

*Attendance: J. Kalra (Chair). See Appendix A for listing of members in attendance.*

Jonathan Kaplan and Edward Kaplan presented a tribute to their father David Kaplan, Professor Emeritus of the Department of Music.

The chair called the meeting to order at 2:35 p.m., observing that quorum had been attained.

1. Adoption of the agenda

KALYNCHUK/KROL: To adopt the agenda as circulated.

CARRIED

2. Opening remarks

Dr. Kalra welcomed all members and visitors in attendance and recognized the presence of Lee Ahenakew, vice-chair of the Board of Governors. The chair also introduced Rajat Chakravarty, president elect of the Graduate Students' Association (GSA) and GSA executive members David Bennett, vice president finance elect and Natalia Terekhova, vice president external elect. The chair provided the usual procedures for debate and discussion.

Elizabeth Williamson, university secretary, announced that Dr. Kalra had been re-elected by acclamation to a further two-year term as chair until June 30, 2017 and expressed her pleasure at continuing to work with Dr. Kalra over his term.

3. Guest presentation by Professor Emeritus Stuart Houston in recognition of the 20<sup>th</sup> year of Council: The Honorable Sylvia Fedoruk, Saskatchewan's Leading Lady

The chair introduced Stuart Houston, author and professor emeritus of the Department of Medical Imaging and Radiology, and welcomed guests Audrey Siemens, Merle Massey, chancellor emerita Peggy McKercher, and Matt Dalzell, Communications Manager of the Sylvia Fedoruk Canadian Centre for Nuclear Innovation. Dr. Houston expressed his pleasure at providing a personal and informal tribute to Professor Emerita and former Lieutenant Governor Sylvia Fedoruk. Sharing personal anecdotes and photographs, Dr. Houston relayed Dr. Fedoruk's numerous academic and athletic accomplishments, personal attributes, and many awards and honours, including Dr. Fedoruk's induction into the prestigious Canadian Medical Hall of Fame.

4. Minutes of the meeting of March 19, 2015

There was one correction to the minutes, to replace "Tri-council" with "Tri-agency" in the first sentence of the last paragraph on page 5 of the Council agenda package.

KALYNCHUK/LABRECQUE: That the Council minutes of March 19, 2015 be approved as amended.

CARRIED

#### 4.1 Business from the minutes

The chair made note of two items arising from the minutes: A question of Karen Chad, vice-president research in reference to the Tri-agency Open Access Policy on Publications and a question directed to the president regarding the university's recent marketing campaign, "Knowledge is beautiful."

Dr. Chad indicated the policy question related to how the university would comply with the Tri-agency Open Access policy to make grant results known to researchers. In response, she reported that the new UnivRS system would accommodate the policy requirements and enable researchers to access the results of grant funding at no financial cost. She committed to keeping Council informed as each stage of the UnivRS system unfolds to the university community.

Dr. Barnhart, interim president spoke of the value of the marketing and advertisements the university is placing under the theme, "Knowledge is beautiful." He indicated that his understanding was that the question was whether it was necessary to have such a campaign when there are faculty members able to spread the good work of the university at conferences and through other venues. He acknowledged that the university very much relies on the efforts of faculty members to attract new faculty members and students, but that advertisements also spread the work of the university. When a reputational survey is done, it is difficult for respondents to provide an opinion if they have no recognition at all of the U of S. The ads of the current campaign have been placed in the *Star Phoenix*, *The Globe and Mail*, in airports, on billboards, and extensively in Calgary as part of a recent campaign in that city. Having just returned from Calgary after meeting with alumni and guidance counselors there, he personally noted the value of the current marketing campaign in influencing students to attend the U of S.

#### 5. Report of the President

The president congratulated Dr. Kalra on his election as chair and recalled to members Dr. Kalra's perfect attendance record as chair at Council meetings over the past four years. Dr. Barnhart also expressed his own personal sadness at the passing of Dr. Kaplan.

