

# THE UNIVERSITY OF LETHBRIDGE SENATE Minutes



Friday, December 2, 2022 1:30p.m., Hybrid

**Present:** C. Weaselhead (Chair), C. Bester, K. Bhatt, D. Boras, M. Booyens, T. Boulet, D. Colwell,

K. Colwell, R. DeGagne, J. Dempsey, R. Doria, J. Dubiel, B. Galts, C. Gillespie,

K. Greenwood, T. Grindle, L. Kolk, M. Letts, J. Ma, H. MacBeath, M. Mahon,

D. McKenna, J. Miller, E. Okine, T. Panczak, U. Patel, T. Petriw, K. Rabbit-Young Pine, D. Saunders, D. Scott, B. Spenceley, S. Sjovold, M. Thomas, B. Tucker, S. Koppe,

F. Baskerville, R. Bright, G. DeSteur, N. Gabbin, B. Hughes, I. Russell

Regrets: A. Fox-Bruised Head, J. Frey, M. Gettman, M. Hogue, A. Mardon, C. McCord, S. Mintz,

L. Peterson, D. Piper, M. Qazi, T. Rempel, I. Shakespeare, N. Walker, M. Watson

J. Gallais, A. Piekema **Others:** 

#### 1. **WELCOME**

Chancellor, C. Weaselhead provided the opening welcome.

Oki, and welcome to the University of Lethbridge. Our University's Blackfoot name is Iniskim, meaning Sacred Buffalo Stone. The University is located in traditional Blackfoot Confederacy territory. We honour the Blackfoot people and their traditional ways of knowing in caring for this land, as well as all Indigenous Peoples who have helped shape and continue to strengthen our University community.

A new member, Sydney Koppe, was introduced.

M. Mahon congratulated Chancellor Weaselhead on receiving the Queen Elizabeth II's Platinum Jubilee Medal.

Congratulations were also extended to Senate Member Austin Mardon for receiving the Queen Elizabeth II's Platinum Jubilee Medal.

#### 2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: sen.2022.12.01

Spenceley/Baskerville

That the agenda for the meeting of December 2, 2022 be

approved.

Motion: Carried

#### **3.** APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION: sen.2022.12.02 That the minutes of the meeting of October 7, 2022 be approved.

Motion: Carried

## 4. CHANCELLOR'S REMARKS

C. Weaselhead reported on the initiatives he is currently involved in, including Mastercard Foundation, MOU Health Partnership and the Presidential Search Committee.

# 5. PRESIDENT'S REMARKS

M. Mahon reported on Dr. Leroy Littlebear's appointment as Vice Provost Iniskim Indigenous Relations, the success of the Fall Convocation & Fall Open House, over 1800 future students attended the open house. Operation Red Nose returns for its 26<sup>th</sup> year of service. As well as the \$50,000 donation by the Picture Butte Lions Club.

# 6. REPORTS

- 6.1.Board of Governors
  - T. Boulet indicated that the report stands as in the agenda package. No questions arose.
- 6.2. General Faculties Council
  - D. Scott indicated that the report stands as in the agenda package. No questions arose.

# 6.3. Alumni Association

D. McKenna highlighted the information submitted in the ULAA report as it was submitted as a post agenda item. Let There be Light Night, was a wonderful event. No questions arose.

# 6.4. Graduate Students' Association

J. Dubiel highlighted the information submitted in the GSA report, he also let Senate know of the Meeting of the Minds Interdisciplinary Conference to take place in March 2023, more information to be shared as the event draws closer, all Senate members invited to go see the research our grad students are doing. No questions arose.

# 6.5. Students' Union

G. DeSteur spoke of to the Pass the Hat fundraiser, a QR code and link to the initiative was distributed to Senate members. No questions arose.

### 6.6. Executive Committee

C. Weaselhead was unable to attend the Executive meeting, M. Mahon chaired meeting, and the report within the agenda stands as is. No questions arose.

## 6.7. Engagement Committee

Committee has not met since our last meeting.

# 6.8. Honorary Degree Committee

C. Bester informed Senate that the HDR committee met and reviewed the nominations that were brought forward for consideration, more discussion to follow in camera.

#### 6.9. Volunteer Award Committee

C. Weaselhead was unable to attend the Volunteer Award meeting, M. Mahon chaired meeting, reported that the deadline for Nominations is January 15<sup>th</sup>. The committee will meet on November 23<sup>rd</sup>, and Senators are encouraged to consider making a nomination.

# 6.10. Other Member Reports/Inquiries

There were no additional reports. M. Mahon spoke to the ongoing negotiations with AUPE and that they are returning to mediation, and we are hopeful to find a path to move forward.

# 7. ITEMS FOR ACTION

7.1 Senate Appointment

MOTION: sen.2022.12.03

Mahon/Gabbin

That the Senate approve the appointment of Adriana Mercader as a Representative member for an initial three-

year term effective immediately.

Motion: Carried

7.2. Appointment of Scrutineers

MOTION: sen.2022.12.04

Bester/Boras

That the Senate approves the appointment of A. Piekema

and J. Gallais to the position of scrutineers.

Motion: Carried

### 8. IN CAMERA

Senate went in camera to discuss Honorary Degree Recipients.

# 9. ITEMS FOR ACTION (Cont'd)

9.1. Approval of Honorary Degree Recipients

MOTION: sen.2022.12.05

That Senate approves the awarding of Honorary Degrees as per the results of the December 2, 2022 confidential vote.

Motion: Carried

## 10. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

10.1. Senate Bylaws

M. Mahon shared that revised bylaws will be presented to the Executive committee in an upcoming meeting.

10.2. February 3, 2023 Senate Meeting Update

A. Piekema asked Senate members to keep February 3, 2023 open for our next meeting as it will be held at Red Crow College details will be sent as soon as they are confirmed.

## 10.3. Senate Moments

D. Boras opened the floor to Senators who would like to share their experiences in the various ways or activities they participate in at the UofL. Members shared a few moments about what it means to them to be a Senator.

### 10. OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business.

# 11. ADJOURNMENT

The next meeting of Senate is Friday, February 3, 2022 at Red Crow College.

MOTION: sen.2022.12.06

Galts/Gillespie

That the Senate meeting be adjourned.

Motion: Carried