
Regrets: J. Webber, K. Bell

1. The agenda was approved.

2. The minutes of February 28, 2017 were approved.

3. There were no Business Arising items.

4. President’s Report
Dr. MacDonald and Mr. Beckett continue to meet monthly with Sr. Brendalee and the Executive of the Sisters of Saint Martha.

5. Capital Projects
A Campus Planning Meeting was held March 20th. At that meeting it was announced that StFX applied for the New Canada Building Fund. If successful, it would have three main components: 1. Mulroney Hall 2. Nicholson Tower 3. Health and Innovation Building, together these Xaverian Commons would create a complete transformation of upper campus. The focus of this project would be revitalizing academic programs and modernizing classrooms, teaching labs and research labs, thereby rejuvenating StFX’s commitment to liberal arts.

6. Research Policies
PC reviewed two draft policies which will go to Senate for approval.

There currently is no comprehensive policy on external research funding although it is addressed in collective agreements and other policies. The proposed funding policy will address: costing, application processes and forms, due diligence for external funding, risk management, the research advisory committee, authorizations, management of research accounts and certification requirements.

The proposed policy on Centres and Institutes would better define research centres and research institutes, their governance structure, as well as the StFX approval or endorsement process and requirements.
7. Flag Policy
PC reviewed a draft policy regarding the protocol for the public display of flags on campus, and the procedure for half-masting. PC requested that the Advancement Department set an official StFX flag.

Motion: That the Flag Policy be approved by the President’s Council.
Moved: J. Orr
Seconded: P. Hauf

Motion Carried #01-2017

8. Solutions to Enrolment and Residence Issues
PC reviewed the 2017-18 Enrolment and Residence Report and the Recruitment and Admissions Report of March 20th, 2017. A residence review is being conducted and that report will be presented to PC next month.

Respectfully submitted,
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