

**Minutes of the Tenth
SARDP 2024-2025 Council Meeting
December 2nd, 2024**

Attendance:

Bridget Anderson – Councillor
Monique Auring – Councillor
Nicholas Baker – Councillor
Skarlette Bittorf – Councillor
Brienne Campbell – Vice President Academic
Azriel Handa – Councillor
Samuel Johannson – Councillor
Emmanuel Mustapha – Councillor

Yiri Olueh-Matimi – Councillor
Esther Owolagba – Councillor
Jacq Patterson – President
Tyler Rastovski – Councillor
Elizabeth Sweiger – Executive Director
Anne Marie Watson – Chairperson
Eli Wolters – Councillor
Marian Young – Secretary

Councillor Rastovski: left 7:16pm, returned 7:21pm
Councillor Bittorf: left 8:05pm, returned 8:07pm

**10.0 Call to Order
Call to order at 6:03pm**

10.1 Land Acknowledgment - Councillor Handa

10.2 Approval of Agenda

The updated agenda was sent out ahead of time. Addition of 10.5.3: President's Workplan, 10.6.1 Executive Compensation Proposal, 10.6.2 Council Start Times – Winter Term, and 10.11 Information (The items were there, but the title was not).

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Johannson, Handa

MOTION: Motion to approve the agenda as amended

CARRIED

10.3 Academic Council Interviews

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Anderson, Bittorf

MOTION: Motion to appoint Kyra Gamelin to the 2024 – 2025 Academic Council Student Caucus.

CARRIED

24-25-81-C

Rastovski, Wolters

MOTION: Motion to appoint Michael Beatty to the 2024 – 2025 Academic Council Student Caucus.

CARRIED

10.4 Approval of Meeting Minutes

10.4.1 Approval of 2024-2025 Council Meeting Minutes #9
24-25-81-C
Olueh-Matimi, Johannson
MOTION: Motion to approve the minutes of the 9th 2024 – 2025 Council meeting
CARRIED

10.4.2 Approval of 2024-2025 Executive Council Meeting Minutes #23 - 26
24-25-81-C
Mustapha, Owolagba
MOTION: Motion to approve the minutes of the 23rd through 26th 2024 – 2025
Council meeting
CARRIED

10.5 Discussion

10.5.1 Proposed Bylaw Changes: Note: No motion shall be made at this meeting, they will return for a motion at the next Council Meeting.

- Article 7: Executive Council
- Article 9: Student Groups

10.5.2 Proposed Policy – Governance Review Cycle: Note: No motion shall be made at this meeting; this will return for a motion at the next Council Meeting.

10.5.3 President’s Workplan
President Patterson went over the evolution of her work plan from its development in summer to late November. She highlighted the tasks she has accomplished since its inception and the projects she has shifted to.

10.3.4 Committee Attendance
The Executives discussed the lack of Committee attendance as well as the lack of uptake on accommodation measures that the Executives have offered for those who cannot attend meetings. Council was reminded that Committee Meeting attendance is a required part of their position, as per Bylaw.

10.6 New Business

10.6.1 Executive Compensation Proposal
President Patterson and Vice President Campbell left the room for this discussion.

ED Sweiger has noticed that President Patterson has been posting more hours than has previously been noted by Council since October 1st. ED Sweiger preposed a paid increase of 2.5 hours from 32.5 hours per week to 35 hours per week as of December 1st.

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Rossiter, Wolters

MOTION: Motion to increase President Patterson’s paid hours per week from 32.5 to 35 as of December 1st, 2024.

CARRIED

President Patterson abstained

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Johannson, Anderson

MOTION: Motion to increase President Patterson's posted hours per week to 30 hours per week as of January 1st, 2025.

CARRIED

President Patterson abstained

10.6.2 Council Start Times – Winter Term

Council Winter Start times will be 5:30pm as of January 1st, 2025.

10.7 Old Business

Proposed Policy Change: Code of Conduct Elected Official

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Handa, Rastovski

MOTION: Motion to adopt the proposed policy Code of Conduct Elected Official.

CARRIED

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Rastovski, Auring

MOTION: Motion to delete the Association policy Code of Conduct – Representatives.

CARRIED

10.8 Executive Council, Council Committee and Other Reports

Executive Council Reports:

President – J. Patterson

Vice President Academic – B. Campbell

Committee Reports:

Equity, Diversity, Inclusion, and Indigenization Committee – B. Campbell

Governance Review Committee - J. Patterson

Sustainable Development Goals Ad-hoc Committee – B. Campbell

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Johannson, Anderson

MOTION: Motion to accept the reports as presented.

CARRIED

10.9 In-Camera Session

10.10 Any Other Business

Please **do not** focus on individual issues. This is a time to raise large, encompassing issues. If you have, or have heard of, an individual issue that should be addressed, please connect with an Executive, the Executive Director, or

the Governance and Student Support Coordinator.

10.11 Information

10.11.1 Proposed Bylaw Changes (these will return for discussion at the next Council Meeting):

- Article 6: Student Association Council
- Article 7: Executive Council

10.11.2 Land Acknowledgement Schedule

10.11.3 December Calendar of Events


10.12 Adjournment

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Baker, Anderson

MOTION: Motion to adjourn at 8:42pm


CARRIED



Jacqu Patterson, President



Anne Marie Watson, Chairperson



Elizabeth Sweiger, Executive Director



Marian Young, Secretary



EXECUTIVE REPORT

Vice President Academic's Office

November 13th-November 26th

Academic Council (November 15th)

All student members were in attendance

As always, a lot came through this meeting of Academic Council. Before getting into the list of proposals, concerns were raised regarding minutes of the last AC meeting not accurately reflecting what had occurred during the election process of the Chair and Vice Chairs. AC requested that the minutes be adjusted accordingly and brought to the December 6th meeting for approval.

