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**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE OF THE UNIVERSITY OF REGINA COUNCIL
25 OCTOBER 2023
ADMINISTRATION HUMANITIES BUILDING BOARDROOM 527 AND WEB CONFERENCING**

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Ex-Officio: E. Aito, L. Campbell, H. Chaudhry, P. Choi, J. D’Arcy, D. Dick, I. Dostaler, A. Douai, D. Ford, J. Keshen (Chair), S. Khan, N. Önder, Y. Petry, T. Phenix, C. Pollard, C. Schultz, G. Sylvestre, J. Smith, B. Waytuck

Elected: A. Armstrong, M. Asadullah, C. Bakker, J. Bird, J. Brown, P. Bruno, I. Coulson, M. Coupal, M. Çule, J. Daschuk, M. DeCoste, J. DeLugt, J. Demers, M. Diamantopoulos, R. Dosselmann, O. El-Halfawy, L. French, S. Gaudet, B. Green, B. Hall, M. Hart, A. Hodson, D. Hulston, S. Khan, M. Khondoker, C. Kulczycki, D. Lane, M. MacKinnon, R. Manzon, E. Matthews, E. McNair, D. Meban, J. Melançon, W. Peng, R. Petry, K. Phillips, C. Polster, C. Ramsay, M. Rennie, C. Riegel, S. Russell, M. Rutten-James, A. Sardarli, J. Seinín, D. Sharpe, G. Sherbert, T. Shokirova, J. Siemer, T. Sperlich, D. Stilling, L. Tiggelers, B. Tomin, M. Trussler, G. Vujanovic, H. Weger, S. Wilson, J. Xue, K. Yow

Regrets: M. Argerami, S. Dea, S. Helewa, O. Hoerber, M. Jerry, J. Nahachewsky, V. Mathews, A. Mudde, A. Oehler, A. Pitariu, V. Ramshaw, H. Riemer, G. Russell, D. Swapp, C. Widdifield

Guests: M. Cappello, L. Hoerber, S. Jobin

Recorder: S. Stewart

The meeting was called to order at 2:31 p.m. by the President and Vice-Chancellor, Dr. Jeff Keshen.

In keeping with the University’s commitment to Reconciliation, the Chair acknowledged that the University is located on Treaty 4 territory with a presence in Treaty 6. These are the territories of the nêhiyawak, Anihšīnāpēk, Dakota, Lakota, and Nakoda, and the traditional homeland of the Métis/Michif Nation.

1. Approval of the Agenda

The Chair requested the addition of Item 7.1.4 “Graduand Lists for Approval – Faculty of Education.”

D. Stilling – G. Sherbert

Moved that the agenda be approved as amended.

CARRIED

2. Approval of the Minutes of Meeting of 27 September 2023

N. Önder – G. Sherbert

Moved that the minutes be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

3. Business Arising from the Minutes – None

4. Remarks from the Chair

President Keshen provided an update on recent activities, including:

- International recruitment initiatives in Bangladesh and China
- Domestic recruitment initiatives, including the Fall Open House and UR Days
- Launch of the Chancellor’s Scholarship
- Participation and attendance at COP28 – United Nations Climate Change Conference as part of the Province of Saskatchewan delegation
- Launch of the Office of Sustainability website
- Update on Fall 2023 enrolment
- Launch of the Indigenous Engagement Strategic Plan
- Advancement activity and fundraising successes

As part of his remarks President Keshen recognized the impact of Artificial Intelligence (AI) on instructors and academic units, including challenges related to academic integrity. Discussion followed and included:

- Need for increased resources to assist in education on the use of AI for students in their courses
- Opportunities to appropriately utilize AI for research and funding
- Support for academic units in monitoring and enforcing academic integrity at the University
- Future discussions on artificial intelligence and academic integrity at the University of Regina

5. Report from the University Secretary

No report.

6. Reports from Committees of Council

6.1 Council Committee on Undergraduate Admissions and Studies, Appendix I, Pages 2-44

J. D’Arcy presented the report on behalf of the Council Committee on Undergraduate Admissions and Studies.

6.1.1 Faculty of Arts

Program Revision – Psychology Honours Program Admission Requirements

J. D’Arcy – T. Sperlich

Moved to revise the Program Grade Point Average (PGPA) and Major Grade Point Average (GPA) admission requirements to the Psychology Honours program, effective 202420.

CARRIED

6.1.2 Faculty of Education

Program Revisions – Le Bac Programs

J. D’Arcy – M. Cappello

Moved that changes be made to Le Bac’s progress in program section in the Undergraduate Calendar, effective 202420.

CARRIED

Program Revision - Certificat Voie d’avenir pour enseigner en Saskatchewan and for Baccalauréat en éducation secondaire voie français de base

J. D’Arcy – M. Cappello

Moved that ECSF 210 course be added as an option for Certificat Voie d’avenir pour enseigner en Saskatchewan and for Baccalauréat en éducation secondaire voie français de base (DFRN), effective 202420.

CARRIED

Undergraduate Calendar Revision – Prior Learning and Recognition (PLAR)

J. D’Arcy – M. Cappello

Moved that the regulation on Prior Learning and Recognition (PLAR) be adopted and implemented in the Faculty of Education, effective 202420.

CARRIED

Revisions – Field Experience Components

J. D’Arcy – M. Cappello

Moved that the Field Experience Components be revised, effective 202420.

The description of Field Experience Components was amended to read:

“... School divisions require students to have criminal record checks **with** vulnerable

sector checks....”

Discussion followed and included:

- The requirement for international students to have a co-op work permit for field experiences. It was clarified that this requirement is determined by Immigration, Refugees, and Citizenship Canada (IRCC)
- Students with positive criminal convictions, with the impact on field placements dependent on the type of conviction and divisional policies

The question was called on the amended motion.

CARRIED

Undergraduate Calendar Regulation – Accommodations for Field Components

J. D’Arcy – M. Cappello

Moved that Accommodations for Field Components be added to Field Experience Components regulation, effective 202420.

In response to a question, it was clarified that students cannot be certified as teachers without internship and therefore cannot complete the requirements of the program.

The question was called on the motion.

CARRIED

6.1.3 La Cité universitaire francophone

New Program – Bachelor of Arts in French as a Second Language

J. D’Arcy – S. Gaudet

Moved that the Bachelor of Arts (BA) in French as a Second Language be created, effective 202430.

Discussion followed and included:

- Opportunity for certificate students to ladder to the Bachelor program
- Course development will be funded through federal grants

The question was called on the motion.

CARRIED

New Program – Bachelor of Arts Honours in French as a Second Language

J. D’Arcy – S. Gaudet

Moved that the Bachelor of Arts Honours (BA Hons) in French as a Second Language be created, effective 202430.

CARRIED

7. Graduand Lists

The lists were distributed confidentially prior to the meeting and are appended to the Official File.

7.1 Graduand Lists for Approval

A. Douai – D. Stilling

Moved that all students whose names appear on the lists 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 – N. Önder (3:47 p.m.)

Glenys Sylvestre
University Secretary