

University College of the North

Minutes of the Learning Council

Date: Tuesday, October 22, 2024
 Time: 1:00 pm - 4:30 pm

The Pas Boardroom 132
 Thompson Boardroom 409
 Zoom: 699.627.8649



PRESENT		REGRETS	GUESTS/RESOURCES
K. Barr	D. Lauvstad	Dr. R. Neckoway	T. Pidskalny - Tri-Council Exec. Officer /President's Office Manager D. Williamson - Associate Dean, MMTL
C. Bignell	G. Melko	Dr. L. Plett	
H. Bryant	Dr. A. Oredegbe	H. Smith	
N. Constant	E. Paradis	Non-Voting/Ex-Officio	
J. Grant	Dr. S. Peter	D. Smith	
Dr. A. Hossain	M. Petricone	A. Roy	
Dr. T. Islam	D. Smeltzer	C. Woodson	
Dr. A. Kamal	Dr. G. Stott		
NON-VOTING / EX-OFFICIO		ABSENT	
A. Barbour-Stevenson	Dr. K. Hyde	E. Jebb	
J. Fitzpatrick		T. Weenusk	

1.0 UCN Traditional Territory Acknowledgement.

2.0 Opening Prayer
 A moment of reflection was provided.

3.0 Call to Order
 The meeting was called to order at 1:01 p.m. by Dr. Greg Stott.

4.0 Chairperson's Remarks
 Dr. Stott advised that he will Chair the meeting, and that Learning Council will be nominating a Chair and Vice-Chair.

5.0 Adoption of Agenda
 It was duly moved and seconded by K. Barr / M. Petricone
THAT the agenda for October 22, 2024, be accepted with the following additions:
 - Add Item 9.12 2024-2025 Fall Term Graduated List
This Motion was put to a vote and CARRIED

LC-10/22/24-5.0
 Adoption of Agenda

6.0 Acceptance of Minutes
June 11, 2024 – Meeting Minutes
 It was duly moved and seconded by N. Constant / T. Islam
THAT the minutes of June 11, 2024, be accepted as presented.
This Motion was put to a vote and CARRIED

LC-10/22/24-6.0
 Acceptance of
 Minutes June 11,
 2024

August 27/24, Meeting Minutes are included for information as quorum was not met.

7.0 Presentations

7.1 Nil

8.0 Business Arising**8.1 President's Report**

D. Lauvstad provided a written report and shared the following:

- There has been some expansion in terms of programming in the North: a Level One Carpentry Program is being offered in Norway House and an apprenticeship program in Heavy Duty Mechanics in Thompson.
- A Mine Readiness Program has been completed in Sagkeeng First Nation with great results including offers of employment for the students. There is a great CBC Radio interview that will be distributed.
- During Linkages UCN had opportunity to tour The Pas campus with the Deputy Minister of Conservation. They are looking at a new model and want to work with UCN on developing a co-op model that will allow students to get exposure to different opportunities.
- UCN has been invited by Colleges and Institutes Canada to speak on a few models we are using, including the Mine Readiness Training and the delivery of Health Care Training.
- The MMF is looking to discuss a Memorandum of Understanding with all Manitoba post-secondary institutions. This will look at how we develop good working relations and ensure that the history, context and an understanding of the Red River Metis, is part of all educational institutions.
- The Linkages Conference in The Pas was an overwhelming success. In total there were about 200 people that attended including several Deputy Ministers, senior government officials, MB Chamber of Commerce, industry, education, northern communities, etc. The intent is to bring all these sectors together to discuss northern economic development opportunities, and it is a great opportunity to showcase UCN and the impact of our work.
- Met with the Minister of Education and the Governing Council Board Chair to discuss issues and initiatives at UCN.
- There is an initiative with the provincial government where they are looking at the post-secondary governance legislation. A consultation process will take place as well.

8.1.1 VP Strategic Growth Activity Report

Received for information.

8.1.2 VP Indigenous Initiatives and Reconciliation Activity Report

Received for information.

