



Ogimaawin Indigenous Education Council (OIEC)

MINUTES

Date:	January 18, 2021
Time:	External Caucus (External Members Only) 1:00pm - 2:00pm OIEC Meeting (All Members) 2:00pm - 4:00pm
Join Remotely via Zoom:	Zoom Meeting Link: https://lakeheadu.zoom.us/j/96901577665 Meeting ID: 969 0157 7665 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • For technical support phone 1-866-652-8657 or email multimed@lakeheadu.ca • To test ahead of time visit https://zoom.us/test • Please remember to mute yourself when possible
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OIEC Members in Attendance: Precious Anderson - Member-At-Large; Greer Atkinson - Ogemawahj Tribal Council; Denise Baxter - Vice-Provost, Indigenous Initiatives (Lakehead University); Matthew Bombardier - Indigenous Student Member (Lakehead University); Paul Capon - Matawa First Nations; Frank Cappadocia - Designate, Orillia Principal (Lakehead University); Dr. Paul Cormier - OIEC Advisors Committee Chair (Lakehead University); Ann Dumyn - Board of Governor Member (Lakehead University); Barbara Eccles (Secretary, Non Voting) - General Counsel & University Secretary (Lakehead University); Meghan Jourdain - Indigenous Student Member (Lakehead University); Dr. Moira McPherson - President and Vice-Chancellor (Lakehead University, Non Voting); Elder Gene Nowegejick (Non Voting); Dr. Lana Ray - Indigenous Faculty Member (Lakehead University); Valerie Stortini (Chair) - Thunder Bay Indigenous Friendship Centre; Howard Twance - Seven Generations Education Institute

OIEC Members Not in Attendance: Dr. David Barnett - Provost and Vice-President, Academic (Lakehead University); Kathy Beardy (Nishnawbe Aski Nation); Dr. Dean Jobin-Bevans - Orillia Principal (Lakehead University); Lorrie Deschamps (Oshki-Pimache-O-Win Education & Training Institute); Dr. Rhonda Koster - Deputy Provost and Vice-Provost (Lakehead University); Murray Waboose (Anishinabek Nation)

Administrative Resources in Attendance: Marcie Morrison (Recorder) - Assistant University Secretary; Yvonne Roussel - Associate University Secretary

Invited Guests in Attendance: Dr. Heather Murchison - Vice-Provost, Institutional Planning & Analysis (Lakehead University); Amanda Stefanile - Achievement Program Coordinator (Lakehead University); Yolanda Wanakamik - Achievement Program Guidance Committee Member

Guest presenters Amanda Stefanile and Yolanda Wanakamik joined the meeting.

Elder Gene Nowegejick shared an opening prayer.

The meeting was called to order at 2:13pm.

	Item	
1.	Approval of Agenda The agenda was approved by consensus.	Valerie Stortini
2.	Declaration of Conflict of Interest Members were reminded of their duty to declare a conflict of interest should awareness of conflict arise at any time during the meeting.	Valerie Stortini
3.	Previous Minutes The minutes of the November 30, 2020 meeting were approved as circulated. There was no business arising from the minutes.	Valerie Stortini
4.	Chair's Report The Chair reported that she attended a meeting of the OIEC Ad hoc Nominating Committee on January 8, 2021, and will leave it to the Nominating Committee Chair to report further on that meeting. A written report of this meeting was attached to agenda item 6.	Valerie Stortini
5.	Achievement Program Overview A link to a YouTube video promoting the program and the presentation were circulated prior to the meeting. Highlights from the presentation included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● program goal ● backgrounder ● how it works 	Amanda Stefanile, Yolanda Wanakamik

