



## Ogimaawin Indigenous Education Council Advisors Committee

### MINUTES

<b>Date:</b>	October 14, 2022
<b>Time:</b>	2:00pm - 4:00pm (EDT)
<b>Location:</b>	Zoom Meeting

**Members in Attendance:** Denise Baxter; Dr. Julia Hughes; Dr. Rhonda Koster; Sheryl O'Reilly; Jerri-Lynn Orr; Dr. Chander Shahi; Robin Sutherland; Dr. Mirella Stroink; Yolanda Twance; Dr. Anita Vaillancourt (Chair)

**Regrets:** Dr. Elizabeth Birmingham; Christopher Glover; Dr. Christopher Mushquash; Dr. Linda Rodenburg

**Invited Guest in Attendance:** Trudy Russo, Special Collections Librarian (Lakehead University)

**Administrative Resources in Attendance:** Yvonne Roussel (Interim University Secretary/OIEC Secretary); Marcie Morrison (Secretary)

The meeting was called to order at 2:00pm, without a quorum.

#### Item

1. Approval of Agenda (Dr. Anita Vaillancourt)

Members were invited to request that an item be added to the agenda for discussion during this meeting, if time permits. There were no additions to the agenda.

2. Approval of the May 17, 2022 Minutes (Dr. Anita Vaillancourt)

The minutes May 17, 2022 minutes were circulated in advance with the meeting materials. There were no objections to the minutes, as circulated.

3. Approval of Revised 2022-23 Meeting Schedule

Due to a scheduling conflict, a revised meeting schedule was proposed:

- Monday, November 21, 2022, 10am-12pm (EST)

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tuesday, January 17, 2022, 10am-12pm (EST)</li> <li>• Tuesday, March 21, 2022, 10am-12pm (EDT)</li> </ul> <p>There were no objections to the revised meeting schedule.</p>
4.	<p>Update/Report from the Committee Chair (Dr. Anita Vaillancourt)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reporting to the OIEC: <i>For information: Minutes of Advisors Committee meetings are presented to the OIEC for information, upon approval.</i></li> </ul> <p>The Committee Chair shared her concerns with reporting on the work of the Advisors Committee to the OIEC. The approved minutes of the Advisors Committee are not always available for the current report period for referencing. The Committee Chair is mindful of the details that she provides during her verbal reports to the OIEC.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Honorary Degree Nominations: IT was reported that the following two Honorary Degree nominations were submitted: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Rosie Mosquito</li> <li>○ Marion Buller</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>The Committee Chair acknowledged new member Dr. Linda Rodenburg, Interim Principal Orillia Campus.</p>
5.	<p>Discussion: Format of Meetings/Meeting Space (continued from May 17, 2022 meeting)</p> <p><i>From the minutes of the May 17, 2022 minutes: The group shared their thoughts on meeting spaces. No definitive decision was made, and the Committee Chair suggested that the next meeting in October be held virtually and that the group can further discuss meeting spaces/format in October.</i></p> <p>Members discussed the format of meetings. It was suggested that one meeting per term be held in the Telepresence Classroom. The Secretary will check the availability of the room.</p>
6.	<p>Focus for this Academic Year (Dr. Anita Vaillancourt)</p> <p>The Committee Chair reported that she met with the agenda planning group (Denise Baxter, Lisa Harris, Marcie Morrison and Yvonne Roussel) to strategize the focus of the Committee's work this term. Taking into consideration the feedback that was collected from the survey conducted by the Advisors Committee Terms of Reference</p>

	<p>Review Ad Hoc Committee, and from the direction that the group took during the previous term, it was proposed that the topic of retention of Indigenous students be the focus of the Committee's work this term. This focus can include but is not limited to pedagogy, academic and non-academic supports for Indigenous student success.</p> <p>In addition, a review of University policies that directly affect Indigenous students academic success, with the aim of decolonizing and Indigenizing them was proposed.</p> <p>The Committee Chair noted that this work is in alignment with the Committee's Terms of Reference.</p> <p>Discussion ensued, some members made recommendations to related topics that could be considered. Members were not opposed to this direction for the Committee for the academic term.</p>
7.	<p>The Future of the Library Resource Centre Presentation (Trudy Russo)</p> <p>Trudy Russo joined the meeting and shared a presentation about the past, present, and future of the Library Resource Centre. The presentation highlighted the positive changes that have been implemented, reflecting Indigenous culture making the space a warm and welcoming place for Indigenous students and for the University community. Discussion ensued following the presentation.</p> <p>Some members expressed interest in further exploring the Library Resource Centre. The Secretary will connect with Trudy Russo to coordinate a visit for members interested.</p>
8.	<p>Update: Indigenous Content Requirement (ICR) (Denise Baxter)</p> <p>An update on the development of the ICR framework was provided.</p>
9.	<p>Recommendations to the Joint Sub-Committee of the Senate Academic Committee and Ogimaawin Indigenous Education Council (SAC/OIEC) (Denise Baxter)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Joint Sub-Committee of the SAC/OIEC Terms of Reference - for information  <i>"Two individuals recommended by the OIEC Advisors Committee"</i>  1: Wendy Parks (current member, term expired June 30, 2022)  2: Vacant (as of April 2022 - Dr. Lana Ray is on leave)</li> <li>An Interest to Serve was circulated in The Bulletin on May 3 and May 6, 2022, the following nominations were received: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Wendy Parks (past member interested in re-appointment)</li> <li>Jessica Goettlicher (new)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>c. Wadika Faisal (new)</li><li>d. Frederico Oliveira (new)</li><li>e. Jessica Metcalfe (new)</li></ul> <p>The Committee discussed some of the nominations and agreed to recommend Wendy Parks and Jessica Metcalfe. An electronic vote will be conducted, pending confirmation that the individuals are still interested in serving. The term will commence immediately through to June 30, 2023.</p> <p><i>[NOTE: Following the meeting the Secretary determined that Jessica Metcalfe was previously appointed by the Committee for the term July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023].</i></p>
10.	<p>Update: Advisors Committee Terms of Reference Review</p> <p>It was reported that the Ad Hoc Committee plans to meet next week to continue its review of the Terms of Reference.</p>
11.	<p>Internal Reports for Information</p> <p><i>Note: Internal reports will be shared with the OIEC at its next scheduled meeting.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a. Office of Indigenous Initiatives (Denise Baxter)</li></ul> <p>A report for the period May 17, 2002 to October 10, 2022 was circulated in advance with the meeting materials.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>b. Joint SAC/OIEC Sub-Committee (Denise Baxter)</li></ul> <p>A verbal update was provided.</p>
12.	<p>Round Table Discussion</p> <p>There was no round table discussion.</p>
13.	<p>Other Business</p> <p>There was no other business.</p>
14.	<p>Informational Items</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a. June 6, 2022 OIEC Meeting Report</li></ul> <p>A report of the June 6, 2022 OIEC meeting was circulated in advance with the meeting materials. The next meeting of the OIEC is October 17, 2022.</p>

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|  | b. OIEC Advisors Committee Membership, Terms of Reference and Minutes Online (please notify Marcie Morrison with any corrections to membership) |
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The meeting adjourned at 3:30pm.
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