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**OPEN SESSION**

Tuesday, November 27, 2018

5:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Room 9-201, CCC

**Draft Minutes**

<b>Chair:</b>	Deborah Saucier	<b>Vice-Chair:</b>	Raymond Baril
<b>Present:</b>	Nina Bernstein Karen Buro Sarah Copland Wanda Costen Nancy Digdon Debbie Couves Pam Farvolden Lucio Gelmini Allan Gilliland Bob Graves Emily Gryba Krista Hanscomb Kimberley Harcombe Catherine Hedlin	Kevin Hood Robert Irwin Shahidul Islam David Johnson Dave Kato Jackie Kent Kari Krell Tamara Lane Annetta Latham Fred McGinn Debbie McGugan David McLaughlin Heather McRae	Kathleen Miller Susan Mills Craig Monk Peter Myhre Albena Pergelova Raina Rudko Vince Salyers Melike Schalomon Masoud Shadnam Josh Toth Andrea Wagner Lindsey Whitson Randi Ziorio Dunlop
<b>Student Alternates:</b>	Emma Patterson	Aaron Peck	
<b>Regrets:</b>	Rickard Enstroem Bekah Rychliski	Samantha Hay Deborah Saucier	Taegan Lloyd
<b>Guests/Speakers:</b>	Roxanne Tootoosis, Indigenous Knowledge Keeper and Facilitator, kihêw waciston Michelle Plouffe, Vice-President and General Counsel Jenny McGrath, Chair, MacEwan Committee on Internationalization		
<b>University Governance:</b>	Gina DeVeaux	David Epp, Scribe	

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Raymond Baril, Vice-Chair, Academic Governance Council (AGC), presented ceremony protocol to Roxanne Tootoosis, Indigenous Knowledge Keeper and Facilitator, kihêw waciston, and requested a blessing for the meeting. R. Tootoosis led a ceremony and prayer in Plains Cree and in English.

**1.0 Call to Order**

The meeting of Academic Governance Council (AGC) was called to order at 5:08 p.m.

The Chair gave regrets for Deborah Saucier, President and Chair, Academic Governance Council.

**2.0 Declarations of Conflict**

No conflicts were declared.

### **3.0 Approval of Agenda**

#### **AGC-01-11-27-2018**

Mover/Seconder: Debbie Couves, Dave Kato

THAT THE Academic Governance Council approve the November 27, 2018 open meeting agenda as presented.

— Carried

### **4.0 Approval of Consent Agenda**

The following items were approved or received as information on the consent agenda:

4.1 AGC Executive Committee Minutes, November 6, 2018

4.2 Student application to graduate withdrawn

4.3 Faculty of Arts and Science Curriculum Changes

4.4 Faculty of Health and Community Studies Curriculum Changes

4.5 School of Business Curriculum Changes

#### **AGC-02-11-27-2018**

Mover/Seconder: Karen Buro, Shahidul Islam

THAT THE Academic Governance Council approve the items on the consent agenda, as presented.

— Carried

### **5.0 Approval of AGC Open Minutes**

#### **5.1 October 30, 2018 AGC Minutes**

The October 30, 2018 minutes were presented for approval.

#### **AGC-03-11-27-2018**

Mover/Seconder: Fred McGinn, Bob Graves

THAT THE Academic Governance Council approve the open session minutes for the October 30, 2018 meeting as presented.

— Carried

### **6.0 Post-secondary Learning Act Update**

Michelle Plouffe, Vice-President and General Counsel, presented an update on the changes to the Post-secondary Learning Act (PSLA), and MacEwan's preparations for the change, with an in force date of February 1, 2019. Updates will be presented at AGC meetings for the remainder of this academic year.

The following points arose during discussion:

- Revising the student appeal process including the Board of Governors is under consideration; and
- AGC membership categories are under review to identify the requirements for transition to a General Faculties Council (GFC).

