

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE OF THE UNIVERSITY OF REGINA COUNCIL
23 MARCH 2022
VIA WEB CONFERENCING

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Ex Officio: E. Aito, D. Button, H. Chaudhry, J. Cranston, J. D’Arcy, S. Dea, D. Dick, A. Douai, D. Farenick, J. Farney, G. Grandy, d. Gregory, E. Hussein, K. McNutt, N. Önder, Y. Petry, T. Phenix, C. Pollard, H. Riemer, C. Rocke, C. Schultz, J. Smith, G. Sylvestre, C. Yost

Elected: M. Argerami, E. Ashton, J. Barden, J. Bird, B. Bonner, M. Brigham, S. Carnochan Naqvi, A. Chan, M. Chipanshi, L. Dai, M. Diamantopoulos, R. Dosselmann, Z. Du, D. Elliot, H. Fay, R. Ganev, C. Gelowitz, H. Guliani, B. Hall, T. Hopper, H. Huang, D. Hulston, S. Khan, R. Kyablaggu, P. Leavitt, R. Manzon, T. McIntosh, R. Murphy, C. Oriet, Z. Papandreou, R. Petry, R. Piercey, F. Pirbhai-Illich, J. Purnis, C. Ramsay, M. Rennie, C. Riegel, M. Rutten-James, A. Sardarli, G. Saul, D. Sharpe, G. Sherbert, T. Sperlich, M. Spooner, A. Sterzuk, D. Stilling, J. Venter, H. Weger, S. Whalley, A. Wickson-Griffiths, J. Xue, K. Yow

Guests: S. Cheng, S. Hirani

Regrets: S. Acoose, K. Bracht, C. Butz, L. Campbell, M. Davis, S. Helewa, A. Hodson, M. Jerry, J. Keshen, J. Loucks, M. Shires, H. Tait

Recorder: S. Stewart

The meeting was called to order at 2:31 p.m. by the Interim Provost and Vice-President (Academic), Dr david Gregory.

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

Stilling - Whalley

Moved that the agenda be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

2. Approval of the Minutes of Meeting of 23 February 2022

Papandreou - Leavitt

Moved that the minutes be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

3. Business Arising from the Minutes

3.1 Graduate Advanced Training and Entrepreneurship (GATE) Centre – Proposal, Appendix I, Pages 2-15

A. Douai presented the Graduate Advanced Training and Entrepreneurship (GATE) Centre proposal to Executive of Council, and noted the further consultations that had been undertaken.

Douai - McNutt

Moved that Executive of Council approve the proposal for a Graduate Advanced Training and Entrepreneurship (GATE) Centre.

Discussion followed. Topics of discussion included:

- Inclusion of only certain Indigenous organizations in the proposal documents risks omission of some that would be relevant to the Centre
 - o It was agreed that within the proposal, the identification of specific organizations would be removed in favour of a more generic approach
- Revenue and expense projections, and recognition that programming will be developed based on graduate student interest and skill requirements
- Alignment with available funding sources supporting graduate students, including from Mitacs
- Potential fee may be considered in the future and would need to be competitive in the graduate school landscape
- GATE will be a faculty-based Centre, with oversight provided in accordance with the Research Institutes and Centres Policy
- The Centre's programming will be available to all graduate students, and will assist in international graduate student recruitment

The question was called on the motion.

CARRIED

4. Remarks from the Chair

Dr Gregory offered the following remarks, including:

Spring/Summer and Fall 2022 enrolments are down compared to the previous year. Although these are early results, we will continue to monitor.

Today is provincial budget day. The University is in its second year of stable funding, which amounts to a reduction as other expenses rise. The 2022-2023 budget is under development and will be presented at the April Board of Governors meeting.

d. Gregory is participating in student engagement sessions with the President including related to international and Indigenous student experiences, teaching and learning experience, mental health supports, and equity, diversity and inclusion. Throughout the sessions, a common theme was the impact professors have on student lives.

A signing ceremony with Campion College and Luther College was held on March 17th. The renewal of the Guidelines for a Working Academic Relationship highlight the value our relationship with the Federated Colleges.

A sustainability action plan from the President's Advisory Committee on Sustainability (PACS) will be completed shortly.

Planning and development of the Office of Experiential and Service Learning is well underway for the Fall. The Office is currently seeking to hire an academic lead to develop the programming that will be offered.

Following Dr Gregory's remarks, Executive of Council was invited to share any further information or raise any questions for discussion. d. Gregory confirmed the continued availability of rapid antigen test kits for students during the final exam period.

All questions were addressed by Dr Gregory.

5. Report from the University Secretary

5.1 2022-2023 Executive of Council Meeting Schedule, Appendix II, Page 16

The meeting schedule was received for information.

The call for nominations to Executive of Council will be issued shortly. 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 the Faculty of Graduate Studies and Research, Appendix III, Pages 17-23

A. Douai presented the report on behalf of the Council Committee on the Faculty of Graduate Studies and Research.

6.1.1 Faculty of Nursing

Collaborative Nurse Practitioner Program (CNPP) – Change to Admission Requirements

Douai - Pollard

Moved that the admission requirements change for the Collaborative Nurse Practitioner Program (CNPP), as outlined in Appendix III, Pages 17-19 of the agenda, effective 202230.

CARRIED

6.1.2 Johnson Shoyama Graduate School of Public of Policy

Master’s Certificate in Non-Profit Management – Discontinue Program

Douai - Farney

Moved that the Master’s Certificate in the Non-profit Management be discontinued, effective 202230.