With respect to his written report, the president highlighted three key points: the university's support of transgender students as evidenced by the recent flag-raising ceremony in Convocation Hall at the outset of Transgender Awareness week; the re-thinking of Kenderdine Campus and request for proposals to establish a private partnership to renew the campus at Emma Lake and to request that SaskPower rebuild the power line to the site; and the official opening and sod-turning ceremony for the new childcare centre, which will double the number of childcare spaces on campus. As the tendered contract for the childcare facility was \$217,000 lower than expected, the saved funds will be used to support adding additional spaces to the USSU childcare facility in the Williams Building.

Comments and questions were invited. A Council member requested that if Kenderdine campus is renewed that it hold future educational opportunities for university students, noting the campus was central to the training of Biology students in field studies and its loss is experienced with regret. The president expressed that he was very much aware of the significance of the campus to the fine arts and the sciences and that he had spent time on the campus this past August.

## 6. Report of the Provost

Ernie Barber, provost and vice-president academic expressed his pleasure at announcing this year's recipients of the Provost's Teaching Awards as reported in his written report. A public ceremony will be held to recognize award winners. He invited Council members to join him at that time in offering congratulations to recipients or to offer their own personal congratulations to award winners. There were no questions of the provost.

## 7. Report of the VP Research

Dr. Chad thanked Council for the opportunity to present a report on the university's innovation agenda, recalling this was the second year she had reported to Council in this manner. She indicated that in June she would provide her overall written report to Council summarizing the year's activities of her office.

The report highlights the establishment of the Canada First Research Excellence Fund, a 1.5 billion-dollar investment launched in December 2014, with two competitions in 2015. The university submitted the proposal "Designing Crops for Global Food Security" to the first competition in March. The results will be announced in July. Submissions to the second competition are due in October, and Dr. Chad indicated a process is being developed to invite participants at the university to be engaged in the next and future competitions.

Dr. Chad reported on the first in a series of research cafés held the day prior. The cafés are hosted to incubate ideas and provide cross-collaboration and mentorship across various fields of research. The intent is to have many cafés throughout the year. There are thematic cafés and cafés open to any idea.

A series of photographic and other images from the recent "Images of Research" competition launched this spring were displayed. In response to a call for entries, there were 90 entries from across 10 schools and colleges in various entry categories, including: viewers' choice, from the field, more than meets the eye, community and impact, research in action, and grand prize winner. Dr. Chad recognized Thomas Onion, strategic projects specialist for his creativity and contributions to the inaugural competition.

The chair invited questions of Dr. Chad and discussion of her report. A Council member spoke in favour of the research cafés and inquired how she might find out when these are held, as she had no knowledge of the most recent café. Dr. Chad indicated that notices are placed on the university website and that the associate deans of research, the deans of colleges, and the executive directors of schools were sent a notice with the request to distribute it widely. She committed to enhance the distribution and also to distribute a schedule for the year, which would identify the café topics in advance.

## 8. Student societies

### 8.1 Report from the USSU

Desirée Steele, USSU vice-president academic, presented the USSU Tuition Consultation Report, which has as its basis that consultation with students on tuition rate changes continue to occur due to the fundamental importance of tuition costs to the student body. The report relays the degree to

which students were consulted over the past year and suggests areas for improvement and best practices. The report is based on input from student representatives, including presidents of college societies and members of the USSU Student Council. On behalf of the USSU, Ms. Steele urged all associate deans, deans, executive directors, students and student representatives, the Institutional Planning and Assessment Office, and the Board of Governors to do their best to ensure that consultation on tuition with students becomes a firmly-held tradition.

The USSU Excellence Awards were made at a gala event on March 29. Ms. Steele asked that any former award recipients of USSU Teaching Excellence Awards stand to be recognized. Ms. Steele also recognized Jamie Labrecque, student Council member, who was the recipient of a student excellence award recognizing her contributions.

