

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE UNIVERSITY OF REGINA SENATE HELD FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2020 IN THE BOARDROOM, FIFTH FLOOR, ADMINISTRATION-HUMANITIES BUILDING, UNIVERSITY OF REGINA

PRESENT: P. Klein (Chair), A. Adebajji, A. Adenuga, E. Aito, J. Anderson, R. Andreychuk, S. Armstrong, O. Arnal, S. Baer, G. Bamford, M. Barteski-Hoberg, R. Berthiaume, F. Boutin, D. Brundige, D. Brunskill, J. Bumbac, T. Chase, V. Clarke, J. Cranston, J. D'arcy, D. Farenick, S. Fortman, W. Gowda, G. Grandy, d. Gregory, D. Hawryluk, S. Helewa, B. Hillis, E. Hussein, R. Jensen, N. Jones, B. Kayseas, G. Keith, R. Kies, H. King, R. Kleer, R. Krismer, B. Lacey, P. Leson, K. Mazur, B. McClinton, T. McKague, K. McNutt, M. Mollenhauer, S. Myers, B. Nobert, N. Önder, V. Oriola, D. Paproski, V. Petry, M. Pioro, H. Riemer, C. Rocke, L. Ruschiensky, A. Russell, A. Stadnek, R. Staseson, L. Sulz, D. Sydiaha, V. Timmons, F. Titanich, C. Toman, A. Wakabayashi, B. Waytuck, A. Young, K. Zawada

REGRETS: K. Addison, C. Akrigg, R. Aman, T. Beaudry-Mellor, G. Blackmore, R. Bourassa, D. Button, L. Chabot, K. Dietrich, T. Fisher, J. Gallagher, P. Kindred, K. Klippenstine, R. Kullman, C. Martin, G. McCaffrey, H. McKerracker, M. McLoughlin, D. Moen, L. Mougeot, A. Opseth, K. Owens, R. Palmarin, G. Penney, L. Rosia, C. Scheidt, H.P. Singh, J. Smith, E. Strueby, J. Tomkins

GUESTS: D. Cherny, M. Smadu

RESOURCES: P. Daniels (Recorder), G. Sylvestre

1. Call to Order – 9:01 a.m.

The Chancellor welcomed the Senators to the meeting and introductions were made. The Chancellor presented a farewell gift to President Timmons and acknowledged her years of service to the University of Regina and the Regina community.

2. Approval of the Agenda

Boutin – Hillis

Moved approval of the agenda as circulated.

CARRIED

3. Approval of the Minutes of October 18, 2019 – *circulated with the Agenda*

Waytuck – Stadnek

Moved approval of the minutes as circulated.

CARRIED

4. Business Arising from the Minutes – None

5. Optional Reports

5.1 Chancellor's Report

Chancellor Klein presented her report and noted events that she attended since the last Senate meeting:

- Fall Convocation and the Chancellor Installation
- President's Community Awards (Camp fYrefly)
- INSPIRE: Emerging Leader's Forum
- Alumni Crowning Achievement Awards
- You Belong Here speaker series

5.2 President's Report

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

- The President acknowledged that the University is situated on Treaty 4 and Treaty 6 territories.
- The President noted that this is her final Senate meeting as she leaves for Memorial University on April 1st. She thanked the Senators for their support of students.
- The President noted that the University is in good hands with Dr. Thomas Chase serving as Interim President, with the search for a new President getting underway shortly.
- Enrolments continued to be strong throughout the academic year with an increase of 6% for Fall enrolments and 5% for Winter enrolments.
- The President shared information on the two farewell events for community and campus on March 19th and 20th.
- The President provided an update on the University's response to the Coronavirus.
- The President congratulated the Paul J. Hill School of Business and Dean Grandy on being named the JDC West "School of the Year".
- More than 800 tickets have been sold for the upcoming Inspiring Leadership Forum.

The President's written report will be circulated to Senators following the meeting.

