



THE UNIVERSITY OF LETHBRIDGE SENATE
MINUTES

Friday, October 7, 2022
9:00 a.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, J. Frey, B. Galts, M. Gettman C. Gillespie, K. Greenwood, T. Grindle, L. Kolk, M. Letts, J. Ma, H. MacBeath, M. Mahon, A. Mardon, C. McCord, D. McKenna, J. Miller, E. Okine, T. Panczak, U. Patel, L. Peterson, T. Petriw, D. Piper, M. Qazi, K. Rabbit-Young Pine, T. Rempel, D. Saunders, D. Scott, B. Spenceley, S. Sjovold, M. Thomas, B. Tucker
- Regrets:** F. Baskerville, R. Bright, M. Day, G. DeSteur, A. Fox BruisedHead, N. Gabbin, M. Hogue, B. Hughes, T. Legge, S. Mintz, I. Russell, I. Shakespeare, N. Walker, M. Watson,
- Others:** J. Gallais, A. Piekema
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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 moment of silence was held in honour of the passing of three former members of Senate, Dorin Berlando, Bradley Neubauer & Diana Lanier.

New members were introduced.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: sen.2022.10.01

Colwell/Boras

That the agenda for the meeting of October 7, 2022 be approved.

Motion: Carried

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION: sen.2022.10.02

McCord/Thomas

That the minutes of the meeting of April 1, 2022 be approved.

Motion: Carried

4. CHANCELLOR'S REMARKS

C. Weaselhead reported on his recent activities including continued engagement with the MasterCard Foundation & Blood Tribe Department of Health. Events to mark September 30th National Day for Truth & Reconciliation. Convocation on October 15th which will be the Chancellor's last convocation ceremony.

5. PRESIDENT'S REMARKS

M. Mahon reported on:

- Decanal & Chancellor Search Updates
- Update on enrolment we are seeing a 6.1% decrease from prior Fall enrolment. Some great discussion on how to retain our international students in the community
- MOU signed with Blood Tribe Department of Health
- Donor Update
- Spoke on the importance of being a Senator and encouraged involvement, following the opening of Red Crow College perhaps we could set up a tour there.

6. PRESENTATION

Campaign Presentation, Kathy Greenwood, Vice-President (External Relations)

Invitation to the launch next Wednesday at 11am was extended to all Senate Members.

7. REPORTS

7.1 Board of Governors

T. Boulet indicated that the report stands as in the agenda package. No questions arose.

7.2 General Faculties Council

D. Scott indicated that the report stands as in the agenda package. No questions arose.

7.3 Alumni Association

D. McKenna highlighted the information submitted in the ULAA report. No questions arose.

7.4 Graduate Students' Association

J. Dubiel highlighted the information submitted in the GSA report. No questions arose.

7.5 Students' Union

M. Thomas spoke to the report. Indicated there is support needed for the food bank for students. Upcoming Food for Thought Event also happening. A number of questions on how to support students were brought up including types of donations

needed as well as the location of food pantries. K. Greenwood spoke on a number of initiatives taking place with food pantries etc. A. Piekema will share links via email after this meeting.

7.6 Executive Committee

C. Weaselhead report within the agenda stands as is. No questions arose.

7.7 Engagement Committee

D. Boras report stands as is. No questions arose.

7.8 Honorary Degree Committee

C. Bester wants to encourage all members to spread the word about Honorary Degree Nomination process and deadline.

7.9 Volunteer Award Committee

C. Weaselhead reported that the deadline for Nominations is January 15th, the committee will meet on November 23rd, Senators are encouraged to consider making a nomination.

7.10 Other Member Reports/Inquiries

There were no additional reports.

8. BREAKOUT SESSION

What role can Senators play and how can the University help Senators and the community support the campaign?

Lots of great ideas were shared with K. Greenwood on feedback from the campaign presentation. A link to our donation page through Encompass will be shared to all members via email after this meeting.

9. ITEMS FOR ACTION

9.1 Senate Appointment

MOTION: sen.2022.10.03

Mahon/Bester

That the Senate approve the appointment of Sydney Wakaruk as a Representative member for an initial three-year term effective October 1, 2022.

Motion: Carried

9.2 Chancellor Search Committee Appointment

MOTION: sen.2022.10.04

Mahon/Colwell

That the Senate approves the appointment of Katie Rabbit-Young Pine, David Boras and Brad Tucker to the Chancellor Search Committee.

Motion: Carried

10. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

10.1 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.

10.2 Convocation Update

A. Piekema informed committee Saturday, October 15th is Convocation, and we are looking for 6-8 volunteers to help with the event. This will be Chancellor Weaselhead's last ceremony so members are encouraged to attend. There is another volunteer opportunity coming up with Alumni on October 29th all information will be shared via email for sign up.

11. OTHER BUSINESS

D. Piper shared some info about the Faculty of Fine Arts Main Stage Show held from Nov 1-5. Senate members welcome to volunteer at these events.

12. ADJOURNMENT

The next meeting of Senate is Friday, December 2, 2022 at 1:30 p.m.

MOTION: sen.2022.02.05

Scott/Saunders

That the Senate meeting be adjourned.

Motion: Carried