

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE UNIVERSITY OF REGINA SENATE HELD  
FRIDAY, 2 FEBRUARY 2018 IN THE BOARD ROOM, FIFTH FLOOR,  
ADMINISTRATION-HUMANITIES BUILDING, UNIVERSITY OF REGINA

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PRESENT: J. Tomkins (Chair), E. Aito, C. Akrigg, E. Albano, R. Aman, J. Anderson, G. Bamford, R. Berthiaume, G. Blackmore, M. Borgares, T. Bredohl, L. Brown, J. Bumbac, T. Chase, J. Coleman, J. D'Arcy, R. Desnomie, R. Ellis, K. Engen, D. Farenick, T. Fisher, B. Flaman, D. Gagnon, J. Gallagher, W. Gowda, d. Gregory, D. Hawryluk, G. Hepp, B. Hillis, L. Hoeber, E. Hussein, G. Keith, R. Kies, P. Kindred, H. King, R. Kleer, R. Krismer, R. Kullman, B. Lacey, B. Lach, P. Leson, K. Lowe, D. Malloy, K. Mazur, B. McClinton, T. McKague, M. Mougeot, N. Nobert, A. Norgan, E. Ogrady, A. Opseth, R. Palmarin, V. Petry, T. Petrychyn, M. Pritchard, W. Ready, H. Riemer, S. Saxby, D. Senkow, M. Smadu, J. Smith, A. Stadnek, A. Sterzuk, G. Sylvestre, V. Timmons, F. Titanich, C. Toman, A. Wakabayashi, B. Waytuck, J. White, S. Wiskar, C. Woolley, A. Young

REGRETS: R. Andreychuk, S. Baer, M. Barteski-Hoberg, D. Brundige, D. Button, J. Carter, V. Clarke, M. Friedrich, K. Klippenstine, L. Kreiser, A. Malik, G. McCaffrey, K. McNutt, J. Meehan, K. Olson, K. Owens, L. Rosia, M. Roszell, R. Staseson, W. Strueby

GUESTS: J. Hindley, B. Kayseas, A. Opseth

RECORDER: P. Daniels

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. and introductions were made.

1. Approval of the Agenda

Smadu - Hawryluk

*Moved approval of the agenda as circulated.*

CARRIED

2. Approval of the Minutes of 4 October 2017

Pritchard - Stadnek

*Moved approval of the minutes as circulated.*

CARRIED

3. Business Arising from the Minutes

3.1 Pass rates in online courses, *Verbal Update*

T. Chase invited H. King to present the verbal update. H. King identified that the pass rates of online courses in comparison to face to face are slightly higher. However, the trend shows that more students tend to withdraw from online courses as courses are more self-driven.

Discussion followed.

#### 4. Optional Reports

##### 4.1 Chancellor

Chancellor Tomkins presented his report.

- The Chancellor provided an update on new and vacant positions for membership. It was reported that Saskatchewan College of Pharmacy Professionals and Saskatchewan Library Trustees' Association have been vacant since the last meeting in October.
- Annual Spring Convocation will be held on June 6, 7 and 8, 2018 at 2:00 p.m. at the Conexus Arts Centre.
- Senators were reminded to submit nominations for the Honorary Degrees by February 15<sup>th</sup>, 2018.
- Senators were reminded of the vacancies for membership on Senate Committees and are accepting nominations until March 30<sup>th</sup>.
- 2018 Senate Election will be held on May 24<sup>th</sup>.

##### 4.2 President

President Timmons presented a verbal report to Senate and reported on key messages:

- University of Regina researchers continue to lead the way nationally in many areas, and recently received \$8.9 million in federal funding to conduct a long-term study in conjunction with the RCMP to treat and prevent PTSD.
- University of Regina will be hosting Congress 2018, which will be the largest conference in the history of Regina.
- University of Regina has done its part in terms of facing operating cuts of 7% in the last year.
- Student enrolment continues to be positive and the goal of the next few years is to maintain enrolment.
- Two decanal searches are complete and Dr. Gina Grandy, Dean of Business Administration and Dr. Jerome Cranston, Dean of Education and will be starting their positions on July 1, 2018.
- An Eagle Staff was presented by Elder Roy Bison to the University of Regina to recognize our Indigenization efforts and support for Indigenous post-secondary education.
- 2018 State of the University address was held on January 23. The President acknowledged the support from the community and key stakeholders.
- 2018 Inspiring Leadership Forum will be on March 7<sup>th</sup> highlighting a panel of women speakers: Bonnie Brooks, Manjit Minhas, Barb Stegemann.
- March 8<sup>th</sup> to 11<sup>th</sup> the CIS National Women's Basketball Championship will be taking place at the University.