Now, things that came through and were carried include:

- Changes in the Social Work Diploma Program. These changes are related to field placements and ensuring that students can meet the required hours, with field placements beginning in the first term.
- Changes in the Visual Arts Diploma Program. There was a proposal to combine two one-credit courses into a larger three-credit course, along with the reinstatement of four sessions of ART 1101 Visiting Artist as a requirement.
- Changes in the Occupational and Physical Therapy Assistant Program. This is for added clarity surrounding technology requirements and information surrounding practicums.
- Changes in the Bachelor of Applied Arts in Animation and Visual Effects Program. The most comprehensive changes came from here. There was a program review conducted, and the proposed changes came because of the consultation. Overall, the adjustments aim to reduce workload of students in the program (from 144 credits to 120), expand applied learning opportunities, and readjusting courses based off gaps and needs. There was also the proposal for students in the program to enroll in an optional spring semester course which would allow continued access to the AVFX labs.

There's one policy – the Program Structure and Credentials Policy – that was tabled, as additional information may be needed in the document. Another policy – the Graduation and Completion Policy – was withdrawn.

OER & WIL (November 18th)

Attendance: Chad Flinn (Associate Vice President Academic)

Chad and I met to discuss the idea of a Work-Integrated Learning opportunity in relation to Open Educational Resources. He will be organizing a meeting comprised of a few individuals to flesh out what something like this could really look like. This meeting has been set for mid-January.

OER Champions Group (November 19th)



EXECUTIVE REPORT

Vice President Academic's Office

Attendance: Sona Macnaughton (Librarian), Andrea Johnston (Librarian), Kasey Fulton (Learning Designer), Charlene Jones (Manager, Flexible Learning and Technology Supports), Eli Wolters (Student Member; Council)

A call out for interest was sent to faculty/staff, as the faculty member who was with the group last year is no longer at RDP. There was a lot of positive reception, and the group has decided to invite all the interested individuals to meetings starting in the winter semester. A couple of questions will be sent to them to gauge thoughts on possible goals.

Eli gave a rundown on what course registration looks like from the perspective of a student, in respect to the markers of ZTC. The system is not intuitive with this, and the group will be looking at a few ways to approach and see if there is a way to adjust. We may hold some presentations for faculty.

Other Meetings & Events Attended

AC Student Caucus (November 15th)

EDII Committee (November 21st) – See Committee Report

Connect with Dean of Student (November 21st) – See President's Report

AC Executive Meeting (November 25th)

SDG Ad-Hoc Committee (November 25th) – See Workplan Goal #3 for Update

WORKPLAN UPDATE:

Goal 1: Permanent Indigenous Elder on campus

Updates: No updates currently.

Goal 2: Increase usage of Open Educational Resources (OER) for introductory-level courses

Updates: No updates currently.

Goal 3: Increase education and implementation of Sustainable Development Goals in decision-making process

Update: The SDG Ad-Hoc Committee had its first meeting on November 25th. Members were quizzed on their knowledge regarding the SDGs and were given a draft timeline of plans for the rest of the year (end of April). We are planning to send a survey out to department areas within the Association, as well as students. The survey for students is planned to go out in the Association's February newsletter. We will be meeting on December 9th to finalize the questions and timeline, and to discuss meetings for the winter semester.

Legend: Progress Neutral Halted



EXECUTIVE REPORT Presidents

November 18th – November 26, 2024

Coffee and Doughnuts with the Execs: November 18, 2024

The SA put on an event where students could meet the execs (president and VP Academic). This event was supposed to last a few hours, but we ran out of doughnuts in 15 minutes. The execs did help hand out the doughnuts while supplies lasted.

Alumni Association: November 19, 2024

This evening, we had the AGM where we voted new members into the board and reviewed the finances from 2023.

(I was unable to stay for the meeting as I had no childcare for that evening.)

Student's Association AGM: November 20, 2024

We read our reports to the membership, and Marian informed members about the new Land acknowledgement project.

The SA provided taco in a bag for all those who attended.

Long night Against Procrastination: November 20, 2024

The President with the street team attended the LNAP event in the library. We handed out Candy canes, popcorn, and pens to show our support.

Meeting with Dean of Students: November 21, 2024

During this meeting we discussed concerns around faculty not respecting accommodations set out by the accessibility team. We also discussed that centralization of services is still underway.

Campus Store Advisory Committee: November 21, 2024

Nothing to Report

From this point on, councillor Samuel Johannson will be sitting on this board to relive some pressures off executive council.

Governance Review Committee: November 26, 2024

We reviewed the policy proposal for the governance review cycle. We also reviewed Bylaw Article 6 & 7 which will be reviewed by council at the December 2, 2024, meeting.

Upcoming Meetings:

Meeting with the Dean of Indigenous Service

Meeting with FARDP



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WORKPLAN UPDATE:

Goal 1: Community relations

Updates: No update at this time.

Goal 2: Medicine garden

Updates: No update at this time.

Legend: Progress Neutral Lacked