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**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE OF THE UNIVERSITY OF REGINA COUNCIL
22 JANUARY 2025
ADMINISTRATION HUMANITIES BUILDING BOARDROOM 527 AND WEB CONFERENCING**

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Ex-Officio: T. Bae, H. Chaudhry, P. Choi, J. D'Arcy, S. Dea, D. Eberts, D. Farenick, J. Farney, D. Ford, S. Gaudet, d. Gregory, E. Oldford, N. Önder, J. Nahachewsky, T. Phenix, C. Pollard, H. Riemer, C. Rocke, C. Schultz, J. Smith, A. Sterzuk, G. Sylvestre, B. Waytuck, C. Yost

Elected: M. Akinpelu, R. Alao, E. Almehdawe, E. Arries-Kleyensuber, C. Bakker, J. Brown, P. Bruno, L. Clune, I. Coulson, M. Çule, M. Dalrymple, M. DeCoste, D. deMontigny, R. Dosselmann, M. Dubnewick, N. Hansmeier, M. Hart, K. Herman, O. Hoerber, G. Kabir, P. Leavitt, B. Lichtenwald, M. MacKinnon, A. Magnan, V. Mathews, T. McIntosh, E. McNair, A. Mudde, Z. Papandreou, A. Oehler, Z. Papandreou, K. Phillips, R. Petry, C. Ramsay, M. Rutten-James, S. Sangster, A. Sardali, J. Seinen, D. Sharpe, G. Sherbert, J. Siemer, T. Sperlich, D. Stilling, L. Tiggelers, G. Vujanovic, H. Weger, S. Wilson, S. Yim

Regrets: E. Beckwell, J. deLugt, A. Douai, O. El-Halfawy, A. Hodson, J. MacDonald, P. Ortega, B. Tomin

Guests: S. Afolabi, M. Berg, T. Dahms, S. Davies, M. Goodwin, D. Lane, E. Lawn, M. Mouhoub, V. Ramshaw, M. Stewart, C. Thompson

Recorder: S. Stewart

The meeting was called to order at 2:30 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

D. Stilling – M. Hart

Moved that the agenda be approved as circulated.

A question was raised regarding the inclusion of Attachment G, Pages 133-139 of the Agenda, as the information was not presented to the Council Committee on Undergraduate Admissions and Studies. It was clarified that past practice has allowed for the inclusion of additional items for consideration at Executive of Council, but acknowledged that it would have been better reflected

separately from the Report from CCUAS.

The question was called on the motion.

CARRIED

2. Approval of the Minutes of Meeting of 27 November 2024

G. Sherbert – Z. Papandreou

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:

- Update on domestic and international student enrolment
- Recent and upcoming travel, with a focus on recruitment and research partnerships
- Meetings with municipal and provincial government officials
- Update on the University of Regina Student's Union (URSU), concerns with their financial solvency, and communication with their executive
- Update on the 2025-2026 budget process
- Update on capital projects

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

- Faculty participation in outcomes of MOU agreements with other post-secondary institutions
- Student fees provided to URSU to provide student services, and concern regarding low student participation and engagement with the students' union

5. Report from the University Secretary

5.1 2025-2026 Executive of Council Meeting Schedule, *For Information*, Appendix I, Page 3

G. Sylvestre, University Secretary presented the 2025-2026 Executive of Council meeting schedule for information.

G. Sylvestre also provided a reminder on the call for nominations to Executive of Council and for members to consider putting their names forward or encouraging others to be a part of Executive of Council.

6. Reports from Committees of Council

6.1 Consent Items, Appendix II, Pages 4-23

The following 14 motions were presented as an omnibus motion.

J. D'Arcy – M. DeCoste

6.1.1 Council Committee on the Faculty of Graduate Studies and Research

6.1.1.1 Faculty of Media, Art and Performance

Master of Fine Arts (MFA) in Visual Arts (Research & Exhibition) – Program Revision

Moved that the Master of Fine Arts (MFA) in Visual Arts (Research and Exhibition) be revised, as outlined in Appendix II, Pages 4-6 of the Agenda, effective 202520.

