

President's Council

Minutes

September 24, 2019

Present: K. Wamsley, M. Kyte, G. Cunningham, J. MacDonald, T. Hynes, K. Brebner, R. Isnor, T. Buksaitis, K. Bell, J. Orr, A. Fox, T. Boyle, L. DeLorey

Regrets: A. Beckett

1. a) The agenda was approved with an addition of item #12. The Jeannine Deveau Scholarship update – Jeff Orr and #13. Climate Change update – Kevin Wamsley
b) Upcoming Agenda items added; Open House; X-Ring; Homecoming Debriefing
2. The minutes of Sept 10, 2019 were approved with edits. (see attached)
3. No Business Arising from Minutes
4. President's Update
 - BMIG Grand Opening a huge success
 - Regional Partnership on Climate Change continues to take shape through ongoing discussions.
5. Academic Update
 - Recruitment having a positive year
 - Open House is scheduled for Oct 19. Discussion at next PC meeting
 - Tara reported now registration closed and the official numbers will be released soon with a positive trend.
6. Capital Projects / Student Services Update
 - Work on BMIG building continues
7. Advancement Update
 - Shanna Hopkins and Janine Linthorne delivered on upcoming Homecoming activities. Updated schedule will be sent out today
 - Murray discussed the success of the two BMIG Grand Opening events, Sept 18 & 21
8. Coady Update
 - Graduation of the current class at the Coady is this Friday.
 - There will be several new programs in 2020
9. Canada Research Chairs Equity, Diversity, Inclusion Action Plan
 - Richard discussed the Federal Gov't expanding guidelines of funding support based on current best practices

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10. Post baccalaureate – Business

- Todd reported on the proposal; Post baccalaureate Diploma in Enterprise IT Management, an innovative program in the Gerald Schwartz School with a focus on international students.

A motion was made by Dr. T Boyle to accept the Proposal as presented. (Seconded by J. Orr)

11. Jeannine Deveau Equity – Jeff Orr

- Jeff discussed the need to act NOW with a suggestion presented of forming a small group to facilitate the need to raise more funds

12. Climate Strike – Kevin Wamsley

- Friday is Climate Strike day. StFX will be releasing a statement

13. Other

- Bahamians supplies delivered to Dalhousie University, over 42K raised to date