



**ACADEMIC COUNCIL
MINUTES
MEETING OF JUNE 17, 2014**

Present:

T. McTiernan
D. Saucier
W. Bartfay
B. Campbell
N. Charewicz
M. Eklund
F. Gaspari
M. Green
H. Kishawy
B. Lewis
M. Vargas Martin

B. Muirhead
M. Owen
D. Petrarca
N. Saniei
T. Sidhu
E. Vogel
C. Foy

Guests:

N. Molinaro
O. Petrie
R. Van Oostveen
S. Rose
B. Cutler
G. Lewis

Regrets:

P. Beatty
O. Afifi
N. Ammar
N. Arafa
C. Collins
T. Dhar
S. de Castell
M. DiGiuseppe
P. Drayson
R. Hinch
D. Holdway
F. Jones
R. Machrafi
B. Maclsaac
S. McGovern

L. Nacke
P. Ritchie
H. Scott
C. Elliott

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Chair called the meeting to order at 2:40 p.m.

2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

The agenda was approved as presented.

3. CHAIR'S REMARKS

President McTiernan noted that we are at the end of another academic year. Mental health is still an issue on campus that requires our commitment to address. The convocation ceremony confirms a successful year with

a number of remarkable scholarly successes as well as athletic successes. President McTiernan offered a sincere thank you to all. He also acknowledged the work of Dr. Ron Hinch and his contributions to the university.

4. MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF APRIL 14, 2014 and May 20, 2014

The minutes were approved as presented.

5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Dr. McTiernan noted that the Strategic Mandate Agreements have been signed but they cannot be publicly released yet.

6. INQUIRIES AND COMMUNICATIONS

A summary of the April 24, 2014 meeting of the Board of Governors was presented for information.

7. PROVOST'S REMARKS

Provost Saucier thank everyone for attending a very successful convocation this year. She noted that over 70% of our graduates attended the convocation ceremony – an astounding number that is a testament to how much they value their UOIT experience. Provost Saucier thanked all who worked on committees and volunteered for the ceremony. Overall we are down on our OUAC applications, meaning we are slightly below our targets but we are confident that we will still be able to make these targets.

8. COMMITTEE REPORTS

8.1 CURRICULUM AND PROGRAM REVIEW COMMITTEE

B. Muirhead presented the report of the Committee which contained one item for action

8.1.1 Bachelor of Arts in Adult Education and Digital Technology – Name Change and Major Program Modification

MOTION CARRIED *That Academic Council approve the name change from a Bachelor of Arts in Adult Education and Digital Technology to Bachelor of Arts in Educational Studies and Digital Technology and the creation of two specializations (Adult Education and Digital Technology and Early Childhood Studies)."*

In response to questions raised by B. Campbell with respect to Quality Assurance, B. Muirhead noted that there is a single admission into the degree. The name change also retains the emphasis on digital technology and the overall program learning outcomes remain the same with only 4 new courses to allow for the specialization in Early Childhood Studies. It was further noted that this does not certify graduates for ECE. R. Van Oostveen also noted that there are no barriers to admission, students are able to apply for either specialization with a college diploma (it is not an affinity articulation). The program will provide the opportunity for student to work together regardless of their specialization through problem based learning. In response to a question raised by M. Eklund on the budget, President McTiernan and Provost Saucier noted that a 10% application rate is reasonable for a pathway program and that ECE is heavily subscribed.

9. Academic Governance and Professionally Accredited Engineering Programs at UOIT

Provost Saucier presented a structure for approvals to program changes for professionally accredited engineering programs at UOIT. This is required to meet Canadian Engineering Accreditation Board (CEAB) requirements for a single approval body for engineering program changes. Under a previous proposal there was a parallel process. This proposal eliminated this and any changes along the way will require the process of approval to go back to the beginning.

MOTION *On a motion, that Academic Council approve the Academic Governance of Professionally Accredited*
CARRIED *Programs at UOIT as presented.*

10. OTHER BUSINESS

There was none.

11. Colleagues' Exchange

The meeting was adjourned at 3:20 p.m.

Cheryl Foy, Secretary