

University College of the North

Minutes of the Learning Council

Date: Tuesday, October 26, 2021
 Time: 1:00 pm - 4:30 pm
 Zoom: 699.627.8649
 Teleconference: 1-866-279-1594
 Participant Code: 668739



PRESENT		REGRETS	GUESTS/RESOURCES
Dr. J. Atoyebi Dr. A. Barbour-Stevenson H. Briggs T. Islam Dr. Y. Kong (V. Chair) B. Kruk D. Lauvstad K. Laybolt K. Laycock	Dr. A. Malik N. McKenzie G. Melko Dr. A. Oredogbe R. Penner L. Plett B. Schaffer H. Smith	Dr. K. Atnikov T. Bell-Tulman J. Fitzpatrick Dr. D. Smith Dr. G. Stott	T. Pidskalny - Tri-Council Exec. Officer /President's Office Manager Candace Bignell - Academic Advisor, Thompson Campus
NON-VOTING / EX-OFFICIO		ABSENT	
D. Dalcanale	G. Guiboche Dr. V. Zeran	Dr. A. Crowe D. Nisbet	E. Jebb

1.0 **UCN Traditional Territory Acknowledgement.**

2.0 **Opening Prayer**
Offered by Elder Bill Schaffer.

3.0 **Presentations**

3.1 Nil

4.0 **Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 1:03 pm by LC Vice-Chair, Y. Kong.

5.0 **Chairperson's Remarks**

Vice-Chairperson's remarks received for information.

6.0 **Adoption of Agenda**

It was duly moved and seconded by B. Schaffer / J. Atoyebi

THAT the agenda for October 26, 2021 be accepted with the following revisions:

- Addition of Item 9.2.4 Request for New Course, MGT.3xxx Data Analytics
- Removal of Item 9.1.5 Council of Elder Member to LC Awards Committee

This Motion was put to a vote and CARRIED

LC-10/26/21-6.0
Adoption of Agenda

7.0 **Acceptance of Minutes**

7.1 **August 24, 2021 – Meeting Minutes**

It was duly moved and seconded by K. Laycock / H. Briggs

THAT the minutes of August 24, 2021 be accepted as presented.

This Motion was put to a vote and CARRIED

LC-10/26/21-7.1
Acceptance of Minutes
August 24, 2021

8.0 **Business Arising**

8.1 **President's Report**

President's Report received for information.

8.2 **VPAR's Report**

VPAR's Report received for information.

9.0

New Business9.1 **Learning Council & LC Standing Committee Ratifications**

9.1.1 Election of Learning Council Chair

The floor was opened for nominations.

H. Smith nominated A. Barbour-Stevenson. A. Barbour-Stevenson declined.

The election of Learning Council Chair was unsuccessful.

The floor was opened for nominations of a Co-Chair, to share the duties of Chair, with Y. Kong, LC Vice-Chair, for the term.

J. Atoyebi nominated G. Stott. G. Stott accepted via email.

A. Malik nominated J. Atoyebi. J. Atoyebi declined.

No further nominations. G. Stott appointed LC Co-Chair by acclamation.

G. Stott and Y. Kong will serve as LC Co-Chairs for a one-year term.

9.1.2 Appointment of One Academic Advisor to Learning Council

It was duly moved and seconded by A. Barbour-Stevenson / K. Laycock

THAT the Learning Council Learning Council ratify Candace Bignell, Academic Advisor, Thompson Campus, to Learning Council, for a term of two years to commence November 1, 2021 to conclude June 30, 2023.

This Motion was put to a vote and CARRIED

LC-10/26/21-9.1.2
Appointment of One
Academic Advisor to
Learning Council

9.1.3 Learning Council Member Ratifications

On September 24, 2021 Learning Council Executive placed a call for Nominations for the following:

- 7 college faculty, term November 1, 2021 to June 30, 2024.

Nominations ceased on October 1, 2021 and no nominations were received.

9.1.4 Learning Council Standing Committee Member Ratifications

It was duly moved and seconded by K. Laycock / A. Barbour-Stevenson **THAT** the Learning Council ratify the following appointments to the LC Standing Committees:

The Awards Committee

Amzad Hossain, UF, 3-year term November 1, 2021 to June 30, 2024.

The Equity Committee

Amzad Hossain, UF, 3-year term November 1, 2021 to June 30, 2024.

The Research, Education and Learning Committee

Ethel Nyabeze, MAL, 2-year term November 1, 2021 to June 30, 2023.

This Motion was put to a vote and CARRIED

LC-10/26/21-9.1.4
Learning Council
Standing Committee
Member Ratifications

9.1.5 Council of Elder Member to LC Awards Committee

Item removed from Agenda.

9.2 **CSC Submissions**

9.2.1 Deletion of Policy: AC-03-07 JBN Professional Unsuitability

It was duly moved and seconded by H. Briggs / B. Schaffer

THAT the Learning Council approve the Deletion of Policy: AC-03-07 JBN Professional Unsuitability, as presented.