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● programming ● fundraising ● impacts and next steps ● impact <p>Discussion ensued following the presentation.</p> <p>Amanda Stefanile and Yolanda Wanakamik left the meeting.</p>	
6.	<p>OIEC Ad Hoc Nominating Committee Report</p> <p>A report of the January 18, 2021 OIEC Ad hoc Nominating Committee was circulated in advance with the meeting materials.</p> <p>a. Appointments to Other Organizations: OIEC Member on the Senate (one member of the OIEC, who shall be recommended by the OIEC for up to a three-year term, commencing immediately) <i>For information: Robin Sutherland was the previous Senate Member from February 11, 2019 - June 30, 2020.</i></p> <p>An Interest to Serve email was circulated to OIEC members on November 17 and December 1, 2020 (deadline was December 4), there were no nominations received. External voting members were encouraged to consider volunteering for this position. The OIEC Ad hoc Nominating Committee will continue to solicit for a volunteer.</p> <p>b. Appointment of External Voting Members from the Indigenous Community:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Carlene Keeshig: <p>A recommendation letter from Chippewas of Nawash Unceded First Nation Board of Education was circulated in advance with the meeting materials.</p> <p>MOVED (A. Dumyn/) to appoint Carlene Keeshig as an external member from the Indigenous community on the OIEC, from the organization Chippewas of Nawash Unceded First Nation Board of Education, for a 3 year</p>	Ann Dumyn

	<p>term, commencing at the close of this meeting. CARRIED BY CONSENSUS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Charles Brown: <p>The nomination for Charles Brown was circulated in advance with the meeting materials.</p> <p>MOVED (A. Dumyn) to appoint Charles Brown as an external member from the Indigenous community on the OIEC, to fill one Indigenous Member At Large position, for a 3 year term, commencing at the close of this meeting. CARRIED BY CONSENSUS</p> <p>c. OIEC Vice-Chair Nominations:</p> <p>An Interest to Serve was emailed to members of the OIEC on January 4, 2021. External voting members were encouraged to consider volunteering for this position. The OIEC Ad hoc Nominating Committee will continue to solicit for nominations.</p>	
7.	<p>OIEC Advisors Committee Update</p> <p>The Chair of the OIEC Advisors Committee reported that the Committee is in the process of reviewing its Terms of Reference and will be making a recommendation to the OIEC once the review is complete.</p>	Dr. Paul Cormier
8.	<p>SAC/OIEC Joint Sub Committee Update</p> <p>Dr. Ray provided an update on the work of the SAC/OIEC and the Provost's Task Force for Indigenous Content Requirement (PTF-IRC).</p> <p>Denise Baxter noted that the PTF-IRC is in the process of consulting with external groups with respect to the evaluation framework. An email will be circulated to OIEC members to encourage their participation in the consultation.</p>	Denise Baxter
9.	<p>Strategic Plan Year Two Implementation Report</p> <p>The presentation included the following topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Annual Report Year 2 (2019-20) ○ Reporting Approach 	Dr. Moira McPherson

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Key Initiatives Year 3 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Implementation Approach <p>Paul Capon left the meeting during the presentation.</p>	
10.	<p>Verbal Updates/Reports from External Members</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Discuss purpose of this agenda item <p>The Chair led a discussion regarding the reporting format of external members. The Council agreed that it likes the format and will try to keep verbal reports brief, if possible.</p> <p>Members received updates/reports from the following external members:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Ogemawahj Tribal Council (Greer Atkinson) ○ Seven Generations Education Institute (Howard Twance) ○ Thunder Bay Indigenous Friendship Centre (Valerie Stortini) ○ Member-At-Large (Precious Anderson) 	<p>Valerie Stortini</p> <p>External Members</p>
11.	<p>President's Report</p> <p>The January 2021 President's Report was circulated in advance with the meeting materials and is available on the Lakehead website at www.lakeheadu.ca.</p> <p>The President encouraged members to access the link to Lakehead's Report to the Community interactive website and were invited to share ideas on ways to make the President's OIEC External Caucus more engaging for those participating.</p>	<p>Dr. Moira McPherson</p>
12.	<p>Informational Items</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Board of Governors Report (of the November 26, 2020 meeting) b. Chair on Truth and Reconciliation Report (for the period November 1, 2020 - January 1, 2021) c. Office of Indigenous Initiatives Report (for the period November 6, 2020 - December 14, 2020) d. 2020-21 OIEC Meeting Schedule - Next Meeting: April 26, 2021, 2:00pm - 4:00pm 	

13.	Other Business There was no other business.	Valerie Stortini
Elder Gene Nowegejick shared a closing prayer. The meeting adjourned at 3:33pm.		