

**Minutes of the Ninth
SARDP 2024-2025 Council Meeting
November 18th, 2024**

Attendance:

Bridget Anderson – Councillor
Monique Auring – Councillor
Nicholas Baker – Councillor
Skarlette Bittorf – Councillor
Brianna Campbell – Vice President Academic
Martin Cruz – Chairperson
Azriel Handa – Councillor

Samuel Johannson – Councillor
Emmanuel Mustapha – Councillor
Yiri Olueh-Matimi – Councillor
Esther Owolagba – Councillor
Jacq Patterson – President
Tyler Rastovski – Councillor
Marian Young – Secretary

Absent with notice:

Eli Wolters – Councillor
Elizabeth Sweiger – Executive Director

Absent without notice:

Makayla Rossiter – Councillor

Guests: Lindsey Engel, RDP Vice President Academic and Student Experience and Werner Beylefeld, RDP's Dean of International Education. Presenting on the Federal Government regulation changes and their effects on RDP.

8.0 Call to Order
Chairperson Cruz called the meeting to order at 6:00pm

8.1 Land Acknowledgment - Councillor Johannson

8.2 Approval of Agenda
Addition of Council Committee Report: EDII to 8.5

24-25-77-C
Johannson, Handa
MOTION: Motion to accept the agenda as amended.
CARRIED

8.3 Approval of Meeting Minutes
Approval of 2024-2025 Council Meeting Minutes #8
24-25-78-C
Anderson, Auring
MOTION: Motion to approve the minutes of the 8th 2024 – 2025 Executive Council Meeting.
CARRIED

8.4 New Business
8.4.1 Proposed Policy Change: Code of Conduct Elected Official
8.4.2 Annual General Meeting

8.5 Executive Council, Council Committee and Other Reports
Executive Council Reports
President – J. Patterson
Vice President Academic – B. Campbell



President's Report Jacq Patterson

November 3rd – November 28th, 2024

Thursday November 7th

International Services Meeting.

Please refer to VP Academic report

Tuesday November 12th, 2024

Metis Week Flag raising:

I had the privilege to attend the flag raising with Kirsten (Member Engagement Assistant) and give a speech to help open the week. I also attended the jigging event in the forum with Metis students.

Student Support:

Since Marian Young is away, I have had to step in to help direct students towards different supports

Thursday November 14th

Meeting with Dr. Ryan Flavelle to discuss new work plan.

Friday November 15th

Perspectives



President's Report Jacq Patterson

WORKPLAN UPDATE:

Goal 1: Community Connections

Updates: No update at this time.

Goal 2: Indigenous Garden

Updates:

Legend: Progress Neutral Failed



EXECUTIVE REPORT

Vice President Academic's Office

October 30th-November 12th

SDG Ad-Hoc Prep (November 6th)

Attendance: Marian Young (Governance & Student Support Coordinator)

Marian and I met to discuss the Sustainable Development Goals Ad-Hoc Committee. This was to explore and set a structure for what work the committee will be doing, set a proposed timeline, and determine how to ensure sufficient knowledge of the SDGs for committee members. The SDG Committee will be having its first meeting on November 25th.

Meeting with International (November 7th)

Attendance: Jacq Patterson (SARDP President), Werner Beylefeld (Dean, International Education)

This meeting is the first of us restarting monthly connect meetings between the SA and the International department on campus. During this meeting we discussed some concerns surrounding international students and levels of understanding and education on academic misconduct. We learned that the international department has supports in place for faculty: to enhance education for international students, and to address any concerns that may arise. Along with this, international students are required to take a course called "Foundations for Success", which covers a variety of topics that includes a section on Academic Culture.

We also discussed the study abroad opportunities that are available to students, as they are hosting an informational open house from November 12-15th, specifically regarding summer programs. There are a variety of options, and students are encouraged to stop by their Global Hub offices to learn more. We would also like to offer a reminder that students are welcome to utilize their space to sit and study, so long as the door is open.

Other Meetings & Events Attended

GRC Meeting (October 31st)

AC Executive Meeting (November 1st)

ASEC Board Meeting (November 7th)

Other Work & Updates

The bulk of work during this time has been focused on committees and getting different parts in place. Another aspect has been providing support to students under duress; ensuring that they have a safe space, safe person, and are aware of supports available on campus.

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



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Updates: After some feedback, we have received positive affirmation in the desire to pursue a Work Integrated Learning opportunity that relates specifically to OERs. The idea is to have a structure where students may work to develop an internal catalogue of OERs, which will assist the library in providing recommendations to faculty. There will be work done to organize meetings which will hopefully see this moved forward.

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

Updates: The SDG Ad-Hoc preparatory meeting doubles as an update on this workplan.

Legend: Progress Neutral Halted