Discussion followed.

Topics of discussion included:

- Congratulations to President Timmons on being recognized as an Officer of the Order of Canada.
- Discussion about Respectful University Policy and managing diversity of viewpoints on campus.

All questions raised by Senators were addressed. The President's report (in writing) will be circulated to Senators immediately following the meeting.

#### 4.3 University Secretary

##### 4.3.1 Winter 2018 In-progress Report on Registration – *For Information, Appendix I, pp. 1-10*

G. Sylvestre invited John Smith, Associate Vice-President (Student Affairs) to present the report. J. Smith provided a brief overview of the undergraduate and graduate enrolments and the highlights of the report.

Discussion followed and management and Deans addressed all questions raised.

The President acknowledged J. Smith and the Student Affairs team on the work they have carried out on various initiatives for student academic support.

##### 4.3.2 2018 Senate Election, *For Information, Appendix II, pp. 11*

G. Sylvestre reported that the University of Regina is seeking nominations for the 2018 Senate Election to be held on May 24<sup>th</sup>.

A number of vacancies are available in various districts and nomination forms and information are available on the Senate Election website. It was noted that District 8 (Dundurn-Delisle) has been vacant and there will be a possible opening for District 12 (Saskatoon).

Senators were encouraged to reach out to any of their contacts to see if anyone would be interested in serving on the Senate.

Deadline for Senate Election nominations is April 16<sup>th</sup>.

#### 5. Reports from Senate Committees

##### 5.1 Senate Executive Committee

##### 5.1.1 Alternate Member added to Senate Appeals Committee – *For Information, Appendix III, pp. 12*

J. Tomkins indicated at the November Senate Appeals Committee meeting, it was noted that one of the Senate members would be out of province and no longer able to attend.

This left the committee short one member and without quorum. In order to meet quorum, an alternate member was recommended.

An email ballot was sent out to the Senate Executive Committee on November 21, 2017 and received approval that Dr. William F. Ready to be added to the Senate Appeals Committee as an alternate member effective until June 30, 2018.

- 5.1.2 Approval of the Minutes of E-mail Ballots of October 6 and November 21 – *For Approval, Appendix IV, pp. 13-15*

King – Bamford

*Moved that the Senate approves the Minutes from the Senate Executive Committee for the E-mail Ballots of 6 October 2017 and 21 November 2017.*

The question was called on the motion.

CARRIED

(There was a break at 10:07 a.m. The meeting reconvened at 10:23 a.m.)

**6. Items for Approval/Information from Executive of Council, Appendix V, pp. 16-47**

President Timmons presented the report.

1. Council Committee on the Faculty of Graduate Studies & Research

- 1.1 Faculty of Business Administration

- 1.1.1 New Program – Master in Science in Organization Studies

Timmons – Bredohl

*Moved that the Master of Science in Organization Studies Program be created as noted on Pages 16-17 of the Agenda, effective 201830.*

The question was called on the motion.

CARRIED

- 1.2 Faculty of Graduate Studies & Research

- 1.2.1 Graduate Admissions Extension Policy

Timmons – Bredohl

*Moved that the policy for graduate admissions be changed to allow a maximum of two one-year extensions to an admission offer as noted on Page 17 of the Agenda, effective 201830.*

The question was called on the motion.

CARRIED

1.3 Johnson Shoyama Graduate School of Public Policy

1.3.1 English Language Proficiency (TOEFL) Requirements

Timmons – Bredohl

*Moved that the English language proficiency admission standard for TOEFL internet-based scores for all Johnson-Shoyama Graduate School of Public Policy programs be changed as noted on Pages 17 – 18 of the Agenda, effective 201830.*

Questions were addressed by the Acting Dean of the Faculty of Graduate Studies and Research.