5.3 University Secretary

5.3.1 2020 Senate Election, Appendix I, Page 1

G. Sylvestre noted that nominations will be required for District 2 (Weyburn-Indian Head), District 8 (Dundurn-Delisle), District 9 (North Battleford-Prince Albert), and District 11 (Regina). For Districts 2, 9, 11, the incumbents are eligible for re-election and are welcomed and encouraged to serve a second term.

6. Items for Approval/Information from Executive of Council, Appendix II, Pages 2-152

President Timmons presented the report.

6.1 COUNCIL COMMITTEE ON THE FACULTY OF GRADUATE STUDIES AND RESEARCH

6.1.1 Faculty of Arts

Timmons – Jones

Moved items 6.1.1.1 and 6.1.1.2 as an omnibus motion as follows:

6.1.1.1 New Program – Master of Arts in English (Project Based)

That the Master of Arts in English (project-based) be created, effective 202030.

6.1.1.2 New Program – Master of Arts in Creative Writing and English (Project-Based)

That the Master of Arts in Creative Writing and English (project-based) Program be created, effective 202030.

Discussion followed. Topics of discussion included:

- Comparison of length and workload to other Masters programs
- Clarity on 'XX' indicator – 800 level non-specific courses

All questions were addressed.

The question was called on the omnibus motion.

CARRIED

6.1.2 Faculty of Business Administration

6.1.2.1 Public Safety Management Admissions Suspension

Timmons – Jones

That the admissions to the MBA Specialization in Public Safety Management be suspended, effective 202020.

A question was raised on the difference between 'suspended' and 'archived'. The Registrar provided clarification that admissions are suspended, and programs may be archived.

The question was called on the motion.

CARRIED

6.1.2.2 MBA General Management Program Change

Timmons – Grandy

That the Levene MBA with Specializations – General Management (course and co-op option) program be modified, effective 202030.

The question was called on the motion.

CARRIED

6.1.2.3 MBA Specializations Admissions

Timmons – Grandy

That the Levene MBA with Specializations admissions criteria be changed, effective 202030.

The question was called on the motion.

CARRIED

6.1.2.4 Post-Graduate Diploma in Business Foundations Admission Suspension

It was noted that there was an error in the motion as circulated. It was corrected verbally by President Timmons and is reflected correctly in the minutes.

Timmons – Grandy

That admissions to the Levene Post-Graduate Diploma in Business Foundations be suspended, effective 202030.

In response to a question, Dean Grandy noted that the courses previously offered in the Post-Graduate Diploma are now included as part of the MBA program.

The question was called on the motion.

CARRIED

6.1.3 Faculty of Engineering and Applied Science

6.1.3.1 New Program – PhD in Process Systems Engineering (Thesis)

Timmons – Hussein

That the PhD in Process Systems Engineering (PSEng) (thesis) program be created for a pathway for PSEng graduate students to transfer from Master of Applied Science (MAsc) directly to the PhD program without completing MAsc defense procedures, effective 202030.

The question was called on the motion.

CARRIED

6.1.4 Faculty of Science

6.1.4.1 Inactivate MHIM Program

Timmons - Farenick

That the Masters in Health Information Management (MHIM) program become inactive, effective 202010.

The question was called on the motion.

CARRIED

6.1.5 Johnson-Shoyama Graduate School of Public Policy

6.1.5.1 Health Informatics and Information Management (HIIM) Program

Timmons – Farenick

That the Health Informatics and Information Management (HIIM) within the Master of Health Administration be created, effective 202020.

Discussion followed. Topics of discussion included:

- Demand and need for the program
- Program tailored for mid-career professionals, and offered on-line
- Anticipated positive impact on health research
- Expected time to complete accreditation
- Focus on Canadian delivery due to residency requirements and Canadian-specific content

All questions were addressed.

The question was called on the motion.

