

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE UNIVERSITY OF REGINA SENATE  
22 OCTOBER 2021  
VIA WEB CONFERENCING

**PRESENT:** K. Addison, A. Ali, J. Anderson, O. Arnal, R. Arnot, G. Bamford, B. Barber, V. Barber, R. Berthiaume, R. Bourassa, F. Boutin, D. Button, D. Brunskill, W. Carney, A. Crowe, J. D'Arcy, A. Davidson, S. Dea, K. Dietrich, A. Douai, D. Farenick, T. Fisher, S. Fortman, G. Grandy, d. Gregory, S. Helewa, E. Hussein, M. Jerry, G. Keith, J. Keshen, R. Kies, P. Kindred, P. Klein (Chair), B. Lacey, G. Lagrandeur, D. Lemieux, T. McKague, K. McNutt, D. Maher, B. McClinton, M. Mollenhauer, J. Nadeau, L. Neufeld, B. Nobert, K. Nolin, F. Ogunrinde, N. Önder, A. Opseth, J. Ottmann, V. Petry, M. Pioro, C. Pollard, H. Riemer, C. Rocke, L. Ruschiensky, A. Russell, C. Schultz, J. Schultz, M. Smadu, J. Smith, A. Stadnek, R. Staseson, E. Strueby, L. Sulz, H. Tait, J. Tomkins, C. Veresh, A. Wakabayashi, B. Waytuck, K. Zawada

**REGRETS:** J. Cranston, C. Yost

**GUESTS:** L. Campbell, L. Mougeot, T. Salm

**RESOURCES:** S. Stewart (Recorder), G. Sylvestre

In keeping with the University's commitment to reconciliation, the Chair acknowledged that the University is located on Treaty 4 and Treaty 6 territories and the traditional homeland of the Métis.

**1. Call to Order - 9:02 a.m.**

The Chancellor welcomed all Senators and guests to the meeting.

**2. Approval of the Agenda**

J. Schultz - Boutin

**Moved that** the agenda be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

**3. Approval of the Minutes of 9 June 2021 - circulated with the Agenda**

Boutin - J. Schultz

**Moved that** the minutes be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

**4. Business Arising from the Minutes - None**

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## 5. Optional Reports

### 5.1 Chancellor's Report

Chancellor Klein provided a verbal report to Senate, including:

- Fall Convocation will begin at 2:00 p.m. in Gym 3 at the University of Regina. The Convocation Ceremony is in-person only for graduates and a small platform party, with a simultaneous live stream
- An appeal to the Senate Appeals Committee will be scheduled for this Fall
- The Alumni Crowning Achievement Awards dinner was held on Wednesday, October 6<sup>th</sup>.

The recipients were:

- o Honourable Dr Reverend Lorne Calvert, BA '73
- o Dr Sarah Plosker, BSc '08, MSc '10
- o Doug McKillop, BAdmin '76
- o Latoya Reid, BSW '18, MSW '21
- o Honourable Graeme Mitchell, BA '75, BMus '75
- Planning for Miyo-wîcîwitowin Day to inspire action on Truth and Reconciliation is underway, and Chancellor Klein is happy to be involved. The event will take place at Mosaic Stadium on September 29, 2022

### 5.2 President's Report

Dr Keshen provided a verbal update on recent activities, including:

- Recent and planned visits to Saskatchewan communities
- Winter 2022 term and return to near normal operations
- Student enrolment for the Fall 2021 term
- University's Macleans rankings
- Upcoming recruitment for the Provost and Vice-President (Academic)

Following Dr Keshen's verbal report, Senators were invited to ask questions. Discussion followed and included:

- Rationale for the University's decision to permit negative COVID-19 tests, as opposed to requiring full vaccination

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

### 5.3 University Secretary's Report

G. Sylvestre presented the reports outlining the upcoming Senate elections.

5.3.1 2022 Senate Election, Appendix I, Page 2

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5.3.2 2022 Chancellor Election, Appendix II, Page 3

5.3.3 2022 Elected Member of Senate to the Board of Governors, Appendix III, Page 4

The reports were received for information.

**6. Reports from Senate Committees - None**

**7. Items from Executive of Council, *For Approval/Information*, Appendix IV, Pages 5-68**

President Keshen presented the report on behalf of Executive of Council.

7.1 Council Committee on the Faculty of Graduate Studies and Research

7.1.1 Faculty of Arts

Graduate Record Examination

Keshen - Dea

**Moved that** the requirement of scores from the Graduate Record Examination (GRE) for applicants applying to the Clinical Psychology and Experimental & Applied Psychology Masters and PhD programs be suspended for the 202230 intake.