8.1.3 VP Academic & Research Activity Report

The written report, and a verbal report was received for information.

8.1.4 VP Finance & Administration Activity Report

Received for information.

9.0 New Business**9.1 Election of Learning Council Chair**

The floor was opened for nominations.

Tariqul Islam nominated Selvin Peter. Selvin Peter accepted.

There were no further nominations.

Selvin Peter is appointed Chair of the Learning Council by acclamation, for a term of 1 year, to conclude June 30, 2025.

9.2 Election of Learning Council Vice-Chair

The floor was opened for nominations.

Tariqul Islam nominated Amzad Hossain. Amzad Hossain declined.
Selvin Peter nominated Michelle Petricone. Michelle Petricone accepted.

There were no further nominations.

Michelle Petricone is appointed Vice-Chair of the Learning Council by acclamation, for a term of 1 year, to conclude June 30, 2025.

9.3 Election of College Faculty Member to LC Executive Committee

There is a vacancy for 1 College Faculty Member to the LC Executive Committee. College Faculty members terms to LC Executive are equivalent to their term on Learning Council.

The floor was opened for nominations.

Selvin Peter nominated Norbert Constant. Norbert Constant accepted.

There were no further nominations.

Norbert Constant is appointed College Faculty representative on the Learning Council Executive Committee by acclamation, for a term to expire June 30, 2027.

9.4 LC Membership/Constituency, Dr. Keith Hyde

Learning Council discussed Dr. Keith Hyde's appointment as Interim Dean of FABS. Considerations:

- In the role of Dean, Dr. Hyde is an ex-officio member of the Learning Council and the LC Academic & Planning Committee.
- Dr. Hyde currently holds membership on the LC as a University Faculty Member, however, as per LC-01-01 would now fall under the constituency of Deans.
- LC-01-01 Item 3.02 states: Any voting member on leave for a term exceeding one year shall resign their office on the Learning Council.

It was duly moved and seconded by S. Peter / A. Oredogbe

THAT the Learning Council approve Dr. Hyde's leave, up to one year, from the UF membership on Learning Council.

This Motion was put to a vote and CARRIED

LC-10/22/24-9.4
LC Membership/
Constituency, Dr. Keith
Hyde

9.5 REAL Committee Member Ratification

A volunteer form for REAL committee was received and accepted by the REAL Committee Chair prior to the nomination period.

It was duly moved and seconded by A. Hossain / M. Petricone

THAT the Learning Council ratify the appointment of Pamela Scheveck, college faculty, to the LC REAL Committee for a term of 3 years, term ending June 30, 2027.

This Motion was put to a vote and CARRIED

LC-10/22/24-9.5
REAL Committee
Member Ratification

9.6 Ratification of Council of Elder members to LC Standing Committees

It was duly moved and seconded by S. Peter / N. Constant

THAT Learning Council ratify the following appointments:

Academic Planning Committee: Tim Mendel, for a term of 3 years, to conclude on June 30, 2027.

Appeals Committee: Margaret Head-Steppan, for a term of 3 years, to conclude on June 30, 2027.

Awards Committee: John Donovan (no term ends).

Curriculum & Standards Committee: Tim Mendel (no term ends).

Equity Committee: Margaret Head-Steppan (no term ends).

Research, Education & Learning Committee: Mervin Garrick, for a term of 3 years, to conclude on June 30, 2027.

This Motion was put to a vote and CARRIED

LC-10/22/24-9.6
Ratification of Council
of Elder members to LC
Standing Committees

9.7 LC Representative to Governing Council

It was duly moved and seconded by M. Petricone / K. Barr

THAT Learning Council appoint Selvin Peter to the UCN Governing Council for a term of one year to conclude on June 30, 2025, and THAT Michelle Petricone be appointed as the alternate.

LC-10/22/24-9.7
LC Representative to
Governing Council

9.8 Ratification of Governing Council Member to Learning Council

Learning Council was advised that Governing Council appointed Connie-Wyatt-Anderson as the Governing Council representative to Learning Council.

