



OGIMAAWIN-ABORIGINAL GOVERNANCE COUNCIL (O-AGC)

Monday, October 15, 2018

2:30 – 4:30p.m.

AT 5035 (Thunder Bay) & OA 2005 (Orillia)

MINUTES

In attendance

Mr. James Aldridge	Dr. Nancy Luckai	Dr. Chander Shahi
Dr. David Barnett (Teleconference)	Elder Gerry Martin, Vice-Chair	Ms. Valerie Stortini
Ms. Denise Baxter	Dr. Moira McPherson	(Teleconference)
Dr. Elizabeth Birmingham	Dr. Raymond Neckoway	Mr. Howard Twance
Ms. Nancy Bouchard, Chair	(Videoconference)	Ms. Yolanda Twance
Mr. Paul Capon	Professor Doe O'Brien	Mr. Murray Waboose
Dr. Paul Cormier	(Teleconference)	Ms. Allysha Wassegijig
Ms. Barbara Eccles, Secretary	Ms. Sheryl O'Reilly	(Videoconference)
Ms. Anna Fern Kakegamic	Ms. Jerri-Lynn Orr	Dr. Cynthia Wesley-
Ms. April Head	Dr. Ulf Runesson	Esquimaux
Ms. Tannis Kastern	Professor Nancy Sandy	(Videoconference)

Regrets

Ms. Kathy Beardy	Dr. Antony Gillies	Mr. Tim Pile
Dr. Michel Bedard	Mr. Christopher Glover	Dr. Todd Randall
Dr. Bahram Dadgostar	Mr. John Kimball	Dr. Lana Ray
Mr. John DeGiacomo	Ms. Tracey Larocque	Dr. Robert Robson
Ms. Anna Chief	Dr. Joseph LeBlanc	Ms. Bryanna Scott
Dr. Leisa Desmoulins	Mr. Dennis McPherson	Dr. Michelle-Marie
Ms. Ann Dumyn	Ms. Elizabeth Michano	Spadoni
Ms. Serena Essex	Ms. Heather Moynihan	Dr. Roger Strasser
Dr. Amy Farrell-Morneau	Dr. Christopher Mushquash	Mr. Robin Sutherland
Ms. Lisa Harris	Ms. Joy Nieminen	
Dr. Dean Jobin-Bevans	Dr. John O'Meara	

Invited Guests

Ms. Dreeni Geer, Director of Human Rights & Equity
 Ms. Marcie Morrison, Assistant University Secretary
 Dr. Heather Murchison, Vice-Provost (Institutional Planning and Analysis)
 Ms. Yvonne Roussel, Associate University Secretary

Dr. Heather Murchison joined the meeting.

The meeting was called to order at 2:37pm.

Elder Gerry Martin led the opening prayer, followed by members and guests introducing themselves.

1. Approval of Agenda

By consensus, the agenda was approved with amendments.

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 in the meeting.

3. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

The minutes of the May 14, 2018 meeting were circulated in advance with the meeting materials.

By consensus, the minutes were approved as presented.

4. Business Arising from the Minutes (not on the Agenda elsewhere)

There was no business arising from the minutes.

5. Appointment(s) to O-AGC from the Aboriginal Community

5.1 In accordance with the O-AGC Bylaws (Article 3.4), written notice of motion regarding the appointment of Mr. Murray Waboose was emailed to all members on September 26, 2018.

A biography of Mr. Murray Waboose was circulated in advance with the meeting materials.

Discussion ensued.

By consensus, it was agreed that Mr. Murray Waboose be appointed as

the voting member from the Anishinabek Nation on O-AGC commencing immediately, in pursuant to paragraphs 3.1b(i) and 3.6a of the O-AGC Bylaws.

6. Chair's Report

The Chair provided an overview of her written report (from June 2018 to October 4, 2018) that was circulated in advanced with the meeting materials.

7. President's Report

The President provided an overview of her two reports that were circulated in advance with the meeting materials:

- The President's Report - October 2018
- Report on Fostering Positive Change at Lakehead University

The floor was opened to questions and discussions ensued on the following topics:

- The President's Council on Truth and Reconciliation – are the modules open to external community groups and organizations;
- the Gichi Kendaasiwin Centre project – the President noted that an update will be provided during the next meeting; and
- student representation on Lakehead University tasks forces.

Ms. Geer joined the meeting during the President's report.

Item 9 was discussed next.

8. Academic Plan Consultation Presentation - Academic Planning: 2018 and Beyond

Dr. Luckai and Dr. Murchison were invited to report on the Academic Plan consultation process.