The question was called on the motion.

CARRIED

1.4 La Cite

1.4.1 Master of Arts in French & Francophone Intercultural Studies Course Based

Timmons – Aito

*Moved that a course-based route be added to the Masters of Arts in French & Francophone Intercultural studies as noted on Pages 18 – 19 of the Agenda, effective 201830.*

The question was called on the motion.

CARRIED

1.4.2 Master's Certificate in French & Francophone Intercultural Studies

Timmons – Bredohl

*Moved that the Master's Certificate in French & Francophone Intercultural Studies be created as noted on Pages 19 – 20 of the Agenda, effective 201830.*

Questions were addressed by Directeur principal, La Cite Universitaire Francophone.

The question was called on the motion.

CARRIED

**2. Council Committee on Undergraduate Admissions and Studies**

2.1 Faculty of Arts

2.1.1 Arts Core Requirements Revisions

Timmons – Kleer

*Moved that the Arts Core Requirements revisions as noted on Pages 20 – 26 of the Agenda, effective 201820.*

The question was called on the motion.

CARRIED

2.1.2 Faculty of Arts Admission Requirements

Timmons – Kleer

*Moved to add the following Saskatchewan High School Courses to the admission requirements for the Faculty of Arts: Accounting 30, Catholic Studies 30, Entrepreneurship 30, Graphic Arts 30, Information Processing 30, Photography 30, Theatre Arts 30, and Wildlife Management 30, and to revise the undergraduate calendar entry as outlined on Pages 26-27 of the Agenda, effective 201820.*

The question was called on the motion.

CARRIED

2.1.3 Creation of Minor and Certificate in Law and Society

Timmons – Kleer

*Moved to create a Minor and Certificate in Law and Society as noted on Pages 27-29 of the Agenda, effective 201820.*

The question was called on the motion.

CARRIED

2.1.4 Creation of Minor in Geographic Information Science

Timmons – Kleer

*Moved to create a minor in Geographic Information Science as outlined on Pages 29-30 of the Agenda, effective 201820.*

The question was called on the motion.

CARRIED

2.2 Faculty of Education

2.2.1 Education Admission Requirements

Timmons – Sterzuk

*Moved to revise the admission requirements outlined in section 2.4.1.1 of the Undergraduate Calendar to the Faculty of Education, by adding Accounting 30, Catholic Studies 30, Entrepreneurship 30, Graphic Arts 30, Information Processing 30, Photography 30 and Theatre Arts 30 and Wildlife Management 30 as an approved subject as outlined on Pages 30-31 of the Agenda, effective 201830.*

Questions were addressed by the Dean of Education.

The question was called on the motion.

CARRIED

2.3 Faculty of Social Work

2.3.1 Revisions to Admissions regulations in the Faculty of Social Work

Timmons – White

*Moved to approve the revisions to the Admissions regulations in the Faculty of Social Work as noted on Page 31 of the Agenda, effective 201820.*

The question was called on the motion.

CARRIED

2.3.2 Revisions to Bachelor of Social Work

Timmons – White

*Moved to approve the revision of the Bachelor of Social Work program as outlined on Pages 31-33 of the Agenda, effective 201820.*

The question was called on the motion.

CARRIED

2.3.3 Revisions to Admission Requirements in the Faculty of Social Work

Timmons – White

*Moved to approve the revision of the Bachelor of Social Work program as outlined on Pages 33-34 of the Agenda, effective 201820.*

The question was called on the motion.

CARRIED

2.3.4 Pre-Social Work Requirements

Timmons – White

*Moved to change the Pre-Social Work requirements (17.8.2.1) to include SW 100 as a required course, to align with the new Undergraduate Calendar (2018/19) as noted on Pages 34-35 of the Agenda, effective 201820.*

The question was called on the motion.

CARRIED

2.4 Enrolment Services

2.4.1 English Proficiency – Admissions

Timmons – D'arcy

*Moved to revise the admission policy regarding high school credentials for English proficiency as outlined on Pages 35-36 of the Agenda, effective 201830.*

The question was called on the motion.

