

President's Council

Meeting Notes

January 17, 2017

Present: K. MacDonald, K. Wamsley, B. Hale, K. Brebner, T. Hynes, T. Buksaitis, L. Lawrence., M. Kyte, J. MacDonald, K. Wamsley, P. Hauf, A. Beckett, J. Orr, K. Bell, R. Isnor.

Regrets: J. Webber

1. The agenda was approved.

2. The minutes of December 6, 2016 were approved.

3. Business arising

Of the three orders from the Labour Department, one is completed and the other two are in progress. Health and Safety training sessions will be an annual requirement for PC.

4. President's Report:

First year registration is a main concern, as are incomplete application files. A calling campaign and a direct mail campaign are in progress.

5. Capital Projects

The construction of the Mulronee Institute will begin in May. The temporary classrooms set up in progress. The Oland Centre renovation is subject to fundraising.

6. Convocation 2017

The start time for spring convocation is usually 9:30am, that will be moved to 9:00am in order to accommodate all the events that day.

7. Draft 2017-2018 Framework

The executive has been creating the Priorities Framework document and will consult with the Leadership Council on the goals and targets therein on January 26th.

8. Budget

2016-2017: Analysis based on December 31st, 2016 show that the deficit will be approximately 2.1 million for the year. This deficit is due to revenue variances more than expense variances, specifically lower results than predicted for enrolment and residence occupancy.

2017-2018: The budget will be brought to community advisory meetings, shared with the university community and then presented to the Board in February. It will show an estimated increase in enrolment by 50 students the first year.

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9. Financial Planning Sessions

The Board of Governors members recently spent two days with StFX's internal financial committee. The meetings addressed a great deal of financial material, with a focus on development and increasing revenue.

10. Indigenous Consulting

Elders and knowledge keepers from across the Maritimes will be on campus to meet with StFX faculty, students and administration to assist them with planning their future indigenous community engagement.

Respectfully submitted,

L. Lawrence