

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE OF THE UNIVERSITY OF REGINA COUNCIL
26 FEBRUARY 2020
ADMINISTRATION-HUMANITIES BOARDROOM 527

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Ex Officio: V. Timmons, E. Aito, T. Chase, D. Farenick, G. Grandy, S. Gray, d. Gregory, S. Helewa, B. Hillis, E. Hussein, N. Jones, B. Kayseas, H. King, R. Kleer, K. McNutt, N. Önder, Y. Petry, T. Phenix, K. Ricketts, H. Riemer, J. Smith, R. Staseson, G. Sylvestre

Elected: M. Akinpelu, M. Brigham, P. Bruno, S. Campbell, D. Cripps, M. DeCoste, D. Dick, E. Eaton, J. Farney, C. Gelowitz, D. Halabuza, S. Hengen, A. Herman, L. Hoeber, M. Hrebenik, S. Khan, P. Leavitt, K. Lehmann, P. Lewis, A. Magnan, P. Mather, D. Meban, J. Melançon, J. Munro, B. Nelke, R. Petry, J. Piwowar, C. Ramsay, B. Reul, K. Richardson, C. Riegel, A. Rubalcava, D. Sharpe, J. Siemer, A. Snider, C. Somers, M. Spooner, B. Sterenberg, D. Stilling, B. Stockton, M. Van Luven, J. Wagner, L. Watson, S. Whalley, H. Weger, A. Wickson-Griffiths, S. Wilson, S. Young

Guests: I. Atayero, M. Coupal, N. Deren, K. Finlay, T. Grande, S. Granovsky-Larson, R. Kelsey, C. Marsh, B. McQuinn, L. Mitchell, H. Patel, M. Sanchez, A. Stevenson

Regrets: M. Argerami, D. Button, A. Cameron, L. Castellanos, J. Cranston, B. Hall, P. Laforge, C. Rocke, G. Russell

Recorder: S. Stewart

The meeting was called to order at 2:30 p.m. by the President and Vice-Chancellor, Dr. Vianne Timmons.

1. Approval of the Agenda

Stilling - Watson

Moved that the agenda be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

2. Approval of the Minutes of Meeting of 22 January 2020

Önder - Grandy

Moved that the minutes be approved as circulated.

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 and the traditional homeland of the Métis.

President Timmons offered her remarks, including:

A round dance is occurring in the Administration-Humanities Building. We respect students' right to engage in peaceful protest.

The letter sent to administrators on 12 February 2020 has been included in Appendix I, Page 2-4, President Timmons outlined the steps taken to build and rebuild relationships, and opened the floor to questions. Discussion followed and included:

- The decision to post the letter of 12 February 2020 in the Executive of Council agenda materials
- Working together to continue the challenging journey toward reconciliation
- Planned reorganization of the University's Indigenization structure, and creation of an Associate Vice-President (Indigenization) to elevate these efforts

We are monitoring COVID-19 (coronavirus) very closely and following Canadian government recommendations and directives about travel. The situation is changing daily and regular updates to campus are being posted on the University's website.

The 2020 Inspiring Leadership Forum will be taking place on March 4, 2020. This year's speakers include Dawn Smith, Samra Zafar, and Caitlyn Jenner. The University will also be hosting the Senior Women Academic Administrators of Canada (SWAAC) Conference on March 5th and 6th.

5. Report from the University Secretary

The call for nominations to Executive of Council will be extended until 31 March 2020. Nomination forms are available on the University Secretariat website.

6. Reports from Committees of Council

6.1 Consent Items, Appendix II, Pages 5-9

J. Piwowar presented the Consent Items to Executive of Council.

The following four motions were presented as an omnibus motion.

Piwowar - Lewis

6.1.1 Faculty of Education

Revision to Program Grade Point Average (PGPA)

That the minimum required PGPA within the Elementary, Secondary, and Arts. Ed. Programs be set at 65% across all terms (including progress to pre-internship and internship), effective 202030.

Undergraduate Calendar Revisions

That changes be made to the following Faculty of Education sections in the Undergraduate Calendar:

- Transfer from Other Faculties or Post-Secondary Institutions
- Registration in Courses Outside the Program
- Requests for Modifications of Course or Program Requirements

As outlined in Appendix II, Pages 5-6 of the Agenda, effective 202030.

Changes to the Le Bac Section of the Undergraduate Calendar

That changes be made to the following Le Bac Sections in the Undergraduate Calendar:

- Religious Education Minor
- Revision to all Français de base programs
- Baccalauréat en éducation secondaire après diplôme Français de base Majeure (BEAD)

As outlined in Appendix II, Pages 6-9 of the Agenda, effective 202030.