In closing her remarks, Ms. Steele congratulated the incoming USSU executive and expressed her confidence in their abilities. She thanked Dr. Kalra for his consistent regard in thanking and welcoming students; Ms. Williamson and her staff for their support; and Council members and fellow student councilors, who inspired her with their vision of a better University of Saskatchewan. On behalf of Council, Dr. Kalra also thanked Ms. Steele and wished her the best in her future endeavours.

## 8.2 Report from the GSA

There was no report from the Graduate Students' Association.

## 9. Planning and priorities committee

Professor Lisa Kalynchuk, chair of the planning and priorities committee presented the report to Council.

### 9.1 Report for information: Institutional Priorities

Dr. Kalynchuk noted the purpose of the report was to update Council on the ongoing discussion with priority leaders about the eight institutional priorities identified for action this year. The report focuses primarily on four of the eight priorities, as discussed at a committee meeting with priority leaders on February 25. The meeting was informative and productive, and she thanked leaders for meeting with the committee. The committee previously met and discussed the other four institutional priorities with priority leaders and will report to Council more fully in the future on these as discussion continues. Examples of engagement with these priorities includes meeting with the acting dean of the College of Graduate Studies and Research about the option of keeping the college as an academic unit versus transitioning it to an office, and a future meeting planned with the dean of Medicine about the accreditation visit scheduled from May 10-12.

The report includes the terms of reference for the low-enrolment subcommittee struck as a joint committee of the planning and priorities committee and the academic priorities committee. The subcommittee's work will be to examine low-enrolment programs and courses and to update the policy document on viable enrolments approved by Council in 2007. Professor Kalynchuk emphasized that the work of the subcommittee will focus on general principles and broad issues and will not examine or make specific recommendations on small programs. The subcommittee will also develop guidelines to deans and associate deans for the consideration and management of low-enrolment programs and courses. The subcommittee will investigate how low-enrolment programs at other institutions are managed and consult with the academic deans and department heads. In

addition the subcommittee will speak with undergraduate and graduate students about their experiences in low-enrolment programs. The subcommittee will submit its report to Council at the conclusion of its work.

A Council member requested that the 2007 report on viable enrolments be provided to members, and Professor Kalynchuk committed to circulating the report.

## 10. Academic programs committee

Professor Roy Dobson, chair of the academic priorities committee presented the report to Council.

### 10.1 Request for decision: Program termination – International Business Administration Certificate

Professor Dobson outlined that the International Business Administration Certificate (IBAC) program was established in 2009 as a pathway for those students who did not qualify for direct entry to the Bachelor of Commerce program. The certificate program was to be delivered in part at St. Peter's College. For various reasons, including the program location, the enrolment uptake anticipated in the program never transpired.

DOBSON/KROL: That Council approve the termination of the International Business Administration Certificate, effective May 1, 2015.

CARRIED

### 10.2 Request for decision: College of Education Direct Admission

Professor Dobson indicated the direct-admission option to the Bachelor of Education program was proposed to allow the College of Education to be competitive with other teacher education programs in the province; to guide teacher candidates in developing reflective pedagogy; to strengthen alumni connections to the college; and to align teacher candidates early on in their program with teaching areas that are currently in demand. Approval of the decision will result in students being fully within the College of Education during their four-year B.Ed. program, including during years one and two while they acquire subject content knowledge outside the college, primarily through the completion of 60 credit units delivered by the College of Arts and Science. There will be no adjustment in operating funding to either college, aside from an increase to the College of Education for the additional student advising positions required as a result of the change.

DOBSON/KROL: That Council approve the College of Education's proposal for a direct admission option, effective September 1, 2016.