CARRIED

7.1.2 Faculty of Media, Art, and Performance

Supplementary Material Requirements

Keshen - Staseson

**Moved that** the following admission supplementary material requirements be modified as outlined in Appendix IV, Pages 5-7 of the agenda, effective 202220.

Interdisciplinary Studies

Media Production

Media Studies

Music

Visual Arts

CARRIED

Interdisciplinary Program Update

Keshen - Staseson

**Moved that** the section of “what to include in a proposal for an Interdisciplinary PhD in Media and Artistic Research and MA or MFA in Interdisciplinary Studies” be modified, as outlined in Appendix IV, Pages 7-11 of the Agenda, effective 202220.

CARRIED

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Media Production and Media Studies Program Update

Keshen - Staseson

**Moved that** the admission criteria/program description for the Master of Fine Arts in Media Production and the Master of Arts in Media Studies be modified, as outlined in Appendix IV, Pages 11-12 of the Agenda, effective 202220.

CARRIED

Master of Music Program Update

Keshen - Staseson

**Moved that** the program description/application dates/entrance requirements for the Master of Music and Master of Arts program be modified, as outlined in Appendix IV, Pages 12-16 of the Agenda, effective 202220.

CARRIED

Master of Fine Arts (Studio Art Practice) Program Update

Keshen - Staseson

**Moved that** the program description and program outline for the MFA Studio Art Practice program be modified, as outlined in Appendix IV, Pages 16-20 of the Agenda, effective 202220.

CARRIED

7.2 Council Committee on Undergraduate Admissions and Studies

7.2.1 Faculty of Arts

Program Suspension – Major and Minor in Japanese

Keshen - Dea

**Moved to** suspend admissions to the major and minor in Japanese, effective 202210.

CARRIED

Revisions – Certificate in Japanese

Keshen - Dea

**Moved to** revise the Certificate in Japanese as outlined in Appendix IV, Pages 20-22 of the Agenda, effective 202220.

CARRIED

New Certificate – Certificate in Health and Medical Humanities

Keshen - Sulz

**Moved that** a new Certificate in Health and Medical Humanities be created, as outlined in Appendix IV, Pages 22-23 of the Agenda, effective 202220.

CARRIED

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New Diploma – Diploma in Indigenous Studies

Keshen - Lemieux

**Moved to** create a Diploma in Indigenous Studies, as outlined in Appendix IV, Pages 23-24 of the Agenda, effective 202230.

CARRIED

New Certificate – Certificate in Indigenous Journalism and Communications

Keshen - Dea

**Moved to** create a Certificate in Indigenous Journalism and Communication, as outlined in Appendix IV, Pages 24-25 of the Agenda, effective 202220.

CARRIED

7.2.2 Faculty of Media, Art, and Performance

New Certificate – Certificate in Creative Practice

Keshen - Nadeau

**Moved that** the Certificate in Creative Practice be created, as outlined in Appendix IV, Pages 25-27 of the Agenda, effective 202220.

CARRIED

7.2.3 Faculty of Science

New Certificate – Certificate in Foundations of Science

Keshen - Farenick

**Moved to** create the Certificate in Foundations of Science, as outlined in Appendix IV, Pages 27-28 of the Agenda, effective 202230.

CARRIED

7.2.4 Registrar's Office

The following two motions were moved as an omnibus motion.

Keshen - D'Arcy

Residency Definition

**Moved that** the following definition of Residency be added to the Glossary and Abbreviations section of the Academic Calendar, effective immediately.

Residency Requirements

**Moved that** the following regulations be added to the Graduation section of the Academic Calendar between the Governing Academic Program regulation and the Awarding of Concurrent and Additional Degrees regulation, as outlined in Appendix IV, Pages 28-31 of the Agenda, effective 202220.

The question was called on the omnibus motion.

CARRIED

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7.2.5 Revision to High School Admission Requirements

The following three motions were moved as an omnibus motion.

Keshen - C. Schultz

La Cité universitaire francophone

**Moved that** the following changes be made to La Cité's admission requirements, as outlined in Appendix IV, Pages 31-32 of the Agenda, effective 202220.

Centre for Continuing Education

**Moved that** the admission requirements to CCE Credit programs be revised, as outlined in Appendix IV, Pages 32-33 of the Agenda, effective 202220.

Faculty of Social Work

**Moved to** revise the Saskatchewan high school admission requirements to the Pre-Social Work and Indigenous Social Work Qualifying programs, as outlined in Appendix IV, Pages 33-35 of the Agenda, effective 202220.

