

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE OF THE UNIVERSITY OF REGINA COUNCIL
24 FEBRUARY 2021
VIA WEB CONFERENCING

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Ex Officio: T. Chase, E. Aito, D. Button, H. Chaudhry, J. Cranston, S. Dea, A. Douai, R. Evans, D. Farenick, G. Grandy, d. Gregory, S. Helewa, E. Hussein, M. Jerry, B. Kayseas, K. McNutt, N. Önder, Y. Petry, T. Phenix, C. Roche, C. Schultz, R. Staseson, G. Sylvestre, B. Waytuck

Elected: M. Akinpelu, E. Ashton, J. Barden, J. Bird, M. Brigham, S. Carnochan Naqvi, A. Chan, D. Dick, E. Eaton, D. Elliott, C. Gelowitz, B. Hall, T. Hopper, M. Hrebenik, H. Huang, D. Hulston, Y. Jin, S. Khan, R. Kyabaggu, D. Lane, P. Leavitt, K. Lehmann, R. Manzon, P. Mather, K. Meagher, R. Murphy, P. Neary, C. Oriet, Z. Papandreou, R. Petry, F. Pino, J. Piwowar, M. Poplyansky, C. Ramsey, M. Rennie, C. Riegel, K. Robinson, A. Rubalcava, M. Rutten-James, O. Salad Hersi, A. Sardali, G. Saul, D. Sharpe, G. Sherbert, M. Shires, J. Siemer, B. Sterenberg, D. Stilling, D. Storie, S. Talbot, R. Truskowski, M. Trussler, J. Venter, J. Wagner, L. Watson, H. Weger, S. Whalley, A. Wickson-Griffiths, K. Yow

Guests: R. Blake

Regrets: C. Butz, S. Campbell, J. D'Arcy, M. Davis, K. Dorsch, H. Riemer, J. Smith, C. Somers, M. Spooner, A. Tremblay

Recorder: S. Stewart

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

In keeping with the University's commitment to reconciliation, the Chair acknowledged that the University is located on Treaty 4 and Treaty 6 territory and the traditional homeland of the Métis.

1. Approval of the Agenda

The Chair requested the removal of 7.1.6 Graduated List - Faculty of Social Work.

Hall - Brigham

Moved that the agenda be approved as amended.

CARRIED

2. Approval of the Minutes of Meeting of 27 January 2021

Önder - Papandreou

Moved that the minutes be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

3. Business Arising from the Minutes - None

4. Remarks from the Chair

Dr Chase offered his remarks, and requested members of the Executive Team to also provide information:

February 24th is Pink Shirt Day. Faculty members are conducting important research related to bullying, including the work of Dr. Raven Sinclair in the Faculty of Social Work.

The 2021-2022 budget preparations are underway. Updates on the budget development process will be provided at upcoming town halls, including a specific budget town hall on April 9th. Input and ideas are welcome and may be submitted to budget@uregina.ca.

The Western Hockey League (WHL) will be proceeding with an abbreviated hockey season, with the city of Regina serving as the Eastern Division hub. The University, Luther College and the University of Regina Students' Union (URSU) will assist with the provision of accommodation and food services. Health and safety considerations continue to remain our highest priority. Comprehensive safety measures are in place to safeguard the players, coaches, staff, as well as University members who are working and living on campus.

An update on working remotely will be provided to the University community. Health and safety remain a top priority during this time.

Planning for the Fall 2021 term continues. The Fall 2021 Teaching and Learning Framework will be reviewed by the Council Committee on Academic Mission (CCAM) at their next meeting. Specific logistical considerations related to the Teaching and Learning Framework will be provided in a companion document.

Adjudication committees for the President's and Chancellor's Research Chairs have been created. Following approval of the Chairs at the March Board meeting, there will be a call for applications.

Following the Chair's remarks, Executive of Council was invited to share any further information or raise questions for discussion. Discussion included:

- Additional details on the WHL "bubble", including how athletes and coaches will move through campus, and isolation protocols in the event there is a positive COVID-19 case
- Processes for approving face-to-face course delivery in the Fall 2021 term
- Associate Vice-President (Human Resources) search and announcements to campus

5. Report from the University Secretary

5.1 2021-2022 Executive of Council Meeting Schedule, For Information, Appendix I, Page 2

The schedule was received for information.

The call for nominations to Executive of Council has been issued. The nomination process has moved online for 2021. Please consider putting your name forward or encouraging others to be a part of Executive of Council.

6. Reports from Committees of Council

6.1 Council Committee on Research, Appendix II, Pages 3-11

C. Yost presented the report on behalf of the Committee.

6.1.1 Policy Update - Care and Use of Animals (RCH-020-005)

A grammatical error was noted in Attachment B, Page 11 and will be corrected to read: "Appropriate actions may include, but are not limited to, the misconduct procedures as outlined..."

Yost - McNutt

Moved that the revised policy "Care and Use of Animals (RCH-020-005)" be approved.

Discussion followed. Topics of discussion included:

- Whether the word "testing" is encompassed within research, and the importance of consistency in language with the Canada Council on Animal Care (CCAC)
- The policy requirements include situations where faculty members are conducting research using animals off-campus or at another post-secondary institution
- Whether the policy is too restrictive and may hamper sustainability or other positive initiatives. It is important to approve this research policy, but broader discussion related to animals on campus could be undertaken in the future

It was also agreed to clarify the language in Attachment B, Page 8 to read:

"...in any capacity as part of their research or University of Regina program of study both on and off campus"

The question was called on the amended motion.

CARRIED

1 Opposed

7. Graduand Lists

These lists were distributed confidentially prior to the meeting.

7.1 Graduand Lists for Approval

Gregory - Papandreou

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

CARRIED

7.2 Correction of Error to Previously Approved Graduate List

Dea - Watson

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

8. Other Business - None.

9. Adjournment - Watson (3:30 p.m.)



Glenys Sylvestre
Executive Director (University Governance) and University Secretary