6.1.2 Council Committee on Undergraduate Admissions and Studies

6.1.2.1 Faculty of Education

Gap Year – Calendar Revision

Moved that the Gap Year program be revised for the Faculty of Education, as outlined in Appendix II, Page 6 of the Agenda, effective 202520.

Physical Education Minor (EPE) – Program Revision

Moved that the Physical Education Minor (EPE) be revised, as outlined in Appendix II, Pages 6-7 of the Agenda, effective 202520.

Outdoor Education Minor (EOE) – Program Revision

Moved that the Outdoor Education Minor (EOE) be revised, as outlined in Appendix II, Page 7 of the Agenda, effective 202520.

6.1.2.2 Faculty of Engineering and Applied Science

Electronic Systems Engineering Program Electives – Revisions

Moved that the Electronic Systems Engineering electives be revised, as outlined in Appendix II, Pages 8-12 of the Agenda, effective 202520.

6.1.2.3 Faculty of Education and the Faculty of Media, Art, and Performance

Piano Proficiency Regulation – Undergraduate Calendar Revision

Moved to adopt a new regulation on Piano Proficiency as outlined in Appendix II, Page 12 of the Agenda, effective 202520.

6.1.2.4 Faculty of Media, Art, and Performance

Diploma in Creative Technologies and Design – Program Revision

Moved that the Diploma in Creative Technologies and Design be revised, as outlined in Appendix II, Page 13 of the Agenda, effective 202520.

Bachelor of Design – Program Revision

Moved that the Bachelor of Design be revised, as outlined in Appendix II, Pages 14-15 of the Agenda, effective 202520.

Bachelor of Fine Arts in Creative Technologies – Program Revision

Moved that the Bachelor of Fine Arts in Creative Technologies be revised, as outlined in Appendix II, Pages 15-17 of the Agenda, effective 202520.

Bachelor of Arts in Creative Technologies – Program Revision

Moved that the Bachelor of Arts in Creative Technologies be revised, as outlined in Appendix II, Pages 17-19 of the Agenda, effective 202520.

6.1.2.5 Faculty of Nursing

Time Limits Regulation – Undergraduate Calendar Revision

Moved that the Faculty of Nursing's Time Limits regulation be revised, as outlined in Appendix II, Pages 19-20, effective 202520.

Transfer Credit Regulation – Undergraduate Calendar Revision

Moved that the Faculty of Nursing’s Transfer Credit Regulation be revised, as outlined in Appendix II, Page 20 of the Agenda, effective 202520.

6.1.2.6 Faculty of Science

Bachelor of Medical Laboratory Science – Program Revision

Moved that the Bachelor of Medical Laboratory Science be revised, as outlined in Appendix II, Page 21 of the Agenda, effective 202520.

The question was called on the omnibus motion.

CARRIED

The remainder of the report was received for information.

6.2 Joint Item – Council Committee on the Faculty of Graduate Studies and Research and the Council Committee on Undergraduate Admissions and Studies, Appendix II, Pages 24-26

Jim D’Arcy, Executive Director, Strategic Enrolment Management and Registrar presented the Joint Item.

6.2.1 2027-2028 Academic Schedule

J. D’Arcy – G. Vujanovic

Moved that the 2027-2028 Academic Schedule, as outlined in Appendix III, Pages 24-26 of the Agenda be approved.

CARRIED

6.3 Council Committee on the Faculty of Graduate Studies and Research, Appendix III, Pages 27-43

C. Oriet presented the report on behalf of the Council Committee on the Faculty of Graduate Studies and Research.

6.3.1 Faculty of Arts

6.3.1.1 Geography and Environmental Studies

Master of Arts, Master of Science, and Doctor of Philosophy Special Case Programs – Program Discontinuation

C. Oriet – S. Dea

Moved that the Master of Arts, Master of Science, and Doctor of Philosophy special case graduate programs in the Department of Geography and Environmental Studies be discontinued, effective 202520.