CARRIED

2.5 Faculty of Kinesiology and Health Studies

2.5.1 Admission Requirements to the Faculty of Kinesiology and Health Studies

Timmons – Riemer

*Moved to revise the admission requirements outlined in section 2.4.1.1 of the Undergraduate Calendar to the Faculty of Kinesiology and Health Studies, by adding Catholic Studies 30, nēhiyāwiwin (Cree) 30, Christian Ethics 30, Accounting 30, Communication Media 30, Entrepreneurship 30, Exercise Science 30L, and Information Processing 30 to the list of additional approved elective subjects as outlined on Pages 36-37 of the Agenda, effective 201830.*

The question was called on the motion.

CARRIED

2.5.2 Pathway Program (PP) in Kinesiology and Health Studies

Timmons – Riemer

*Moved to approve the Pathway Program for the Faculty of Kinesiology and Health Studies as presented on Pages 37-39 of the Agenda, effective 201830.*

Questions were addressed by Dean of Faculty of Kinesiology and Health Studies.

The question was called on the motion.

CARRIED

2.6 Faculty of Media, Art, and Performance

2.6.1 Creation of Certificate in Animation

Timmons – Hoerber

*Moved to approve the creation of a new Certificate in Animation as outlined in Page 39 of the Agenda, effective 201820.*

The question was called on the motion.

CARRIED

2.6.2 Creation of Diploma in Film Production

Timmons – Hoerber

*Moved to approve the creation of a new Diploma in Film Production as outlined on Pages 39-40 of the Agenda, effective 201820.*

The question was called on the motion.

CARRIED



The remainder of the report was received for information. The rationale and background for these items can be found online at: <http://www.uregina.ca/president/governance/council/minutes.html>

President Timmons reported that in Appendix 5, Page 41, item 3.1.3 was defeated at the January meeting of Executive of Council. This motion has been sent back to the Council Committee on Undergraduate Admissions and Studies (CCUAS) for further discussion.

### Items for Information

- 1. Graduand Lists**
- 2. Council Committee on Research**
  - 2.1 Annual Report
- 3. Council Committee on Undergraduate Admissions & Studies**
  - 3.1 CCUAS
    - 3.1.1 Undergraduate Transfer Credit Policy
    - 3.1.2 Undergraduate Calendar Regulations – Academic Regulations (Deferrals)
    - 3.1.3 Undergraduate Calendar Regulation – Academic Regulations (Grade Descriptions)
    - 3.1.4 Undergraduate Calendar Regulation – Registration and Withdrawal
    - 3.1.5 Undergraduate Calendar Regulation – Student Code of Conduct and Right to Appeal
  - 3.2 Faculty of Arts
    - 3.2.1 Revisions to BA Honours Major in Linguistics
    - 3.2.2 Revisions to BA Major in German
    - 3.2.3 Revisions to BA Major in Economics
    - 3.2.4 Revisions to BA Honours major in Economics
    - 3.2.5 Revisions to BA Combined Major in Economic and Geography
    - 3.2.6 Revisions to all Economics Programs
    - 3.2.7 Revisions to the Certificate in Nonprofit Sector Leadership
    - 3.2.8 Revisions to BA Major in Sociology
    - 3.2.9 Revisions to Certificate in Sustainability
    - 3.2.10 Revisions to BA and BA Honours Major in English
    - 3.2.11 Revisions to BA Major in Classical and Medieval Studies
    - 3.2.12 Revisions to Minor in Classical Studies
  - 3.3 Faculty of Education
    - 3.3.1 Baccalauréat en éducation française (Le Bac) Program Requirement

- 3.4 Faculty of Engineering and Applied Science
  - 3.4.1 Revisions to all Engineering and Applied Science Major Programs
  - 3.4.2 Revisions to Faculty of Engineering and Applied Science Regulations
  - 3.4.3 Co-operative Education Programs in Engineering and Applied Science
  
