



## Ogimaawin Indigenous Education Council (OIEC)

### MINUTES

<b>Date:</b>	September 28, 2020
<b>Time:</b>	<p>External Caucus (External Members Only) 12:00pm - 1:00pm Zoom Meeting (Zoom link will be sent in a separate email)</p> <p>OIEC Orientation (All Members Welcome) 1:00pm - 2:00pm Zoom Meeting</p> <p>OIEC Meeting (All Members) 2:00pm - 4:00pm Zoom Meeting</p>
<b>Join Remotely via Zoom:</b>	<p>Zoom Meeting Link: <a href="https://lakeheadu.zoom.us/j/96901577665">https://lakeheadu.zoom.us/j/96901577665</a> Meeting ID: 969 0157 7665</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• For technical support phone 1-866-652-8657 or email <a href="mailto:multimed@lakeheadu.ca">multimed@lakeheadu.ca</a></li> <li>• To test ahead of time visit <a href="https://zoom.us/test">https://zoom.us/test</a></li> <li>• Please remember to mute yourself when possible</li> </ul>
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**OIEC Members in Attendance:** Denise Baxter - Vice-Provost, Indigenous Initiatives (Lakehead University); Nancy Bouchard (Chair) - Anishinabek Employment and Training Services; Paul Capon - Matawa First Nations; Ann Dumyn - Board of Governors Member (Lakehead University); Barbara Eccles (Secretary, Non Voting) - General Counsel & University Secretary (Lakehead University); Yvonne Roussel (Recorder, Non Voting); Howard Twance - Seven Generations Education Institute

**OIEC Members not in Attendance:** Greer Atkinson - Ogemawahj Tribal Council; Dr. David Barnett - Provost and Vice-President, Academic (Lakehead University); Kathy Beardy - Nishnawbe Aski Nation; Matthew Bombardier - Indigenous Student Member (Lakehead University); Dr. Paul Cormier - OIEC Advisors Committee Chair (Lakehead University); Elder Gene Nowegejick; Valerie Stortini - Thunder Bay Indigenous Friendship Centre; Murray Waboose - Anishinabek Nation

**Invited Guests in Attendance:** Precious Anderson - Incoming OIEC Member; Lorrie Deschamps - Incoming OIEC Member; Andrew Heppner - Pathway and Transfer Special Project Coordinator (Lakehead University); Dr. Lana Ray - Incoming OIEC Member

The meeting was called to order at 2:04pm. In the absence of a quorum the Chair indicated that the group would review items not requiring a decision while waiting for one more member to join. A quorum was achieved at 2:23pm.

	Item
1.	<p>Approval of Agenda</p> <p>By consensus, the agenda was approved as amended.</p>
2.	<p>Declaration of Conflict of Interest</p> <p>Members were reminded of their duty to declare a conflict of interest should awareness of conflict arise at any time during the meeting.</p>
3.	<p>Approval of the May 25, 2020 Minutes</p> <p>The May 25, 2020 OIEC minutes were circulated in advance of the meeting and were approved, as circulated.</p>
4.	<p>Business Arising from the Minutes (not on the Agenda elsewhere)</p> <p>There was no business arising from the minutes.</p>
5.	<p>Chair's Report</p> <p>The Chair's report was circulated in advance of the meeting.</p> <p>In addition to the written report, Nancy Bouchard indicated that she has retired from the OIEC and hopes that the Gichi Kendaasiwin project remains a focus for the University moving forward.</p> <p>Paul Capon joined the meeting.</p>
6.	<p>President's Report</p> <p>The President's report was circulated in advance of the meeting.</p> <p>Dr. McPherson expressed sincere thanks to outgoing OIEC Chair and long standing OIEC member, Nancy Bouchard.</p>

	<p>In addition to the written report, Dr. McPherson provided updates on the following topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Fall semester transition</li> <li>● External Caucus meeting</li> <li>● Gichi Kendaasiwin project</li> </ul> <p>Members were reminded about the upcoming plans for Orange Shirt Day, and the launch of the Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Action Plan.</p>
<p>7.</p>	<p>OIEC Ad Hoc Nominating Committee Report</p> <p>The OIEC Ad hoc Nominating Committee report was circulated in advance of the meeting.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Appointment of OIEC Chair             <p>MOVED (A. Dumyn) that Valerie Stortini be appointed as the OIEC Chair for a three year term, commencing upon the conclusion of the September 28, 2020 meeting through to June 30, 2023. CARRIED by consensus</p> </li> <li>2. Indigenous Faculty Member Senate Recommendation             <p><i>For information: The Senate conducted an election for the Indigenous Faculty Member on the OIEC vacancy and is recommending Dr. Lana Ray to fill this position.</i></p> <p>MOVED (A. Dumyn) that Dr. Lana Ray, be elected to fill the Indigenous Faculty Member position on the OIEC for a three year term, commencing immediately, ending June 30, 2023. CARRIED by consensus</p> </li> <li>3. Indigenous Student Members             <p>Terms Expiring:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Shailyn Loyie (Term: November 18, 2019 - September 28, 2020) - no longer a student</li> <li>● Matthew Bombardier (Term: November 18, 2019 - September 28, 2020)</li> </ul> </li> </ol>

Recommendations:

a. MOVED (A. Dumyn) that Matthew Bombardier be reappointed as an Indigenous Student Member on the OIEC for a three year term, commencing immediately to June 30, 2023.