CARRIED

6.2 COUNCIL COMMITTEE ON RESEARCH

6.2.1 University Research Centre – Child Trauma Research Centre

Timmons – McNutt

That the Child Trauma Research Centre be established as a university-based centre and once approved be recommended to the Board of Governors for final approval.

Discussion followed. Topics of discussion included:

- Appreciation that risks and metrics have been carefully considered
- The University is early in the process. The director has been hired, and will create an advisory group to establish the vision and mission of the Centre
- Stakeholder engagement has resulted in helpful information for consideration in the Centre's establishment

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- Budget, funding, and alignment with government priorities and the draft strategic plan
 - Anticipated relationships with various provincial ministries and other Canadian universities
 - Resource supports for the Centre (i.e. library, research assistants)

All questions were addressed.

The question was called on the motion.

CARRIED

6.2.2 University Research Centre – Canadian Institute for Public Safety Research and Treatment

Timmons - Jones

That the Canadian Institute for Public Safety Research and Treatment be established as a university-based centre, and once approved be recommended to the Board of Governors for final approval.

The question was called on the motion.

CARRIED

6.2.3 Disestablishment of the Centre for International Education and Training

Timmons – Cranston

That the Centre for International Education and Training faculty-based centre be disestablished as a faculty-based centre, and once approved be recommended to the Board of Governors for final approval

Dean Cranston responded to questions about the timelines given the earlier recommendation for disestablishment of the centre, as well as the number of abstentions noted at Faculty of Education council.

The question was called on the motion.

CARRIED

6.3. COUNCIL COMMITTEE ON UNDERGRADUATE ADMISSIONS AND STUDIES

6.3.1 Faculty of Arts

6.3.1.1 Arts Cooperative Education Program

Timmons – Kler

To revise the Faculty of Arts Cooperative Education Admission requirements, effective 2020.

The question was called on the motion.

CARRIED

Timmons – Kleer

Moved items 6.3.1.2 and 6.3.1.3 as an omnibus motion as follows:

6.3.1.2 German Programs Admission Suspension

To suspend admissions to the major, minor and certificate in German, effective 202020.

6.3.1.3 Certificate in German Language and Culture

To create the Certificate in German Language and Culture as outlined below, effective 202020.

Discussion followed. Topics of discussion included:

- Suspension of the program due to lack of demand
- Consultation with the German Council of Saskatchewan
- Other language classes that are available to University of Regina students

All questions were addressed.

The question was called on the omnibus motion.

CARRIED

Timmons – Kleer

Moved items 6.3.1.4 and 6.3.1.5 as an omnibus motion as follows:

6.3.1.4 New Minors – International Studies

To create Minors in International Studies; International Affairs; International Development; European Studies; and Asian Studies, effective 202020.

6.3.1.5 Revision to the Certificate in International Studies

To revise the the Certificate in International Studies, effective 202020

Discussion followed. Topics of discussion included:

- The demand for the Certificate program for students not completing an Arts major
- Future career prospects after completion of study in this area
- Addition of a minor offers more flexibility for students
- The program is interdisciplinary and will result in more globally-minded citizens

All questions were addressed.

The question was called on the omnibus motion.

CARRIED

6.3.2 Faculty of Business Administration

6.3.2.1 Faculty of Business Administration Admission Requirements

Timmons – Grandy

That requirements for undergraduate admissions to the Faculty of Business Administration and its undergraduate programs be amended as outlined below, effective 202030.

In response to a question, B. Kayseas noted the differences between the Bachelor of Business Administration and Bachelor of Administration programs.

The question was called on the motion.

CARRIED

6.3.3 Faculty of Business Administration and Faculty of Kinesiology and Health Studies

6.3.3.1 New Program – Bachelor of Business Administration/Bachelor of Sports and Recreation Studies Internship (Sport and Recreation Internship Major)

Timmons – Riemer

To create a Bachelor of Business Administration/ Bachelor of Sports and Recreation Studies Internship (Sport and Recreation Management Internship major) Joint Program resulting in two degrees as outlined below, effective 202030.