Highlights from the presentation included:

- Integrating our planning and budgeting
- 2018-23 Academic Plan approach overview

- Current strategic and academic plans
- 2018-23 Strategic Plan metrics
- Setting academic priorities for the future

Highlights from the discussion included:

- Student members on the O-AGC raised concerns regarding the following:
 - barriers preventing Indigenous student voices being heard;
 - barriers surrounding bursaries for Indigenous graduate students, improving support for applicants and ensuring transparency;
- improving support for Indigenous students during their transition from undergraduate to graduate;
- childcare support services for our Indigenous students;
- improving program delivery, consider looking at other models such as blended delivery that combines online, field, class components;
- Unconventional programming – what is the plan/action for technological innovation; and
- Lakehead's plan for outreach to Northern Ontario communities.

Members were encouraged to submit input during the consultation process and the multiple opportunities to provide input were reviewed.

Ms. Dumyn left the meeting during the discussion due to technical difficulties.

Item 10 was discussed next.

9. Search Committee for the Dean of the Bora Laskin Faculty of Law

The search for the next Dean of the Faculty of Law was initiated in May 2018. A report on the consultation process was circulated in advance with the meeting materials. Dr. Barnett provided an overview of the report.

The floor was open to discussion regarding additional representation from the O-AGC on the Dean Search Committee. A call to the floor was made asking for volunteers or nominations. Discussion ensued regarding the search consultant, advertising, and the time commitment.

By consensus, the Council recommended Ms. Valerie Stortini for appointment to the Dean of Law Search Committee and further recommended that the Chair of

the Search Committee consider expanding membership include to the Ontario Native Women's Association.

Item 8 was discussed next.

10. Election of the Chair and Vice-Chair of the O-AGC

10.1 Election of the Chair of the O-AGC

The floor was open to nominations.

MOVED (D. Baxter) that Ms. Nancy Bouchard be elected as the Chair of the Ogimaawin-Aboriginal Governance Council for a one-year term, commencing immediately to the first O-AGC meeting following the start of a new academic year in September 2019.

CARRIED

Ms. Bouchard consented to the nomination, and agreed to be the Chair for the period set out in the motion.

10.2 Election of the Vice-Chair of the O-AGC

The floor was open to nominations.

MOVED (N. Bouchard) that Gerry Martin be elected as the Vice-Chair of the Ogimaawin-Aboriginal Governance Council for a one-year term, commencing immediately to the first O-AGC meeting following the start of a new academic year in September 2019.

CARRIED

Elder Martin consented to the nomination, and agreed to be the Vice-Chair for the period set out in the motion.

11. Appointment(s) to the O-AGC from Lakehead University

11.1 Lakehead University Native Student Association (LUNSA) Appointments to O-AGC

This item was deferred due to a lack of a recommendation form LUNSA.

12. International Initiative

Dr. McPherson and Dr. Murchison provided a presentation about expanding Lakehead's partnership with the Maple Leaf Education System. Highlights included:

- Overview of the existing partnership with Maple Leaf Education System
- Opportunity of expanding the partnership
- Benefits to Lakehead

Discussion ensued regarding incorporating the Indigenous perspective into the programs.

13. Updates from Indigenous Organizations – Priorities and Issues

Updates from the following organizations were provided:

- Aboriginal Advisory Council (Elder Gerry Martin)
- Matawa First Nations Management (Mr. Capon)
- Seven Generations Education Institute (Mr. Twance)
- Anishinabek Employment & Training Services (Ms. Bouchard)

Dr. Barnett left the meeting.

14. Informational Items

14.1 Aboriginal Education Report

Members received a report from the Aboriginal Education Faculty of Education in advance with the meeting materials.

14.2 Office of Aboriginal Initiatives Report

Members received a report from the Office of Aboriginal Initiatives (for the period of May 14, 2018 – October 15, 2018) in advance with the meeting materials.

14.3 Board of Governors Reports

Members received reports of the June 8 and September 27, 2018 Board of Governors meetings in advance with the meeting materials.

14.4 Chair on Truth and Reconciliation Report

Members received a report from the Chair on Truth and Reconciliation (for the period of May 1, 2018 – September 30, 2018) in advance with the meeting materials.

14.5 O-AGC Advisors' Committee Report

This item was deferred.

14.6 Indigenous Curriculum Specialist Report

Members received a report from the Indigenous Curriculum Specialist (for the period of May 15, 2018 – October 12, 2018) in advance with the meeting materials.

14.7 Native Nurses Entry Program Report

Members received a report from the Native Nurses Entry Program in advance with the meeting materials.

14.8 2018-19 O-AGC Meeting Schedule

The 2018-19 O-AGC meeting schedule was circulated with the meeting materials for information.

Members were reminded of the next meeting on Monday, November 26, 2018, 2:30pm from 4:30pm, in room AT 5035 (Thunder Bay) and OA 2005 (Orillia).

15. Other Business

There was no other business.

The meeting adjourned at 4:36pm.