CARRIED

Master’s Certificate in Social Economy, Co-operatives and the Non-Profit Sector – New Program

Douai - Farney

Moved that a Master’s Certificate in Social Economy, Co-operatives and the Non-profit Sector be created, as outlined in Appendix III, Pages 19-20 of the Agenda, effective 202230.

CARRIED

Master’s Certificate in Science and Innovation Policy – New Program

Douai - Leavitt

Moved that an on-line Master’s Certificate in Science and Innovation Policy be created, as outlined in Appendix III, Page 20 of the agenda, effective 202230.

CARRIED

Master’s Certificate in Indigenous Nation Building – Program Change

Douai - Kyablaggu

Moved that the Master’s Certificate in Indigenous Nations Building electives be changed, as outlined in Appendix III, Pages 20-21 of the Agenda, effective 202230.

CARRIED

The remainder of the report was received for information.

6.2 Council Committee on Undergraduate Admissions and Studies, Appendix IV, Pages 24-50

S. Cheng presented the report on behalf of the Council Committee on Undergraduate Admissions and Studies.

6.2.1 Faculty of Arts

Certificate in Economics – Program Revision

Cheng - Dea

Moved to add a note to the Certificate in Economics, as outlined in Appendix IV, Page 24 of the Agenda, effective 202230.

CARRIED

Certificate in Development and International Economics – New Certificate

Cheng - Dea

Moved to create a Certificate in Development and International Economics, as outlined in Appendix IV, Page 25 of the agenda, effective 202230.

CARRIED

Certificate in Environmental and Resource Economics – New Certificate

Cheng - Dea

Moved to create a Certificate in Environmental and Resource Economics, as outlined in Appendix IV, Page 25 of the Agenda, effective 202230.

CARRIED

Certificate in Monetary and Financial Economics – New Certificate

Cheng - Dea

Moved to create a Certificate in Monetary and Financial Economics, as outlined in Appendix IV, Page 26 of the Agenda, effective 202230.

CARRIED

6.2.2 Faculty of Education

Arts Education – Program Revisions

Cheng - Cranston

Moved that the Arts Education B.Ed and BEAD templates be changed, as outlined in Appendix IV, Pages 27-28 of the Agenda, effective 202230.

CARRIED

Baccalauréat en éducation secondaire – Program Revisions

Cheng - Cranston

Moved that our templates for the Secondary Program of le Baccalauréat en éducation française Option A (120 crédits) and Option B (150 crédits) – Session 4 – Be Changed from ENS 1500 to ENS 1950, effective 202230.

It was noted that the rationale on page 30 should note the “benefit” to students, not “beneficiate.”

The question was called on the motion.

CARRIED

Certificate of Extended Studies – Program Revisions

Cheng - Cranston

Moved that the Certificate of Extended Studies be renamed and the description be revised as follows, effective 202230.

CARRIED

6.2.3 Faculty of Science

Faculty of Science Admission Requirements – Revisions

The following two motions were moved as an omnibus motion.

Cheng - Farenick

Moved to update the post-secondary admission requirements to the Faculty of Science and the Faculty of Science Qualifying program such that the post-secondary admissions category applies to any student who has attempted a minimum of 15.0 credit hours, effective 202230.

Moved to update the minimum admissions average for Post-Secondary applicants to be calculated based on a maximum of the student’s most recent 30 credit hours of approved courses. In cases where the AGPA on the most recent 30 credit hours of approved courses is less than 60%, admission to the Science Qualifying program will be considered based on a minimum AGPA of 60% on all approved post-secondary courses, effective 202230.

The question was called on the omnibus motion.

CARRIED

6.2.4 UR International and Enrolment Services

English Language Proficiency Test – Duolingo English Test

Cheng - Chaudhry

Moved that the Duolingo Online English Test with a minimum score of 110 be *extended* as an accepted approved test of proficiency in English for undergraduate admissions, on a temporary basis for the 2022-2023 academic year (May 1, 2022 to April 30, 2023). This test is currently being used for the 2021-2022 academic year (July 1, 2021 to April 30, 2022).

CARRIED

6.2.5 Registrar's Office

Protected Persons – Calendar Update

Cheng - D'Arcy

Moved that the following revisions to the Undergraduate Calendar be approved to add language related to protected persons and how tuition is recognized for a protected person, as outlined in Appendix IV, Page 34 of the Agenda, effective immediately.

CARRIED

Instructor Responsibilities – Calendar Revision

Cheng - D'Arcy

Moved that the following revisions to the Undergraduate Calendar be approved to add language related to the responsibility of instructors to notify students of their exam modality in the written course outline, as outlined in Appendix IV, Pages 34-35 of the Agenda, effective immediately.

Discussion followed. Topics of discussion included:

- Although exam modality for most courses will be obvious, clarification may be required for hyflex and hybrid course examinations, for example
- Information to instructors about course modality was previously circulated

The question was called on the motion.

CARRIED

6.3 Council Committee on Research, Appendix V, Pages 51-84

S. Hirani presented the report on behalf of the Council Committee on Research.

6.3.1 Research and Scholarly Misconduct Policy (GOV-022-025)

Hirani - McNutt

Moved that Executive of Council endorse the proposed policy amendments to the Research and Scholarly Misconduct Policy, GOV-022-025.

Dr McNutt noted that the policy has undergone extensive revisions, including adjustments to reflect requirements of the Tri-Agency framework, introduction of an appeals process, and opportunity for alternative dispute resolution.

The question was called on the motion.

CARRIED

7. **Graduand Lists**

These lists were distributed confidentially prior to the meeting.

7.1 Graduand Lists for Approval

Douai - Xue

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

8. **Other Business** - None

9. **Adjournment** - Stilling (3:38 p.m.)



Glenys Sylvestre
Executive Director (University Governance) and University Secretary