A question was raised regarding demand for the program. Dean Riemer responded that many current Kinesiology students are also taking a Business Diploma. The combined program will allow study in both areas without additional demand on resources.

The question was called on the motion.

CARRIED

6.3.4 Centre for Continuing Education

6.3.4.1 Admission, Readmission and Faculty Transfer Update

Timmons – King

To include the following language in the 'Admission, Readmission, and Faculty Transfer' section of the CCE section of the General Calendar, effective 202020.

The question was called on the motion.

CARRIED

6.3.4.2 New Certificate – Certificate in Indigenous Environmental Management

Timmons – King

To create the Certificate in Indigenous Environmental Management as outlined below, effective 202020.

The question was called on the motion.

CARRIED

6.3.5 Faculty of Education

6.3.5.1 Bachelor of Education (Indigenous Education) Degree Name Change

Timmons – Cranston

To change the name of the Bachelor of Education (Indigenous Education) degrees, to Bachelor of Indigenous Education as listed below, effective 202020.

Dean Cranston responded to a question about the difference between the Bachelor of Education and Bachelor of Education (Indigenous Education) and noted that the degree name provides recognition of a focused area of study.

The question was called on the motion.

CARRIED

6.3.5.2 New Certificate – Certificate for Internationally Trained Educators

Timmons – Cranston

That the Certificate for Internationally Trained Educators be created as outlined below, effective 202020.

Dean Cranston noted the importance of the Certificate program in providing foreign credential recognition for new immigrants.

Discussion followed. Topics of discussion included:

- Other Faculties are offering or considering similar bridging programs
- Other areas where bridging or updating may be required, and work by the Faculty of Education with the Saskatchewan Teachers' Federation on delivery of professional development

All questions were addressed.

The question was called on the motion.

CARRIED

6.3.6 Faculty of Science

6.3.6.1 BSc and BSc Honours with Combined Major in Mathematics and Computer Science

Timmons – Farenick

To make the BSc and BSc Honours with Combined Major in Mathematics and Computer Science historical as outlined below, effective 202020.

The question was called on the motion.

CARRIED

6.3.6.2 Bachelor of Medical Imaging Revisions

Timmons – Farenick

To revise the Bachelor of Medical Imaging program as follows:

- *Change the program name from Bachelor of Medical Imaging (BMI) to Bachelor of Medical Radiation Technology (BMRT)*
- *Update the program as outlined in the template below*
- *Broaden the BMRT admission criteria to include all qualified MRT Diploma holders in addition to the currently admissible MRT Diploma holders from Saskatchewan Polytechnic*
Effective 202030.

The question was called on the motion.

CARRIED

6.3.6.3 New Diploma – Diploma in General Science

Timmons – Farenick

To create the Diploma in General Science as outlined below. Students may be admitted to the Diploma in General Science as fully qualified or science qualifying students, effective 202020.

The question was called on the motion.

CARRIED

6.3.7 UR International and Enrolment Services

6.3.7.1 Addition to the Approved Tests of Proficiency in English Admission Requirements

It was noted that there was an error in the motion as circulated. It was corrected verbally by President Timmons and is reflected correctly in the minutes.

Timmons – Farenick

Moved to add the Cambridge English Assessment qualification to the Approved Tests of Proficiency in English list as an option for undergraduate students to meet the English Language Proficiency (ELP) admission requirement for all faculties, except for the Faculty of Nursing, effective 2020.

It was noted by Dean Gregory that the proposed test does not work for the Faculty of Nursing as the Faculty needs to test for language competency well beyond the focus of the Cambridge tool.

The question was called on the motion.

CARRIED

The remainder of the report was received for information. For further information on these items, please view Appendix II, Pages 48-152 of the Agenda.

(There was a brief recess at 10:38 a.m. and the meeting reconvened at 10:48 a.m.)

