

**REPORT TO THE OGIMAAWIN ABORIGINAL GOVERNANCE COUNCIL,
LAKEHEAD UNIVERSITY
FROM
LAKEHEAD UNIVERSITY SENATE**

Reporting on Senate meeting held Friday, March 22, 2013.

Senate conducted routine business including calendar changes, appointment of adjunct professors, and acceptance of reports.

Students and others concerned about changes to the Law School curriculum sang to Senate. They were welcomed by the President. Representatives of the students spoke to Senate, asking for the Senate action of February regarding the Law School to be rescinded. That did not happen.

- **Introduction of New Professor of Law**

Karen Drake (Métis) was present at the Senate meeting to introduce herself and discuss her plans for the Law School curriculum. She assured all of those present, including concerned students and faculty, that the curriculum that she would develop would reflect the highest ethics of Aboriginal principles. She was warmly welcomed by Senate.

- **Additional Changes in Curriculum for Faculty of Law:**

The Dean of the Law school had proposed additional changes to the first year law program, adding an additional half-credit by adding an experiential education credit. Senate approved the calendar change.

- **Need to Revise Schedule of Senate Meetings**

Beginning in the fall of 2013, Senate meetings will be held on Mondays. That change will resolve concerns about meetings being held on Fridays after sundown.

Calendar Changes related to High Stakes Mathematics Testing

Senate approved changes to the Faculty of Education calendar, detaching high stakes mathematics exams from existing coursework, setting up the exams in their own non-credit courses. The Faculty of Education will now require exams, administered by graduate students or sessional instructors, for which there is no instruction that has the potential to deny a teaching degree to students who do not pass the exam.

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