CARRIED

## 11. Joint committee on chairs and professorships

### 11.1 Request for decision: Fedoruk Chair of Radiopharmacy

Jim Basinger, associate vice-president research presented the report. The report requests the approval of the Fedoruk Chair of Radiopharmacy in the College of Pharmacy and Nutrition as an enhancement chair. The chair is supported by a contribution from the Sylvia Fedoruk Canadian Centre for Nuclear Innovation. The efforts of the chair incumbent will be to develop new nuclear

probes in the diagnosis and treatment of cancer. At the end of the five-year term of the chair, the incumbent will be recruited to a tenure-track position within the college.

BASINGER/SINGH: That Council authorize the Board to establish a Fedoruk Chair of Radiopharmacy.

CARRIED

12. Other business

There was no other business.

13. Question period

There were no questions.

14. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned by motion (B. BRENNNA/SENECAL) at 3:47 p.m.

COUNCIL ATTENDANCE 2014-15

Voting Participants

Name	Sept 18	Oct 23	Nov 20	Dec 18	Jan 22	Feb 26	Mar 19	Apr 16	May 21	June 18
Albritton, William	P	P	P	R	R	R	R	R		
Allen, Andy	NYA	P	P	P	R	P	R	P		
Arcand, Jaylynn	P	P	A	R	P	P	P	R		
Barber, Ernie	P	R	P	R	P	R	P	P		
Barnhart, Gordon	P	P	R	P	R	P	P	P		
Barrett, Jennifer	NYA	NYA	NYA	A	A	A	A	A		
Barth, Katrina	NYA	NYA	NYA	A	A	A	A	A		
Bartley, William	P	P	P	A	P	P	P	R		
Baxter-Jones, Adam	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P		
Bilson, Beth	NYA	R	P	P	R	P	P	R		
Bonham-Smith, Peta	P	R	R	P	P	P	P	P		
Bradley, Michael	P	A	A	A	P	P	R	P		
Brenna, Bev	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P		
Brenna, Dwayne	P	P	P	P	P	R	R	P		
Brown, William	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	R		
Buhr, Mary	R	P	P	P	R	R	P	R		
Butler, Lorna	R	R	R	P	R	R	P	P		
Calvert, Lorne	R	P	P	R	P	R	P	P		
Chang, Gap Soo	P	P	P	P	P	R	R	P		
Cheng, Hongming	P	P	P	P	P	R	A	P		
Chibbar, Ravindra	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P		
Crowe, Trever	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P		
Day, Moira	P	P	P	R	P	P	R	P		
de Boer, Dirk	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P		
D'Eon, Marcel	NYA	P	P	P	P	P	P	R		
DesBrisay, Gordon	P	P	P	P	R	R	R	P		
Dick, Rainer	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P		
Dobson, Roy	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P		
Eberhart, Christian	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A		
Ervin, Alexander	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P		
Findlay, Len	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	R		
Flynn, Kevin	R	P	A	A	A	P	P	R		
Freeman, Doug	R	R	P	R	R	R	P	R		
Gabriel, Andrew	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A		
Gobbett, Brian	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A		
Gray, Richard	P	P	P	P	R	A	P	P		
Greer, Jim	P	A	R	R	R	R	R	R		
Gyurcsik, Nancy	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P		
Haines, Aleina	A	A	A	P	R	R	R	A		
Hamilton, Murray	P	P	P	A	P	R	P	P		
Harrison, Liz	R	P	R	R	P	P	P	R		
Havele, Calliopi	P	A	P	R	A	A	A	A		
Hayes, Alyssa	A	P	P	P	P	A	P	P		
Huywan, Zachary	P	P	P	A	P	A	P	A		
Iron, Monica	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	A		
Jamali, Nadeem	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	R		
James-Cavan, Kathleen	P	P	R	P	P	P	R	R		
Johnstone, Jill	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P		
Jones, Kirsten	R	P	R	R	P	P	P	R		
Jones, Marina	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A		
Julien, Richard	A	A	A	P	P	P	A	A		
Kalagnanam, Suresh	NYA	NYA	NYA	P	P	P	R	P		
Kalra, Jay	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P		
Kalynchuk, Lisa	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P		
Khandelwal, Ramji	P	P	P	P	P	R	P	P		