It was duly moved and seconded by K. Barr / E. Paradis

THAT the Learning Council ratify the appointment of Connie Wyatt-Anderson as the Governing Council Representative on Learning Council for a term of 2-years, July 1, 2024, to June 30, 2026.

This Motion was put to a vote and CARRIED

LC-10/22/24-9.8
Ratification of
Governing Council
Member to Learning
Council

9.9 Learning Council Member Ratification

Learning Council reviewed the submission included in the meeting package.

It was duly moved and seconded by N. Constant / D. Smeltzer

THAT the Learning Council ratifies the appointments of Melanie Belmore and Pamela Scheveck, college faculty, to Learning Council, with term start November 1, 2024, and end June 30, 2027.

This Motion was put to a vote and CARRIED

LC-10/22/24-9.9
Learning Council
Member Ratification

9.10 LC Standing Committees Member Ratification

Learning Council reviewed the submission and noted that there were more nominations received for the REAL Committee than vacancies. The committee reviewed the Nominations/Elections Procedures and recommended Jennie Wastesicoot.

It was duly moved and seconded by D. Smeltzer / S. Peter

THAT the Learning Council ratifies the following appointments to Learning Council Standing Committees:

The Awards Committee:

Christine Enns, college faculty, 3-year term, November 1, 2024 - June 30, 2027

Leslie McGinnis, member at large, 2-year term, November 1, 2024 - June 30, 2026

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LC Standing
Committees Member
Ratification

The Research, Education and Learning Committee:

Jennie Wastesicoot, university faculty, 3-year term, November 1, 2024 - June 30, 2027.

This Motion was put to a vote and CARRIED

9.11 Briefing Note: International Education Pilot Program Update

Received for information.

9.12 2024-2025 Fall Term Graduand List

Learning Council reviewed the graduand list as presented.

It was duly moved and seconded by K. Barr / A. Oredgebe

THAT the Learning Council approve the fifteen Indigenous & Northern Counselling Skills graduands, and the one Bachelor of Arts Graduand, as presented.

This Motion was put to a vote and CARRIED

LC-10/22/24-9.12
2024-2025 Fall Term
Graduand List

10.0 Learning Council Committee Reports – for information

10.1 Executive Committee Report - No Report Received

10.2 Academic Appeals Committee Report - No Report Received

10.3 Academic Planning Committee Report - Received for Information

10.4 Awards Committee Report - Received for Information

10.5 Curriculum & Standards Committee Report - Received for Information

10.6 Equity Committee Report - No Report Received

10.7 Library Committee Report - No Report Received

10.8 Research Education & Learning Committee Report - No Report Received

11.0 Tri-Council Reports

11.1 Council of Elders - Elder Tommy Weenusk

No report was received.

11.2 Governing Council - Vacancy

No report was received.

11.3 Student Report

11.3.1 Vacancy, Thompson Campus
No report.

11.3.2 Vacancy, The Pas Campus
No report.

11.3.3 Vacancy, Regional Centre
No report.

Action: T. Pidskalny will distribute Student Nomination process to Learning Council members.

12.0 Roundtable

Received for information.

- H. Bryant advised that a review of UCN's Convocation dates is underway, and if there are recommended changes it will be brought forward through the proper channels, to Learning Council.
- G. Stott thanked all Learning Council members, and those that are on the standing

committees. It is very important work and necessary to the functioning of UCN.

13.0 Adjournment/Closing Prayer

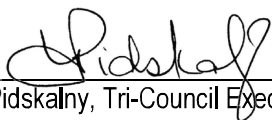
Closing Prayer was offered by Dr. Keith Hyde.

Meeting was adjourned at 2:01 p.m. by A. Hossain.
Next Learning Council Meeting: December 10, 2024.

Motion to Adjourn

14.0 Information and Correspondence

Received for Information.



T. Pidskalny, Tri-Council Executive Officer

December 10, 2024

Dated



Dr. S. Peter, Learning Council Chair

December 10, 2024

Dated