# Minutes of the 9th Students' Association of Red Deer College 2018-2019 Council Meeting November 19, 2018

#### Present:

Esther Schilling; VP Academic

Elizabeth Sweiger; Executive Director, Acting

Chairperson

Jessica Hennelly; Councillor, Voting Tiffany Tunke; Councillor, Voting Kendra Gagne; Councillor, Voting Michael Blatz; Councillor, Voting Brittany Lausen; VP Community & Wellness

Janelle Grue; Secretary

Justine Ecker; Councillor, Voting Jordan Forget; Councillor, Voting Theo Grandjambe; Councillor, Voting Logan Garbaneswki; Councillor, Voting Patrick Michelsen; Councillor, Voting

# **Absent With Notice:**

Chaise Combs; President Anne Marie Watson; Chairperson Jordan Phillips; Councillor, Voting Robin Chiles; Board of Governors Ivan Pozihun; Councillor, Voting

#### **Guests:**

Kristine Plastow; Director, Library Information Common

Amy Becker; Academic Support Coordinator, Library Information Common

### Gallery:

Jackson Ruzycki

#### Other Attendance Notes:

Esther Schilling left the meeting at 7:02pm. Tiffany Tunke left the meeting at 7:32pm.

#### 9.0 Call to Order

L. Sweiger called the meeting to order at 5:35pm.

#### 9.1 Approval of Agenda

#### 18-19-94-C

A. Davis, P. Michelsen

Motion: Approve the agenda with the following amendments:

9.9.1 – BARC Recommendations Policy

9.9.2 – J. Grue's Contact Information for Council

CARRIED.

# 9.2 <u>Guest Speaker: Kristine Plastow; Director and Amy Becker; Academic Support Coordinator, Library Information Common</u>

K. Plastow and A. Becker discussed the tutoring program in the library at RDC. Currently they offer tutoring in five different areas: writing, learning skills strategist, math, ESL, and peer. In addition, the tutoring program focuses on five specific classes as tutoring for these courses is high in demand: Math 202, Chem 211, Stats 251, Accounting 102, and Business 306. Due to a lack of sufficient funding, the library is offering group-tutoring sessions as opposed to one-on-one tutoring from past years. Group sessions help to reach as many students as possible with limited funds. In addition to academic support, group sessions aid students with the development of social skills. K. Plastow and A. Becker noticed that there has been a decline in student tutoring numbers and asked

Council for recommendations on how to reach more students. Council discussed this at length and determined possible avenues to increase student engagement: promoting the program through various means (i.e. social media), expanding tutoring options from specific courses to broader subjects, volunteer tutors, and reducing the stigma surrounding the need for tutoring.

Break at 6:25pm, returning at 6:34pm. Gallery Member, Jackson Ruzycki, left the meeting during the break.

# 9.3 Approval of Meeting Minutes

#### 9.3.1 **18-19-95-C**

A. Davis, T. Tunke

Motion: Approval of Council Minutes #8 as presented.

CARRIED.

#### 9.3.2 **18-19-96-C**

T. Grandjambe, B. Lausen

Motion: Approval of the 2018-2019 Executive Minutes #30-32 as presented.

CARRIED.

# 9.4 Vice President Academic Reports – E. Schilling

- 9.4.1 Executive Report
- 9.4.2 Issues Committee
- 9.4.3 Academic Council

E. Schilling; VP Academic provided verbal reports on Executive points, Issues Committee, and Academic Council and will submit a written report for approval at the next meeting of Council.

#### 18-19-97-C

J. Ecker, J. Forget

Motion: Approve the reports as presented.

CARRIED.

#### 9.5 Discussion

#### 9.6 Executive Reports

President Report – C. Combs

\*C. Combs was absent.

B. Lausen; VP Community & Wellness provided a verbal report and will submit a written report for approval at the next meeting of Council.

E. Sweiger; Executive Director, provided a verbal report.

#### 18-19-98-C

M. Blatz, K. Gagne

Motion: Approve the reports as presented.

#### CARRIED.

# 9.7 Committee Reports

#### 18-19-99-C

K. Gagne, P. Michelsen

Motion: Accept the following committee reports as presented: CAT Fund, Membership Engagement, BARC, Mental Health and Food Services & Textbook ad-hoc. CARRIED.

## 9.8 Council Reports

Board of Governors Student Member Report – R. Chiles \*R. Chiles was absent.

#### 18-19-100-C

J. Hennelly, M. Blatz Motion: Accept the Council reports as presented. CARRIED.

#### 9.9 Information Items

#### 18-19-101-C

B. Lausen, A. Davis Motion: Accept the following as information: 9.9.1 – BARC Recommendations Policy 9.9.2 – J. Grue's Contact Information for Council CARRIED.

# 8.9 Adjournment

#### 18-19-102-C

T. Grandjambe, K. Gagne Motion: Adjourned the meeting at 8:15pm. CARRIED.

Chaise Combs, President	Elizabeth Sweiger, Executive Director/Acting Chairperson	
Janelle Grue, Secretary		