CARRIED by consensus

b. MOVED (A. Dumyn) that Meghan Jourdain be appointed as an Indigenous Student Member on the OIEC for a one year term, commencing immediately to June 30, 2021.

CARRIED by consensus

4. Member At Large/External Member Recommendations:

a. MOVED (A. Dumyn) that Precious Anderson be elected to fill a Member At Large position on the OIEC for a three year term, commencing immediately to June 30, 2023.

CARRIED by consensus

b. MOVED (A. Dumyn) that Lorrie Deschamps be elected to fill an organization position in her position with the Oshki-Pimache-O-Win Education & Training Institute, for a three year term, commencing immediately to June 30, 2023.

CARRIED by consensus

c. MOVED (A. Dumyn) that the following member's term limits as set out in Article 4 of the OIEC Bylaws commence on July 1, 2020 and that the terms listed below for each member be approved:

- o Valerie Stortini - 3 year term, ending June 30, 2023;
- o Paul Capon - 1 year term, ending June 30, 2021
- o Howard Twance - 2 year term, ending June 30, 2022
- o Kathy Beardy - 3 year term, ending June 30, 2023

CARRIED by consensus

*For information: Nancy Bouchard has requested that her term end as of September 28, 2020.*

The Vice-Provost, Indigenous Initiatives indicated that she received responses from individuals interested in filling the vacancies on the NOSM Academic Indigenous Health Education Committee and the NOSM Indigenous Reference Group. By consensus, it was agreed to add the following recommendations to the agenda.

	<p>Denise Baxter provided a summary of each candidate's CV.</p> <p>a. NOSM Academic Indigenous Health Education Committee</p> <p>MOVED (P. Capon) that Debra Emery be appointed to the NOSM Academic Indigenous Health Education Committee for a three year term, commencing immediately. CARRIED by consensus</p> <p>a. NOSM Indigenous Reference Group</p> <p>MOVED (P. Capon) that Dr. Lana Ray be appointed to the NOSM Indigenous Reference group for a three year term, commencing immediately. CARRIED by consensus</p>
<p>8.</p>	<p>OIEC Advisors Committee Update</p> <p><i>For information: On September 15, 2020, the OIEC Advisors Committee reappointed Dr. Paul Cormier as its Chair for a two year term.</i></p> <p>The May 5, 2020 OIEC Advisors Committee minutes were circulated in advance of the meeting for information.</p> <p>The OIEC Chair indicated that the OIEC Advisors Committee Update would be postponed to the next meeting so that Dr. Paul Cormier could be present.</p>
<p>9.</p>	<p>Joint Sub Committee of the Senate Academic Committee and the OIEC Update</p> <p>Denise Baxter noted that the first Joint Sub Committee meeting for this academic year will be taking place later this month once all of the vacancies have been filled.</p> <p>An update on the first meeting of the Indigenous Content Requirement (IRC) Task Force and indicated that the OIEC will be consulted on the draft workplan. Discussion ensued regarding the potential for an Indigenous Content Requirement “lessons learned” report being drafted and presented to Senator Murray Sinclair.</p>
<p>10.</p>	<p>Ontario Council on Articulation and Transfer (ONCAT) Funded Project</p> <p>The ONCAT presentation was circulated in advance of the meeting.</p>

	<p>Denise Baxter and Andrew Heppner provided a presentation to the OIEC entitled, Seamless Transfer for Indigenous Students. The presentation included the following topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Description of the Ontario Council for Articulation and Transfer (ONCAT)</li> <li>● Formalizing our commitment to Indigenous Learners             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Developing an MOU and Partnerships</li> <li>○ Joint Admissions</li> <li>○ Inter-Institutional Wrap Around Supports</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Preparatory Credentials</li> <li>● Data Viability</li> </ul> <p>Discussion ensued regarding the following topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● sharing of information</li> <li>● Queen’s University medical school example</li> <li>● internal connection opportunities (e.g. work being done around micro credentials and certificates)</li> <li>● transportation analogy</li> </ul>
<p>11.</p>	<p>Verbal Updates/Reports from External Members</p> <p>Members received updates from:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Anishinabek Employment and Training Services (Nancy Bouchard)</li> <li>● Matawa First Nations (Paul Capon)</li> <li>● Seven Generations Education Institute (Howard Twance)</li> <li>● Member At Large (Precious Anderson)</li> <li>● Oshki-Pimache-O-Win Education &amp; Training Institute (Lorrie Deschamps)</li> </ul>
<p>12.</p>	<p>Informational Items</p> <p>The following three items were circulated in advance of the meeting for information.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Board of Governors Report</li> <li>b. Senate Report</li> <li>c. 2020-21 OIEC Meeting Schedule - Next Meeting: November 30, 2020</li> </ol> <p>The Secretary noted that future OIEC meeting materials will contain a larger package from the Advisors Committee, which will contain more internal reports.</p> <p>Denise Baxter highlighted the upcoming Global Indigenous Speakers Series, Imagining Possibilities through Indigenous Knowledge Systems.</p> <p>Paul Capon highlighted an excellent webinar he recently attended that was sponsored by Lakehead University and the Indigenous Food Circle.</p>

13.	Other Business  There was no other business.
The meeting adjourned at 3:44pm.	