CARRIED

6.3.2 Faculty of Engineering and Applied Science

Master of Applied Science and Master of Engineering – Embedded Certificate Options

C. Oriet – P. Choi

Moved that the Advanced Manufacturing Certificate, Engineering Management Certificate, Geothermal Engineering Certificate, Carbon Capture, Utilization and Storage Certificate, and Artificial Intelligence in Engineering Certificate be embedded within the Master of Applied Science and Master of Engineering programs, effective immediately.

CARRIED

6.3.3 Faculty of Science

Master of Science in Actuarial Science (Course-Based) – New Program

C. Oriet – D. Farenick

Moved that the Master of Science in Actuarial Science (course-based) be created as outlined in Appendix IV, Pages 28-29 of the Agenda, effective 202530.

CARRIED

6.4 Council Committee on Undergraduate Admissions and Studies, Appendix V, Pages 44-139

T. Bae, Chair of the Council Committee on Undergraduate Admissions and Studies presented the report on behalf of the Committee.

6.4.1 Faculty of Arts

Certificate in German Language and Culture – Admission Suspension

T. Bae – S. Dea

Moved to suspend admission into the Certificate in German Language and Culture, effective 202520.

CARRIED

6.4.2 Faculty of Business Administration

Diploma in Digital Marketing – New Program

T. Bae – E. Oldford

Moved to create a Diploma in Digital Marketing, as outlined in Appendix V, Pages 44-47 of the Agenda, effective 202520.

CARRIED

Certificate in Digital Marketing – New Program

T. Bae – E. Oldford

Moved to create a Certificate in Digital Marketing, as outlined in Appendix V, Page 47 of the Agenda, effective 202520.

CARRIED

Bachelor of Administration (First Nations University of Canada) – Major Requirements

T. Bae – E. Oldford

Moved that the “Major Requirements (FNUUniv)” of the Bachelor of Administration Degree (FNUUniv) be revised, as outlined in Appendix V, Pages 47-48 of the Agenda, effective 202520.

Faculty of Business Administration Concurrent Programs Regulation – Undergraduate Calendar Revision

T. Bae – E. Oldford

Moved to update the Faculty of Business Administration Concurrent Programs section of the Undergraduate Calendar, as outlined in Appendix V, Pages 48-49 of the Agenda, effective 202520.

CARRIED

Faculty of Business Administration Stale Dated Courses – Undergraduate Calendar Revision

T. Bae – E. Oldford

Moved to update the Faculty of Business Administration Transfer Credits section of the Undergraduate Calendar, as outlined in Appendix V, Pages 49-50 of the Agenda, effective 202520.

CARRIED

6.4.3 Faculty of Education

Certificate for Internationally Educated Teachers/Certificat Voie d'avenir pour enseigner en Saskatchewan (élémentaire ou secondaire)

T. Bae – J. Nahachewsky

Moved that the requirements for the Certificate for Internationally Educated Teachers/Certificat Voie d'avenir pour enseigner en Saskatchewan (élémentaire ou secondaire) be revised as outlined in Appendix V, Pages 50-51 of the Agenda, effective 202520.

CARRIED

Two-Year Elementary Bachelor of Education After Degree (Online Community-Based) – Program Revision

T. Bae – J. Nahachewsky

Moved that the Two-Year Elementary Education Bachelor of Education After Degree Program (Online Community-Based) be revised, as outlined in Appendix V, Pages 51-52 of the Agenda, effective 202620.

CARRIED

Two-Year Elementary Bachelor of Education After Degree (Online Community-Based) – Admission Requirements

T. Bae – J. Nahachewsky

Moved that the Undergraduate Admissions section of the Undergraduate Calendar be revised, as outlined in Appendix V, Pages 53-55 of the Agenda, effective 202520.

