

Minutes of the 9<sup>th</sup>  
Students' Association of Red Deer Polytechnic  
2021-2022 Council Meeting  
Monday, January 10, 2022

Present:

Savannah Snow, President	Brenan Fuiten, VP External
Fellicity Arndt, Councillor	Erin Bast, Councillor
Laura Beaveridge, Councillor	Marian Canas, Councillor
Khushpreet Grewal, Councillor	Jasmeen Kaur, Councillor
Lovejeet Kaur, Councillor	Asmi Multani, Councillor
Yssabelle Timbol, Councillor (arrived 5:50pm)	Kiara Welch, Councillor
Kindra Woodford, Councillor	Anne Marie Watson, Chairperson
Elizabeth Sweiger, Executive Director	Brittany Lausen, Secretary

Absent:

Shannon Humphrey, VP Academic (on leave)    Shairah Conde, Councillor (without notice)

**9.0      Call to Order**

A. Watson calls meeting to order at 5:38pm

**9.1      Approval of Agenda**

21-22-90-C

M. Canas, S. Snow

Motion: Approve Agenda as presented.

Carried.

**9.2      Council Election**

9.2.1    Elect E. Bast & L. Kaur to Council

21-22-91-C

K. Welch, F. Arndt

Motion: Elect E. Bast & L. Kaur to the 2021-2022 Students' Association Council.

Carried.

**9.3      Guests**

9.3.1    RDP 2022/2023 Tuition Presentation – J. Brinkhurst, K. Walkley (5:40pm)

J. Brinkhurst, RDP Interim President, K. Walkley, Manager Financial Something, and Kylie Thomas, Vice President Academic & Research attended Council to present tuition and Mandatory Non-Instructional fees for the 2022-2023 Academic year. The breakdown is as follows:

Credential Type	Billing Credit Change	Average Annual Impact (per full load)
Certificate	7.0% - 10.0%	\$234
Upgrading and Other	8.0% - 10.0%	\$220
Diploma	8.0% - 10.0%	\$331
Applied Degree and Professional Certificates	0.0% - 3.0%	\$185
Degree / University Transfer	9.0% - 10.0%	\$392
Apprenticeship	8.0% - 10.0%	\$86

**Mandatory Non-Instructional Fees:**

- Red Deer Polytechnic is currently reviewing the fee structure for the Facility, Service, and Technology Fee and is committed to no further increase
- Activity & Wellness Fee – unchanged at \$22/term
- International Student Health Insurance - \$100/annually
- Other Ancillary Fees – marginal increases between 1% - 3%

Following the presentation Council asked questions surrounding rationale and what certain fees covered. More information can be found here:

<https://rdpolytech.ca/apply-and-register/paying-school/fees>. Red Deer Polytechnic Senior Administration will meet with Students' Association Executive again on January 27<sup>th</sup> for follow up.

**9.3.2 RDP Values Presentation – K. Ruiz (7:00pm)**

K. Ruiz, RDP Planning and Reporting Specialist, & J. Aitchison, Director of Strategic Projects and Integrated Planning, shared RDP's strategic plan and new Values as RDP transitions into a Polytechnic. RDP's new proposed values are: Agility, Bravery, Connection, Discovery, & Empowerment. Council was asked to fill out a follow up survey to share their thoughts further. The survey will remain open until January 25<sup>th</sup>.

Break 7:07pm

Council Resumes 7:17pm

**9.4 Approval of Meeting Minutes**

**9.4.1 Approval of 2021-2022 Council Meeting Minutes #8**

21-22-92-C

K. Grewal, F. Arndt

Motion: Approve 2021-2022 Council Meeting Minutes #8 as presented.

Carried.

9.4.2 Approval of Executive Council Meeting Minutes #30-32

21-22-93-C

K. Welch, K. Woodford

Motion: Approve Executive Council Meeting Minutes #30-32 as presented.

Carried.

**9.5 Discussion**

9.5.1 Tuition Presentation

Council discussed the tuition presentation. Council would like to see a detailed breakdown of what each program will see for a tuition increase. The institution will share that when they receive more clarification from government.

9.5.2 Council Class Schedules

S. Snow requests Council to send their class schedules to B. Lausen. Council committees will start as soon as possible.

**9.6 New Business**

9.6.1 Bank Transfers

21-22-94-C

B. Fuiten, K. Welch

Motion: Transfer \$34,000 from the Interac Account to the Chequing Account, \$100,000 from the Savings Account to the Chequing Account, and \$50,000 from the Savings Account to the Payroll Account.

Carried.

9.6.2 GIC purchase

21-22-95-C

B. Fuiten, S. Snow

Motion: Approve the purchase of two GICs not to exceed \$250,000.

Carried

**9.7 Old Business**

**9.8 Executive Council, Council Committee and Other Reports**

9.8.1 Executive Council and Committee Reports

President – Savannah Snow

S. Snow will present to RDP's President Executive Council on January 31<sup>st</sup> about the Print on Site initiative in partnership with the library to reduce textbook costs for students. Cilantro & Chive dropped off an \$1102 cheque for donation to the Student Foodbank. S. Snow is looking for one more student to join Academic Council as a student member. S. Snow will be accepting resumes and meet with interested students.

VP External – Brenan Fuiten

B. Fuiten is working with K. Rose, Associate Registrar, to ensure that there is adequate student supports in place for the upcoming term regarding Academic Advising. B. Fuiten also met with K. Plastow, Dean of Students, to discuss Test Center shortages and Accessibility Services shortages.

#### 9.8.2 Operations Report – Liz Sweiger

The Students' Association received their Order in Council to be officially called the Students' Association of Red Deer Polytechnic. Students' Association office hours are 10am-3pm, Lift is open 7:30am-3pm, and the Farside is open 8am-3:30pm. E. Sweiger and S. Snow are continuing to work on the Master Agreement with the institution, they are optimistic that they will be able to finish before April 2022.

21-22-96-C

M. Canas, K. Welch

Motion: Accept Executive Council, Committee, and Operations Report as presented.  
Carried.

#### 9.9 Information

##### 9.9.1 Council End of Term Reports

##### 9.9.2 Alberta Tuition Framework

21-22-97-C

K. Woodford, B. Fuiten

Motion: Accept Information items as presented.  
Carried.

#### 9.10 Adjournment

21-22-98-C

F. Arndt, K. Welch

Motion: To adjourn at 8:04pm  
Carried.





Savannah Snow

President



Elizabeth Sweiger

Executive Director



Anne Marie Watson

Chairperson



Brittany Lausen

Secretary