

MINUTES
April 23, 2019
Room 9-103 – Robbins Health Learning Centre

Voting Attendees:

Alison Pitcher	Erin Gray	Kerry Heaney-Dalton	Paul Chahal
Anna Azulai	Fons Chafe	Lee Makovichuk	Sharon Hobden
Brendan Cavanagh	Fred McGinn	Margaret Mykietyshyn	Tim Williams
Cassie Prochnau	Heather Pick	Nancy Thomas	Tricia Lirette
Catherine Hedlin	Jody Marshall	Natalia Rohatyn-Martin	Valerie Ouedraogo
Cynthia Puddu	Jiulin Wang	Ozlem Cankaya	
Danielle Larocque			
Darren Tellier			
Dave Kato			
Donna Jamieson			

Non-Voting Attendees:

Rose Ginther	Christina Burrows	Kim Peacock	Joan Mills
Lisa Shamchuk	(recording)		

Regrets:

Danielle Campbell	Rita Dhungel	Gerard Bellefeuille	Tara Winsor
Jeff Moggach	Jenny McGrath	Michelle Andrews	Kris Wells
Krystal McCann	Amanda Nelund	Baiju Vareed	Terri Yaremko
			Faye Hamilton

Absent:

John Valentine	Timothy Enger	Eaman Mah	Rose Ginther
Ahna Berikoff	Amber Dion	Hellen Gateri	Hongmei Tong
Maria Smyth	Shauna Pilipchuk		
Ann Basualdo			

1.0 Welcome and Introductions

Welcome and introductions were made.

2.0 Post-Secondary Learning Act- Presentation-Cassie Prochnau and Kevin Hood

Cassie Prochnau presented a slide show on behalf of Michelle Plouffe regarding Bill 19 the Post-Secondary Learning Act governance changes. Establishing MacEwan University as an “undergraduate university” involves establishing a true bicameral governance structure and substantial changes to previous governance structures. The General Faculties Council (GFC) has replaced the Academic Governance Council. The General Faculties Council will approve its own Bylaws and Faculty and School councils will become standing committees of General Faculties Council. The current standing committees will be dismantled and replaced with 4 larger standing committees in addition to the Faculty and School

Councils. The Board of Governors membership will be expanded to include: 1 additional student, 1 additional faculty, the Chancellor, 2 Alumni and additional members appointed by Lieutenant Governor. The Chancellor will be selected through a nomination process appointed by the Board. The President of the University is automatically appointed Vice Chancellor. Deans' Council will be formally established, and Faculty and School Councils will have revised Terms of Reference. An Alumni Association will need to be established and in place by Fall.

General Faculty Council will have general supervision of student affairs and may establish a standing committee on student affairs. Student discipline appeals will be the responsibility of the Board of Governors.

MacEwan University will have the authority to grant honorary degrees up to an including doctorate degrees. Applied degree granting authority has been removed which may require delivery and policy changes.

3.0 Indigenous Ceremonial policy- Terri Suntjens and Roxanne Tootoosis

Terri Suntjens gave an update on the progress of the new Indigenous Centre which will be located where the current Paul Byrne hall is situated.

An Indigenous Ceremonial policy was created about a year and a half ago. Previously ceremony practices were only allowed at the indigenous centre. With the new policy ceremonial practices can be held anywhere within the University.

It is important to have proper signage for your event (drumming, smudging) Both facilities and kihèw waciston keep an inventory of signs that are available for loan. Contact facilities and security to let them know the date, time and area so they are aware in case of any grievances. If smudging is involved notify Facilities and within 48 hours of your event. Advise attendees/participants in case of health concerns. An event where there is food Elders are traditionally served first and eat first.

It is customary to present a gift or monetary compensation to an external Elder or Knowledge Keeper at the event. It is encouraged to contact a kihèw waciston staff member to understand the intent and purpose of the honorariums.

The Treaty 6 Territory land acknowledgment statement for MacEwan University can be found on the kihèw waciston home page which includes both a long and short version. When opening an event, the land recognition statement should be given early in the program. If the Knowledge Keeper is taking part in the event welcome, the host may begin the formal welcome and land acknowledgement before protocol is presented.

Call to Order.

4.0 Approval of Agenda/Consent Agenda

The following items were approved:

4.1 Meeting minutes of December 11, 2018

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Moved by Catherine Hedlin/Kathaleen Quinn to accept the Agenda/Consent of April 23, 2019..... **Carried**

5.0 Standing Items

5.1 Dean's Report-Fred

This years Distinguished Research Award will be presented to the Department of Health & Community Studies Chair of Human Service and Early Learning Tricia Lirette.

Second round interviews for the new AVP Research are expected in May. Fred's Interim role as AVP Research is expected to end this summer.

Chair searches within the Faculty have been completed with the new chairs and reappointments to begin July 1, 2019.

The Chairs for Health & Community Studies for July 1, 2019 are:

Director, School of Social Work-Erin Gray

Chair, Department of Allied Health and Human Performance-Darren Tellier

Chair, Department of Child and Youth Care-Jenny McGrath

Chair, Department of Human Services and Early Learning- Tricia Lirette

Chair, Department of Public Safety and Justice Studies-Tim Williams

All 5 new tenure-track faculty positions for July 1, 2019 have been filled and the new faculty members in Child and Youth Care, Early Learning, Special Needs Educational Assistant and Emergency Communications and Response Program will be introduced at the fall Faculty Council meeting.

Sharon Hobden has been appointment Interim Dean of the Faculty of Nursing. The Faculty of Health and Community Studies has agreed to take on management of the Nursing Faculty after the sudden departure of their Dean in February. Cheryl Pollard the Associate Dean of Nursing has an office on the 4th floor to allow easy, informal communication. The plan to move forward with a formal search for a new Dean of Nursing remains in place. The end of June, conversations and evaluations will determine the effects this interim structure has had on both faculties.

Donna Jamieson was honored about her many achievements as she retires the end of June 2019. She led many achievements in the development of the Child and Youth Care program initially as a diploma and in developing the degree. Her mentorship of incoming Chair Jenny McGrath ensures the department will be in good hands.

5.2 Budget-

The annual budget has been established but may change due to the recent election. A small \$20,000.00 non-salary spending reduction was enforced. This reduction has been implemented across the institution in swag and catering areas. Kristopher Wells' funding has been received so he will have an established budget for 2019/2020. Tricia has received approval to occupy the old communications space in building 7. The space will require some renovations to include the creation of offices. Funding will be required to develop the space.

5.3 Dean's Response to BCYC Self Study and external reviewers report

The BCYC external reviewers were present March 12 & 13th and presented a glowing summary with very few recommendations. The Dean's Response will be presented to Academic Planning and Priorities Committee on May 3rd after which an action plan will be developed and brought back to Faculty Council for review.

6.0 Standing Committees

New or continuing members will be needed for the Faculty of Health and Community Studies sub-committees. Please provide your name to Christina if you wish to join one of the committees. Elections where necessary, will occur at the September Faculty Council meeting.

Meeting adjourned.