6.4.4 La Cité universitaire francophone

Minor in Translation – New Program

T. Bae – S. Gaudet

Moved that the Minor in Translation/adoption d'une mineure en traduction be created as outlined in Appendix V, Pages 55-56 of the Agenda, effective 202520.

CARRIED

6.4.5 Faculty of Media, Art, and Performance

Certificate in Audio Recording and Sound Design – New Program

T. Bae – D. Dick

Moved that the Certificate in Audio Recording and Sound Design be created as

outlined in Appendix V, Page 56 of the Agenda, effective 202520.

CARRIED

Certificate in Visual Communication Design – New Program

T. Bae – D. Dick

Moved that the Certificate in Visual Communication and Design be created as outlined in Appendix V, Pages 56-57 of the Agenda, effective 202520.

CARRIED

Certificate in User Experience Design – New Program

T. Bae – D. Dick

Moved that the Certificate in User Experience and Design be created as outlined in Appendix V, Pages 57-58 of the Agenda, effective 202520.

CARRIED

6.4.6 Faculty of Nursing

Saskatchewan Collaborative Bachelor of Science in Nursing (SCBScN) Bilingual Option – Admission Requirements

T. Bae – C. Pollard

Moved that the admission requirements for the Saskatchewan Collaborative Bachelor of Science in Nursing (SCBScN) Bilingual Option be revised as outlined in Appendix V, Pages 58-60 of the Agenda, effective 202520.

CARRIED

Faculty of Nursing Academic Performance Regulations – Undergraduate Calendar Revisions

T. Bae – C. Pollard

Moved that the Faculty of Nursing's Faculty Academic Performance Regulations be revised as outlined in Appendix V, Pages 60-61 of the Agenda, effective 202520.

CARRIED

6.4.7 Faculty of Science

Elective Courses – Undergraduate Calendar Revision

T. Bae – D. Farenick

Moved that the Elective Courses section of the Undergraduate Calendar be revised as outlined in Appendix V, Page 61 of the Agenda, effective 202520.

CARRIED

Academic Program General Information – Undergraduate Calendar Revision

T. Bae – D. Farenick

Moved that the Academic Program General Information section of the Undergraduate Calendar in the subheadings Double and Combined Majors and Second Degrees be revised as outlined in Appendix V, Pages 61-62 of the Agenda, effective 202520.

CARRIED

6.4.8 Faculty of Arts, Faculty of Media, Art, and Performance, and Faculty of Science

Bachelor of Arts and Science – New Program

T. Bae – S. Dea

Moved to create a Bachelor of Arts and Science degree, as outlined in Appendix V, Pages 63-66 of the Agenda, effective 202520.

The Deans of the Faculty of Arts, Faculty of Media, Art, and Performance, and Faculty of Science provided an overview of the Bachelor of Arts and Science program and the rationale for its creation.

Discussion followed. Topics of discussion included:

- The original intent to introduce a fully on-line degree is not ultimately part of the current proposal
- Consultation and approval processes, including questions regarding consideration of feedback and urgency of recommended approvals
- Potential financial implications, both positive and negative
- Comparability of this program with interdisciplinary degrees at other Canadian universities
- Whether 3-year degrees should be more programmatically focused/themed or more flexible
- Potential options for pre-law students or for laddering into a 4th year
- Importance of academic advising to ensure students are aware of opportunities and limitations of program choices

A subsidiary motion was introduced:

R. Petry – S. Dea

Moved to refer the motion back to the Faculty of Arts Council, Faculty of Media, Art, and Performance Council, and Faculty of Science Council.

The question was called on the subsidiary motion.

17 In Favour
37 Opposed
2 Abstentions

DEFEATED

The question was called on the main motion.

41 In Favour
10 Opposed
4 Abstentions

CARRIED

The remainder of the report was received for information.

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

d. Gregory – 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. Reports from Faculties, Academic Units, and Federated Colleges

Omitted due to time constraints.

9. Other Business – None.

10. Adjournment – M. DeCoste (4:50 p.m.)

Glenys Sylvestre
University Secretary