

**Minutes of the 4th
Students' Association of Red Deer College
2017-2018 Winter Council Meeting
November 20, 2017**

Present:

Kassandra Scholze; President
Chaise Combs; VP Student Life
Jessica Walker; Secretary
Kryssa McLean; Student, Voting
Morgan Rain; Student, Voting
David Hehli; Student, Ex-Officio
Brittany Lessard; Student, Voting

Marian Young; VP Operations
Liz Sweiger; Executive Director
Bob Fraser; Student, Voting
Braden Alm; Student, Voting
Ashley Strain; Student, Voting
Esther Oliva-Dzib; Student, Voting
Nicholas Hyde; Student, Voting

Absent with Notice:

Robin Chiles; Board of Governors
Anne Marie Watson; Chairperson

Theo Grandjambe; Student, Voting

Other Attendance Notes:

Brittany arrived at 5:29pm
Morgan left the meeting at 6:18pm

Nick arrived at 5:31pm
Nick left the meeting at 6:40pm.

**Note: November 6 meeting was cancelled; not necessary because we met on October 30.

Paulette Hanna, Vice President Academic, and Steven Lane, Associate Vice President Academic, joined the meeting to introduce themselves and speak on a few items. Paulette spoke on the Program Mix. This provides the opportunity for the College to evaluate the programs they are wishing to develop. Items that are considered during this evaluation are: the cost of implementing the program, viability of the program in the community, demand, how unique is this program, synergy and enhancement for the program in the future and the link to job growth. With all of that in mind, each School creates a 10 year strategic plan which is reviewed twice a year.

Paulette also spoke on Red Deer College implementing a Fall Reading Break. The Students' Association plebiscite question during the Executive Elections showed that students would like to see the break. The College will not be able to implement this break until the 2019-2020 Academic year.

Steve Lane spoke on the Indigenous Education Strategic Plan, a committee has been created to address this with the help of the Red Deer College Indigenous Student Circle. 6 guiding principles have been created for the document and future planning (see attachment), and with those principles in mind the committee has identified 5 Strategic Priorities (see attachment.) Once the draft version of the Strategic Plan is complete it will be submitted to Academic Council and Services Council for approval. Steve will also be recommending that the Red Deer College President Sign the 'Indigenous Education Protocol for Colleges and Institutes' as a way to show support to the Indigenous community.

Red Deer College has recently received word that their application for Mental Health Funding has been approved. The College will receive an annual amount of \$125,000 for 3 years. Steve will spearhead a committee which will include Counselling & Career Centre, Student Services and the Students' Association.

4.0 Call to Order

Meeting was called to order at 5:25pm, chaired by Elizabeth Sweiger.

4.1 Approval of Agenda

17-18-27-W

Braden Alm, Esther Oliva-Dzib

Motion: Approve the agenda as presented.

CARRIED.

4.2 Approval of Meeting Minutes

4.2.1 17-18-28-W

Morgan Rain, Esther Oliva-Dzib

Motion: Approval of Winter Council Minutes #3 as presented.

CARRIED.

4.2.2 17-18-29-W

Kryssa McLean, Braden Alm

Motion: Approval of Executive Minutes #25-27 as presented.

CARRIED.

4.3 New Business

4.3.1 2019-2020 Academic Calendar

Council had the opportunity to share comments and questions regarding the placement of the Reading Break. Marian had a meeting with Steve and he shared that the Thanksgiving weekend was chosen because the stats of students dropping out of College at the 6 week point was very high.

17-18-30-W

Kass Scholze, Nick Hyde

Motion: Support the draft 2019-2020 Academic Calendar as presented.

CARRIED.

Abstain: Bob Fraser

4.4 Discussion

4.5 Executive Reports

17-18-31-W

Kryssa McLean, Braden Alm

Motion: Accept the Executive Reports as presented.

CARRIED.

4.6 Committee Reports

17-18-32-W

Bob Fraser, Brittany Lessard

Motion: Accept the following committee reports as presented: CAT Fund, Events, Issues, BARC, and Mental Health.

CARRIED.

4.7 Council Reports

BOG Report – Robin Chiles
*Robin was absent.

Academic Council – Kass Scholze
*Kass presented an oral report (written report will be attached to minutes)

17-18-33-W

Bob Fraser, Kryssa McLean
Motion: Accept the Council reports as presented.
CARRIED.

4.8 Information Items

17-18-34-W

Marian Young, Braden Alm
Motion: Accept the following as information items:
4.8.1 – Approved 2017-2018 Annual Budget (Operations & Building)
4.8.2 – Food Bank Stats
4.8.3 – September Financial Statement
CARRIED.

4.9 Adjournment

17-18-35-W

Bob Fraser, Marian Young
Motion: Adjourn at 7:45pm.
CARRIED.

Kassandra Scholze, President

Elizabeth Sweiger, Executive Director

Jessica Walker, Secretary