President’s Council
Meeting Notes
February 2, 2016


Regrets: M. Kyte, J. Webber

Invited Guests: J. Fox, K. Kolanko, MJ MacLellan

1. Agenda approved.

2. The minutes from the January 5th and January 19th, 2016 meetings were approved as amended.

3. There were no business arising items.

4. Universities Canada
PC was provided with an update regarding meetings with Universities Canada.

5. Internal Charges
PC discussed internal charges and decided that K. MacDonald and A. Beckett would discuss and provide PC with a report at a future meeting.

6. Status on the Second Year Student Success Project
PC received a report on second year student retention. PC discussed students’ reasons for staying at StFX, the community code of conduct, academic averages, proactive outreach, academic advising and international students’ needs vs national students.

7. Closure of Campus Protocol
PC discussed the current process for school closures as well as a school closure policy as it relates to varsity games, class cancelations, security, study spaces and student safety.

8. Enrollment Update
PC received an update on enrollment numbers to date for each program. They discussed: targeted numbers, predicted enrollment rates, program and course names, recruiting events and call sessions.
9. Sexualized Violence Policy Update
PC received an update on the process for this policy. It will be presented for community feedback, go to Quality of Life Committee, then back to PC and to Senate in April. PC discussed education and awareness and sexualized violence training for students.

10. Spring Convocation
PC received an update on the 2016 spring Convocation weekend, including the Convocation Mass service and the Xaverian Farewell. PC discussed the timing, location and coordination of events and invitations.

11. Budget Pro- Forma and ERIP Updates
PC received an update noting that there were 21 participants in the ERIP. PC discussed strategically replacing positions, celebrating retirements and identifying long term future savings or expenses for each program.

12. Mulroney update
PC received an update on the two project proposals, one on energy savings and the other on the Institute of Government.

13. CUPE, NSGEU and UNIFOR Updates
PC was informed that the negotiations were complete and that all three contracts had been approved. Dr. MacDonald thanked everyone for their thoughtfulness toward staff.

14. Copyright Agreement
PC agreed that this needed to be shared with the Senate for information purposes in March.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:15.

Respectfully submitted,
L. Lawrence