

**Report of the Research Ethics Board (REB) to the  
Ojimaawin-Aboriginal Governance Council (O-AGC)**

**April 1, 2012 to June 30, 2012**

Submitted by the Chair of the REB: Dr. Richard Maundrell

The following report covers the period from April 1, 2012 to June 30, 2012 (REB's reporting year-end). For upcoming years, this report will be submitted annually and will summarize activities from July 1 to June 30.

**RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE RESEARCH ETHICS BOARD:**

(refer to Lakehead University Research Ethics Board (REB) Terms of Reference, Section B1)

The REB is responsible for reviewing the ethical acceptability of any and all research involving human participants conducted under Lakehead University's auspices by faculty members, staff or students. This responsibility extends to research conducted by Lakehead University researchers at institutions other than Lakehead University, and research carried out in countries other than Canada. All research involving human participants is subject to the ethical guidelines set out in the TCPS2 and the REB is responsible for ensuring all research complies with this policy. REB review may lead to approval, revision or rejection. The REB is responsible for monitoring ongoing research and, in accordance with Lakehead University's Research Integrity Policy, may require the termination of research activities that are found to be non-compliant with TCPS2 standards.

In addition to its review function, the REB is obligated to:

- i. establish and communicate local policy regarding the ethical conduct of research with human participants, along with guidelines and standard operating procedures that are consistent with the TCPS2 throughout the research process; and
- ii contribute to education in research ethics;
- iii serve the research community and stakeholders as a consultative body regarding matters that fall within the REB's mandate.

**2012-2013 MEMBERSHIP OF THE REB:**

<b>MEMBERSHIP CRITERIA</b>	<b>MEMBERS</b>
One member with knowledge in the area of ethics. This can be someone who has a teaching or research specialization in ethics, or someone who has had extensive experience in the area of research ethics.	Richard Maundrell (Philosophy) <b>CHAIR</b>
Minimum of six full time faculty members who have expertise in relevant research disciplines, fields and methodologies covered by the REB.	Rupert Klein (Psychology) Alex Lawson (Education) Derek Kivi (Kinesiology) Florin Pendea (Interdisciplinary Studies, Orillia) Lynn Martin (Health Sciences) Chander Shahi (Natural Resources Management)
Minimum of two community members who have no affiliation with the institution but are recruited from the communities served by Lakehead University with preference that one of the community members be of Aboriginal origin.	Donnas Stuart Nancy Nurmi

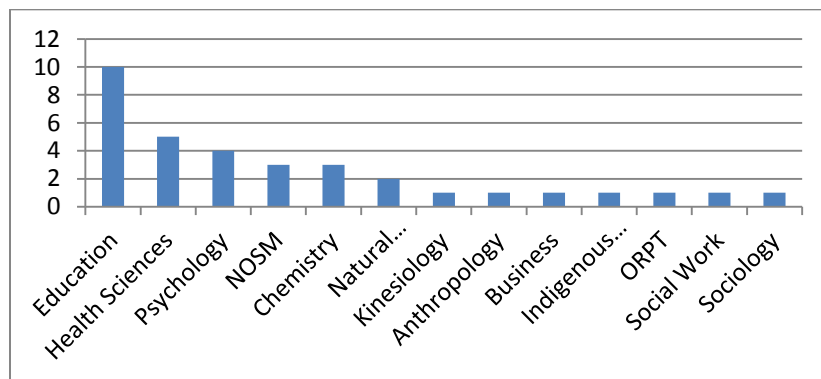
One full time faculty member whose research involves Aboriginal people.	VACANT
A minimum of one member with a biomedical background.	Marina Ulanova (NOSM)
One member knowledgeable in the relevant law.	VACANT

### REB ACTIVITY REPORT:

During the reporting period, meetings were held monthly in April and May 2012.

ACTIVITIES OF THE REB - April 1, 2012 to June 30, 2012:  
(future reports will summarize activities from July 1-June 30)

- 1) New submissions to the REB - 34
- 2) Submissions by specific Department:



- 3) Projects submitted with an Aboriginal component – 5

Principal Investigator	Department	Project Title	Start Date	End Date	Aboriginal Community or Urban Aboriginal Population?
Epp, Juanita	Education	Self-knowledge and professional space: Experienced Aboriginal teachers' narratives	15/04/2012	30/06/2012	Urban
Robson, Robert	Indigenous Learning	Indigenous Knowledge Centres and the Transmission of Knowledge	01/06/2012	30/09/2012	Within community
Dowsley, Martha	Anthropology	Managing Canada's Park Systems: Exploring Aboriginal Involvement in Ontario Provincial and National Parks	01/07/2012	31/01/2013	Within community
Iseke, Judy	Education	Indigenous Knowledge and Music in Indigenous Language: Storytelling in Education	30/06/2012	31/07/2017	Both
Shahi, Chander	Natural Resources Management	First Nation Perceptions of Renewable Energy Initiatives and Economic Development in Northern Ontario	01/07/2012	01/07/2013	Within community

### IN CONCLUSION:

The Lakehead University REB will continue to provide ethical review of human participant research for all faculty, graduate level students and applicable researchers. We remain committed to protecting human participants in research projects, to assist researchers in meeting regulatory requirements, to build upon and improve our processes where necessary, and to ensure the REB meets compliance standards.