

Report to Senate – May 13, 2011

Acting Vice-President (Academic) & Provost

Academic Planning

Thank- you to all of the Senators that participated in the Special Meeting of Senate May 2. The discussion was valuable and will certainly be considered as we review all of the input. Members of the Planning Committee met with the AMC Advisors Committee on Monday, and there are two open discussion sessions scheduled for May 10 and May 13. Other committee and small group discussions will continue throughout the month. The Academic Planning site has recently been updated with upcoming event dates and summary notes.

Transition to the Provincial Quality Assurance Framework

I have received formal feedback from the Quality Council that the Lakehead University Institution Quality Assurance Process (IQAP) has been ratified. The IQAP along with the Lakehead University CV and Self-Study templates have been posted on the Program Review website. I would like to acknowledge the tremendous work and support of the members of the SAC Quality Assurance Committee during this past year.

Recruitment, Conversion and Admission Activities

The Office of Recruitment and Admissions is in the middle of spring follow-up visits across Ontario. These visits include a combination of both conversion and recruitment activities. A primary purpose is to aid in converting those students who are holding Offices of Admission into students who have confirmed that they are coming to Lakehead, particularly in geographical areas where there may not be enough applicants to warrant an Applicant Reception. Seventeen Applicant Receptions have been scheduled in key locations across Ontario from the end of April through to the middle of May. Applicants and their families are invited to attend these events.

The Office of Graduate Studies is also engaged in ongoing recruitment and conversion activities. They are working with the Graduate Coordinators to ensure offers are processed and forwarded to students. Applications continue to be accepted for fall admission.