

REPORT TO THE SENATE

From: Barbara Eccles, Secretary of the Ogimaawin-Aboriginal Governance Council (O-AGC)

Senate Meeting Date: January 15, 2018

Subject: O-AGC Report

August 23, 2017 Special Meeting of the O-AGC

All O-AGC meetings commence with an opening prayer and introductions. The O-AGC Vice-Chair, Elder Gerry Martin led the opening prayer.

The President provided a report to the O-AGC that included an update on the Gichi-Kendaasiwin Centre and a recap of the 6th Annual Canada-Mexico Roundtable that was hosted by Lakehead.

Following the President's report the O-AGC discussed the proposed amendments to their Bylaws. In accordance with the O-AGC Bylaws a notice of motion with the proposed amendments was distributed electronically to the O-AGC voting members on July 26, 2017 and a written resolution will follow on August 28, 2017. The proposed amendments included minor changes, including allowing an external voting member of the O-AGC to be recommended to serve on the Board of Governors, rather than limiting this position to the O-AGC Chair.

The O-AGC adopted the following motions:

- MOVED that Prof. Angelique EagleWoman be appointed to replace Ms. Nancy Bouchard as the O-AGC member on the Lakehead University Presidential Search Committee.
- MOVED that conditional upon approval of the pending O-AGC Bylaw amendment, Mr. Gerry Martin be recommended to the Lakehead University Board of Governors to serve as an external member for a one year term, pursuant to article 6(a)(v) of the Board Bylaws.
- MOVED to endorse recruitment to the Presidential Council on Truth and Reconciliation.

October 2, 2017 O-AGC Meeting

Dr. Peggy Smith, Interim Vice-Provost of Aboriginal Initiatives, led the opening prayer.

The Board of Governors Chair, Mr. David Tamblyn joined the meeting briefly to provide an Update on the Presidential Search Process.

The O-AGC adopted the following motions:

- MOVED to amend and approve the Orillia and Thunder Bay Traditional Lands Acknowledgements.
- MOVED that Ms. Nancy Bouchard be elected as the Chair of the O-AGC for one year commencing immediately, through to the close of the last meeting of the 2017-18 term.
- MOVED that Mr. Gerry Martin be elected as the Vice Chair of the O-AGC for one year commencing immediately, through to the close of the last meeting of the 2017-18 term.
- MOVED that Ms. Tannis Kastern be appointed as the LUNSA member on the O-AGC effective immediately through October 31, 2018, to replace Stephanie Seymour.
- MOVED that Ms. April Head be appointed as the LUNSA member on the O-AGC effective November 1, 2017 through October 31, 2018.
- MOVED to appoint Dr. Amy Farrel-Morneau to replace Ms. Stephanie Seymour as the O-AGC member on the Joint Sub-Committee of the Senate Academic Committee and the O-AGC effective immediately to August 31, 2018, pursuant to paragraph 3.3c(i) of the O-AGC Bylaws.

The O-AGC received the following reports and items of information:

- Announcement of the appointment of the incoming Vice-Provost, Aboriginal Initiatives, Ms. Denise Baxter.
- O-AGC Bylaw Review Committee composition and information regarding an upcoming call out to fill one external member vacancy.
- Lakehead University Cultural Protocol Policy Update
- O-AGC Advisors Committee Report
- Joint SAC/O-AGC Report
- Thunder Bay Indigenous Friendship Centre Update
- On August 29, 2017, O-AGC voting members approved the recently proposed amendments to the O-AGC Bylaws.
- O-AGC Chair's Report
- Aboriginal Education Report
- Office of Aboriginal Initiatives Report
- Board of Governors Report
- Chair on Truth and Reconciliation Report
- Native Nurses Entry Program Report
- O-AGC Advisors Committee Minutes – September 12, 2017
- 2017-18 O-AGC Membership List

November 27, 2017 O-AGC Meeting

In the absence of the O-AGC Chair, Ms. Bouchard, Elder Martin chaired the meeting and led the opening prayer.

By consensus, the O-AGC agreed on the following decisions:

- Endorsement of the draft Lakehead University Cultural Protocol Policy with a request that Administration revisit the policy, taking into consideration the six major recommendations that were made during the discussion.
- Recommendation to appoint Mr. Cormier to the Senate Undergraduate Scholarships and Bursaries Committee effective immediately through June 30, 2019.

The O-AGC received the following reports and items of information:

- Chair's Report
- Indigenous Content Requirement (ICR) Update
- O-AGC Advisors Committee Report
- Joint SAC/O-AGC Report
- Proposed Board/Senate/O-AGC Liaison Event Update
- Faculty of Law Update
- Matawa First Nations Update
- Metis Nation of Ontario Update
- Thunder Bay Indigenous Friendship Centre Update
- 2018-2023 Strategic Plan Update
- Office of Aboriginal Initiatives Report
- Board of Governors Report
- Chair on Truth and Reconciliation Report
- 2017-18 O-AGC Membership List