The question was called on the omnibus motion.

CARRIED

7.2.6 Revision to Post-Secondary Admission Requirements

The following three motions were moved as an omnibus motion.

Keshen - Bourassa

Faculty of Education

**Moved that** post-secondary transfer admission requirements for the Faculty of Education be revised in the admissions section of the Undergraduate Calendar, as outlined in Appendix IV, Page 36 of the Agenda effective 202220.

Faculty of Media, Art, and Performance

**Moved that** the post-secondary transfer admission requirements for the Faculty of Media, Art, and Performance be revised in the admissions section of the Undergraduate Calendar, as outlined in Appendix IV, Page 36 of the Agenda, effective 202220.

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Faculty of Social Work

**Moved to** revise the Pre-Social Work and Indigenous Social Work Qualifying admission requirements for post-secondary transfer students, as outlined in Appendix IV, Pages 37-38 of the Agenda, effective 202220.

The question was called on the omnibus motion.

CARRIED

7.3 Council Committee on Research

7.3.1 Research Chair - SaskPower Chair in Cultural Heritage

Keshen - Staseson

**Moved that** Senate endorse the SaskPower Chair in Cultural Heritage, as outlined in Appendix IV, Pages 38-40 of the Agenda.

CARRIED

7.3.2 Research Chair - Fedoruk Chair in Neutron Imaging

Keshen - Farenick

**Moved that** Senate endorse the Fedoruk Chair in Neutron Imaging, as outlined in Appendix IV, Pages 40-41 of the Agenda.

CARRIED

7.3.3 Disestablishment of Research Centre – Centre for Collaboration, Justice, and Safety

Keshen - Bourassa

**Moved that** the Centre for Collaboration, Justice, and Safety (CCJS) be disestablished and all activities (i.e., research and knowledge translation projects) be transferred to the Canadian Institute for Public Safety and Research (CIPSRT), as outlined in Appendix IV, Pages 41-44 of the Agenda.

CARRIED

The remainder of the report was received for information. For further information on these items, please view Appendix IV, Pages 45-48 of the Agenda.

**8. Briefs, Submissions, or Recommendations from Elected or Appointed Representatives of Senate**

8.1 Board Members Elected by Senate, *Verbal Update*

A. Opseth and M. Smadu provided a brief update on the activities undertaken by the Board of Governors since the last meeting of Senate, which included the following:

At the July and September Board meetings, the Board approved:

- Annual Audited Financial Statements for the year ending April 30, 2021 and the 2020-2021 Annual Report
- 2022-2023 Operations Forecast
- Changes to the pension master trust asset mix and pension funding policies

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- Capital projects including:
    - o UR International office renovations
    - o Riddell Centre elevator replacement
  - Audit of the bilingual Nursing program
  - Update to the campus master plan

The Board received an update from the Presidential Transition Committee, in their support of Dr Keshen as he continues to settle into his new role.

The Board heard presentations from:

- Dr. d. Gregory and D. Button on the Fall 2021 transition as students returned to face-to-face classes
- L. Campbell, Associate Vice-President (Indigenous Engagement) on the strategic vision and priorities for the Office of Indigenous Engagement

Leanne Bellegarde has been appointed to the Board of Governors replacing Roger Brandvold. Thank you to Roger for his service the last 6 ½ years.

## 9. Academic and Administrative Reports

### 9.1 Annual Enrolment Report 2020-2021, *For Information*, Appendix IV, Pages 66-70

J. Smith, Associate Vice-President (Student Affairs), presented the report and highlighted the five-year enrolment trends, population segments, and the top nations for international recruitment.

Discussion followed. Topics of discussion included:

- Decrease in enrolments for Fall 2021 and the reasons for the decline

*(The Senate had a recess from 9:55 a.m. to 10:04 a.m.)*

### 9.2 “Student Recruitment Preview,” presentation by K. Schmaus and N. Smith, Enrolment Services

J. Smith introduced K. Schmaus and N. Smith to Senate.

After the presentation, discussion followed. Topics of discussion included:

- University’s recruitment strategy in the northern region of the province
- Potential to use alumni to assist with registration events
- Feedback from prospective students on remote versus in-person learning

The Chancellor thanked K. Schmaus and N. Smith for their presentation.

***The presentation is appended to the Official File.***



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**10. Other Business**

10.1 Next Meeting of Senate - 9:00 a.m., Friday, 11 February 2022

**11. In Camera Session** - Not required

**12. Adjournment** - Gregory (10:36 a.m.)



Glenys Sylvestre  
University Secretary