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Kipouros, Georges	P	R	P	P	P	P	R	R		
Klaassen, Frank	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P		
Krol, Ed	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P		
Kuhlmann, Franz-Viktor	R	P	P	R	R	R	R	R		
Labrecque, Jamie	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P		
Langhorst, Barbara	R	P	R	R	P	R	R	R		
Larre, Tamara	R	P	P	R	P	P	P	P		
Li, Wendy	R	R	A	A	P	P	P	P		
Lin, Yen-Han	R	P	A	P	A	R	R	P		
Lindemann, Rob	A	A	A	A	A	A	P	A		
Makarova, Veronika	P	P	P	P	A	P	P	P		
Marche, Tammy	P	P	R	P	R	P	P	P		
Martz, Lawrence	P	P	P	R	P	P	R	P		
Meda, Venkatesh	P	P	P	A	A	P	A	P		
Muri, Allison	P	P	P	P	P	A	P	P		
Nickerson, Michael	A	A	P	A	A	P	A	P		
Noble, Bram	P	R	A	R	R	A	A	A		
Ogilvie, Kevin	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A		
Paige, Matthew	P	P	P	P	P	P	A	P		
Parkinson, David	P	R	P	P	P	P	R	R		
Prytula, Michelle	A	P	P	R	P	R	R	R		
Pywell, Rob	P	P	P	P	P	P	R	P		
Racine, Louise	P	R	P	P	P	P	P	P		
Radomske, Dillan	R	R	P	P	A	P	A	A		
Rangacharyulu, Chary	P	R	A	P	R	R	R	A		
Robertson, Jordan	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P		
Rodgers, Carol	P	R	P	P	P	P	P	R		
Roesler, Bill	P	P	P	R	R	R	P	A		
Sarjeant-Jenkins, Rachel	R	P	R	P	P	P	P	P		
Senecal, Gabe	A	P	A	P	P	P	P	P		
Singh, Jaswant	P	P	P	A	R	P	P	P		
Smith, Preston	R	P	P	P	P	P	P	R		
Solose, Kathleen	P	P	P	R	P	P	P	P		
Soltan, Jafar	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	NYA	R	P		
Still, Carl	R	R	P	R	P	A	R	P		
Stoicheff, Peter	P	R	R	P	P	P	P	R		
Taras, Daphne	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P		
Tyler, Robert	P	P	R	P	R	P	P	P		
Uswak, Gerry	R	R	R	P	P	P	P	R		
Van Kessel, Andrew	A	A	R	A	A	A	A	A		
Vlahu, Izabela	P	P	P	P	P	A	P	A		
Waldram, James	P	P	R	P	P	P	P	P		
Walker, Keith	P	R	R	P	R	R	R	P		
Walley, Fran	P	R	P	R	R	P	P	R		
Wang, Hui	P	P	P	P	R	A	A	A		
Wasan, Kishor	-	R	P	P	R	P	P	R		
Watson, Erin	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P		
Williamson, Vicki	R	P	R	P	P	P	P	P		
Wilson, Jay	P	R	P	P	P	P	P	P		
Wilson, Ken	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P		
Wotherspoon, Terry	P	P	R	P	P	P	P	P		
Yates, Thomas	P	R	P	R	P	P	P	P		
Zello, Gordon	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	R		



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**Non-voting participants**

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Binnie, Sarah	P	R	R	R	R	A	P	P		
Chad, Karen	P	P	P	R	P	P	R	P		
Datta, Ranjan	P	R	A	P	P	A	R	R		
Desiree Steele	P	P	R	P	P	P	P	P		
Downey, Terrence	P	R	P	R	R	A	R	R		
FineDay, Max	R	R	R	R	R	A	R	R		
Fowler, Greg	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	R		
Isinger, Russ	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	p		
Pulfer, Jim	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	p		
Williamson, Elizabeth	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	p		