- 3.5 Faculty of Social Work
  - 3.5.1 Revisions to Policy on Prior Learning Assessment and Recognition
  - 3.5.2 Revision to Transfer Credit Regulations in the Faculty of Social Work
  - 3.5.3 Changes to the Bachelor of Social Work Practicum Hours
  - 3.5.4 Summer Practicums – SW 448
  - 3.5.5 Assessment Criteria – Admissions to BSW
  
- 3.6 Faculty of Education in Conjunction with the Centre for Continuing Education
  - 3.6.1 Revision to the Certificate of Extended Studies in Inclusive Education
  
- 3.7 Centre for Continuing Education
  - 3.7.1 Advanced Certificate in Local Government Authority Revisions
  
- 3.8 Faculty of Media, Art and Performance
  - 3.8.1 Undergraduate Calendar Revisions
  - 3.8.2 Revision to the Bachelor of Arts (Theatre) (Special Three-Year)

#### **4. Council Committee on the Faculty of Graduate Studies & Research**

- 4.1 Faculty of Graduate Studies and Research
  - 4.1.1 Program Requirements
  - 4.1.2 Supervisor
  - 4.1.3 Annual Progress Reports
  - 4.1.4 Research Ethics Board and President's Committee on Animal Care
  
- 4.2 Faculty of Education
  - 4.2.1 Program Name Change-Educational Administration (EADM) Program
  
- 4.3 Faculty of Engineering
  - 4.3.1 Program Change-Master of Engineering in Electronic Systems Engineering
  
- 4.4 Faculty of Science
  - 4.4.1 Course Changes-MATH 902, STAT 902
  - 4.4.2 Program Change – MSc (thesis option) and PhD in Mathematics and Statistics
  - 4.4.3 MSc Co-op Route Suspension

7. Briefs, Submissions, or Recommendations from Elected or Appointed Senate Members

7.1 Elected Senator to the Board – *Verbal Update*

A. Opseth and M. Smadu provided an update on activities undertaken by the Board of Governors since the October Senate Meeting which included the following:

- The Board of Governors met for its regularly scheduled meeting in December.
- At that meeting, the Board approved the following items:
  - The Provincial Auditor’s 2018 Audit Planning Memorandum
  - 2017 Statement of Investment Policies and Goals for the Academic and Administration Pension Plan
  - Approval of a Governance Review for the University of Regina Pension Plans
- The following were also discussed:
  - 2017 Workforce Demographics Report
  - Collective bargaining progress
- Dr. Chase made a presentation on Congress 2018: “Gathering Diversities, similar to the one presented to this group at our October meeting.
- At the December meeting the Board approved a number of capital projects:
  - Refurbishment of College Avenue Campus – Parking Lots 20 and 23.
  - Increase in total budget for the Lab Building Phase 2 Construction project.
  - Funding approval for additional scope for the College Avenue Campus Renewal project.
  - The University of Regina priced a private placement of senior unsecured debentures on December 7, 2017. The University was able to achieve a very attractive coupon of 3.349%.

8. Academic and Administrative Reports

8.1 Presentation on, ‘*Retention Initiatives*’ by John Smith, Associate Vice-President, Student Affairs.

J. Smith provided an overview on enrolment growth from 2011-2020, retention data 2007-2016, Academic Recovery Program, Arts Transition Program, UR Guarantee Program and University Housing & Hospitality.

Discussion followed. All questions were addressed by management.

The presentation is [\*appended to the Official File\*](#).

The President thanked J. Smith for his presentation.

9. *In Camera Session*

(There was a brief *In Camera* session held. At the request of the Chancellor, guests were not required to withdraw from the meeting.)

9.1 Report from the Senate Appeals Committee, *Verbal Update*

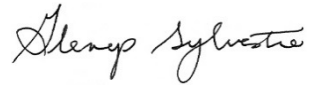
Chancellor Tomkins provided a verbal report and noted that the committee heard two appeals since the last Senate meeting in October.

10. Other Business

10.1 Next Meeting of Senate – 9:00 a.m., Wednesday, June 6, 2018

10.2 Spring Convocation – 2:00 p.m., June 6 – 8, 2018

11. Adjournment – 11:37 a.m. Farenick

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Glenys Sylvestre".

Glenys Sylvestre  
University Secretary