

President's Council

Meeting Notes

April 11, 2017

Present: K. MacDonald, K. Wamsley, B. Hale, K. Brebner, T. Hynes, T. Buksaitis, L. Lawrence, P. Hauf, R. Isnor. J. MacDonald, M. Kyte, J. Webber, K. Bell, A. Beckett.

Regrets: J. Orr

1. The agenda was approved.

2. The minutes of March 28, 2017 were approved.

3. There were no Business Arising items.

4. Capital Projects

The Oland Centre gym floor renovation is underway and possible additional renovations within the Oland Centre are being explored. Mulrone Hall design work is in progress and the Board of Governors will be asked to approve the final contract to move forward with this project.

5. Xaverian Commons

This Xaverian Commons involves three components: Mulrone Hall, a Health Academic Building and the renovation of Nicholson Tower. Fundraising for the Health Academic Building (which may be constructed where Lane Hall currently sits) is in progress.

6. Special Board of Governors Special Meeting Update

This meeting was delayed to allow management to finalize the design of Mulrone Hall. This Board meeting will now take place on May 18th, 2017 when the construction and design contract for Mulrone Hall will be brought forward for approval.

7. Indigenous Announcement Update

The university's committee overseeing Indigenous planning will announce various campus initiatives and events. An announcement regarding the Mi'kmaq Nation Flag raising will be sent to the campus community later this week.

8. Convocation Review

The Advancement Department received good feedback after last year's spring convocation and successfully implemented several aspects of that feedback at the fall convocation. There are also plans to enhance and improve aspects of spring 2017 convocation, such as, Xaverian Farewell, increased signage, awareness of events and highlighting academic events.

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9. Recruitment and Admissions Update

StFX applications rates are sound for NS, but there are a few outliers. The scholarship process was adjusted this year, interviews are now in advance of scholarship weekend and 43 prospective students are invited for the weekend.

Respectfully submitted,

L. Lawrence