. Vanderwel, M. Vetter, J. Wagner, A. Zarzeczny

Guests: D. Sorensen, J. Wagner, B. Walsh

Regrets: M. Argerami, J. Barden, M. Brigham, D. Button, C. Butz, T. Chase, K. Cushon, A. Magnan, D. Malloy, K. McNutt, A. Snider, L. Watson, H. Weger

Recorder: D. Schauerte

The meeting was called to order at 2:30 p.m. by V. Timmons.

1. Approval of Agenda

Leavitt - Spooner
moved that the agenda be approved as distributed.

CARRIED

2. Approval of Minutes of Meeting of 22 June 2016

Bredohl - Piwowar
moved that the minutes be approved as distributed.

CARRIED

3. Business Arising from the Minutes – None

4. 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.

President Timmons welcome everyone back to the Fall Semester and a special welcome to the new members.

V. Timmons offered the following remarks:

College Avenue Campus:

- The UofR received \$30 million in funding from the federal government's Strategic Infrastructure Fund (SIF).
- The City of Regina donated land for use at College Avenue Campus.
- Engineering assessment of the Gallery and Conservatory found it not reasonably salvageable and they will be demolished.
- A commemoration committee will be established to find a way to preserve cultural and human history of the old campus.
- An open RFP resulted in a partnership with Conexus, which will assist with the upkeep of College Avenue Campus going forward.
- Harvey King's team at CCE and Facilities Management are to be commended for their hard work.

Enrolment:

- Spring/Summer enrolment was up 3.0% compared to last year.
- Fall enrolment is up 2.8% as of September 7 to 14,760.
- Enrolment is up at both the undergraduate and graduate level.

Move-In Day:

- Great experience - helping families move students in and hearing the many reasons why students come here from elsewhere.

UR Safe Gendered Violence Prevention Project:

- Funding of \$82,500 was announced earlier this month.

RESPECT project:

- The UofR will be working with Sheldon Kennedy's RESPECT organization, an education program for faculty, staff and students.

Transformational Change:

- The board of governors will be meeting later this week to discuss the five proposals as suggested from the University Leadership Team:
 1. Assume ownership of Research Park
 2. External review of program duplication
 3. Seamless credit transfers
 4. Reform academic governance
 5. Become a truly 12-month institution

5. Report from the University Secretary

G. Sylvestre announced Fall convocation will take place on October 21 and replies are due October 7.

6. Reports from Committees

6.1 Council Committee on the Faculty of Graduate Studies and Research, Appendix I of the Agenda

T. Bredohl presented the report of behalf of the Committee.

The report was received for information.

6.2 Faculty of Graduate Studies and Research Scholarship Committee, Appendix I of the Minutes

G. Novotna presented the report of behalf of the Committee.

6.2.1 President's Distinguished Graduate Award

Novotna – Bredohl

Moved that Dr. Zhong Li be awarded the President's Distinguished Graduate Student Award, as detailed in Appendix I of the minutes.

CARRIED

6.3 Council Committee on Research, Appendix II of the Agenda

J. Wagner presented the report of behalf of the Committee.

6.3.1 Strategic Research Plan

Wagner – McMartin

Moved to approve the Strategic Research Plan, as detailed in Appendix II of the agenda.

CARRIED
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6.3.2 SaskPower Clean Energy Chair

Wagner – McMartin

Moved to approve the SaskPower Clean Energy Chair, as detailed in Appendix II of the agenda.

CARRIED

The remainder of the report was received for information.

6.4 Council Committee on Undergraduate Awards, Appendix II of the Minutes

S. Cheng presented the report of behalf of the Committee.

6.4.1 President's Medal for 2016 Fall Convocation

Cheng - Leavitt

Moved that the President's Medal for the 2016 Fall Convocation be awarded to Marcia Mitschke from the Faculty of Science (Luther College), as detailed in Appendix II of the minutes.

CARRIED

6.5 Council Nominating Report, Appendix III of the Agenda

D. Senkow presented the following motion on behalf of the Committee.

6.5.1 Replacement on the Council Committee on Undergraduate Awards

Senkow – Staseson

Moved that the individual listed be approved to serve on the committee, as detailed in Appendix III, page 31 of the agenda material. This individual volunteered for this committee.

