



OIEC Summary Report

From: Barbara Eccles – General Counsel and University Secretariat

Subject: Ogimaawin Indigenous Education Council (OIEC) Report

OIEC Members: Precious Anderson - Member-At-Large; Robert Atastise - Member At Large; Dr. David Barnett - Provost and Vice-President, Academic (Lakehead University); Denise Baxter - Vice-Provost, Indigenous Initiatives (Lakehead University); Kathy Beardy - Nishnawbe Aski Nation; Dr. Dean Jobin-Bevans - Orillia Principal (Lakehead University); Matthew Bombardier - Indigenous Student Member (Lakehead University); Alecia Boshcoff - Fort William First Nation; Charles Brown - Member-At-Large; Paul Capon - Matawa First Nations; Alicia Cameron - Member-At-Large; Ben Cousineau - Chippewas of Rama First Nation; Lorrie Deschamps - Oshki-Pimache-O-Win Education & Training Institute; Ann Dumyn - Board of Governor Member (Lakehead University); Barbara Eccles (Secretary, Non Voting) - General Counsel & University Secretary (Lakehead University); Christopher Glover - Designate, Orillia Principal (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; Dr. Anita Vaillancourt (OIEC Advisors Committee Chair)

The OIEC met on June 6, 2022. Elder Gene Nowegejick shared an opening and closing prayer. The following items of business were on the agenda:

2022-23 Meeting Schedule:

The OIEC reviewed its proposed meeting scheduled for the upcoming term (July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023). Due to the absence of a quorum, the schedule will be presented to the OIEC as a written resolution, circulated via email, over the summer.

Report from the OIEC Ad Hoc Nominating Committee:

- Appointment Recommendations - The Ad Hoc Committee continues its work on filling current and upcoming vacancies and made several recommendations for appointments to the OIEC. Due to the absence of a quorum, the appointments will be presented to the OIEC as written resolutions, circulated via email, over the summer to ensure that vacancies are filled prior to the new term that begins on July 1, 2022.
- OIEC Ad Hoc Nominating Committee Structure/Composition - It was determined that the work of the Ad Hoc Committee is ongoing and it was recommended that the Ad Hoc Committee be re-constituted as a Standing Committee of the OIEC. The Secretary was delegated with the task of amending the Ad Hoc Committee's Terms of Reference so that a draft and recommendation can be presented to the OIEC in the fall 2022.

National Day for Truth and Reconciliation Update:

It was reported that on May 12, 2022, the Senate approved that classes be cancelled on September 30th, extending the fall semester by one day into December, to accommodate the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation on September 30.

Other Reports and Updates Received:

- Report from the OIEC Advisors Committee
- President's June 2022 Online Report
- Reports from Matawa First Nations, Seven Generations Education Institute, and the Thunder Bay Indigenous Friendship Centre

Informational Items Received:

- Approved minutes of the March 21, 2022 OIEC Advisors Committee meeting
- Board of Governors Report (of the May 4, 2022 meeting)
- Senate Reports (of the April 11 and May 12, 2022 meetings)
- Chair on Truth and Reconciliation Report (for the period April 1 to May 20, 2022)
- Office of Indigenous Initiatives Report (for the period March 21 to May 17, 2022)

The next OIEC meeting is scheduled to take place on October 17, 2022, 2:00pm - 4:00pm (EST).