## 7.0 President's Report

Deborah Saucier, President, MacEwan University, recorded a video that was played at the meeting and reported on the following activities that she has been involved in since the last AGC meeting:

- Hosted the first annual MacEwan Dreamcatcher Round Dance on October 12;
- Published an op-ed in the October 11 *Maclean's Magazine* on advancing reconciliation on campus;
- Participated in the following events:
  - Introductory meeting with Assembly of First Nations (AFN) Regional Chief Marlene Poitras and Jed Johns, her Chief of Staff;
  - Commonwealth Peace and Reconciliation Network for the Association of Commonwealth Universities in Melbourne, Australia;
  - Universities Canada meeting in Ottawa on October 23-24;
  - Indigenous Knowledge and Wisdom Centre (IKWC) Official Launch on October 26.
  - Edmonton Journal Editorial Board meeting;
  - At the Lieutenant Governor's invitation, met with Princess Anne, the Princess Royal, to discuss MacEwan's vision for inclusion, equity, and diversity;
  - Keynote speaker at the Golden Key International Honour Society New Member Recognition event and was recognized by the chapter as an Honorary Member;
  - Judge for *Avenue Magazine's* annual Top 40 Under 40 awards; and
  - Community Art Night at the Nina Haggerty Arts Centre.

## 8.0 Report of the Provost and Vice-President Academic *pro tempore*

Craig Monk, Provost and Vice-President Academic *pro tempore*, reported on the following items:

- Update on Appointments and Reappointments
  - Dr. Heather McRae has been reappointed Dean, School of Continuing Education, through June 30, 2024;
  - Anticipate short-listing potential candidates for Dean, University Library, in early 2019;
  - Consultation on Associate Vice-President, Research, recruitment began with plans to publish an advertisement before Christmas and to short-list by March;
- Development of the Office of the Provost
  - Through retraining and repurposing of vacancies, restructured the Provost's Office by adding only one new position;
- Academic Staffing Plan
  - Presented to Budget Committee a five-year plan to add nearly 50 new Assistant Professorships over the next five years. The positions are exclusive of vacancy replacements;
  - Hiring more than 35 new instructional staff and vacancy replacements during the current academic year; and
  - The 5-year goal is to have 60% of Instructional Hours taught by the tenure-track and tenured.

Questions were welcomed, and the following points arose in the discussion:

- Adopting a consistent approach to calculating the number of instructional hours taught by different categories of instructors;
- Considering several scenarios for allocating space for new faculty hires; and

- Faculties and Schools have the autonomy to set their own priorities on how they fill new staffing positions.

## **9.0 Committee Reports**

### **9.1 Executive Committee**

#### **9.1.1 Academic Policy Committee Membership**

Ray Baril, Vice-Chair, AGC Executive Committee, requested a motion to approve the Academic Policy Committee membership list.

**AGC-04-11-27-2018**

Mover/Seconder: Kevin Hood, Kathleen Miller

THAT THE Academic Governance Council approve the proposed membership of the Academic Policy Committee.

— Carried

### **9.2 MacEwan Committee on Internationalization (MCI)**

#### **9.2.1 Focus Statement 2018-2019**

Jenny McGrath, Chair, MacEwan Committee on Internationalization, presented the MCI Focus Statement 2018-2019 for information.

## **10.0 Faculty and School Councils**

### **10.1 School of Continuing Education**

#### **10.1.1 Curriculum Changes**

Heather McRae, Dean, School of Continuing Education, and Krista Hanscomb, student advisor, kihêw waciston, presented the proposed curriculum changes and provided background information on the proposed pimâcihisowin Foundation 100 course.

The following points arose during discussion:

- The pimâcihisowin Foundation Program is set up to be an entry program to provide students with skills to be successful in their future studies; and
- Reviewing the University registration system to identify opportunities to clarify the classification of courses.

**AGC-05-11-27-2018**

Mover/Seconder: Vince Salyers, David McLaughlin

THAT THE Academic Governance Council approve the School of Continuing Education curriculum changes as presented.

— Carried

### **11.0 Question Period**

No questions were asked.

### **12.0 Future Agenda Items/Next Meeting**

The next meeting is January 22, 2019.

### **13.0 Adjournment**

Moved by Randi Ziorio Dunlop to adjourn the meeting at 6:20 p.m.