

# President's Council

Meeting Notes

May 23, 2017

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**Present:** K. MacDonald, K. Wamsley, K. Brebner, T. Hynes, T. Buksaitis, L. Lawrence, J. MacDonald, M. Kyte, K. Bell, J. Orr, P. Hauf, R. Isnor, J. Webber

**Regrets:** A. Beckett

1. The agenda was approved.
2. The minutes of April 11, 2017 and May 9, 2017 were approved.
3. President's Gala  
The 43<sup>rd</sup> annual President's Gala which recognizes the StFX donor community will be held June 17<sup>th</sup>. The three key recognitions are the ten year, twenty year and lifetime honours. The Advancement Department will be introducing an Annual Donor Report this June.
4. Annual Research Update  
PC reviewed the following aspects of research at StFX: External Research Funding and Trends, Internal Research Environment, Institutional Research Performance, Recent Research Efforts, and Priorities for the Future.
5. CEI and New Start Initiative  
The Nova Scotia Centre for Employment Innovation (CEI) will provide leadership, foster best practices, conduct research and encourage collaboration in the development and delivery of employment services across Nova Scotia. As part of the StFX Extension Department and working in partnership with government, service providers, community agencies and researchers, CEI will bring people and knowledge together to strengthen the quality and effectiveness of employment services across the province. CEI has also been selected to lead the Labour Market Attachment Program's design and implementation. It will support First Nations, African Nova Scotians, visible minorities, those receiving Employment Support/Income Assistance, persons with disabilities and workers over 55 years of age, in accessing sustainable employment.
6. Enrolment and Retention  
The scholarships acceptance pool is currently 525, on par with last year.

Respectfully submitted,  
L. Lawrence