



Report on the October 17, 2022 Ogimaawin Indigenous Education Council (OIEC) Meeting

From: Yvonne Roussel – Interim University Secretary

Subject: Ogimaawin Indigenous Education Council (OIEC) Report

OIEC Members: *Brandon Amyot - Board of Governor Member (Lakehead University); Precious Anderson - Member-At-Large; Robert Atastise - Member At Large; Greer Atkinson - Ogemawahj Tribal Council; Dr. David Barnett - Provost and Vice-President, Academic (Lakehead University); Denise Baxter - Vice-Provost, Indigenous Initiatives (Lakehead University); Kathy Beardy - Nishnawbe Aski Nation; Matthew Bombardier - Indigenous Student Member (Lakehead University); Alecia Boshcoff - Fort William First Nation; Charles Brown - Member At Large; Alicia Cameron - Member-At-Large; Paul Capon - Matawa First Nations; Ben Cousineau - Chippewas of Rama First Nation; Lorrie Deschamps - Oshki-Pimache-O-Win Education & Training Institute; Christopher Glover - Designate, Orillia Principal (Lakehead University); Dr. Moira McPherson - President and Vice-Chancellor (Lakehead University, Non Voting); Amy Nadjiwon-Tobey (Chippewas of Nawash Unceded First Nation Board of Education); Grand Council Chief Reg Niganobe (Anishinabek Nation); Elder Gene Nowegejick (Non Voting); Dr. Lana Ray - Indigenous Faculty Member (Lakehead University); Dr. Linda Rodenburg - Interim Orillia Principal (Lakehead University); Yvonne Roussel - Interim University Secretary (OIEC Secretary); Dr. Bryanna Scott-Kay (Metis Nation of Ontario); Valerie Stortini (Chair) - Thunder Bay Indigenous Friendship Centre; Howard Twance - Seven Generations Education Institute; Dr. Anita Vaillancourt (OIEC Advisors Committee Chair)*

Prior to the meeting, an online OIEC Orientation Session was held for all members.

The OIEC met virtually on October 17, 2022. Elder Gene Nowegejick shared an opening and closing prayer.

New members in attendance were welcomed and introduced: Dr. Bryanna Scott-Kay, Amy Nadjiwon-Tobey and Brandon Amyot.

New OIEC Secretary, Yvonne Roussel was welcomed and introduced.

The following items of business were on the agenda:

Format of Meetings

The group continues to discuss the format of future meetings. For now, meetings will be held virtually.

Report from the OIEC Ad Hoc Nominating Committee

OIEC Ad Hoc Nominating Committee Terms of Reference Review:

The group reviewed the Terms of Reference and determined that the Ad Hoc Committee should be established as a Standing Committee of the OIEC, due to its ongoing work. The following motion was approved:

- MOVED that the OIEC Ad Hoc Nominating Committee be approved as an OIEC standing committee, and that the proposed amendments to the terms of reference be approved.

The Ad Hoc Committee provided the following reports and updates with regards to membership:

- Notice of expiring terms
- Report on current vacancies
- Vice-Chair recruitment update

Other Reports and Updates Received

- Presidential Search Update
- OIEC Advisors Committee Update
- Senate Academic Committee/OIEC Joint Subcommittee Update
- President's October 2022 Online Report
- Reports from Matawa First Nations and the Thunder Bay Indigenous Friendship Centre

Informational Items Received

- Written Resolutions Approved Electronically on June 6, 2022 (re appointments and meeting schedule)
- Written Resolution Approved Electronically on July 20, 2022 (re Brandon Amyot appointment)
- Senate Report (of the September 19, 200 meeting)
- Office of Indigenous Initiatives Report (for the period May 17 to October 20, 2022)
- 2022-23 OIEC Meeting Schedule

The next virtual OIEC meeting is scheduled to take place on December 5, 2022, 2:00pm to 4:00pm (EST).