## Ogimaawin-Aboriginal Governance Council – Chairs Report

## Board of Governors' Meeting - January 31, 2014

- Presentation by Cynthia Wesley Esquimaux , Vice Provost, Aboriginal Initiative " Aboriginal Initiatives -: Visioning the Future" , new Access Proposal for alternative learning approach for targeted group of young people in partnership with various Aboriginal Organizations in Thunder Bay
- Committee reports
- Audit and Risk Committee report i.e.: SWOT analysis for LU
- Re-appointment Prepossess for President
- Lobbying of Ontario Deputy Minister MNDM, Ring of Fire Negotiator & Staff at president's home
- Strategic Planning Meeting
  - Presentation by Dr. Max Blouw, President of Laurier University and Chair of Council of Ontario Universities on trends/changes in the university environment, issues of increase demands, less resources, increasing gov't involvement,
  - Update on the Orillia Campus and how Universities balance the needs of having multiple campuses with central authority on certain areas (i.e.: academics).
  - Expansion of international students
- Sub-committees:
  - Learning and Research Committee Strategic Mandate Agreement (i.e.: report to Ontario on Strategic Direction for the university – shows regional, Aboriginal and economic development highlights).
  - External Relations Law school lobbying, Allium activities, fundraising, etc.
- Kendaaswin Centre: Spoke to a number of people about a "School of Aboriginal Governance" within Kendaaswin Centre, based on an interdisciplinary programs in the areas of:
  - o Public Administration
  - Human Resources
  - Business Ammonization
  - Law
  - Natural Resource Management
  - Indigenous Learning
  - History
  - Political Science
  - o Law
  - o Etc.

<u>Recommendation</u>: Ask to SAC-OAGC Joint Sub-Committee to consider this request.

Submitted by Paul Capon, Chair