This Motion was put to a vote and CARRIED

LC-10/26/21-9.2.1
Deletion of Policy: AC-
03-07 JBN Professional
Unsuitability

- 9.2.2** New Course Request, SOC.3xxx Sociology of Health and Illness
It was duly moved and seconded by A. Malik / J. Atoyebi
THAT the Learning Council approve the New Course Request, SOC.3xxx Sociology of Health and Illness, as presented.

LC-10/26/21-9.2.2
New Course Request,
SOC.3xxx Sociology of
Health and Illness

This Motion was put to a vote and CARRIED

- 9.2.3** Request for Program Change, SOC.3xxx Sociology of Health and Illness
It was duly moved and seconded by T. Islam / A. Oredogbe
THAT the Learning Council approve the Request for Program Change, SOC.3xxx Sociology of Health and Illness, as presented.

LC-10/26/21-9.2.3
Request for Program
Change, SOC.3xxx
Sociology of Health and
Illness

This Motion was put to a vote and CARRIED

- 9.2.4** New Course Request, MGT.3xxx Data Analytics
It was duly moved and seconded by A. Barbour-Stevenson / J. Atoyebi
THAT the Learning Council approve the New Course Request, MGT.3xxx Data Analytics, as presented.

LC-10/26/21-9.2.4
New Course Request,
MGT.3xxx Data
Analytics

This Motion was put to a vote and CARRIED

9.3 Policy Review

- 9.3.1** Policy AC-02-05 Adjunct Appointment
It was duly moved and seconded by K. Laycock / H. Briggs
THAT the Learning Council approve Policy AC-02-05 Adjunct Appointment, as presented.

LC-10/26/21-9.3.1
Policy AC-02-05
Adjunct Appointment

This Motion was put to a vote and CARRIED

- 9.3.2** Policy AC-02-06 Senior Scholar Appointment
It was duly moved and seconded by H. Briggs / H. Smith
THAT the Learning Council approve Policy AC-02-06 Senior Scholar Appointment, as presented.

LC-10/26/21-9.3.2
Policy AC-02-06 Senior
Scholar Appointment

This Motion was put to a vote and CARRIED

- 9.3.3** Policy AC-02-07 Emeritus/Emerita Appointment
It was duly moved and seconded by H. Briggs / J. Atoyebi
THAT the Learning Council approve Policy AC-02-07 Emeritus/Emerita Appointment, as presented.

LC-10/26/21-9.3.3
Policy AC-02-07
Emeritus/Emerita
Appointment

This Motion was put to a vote and CARRIED

9.4 ENG (FABS) Area Concerns Re: Academic Freedom

Received for Information. H. Briggs addressed the areas of concern as relayed regarding the discussion paper distributed to Faculty.

10.0 Learning Council Committee Reports

- 10.1 Executive Committee Report** - No Report Received
10.2 Academic Appeals Committee Report - No Report Received
10.3 Academic Planning Committee Report - Report Received for Information
10.4 Awards Committee Report - Report Received for Information
10.5 Curriculum & Standards Committee Report - No Report Received
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 – B. Schaffer**

Verbal report received for information.

The Council of Elders will meet Wednesday, November 24/21.

11.2 Governing Council – D. Nesbit

The Governing Council will meet Thursday, November 25/21.

11.3 Student Report**11.3.1 Nicole McKenzie, The Pas Campus**

Student Report received for information. The report included the following:

- Generally, students are looking forward to in-class learning. Others have adapted well to online learning.
- Have not received complaints from students regarding any requirements put in place by UCN with return to campus. Proof of vaccination and ID allow students to feel safe returning to a classroom environment.
- Concerns have been raised by some students regarding lack of communication with instructors. Discussion included contacting the Dean for follow up if students are not getting responses from instructors.

11.3.2 Kelly Laybolt, Thompson Campus

Student Report received for information. The report included the following:

- Emailed several students requesting feedback to include in the student report, and unfortunately did not receive any response. Communication (response to emails), may improve as a return to campus takes place.

12.0 Roundtable

Received for information.

- TRC Gathering will be held March 9 & 10, 2022 in The Pas, MB.
- Week of January 4/22 UCN will be recognizing Ribbon Shirt/Ribbon Skirt through different events.

13.0 Adjournment/Closing Prayer

Closing Prayer was offered by Bill Schaffer.

Meeting was adjourned at 2:29 p.m. by J. Atoyebi.

The next Learning Council meeting will take place on December 7/21 at 8:30 a.m.

Motion to Adjourn

14.0 Information and Correspondence

Received for Information.



T. Pidskalny, Tri-Council Executive Officer



Dr. Y. Kong, Learning Council Vice-Chair

December 7, 2021

Dated

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