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

7.1 Board Members Elected by Senate, *Verbal Update*

Dr. M. Smadu provided a brief update on the activities undertaken by the Board of Governors, which included the following:

- At the December Board Meeting, the Board provided approval and received information on a number of capital projects, including:
 - Northwest Business Administration Building, repairs to the Education Building foundation, the Accommodations Test Centre and Darke Hall renovations
- The Human Resources Committee received the annual 2019 Workforce Demographics Report, and the Board approved changes to the Statement of Investment Policy & Goals for the University's Pension Plans.
- In December, the Provincial Auditor's Audit Planning Memorandum for 2020 was approved.
- The Violence Prevention Policy was due for regular review and the Board approved amendments to this policy to incorporate the VTRA (Violence, Threat, Risk Assessment) protocol. In January, VTRA Level 1 Training was provided to a number of employees and community partners. A protocol signing ceremony was held to add Saskatchewan post-secondary Institutions including the University of Regina to the protocol.
- The title of Chancellor Emeritus was awarded to Dr. Jim Tomkins.

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- In January, three new members were appointed to the Board through Government of Saskatchewan Orders in Council (David Chow with Chow McLeod Barristers & Solicitors from Moose Jaw, Chief Cadmus Delorme, Chief of Cowessess First Nation, Mark Lang, Office Managing Partner of KPMG LLP), and Gary Bosgoed was appointed to the Board for a second term. The Board would like to acknowledge the service of its previous members including Cathy Warner, the past Board Chair.
 - Discussions have begun on the Presidential Search process. Next steps will include: engagement of a search consultant, soliciting input in development of the job description, and establishing the Search Advisory Committee Terms of Reference and the committee's composition.
 - On January 31st, the Board had retreat to review and discuss the 2020-2025 Strategic Plan.
 - The next meetings of the Board of Governors are scheduled for March 9th and 10th and May 4th and 5th.

The Chancellor thanked Dr. Smadu for the update.

8. Academic and Administrative Reports

8.1 'Strategic Plan 2020-2025' presentation by Dr. Kerri Finlay, Chair, Strategic Plan Facilitation Team

President Timmons introduced Dr. Kerri Finlay to Senate.

Discussion followed. Topics of discussion included:

- Alignment of K-12 education with the plan
- Faculties and academic units will create their own plans that will work toward achievement of the goals and objectives within the new strategic plan
- Connection between previous strategic plan and the new plan for 2020-2025
- Strong alignment to ESG (Environmental, Social, Governance), which will resonate with the community and alumni
- Importance of holistic view of wellness

Senate agreed to formally endorse the draft strategic plan, understanding that there would be refinement of details in the coming weeks.

Chase – Sulz

Moved that Senate endorse the draft Strategic Plan 2020-2025.

The question was called on the motion.

CARRIED

8.1 Winter 2020 In-Progress Report for Registrations and Graduation, *For Information*, Appendix III, Pages 153-161

James D'arcy presented the report to Senate and noted the increases in overall headcount, self-declared Indigenous students, and international student numbers.

Discussion followed. Topics of discussion included:

- Student participation in alternate delivery versus traditional learning
- Gender breakdown by academic unit can be found on the Office of Institutional Research web page
- International enrolment changes vary significantly by region

All questions were addressed.

The Chancellor thanked J. D'arcy for the report.

9. Other Business

9.1 Big Hearts Family Giving Campaign

T. Chase introduced M. Butikofer, Director of Development, who made a brief presentation to Senators.

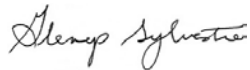
The presentation is [appended to the Official File](#).

9.2 Next Meeting of Senate – 9:00 a.m., Wednesday, June 3, 2020

9.3 Lunch to follow the Meeting – College West 215 – 12:00 p.m.

10. *In Camera* session – An *In Camera* session was not required.

11. Adjournment – Chase (11:57 a.m.)



Glenys Sylvestre

Executive Director (University Governance) and University Secretary