CARRIED

7. Graduand Lists

7.1 Graduand Lists for Approval

Tupper - Kleer

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

8. Reports from Faculties and Other Academic Units

8.1 Arts – No Report

8.2 Business Administration – Tickets are on sale for the 43rd Annual Hill Business Students' Society Dinner on November 1. This year's guest speaker is Ellis Jacob, President and CEO of Cineplex Entertainment.

8.3 Education – Over 300 participants are registered to learn about treaty education at #TreatyEdCamp 2.0 Bigger and Better taking place on October 1. #TreatyEdCamp is professional development delivered "by teachers for teachers," allowing educators to learn about treaty and how to implement treaty education in their classrooms.

8.4 Engineering and Applied Science – No Report

8.5 Graduate Studies and Research – No Report

8.6 Kinesiology and Health Studies –The first place UofR Rams will take on the University of Saskatchewan Huskies at the new Mosaic Stadium on Saturday. It will be the first event held in the new stadium and will set a record for Canada West football attendance. A review team for Athletics will be on campus next week.

8.7 Media, Art, and Performance – The three new artists in residency as part of the Michele Sereda Residence in Socially Engaged Practice include Wayne Baerwaldt, Katherine Bird and Joanne Bristol.
Dr. Carmen Robertson will be launching her new book "Mythologizing Norval Morrisseau: Art and the Colonial Narrative in the Canadian Media" on September 29.

8.8 Nursing – The first Masters of Nursing graduates will be attending this Fall Convocation. The three Nursing Deans from UofR, UofS and SaskPolyTech are working jointly on a Charter of Health Commission in better health care.
An open house with the faculties of Nursing and Social Work is being planned for November 18 at the Saskatoon Campus.

8.9 Science – Dr. Stephen Bend, Professor of Geology, has been named the winner of the 2016 AAPG Professorial Award for his outstanding contributions to teaching.
Dr. Sandra Zilles, Associate Professor of Computer Science and Tier II Canada Research Chair, has been named a Member of the College of New Scholars, Artists, and Scientists of the Royal Society of Canada.
The Faculty of Science Strategic Plan for the future of the faculty is available online.
A signing ceremony will be held on October 19 for the agreement between the University and the African Institute for Mathematical Sciences – Next Einstein Initiative Foundation.

8.10 Social Work – No Report

- 8.11 Centre for Continuing Education – An update was provided on construction and the moving process for College Avenue Campus.
- 8.12 La Cité universitaire francophone – Hosted a Kick off event to launch the 2016-17 programmation party with La Cité and CBC (French).
- 8.13 Library – A pilot program with the Students Union is making expensive textbooks available on reserve starting this fall. Currently there are 209 books on reserve with an additional 50 on order.
- 8.14 Federated Colleges
- 8.14.1 Campion College – The new 2015-2018 Strategic Plan “A Path Forward: Connecting our Communities” is now available online.
The first Philosophy Café of the semester will take place October 6 at the Mackenzie Art Gallery with Dr. Ann Ward, Associate Professor of Philosophy and Political Science discussing Reason, Religion and Freedom of Speech: Socrates and Antigone as Democratic Heroes?
- 8.14.2 First Nations University of Canada – Held its 40th Anniversary celebration on campus on September 12.
- 8.14.3 Luther College – Since last year’s Annual Luther Lecture was canceled, Luther is looking to reschedule or possibly host two Luther Lectures.

9. Other Business

9.1 Presentation on Open Education Resources

Bruce Walsh, Director and Publisher of the University of Regina Press presented on the Open Textbook Program. In 2015, funding was received for the development of open textbooks at post-secondary institutions in Saskatchewan with the goal of reducing overall costs for students and enriching teaching and learning. The University of Regina through the University of Regina Press is managing the development of these textbooks at our institution to adopt, adapt, or create open textbooks for use in first- and second-year courses offered at the University of Regina.

More information is available at <http://www.uregina.ca/open-access/open-textbooks/open-textbook-program.html>

10. Adjournment – McIntosh (3:59 p.m.)



Glenys Sylvestre
University Secretary