

President's Council

Meeting Notes

November 3, 2015

Present: K. MacDonald, K. Wamsley, B. Hale, T. Hynes, P. Hauf, J. Orr, J. MacDonald, R. Isnor, K. Brebner, J. Webber, T. Buksaitis, S. Murray

Regrets: K. Bell, A. Beckett

Invited Guests: S. Cameron, M. MacIsaac

1. Agenda approved.
2. The minutes from the October 20, 2015 meeting were approved.
3. 2016 Application Update
We continue to see a significant increase in lead generation and applications, however it is still very early in the 2016 recruitment season, we need to keep our efforts strong in order to stabilize our enrolment. There was a discussion around early applications versus having to wait until March to confirm scholarship amounts and the impact this may have. Several ideas were discussed to increase enrolment.
4. 2nd Term Orientation
PC was updated on the plans for a Welcome Day for January intake. We are currently expecting between 60 and 80 students to be here for January. Set up will be similar to September Welcome Day, including events to include President's Council.
5. Changes to Residence
PC was updated on several changes to residences, specifically, the creation of several first year residences. These changes have been socialized with the Student's Union and feedback has been provided.
6. Coady Celebrates Debrief
PC debriefed the recent Coady celebrates event, held in Halifax on October 22nd. Coady will be having a full debrief of the event in order to improve the event going forward. PC discussed what they felt worked well, and what needed to be improved.

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7. Copyright Update

PC was updated on the latest copyright situation. We have officially withdrawn from Access Copyright (all other universities in Nova Scotia, with the exception of AST have also withdrawn). The Ad-hoc Copyright Committee (subcommittee of the Senate Library Committee) has developed a policy, which was endorsed by President's Council. It will now go to the University Senate for information.

8. Change Projects

PC was updated on the Leading Organization Change course, offered in the BSAD department. M. Maclsaac is seeking projects for his students to participate in to learn how real life organizational change works. PC discussed several ongoing projects that may help these students learn on-the-job.

Respectfully submitted,
S. Murray