6.1.2 Faculty of Science

Eligible Electives – La Cité Courses

To allow French, French Studies, and French Language courses offered through La Cité to count for purposes of meeting categorized elective requirements, effective 202030.

The question was called on the omnibus motion.

CARRIED

6.2 Council Committee on Undergraduate Admissions and Studies, Appendix III, Pages 10-25

J. Piwowar presented the report on behalf of the Committee.

6.2.1 Faculty of Business Administration

New Certificate – Ideation, Creativity, and Entrepreneurship Certificate

The motion was amended to include a revised Attachment A, *appended to the Official File*.

Piwowar - Grandy

Moved to create a new Ideation, Creativity, and Entrepreneurship (ICE) certificate as outlined in Appendix III, Pages 10-11 and Attachment A of the Agenda, effective 202030.

The question was called on the amended motion.

CARRIED

6.2.2 Faculty of Education

Revision to Admission Requirements

Piwowar - Lewis

Moved that the following information as outlined in Appendix III, Pages 11-12 of the Agenda, be added to the Education portion of the additional requirement of the Admission Requirements section of the Undergraduate Calendar, effective 202030.

CARRIED

Program Deletion – Nantes Collaborative Program

Piwowar - Lewis

Moved to delete the Nantes Collaborative Program, effective 202030.

CARRIED

At 3:38 p.m. President Timmons excused herself from the meeting and Dr. Thomas Chase, Provost and Vice-President (Academic), chaired the meeting.

6.2.3 Faculty of Science

The following two motions were moved as an omnibus motion.

Piwowar - Farenick

Revision to Admission Requirements – Science Qualifying Program

Moved to update the admission requirements to the Science Qualifying Program for applicants from outside of Canada as outlined in Appendix III, Page 14 of the Agenda, effective 202030.

Science Qualifying Process Revisions

Moved to update the requirements of the Faculty of Science Qualifying Process as outlined in Appendix III, Pages 15-17, effective 202030.

The requirements outlined in both motions were amended to provide better clarity. The amended requirements are *appended to the official file*.

A question was raised about the addition of a Qualifying Program in Science, when other Faculties are eliminating Qualifying Programs. D. Farenick responded that this revision is increasing the requirements to an already existing program.

The question was called on the omnibus motion, as amended.

CARRIED

Residency and Transfer Credit Revisions

Piwowar - Farenick

Moved to make changes to the Residency and Transfer Credit section in the Undergraduate Calendar, as outlined in Appendix III, Pages 14-15 of the Agenda, effective 202030.

CARRIED

1 Opposed:

H. King

6.2.4 La Cité universitaire francophone

New Pathway – Integrated Pathway: La Cite and University of Ottawa

Piwowar - Aito

Moved that the creation of an Integrated Pathway in French and Francophone Intercultural Studies (FFIS) Program and Law be approved as outlined in Appendix III, Pages 17-18 of the Agenda, effective 202120.

CARRIED

7. Graduand Lists

These lists were distributed confidentially at the meeting.

7.1 Graduand Lists for Approval

Leavitt - Önder

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

7.2 Correction to Errors to Previously Approved Graduates

Kleer - Herman

Moved to approve the correction of the error to the credential of the previously approved graduate whose name appears on the list as distributed at the meeting and is appended to the official file.

CARRIED

President Timmons returned at 4:00 p.m. and resumed Chairing the meeting.

8. Other Business

8.1 2020-2025 Strategic Plan Update, Verbal Update

Dr. K. Finlay, Chair of the Strategic Plan Facilitation Team, provided an update on development of the 2020-2025 Strategic Plan.

Discussion followed, including:

- Research, and its importance throughout the strategic plan
- Environmental and fiscal sustainability
- Consultation with Indigenous colleagues
- Timelines and logistics of implementation

President Timmons thanked Dr. Finlay and the Strategic Plan Facilitation Team for their important work on the development of the 2020-2025 Strategic Plan.

Executive of Council agreed to formally endorse the draft strategic plan, with the understanding that there may be a refinement of details prior to final Board approval. It was noted that the 2020-2025 Strategic Plan with any changes will be forwarded to Executive of Council at its next meeting.

Leavitt - Grandy

Moved that Executive of Council endorse the draft 2020-2025 Strategic Plan.

The question was called on the motion.

CARRIED
6 Abstentions:
M. DeCoste
E. Eaton
P. Lewis
J. Melançon
K. Richardson
D. Sharpe

9. Adjournment - Önder (4:14 p.m.)



Glenys Sylvestre
Executive Director (University Governance) and University Secretary