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Guests

C. Bertsch, Sexual Violence Support Advocate- present for Item 7

D. Book, Legal Counsel – present for Item 7

Observers

K. amilton, Presidents Office

M. Hrt, Vice -Provost (Indigenous Engagement)

C. byan, Senior A ssociate Vice-President - Strategic Communications & rketing

K. ackson, General Counsel

C. Jhns, Provosts Office

JKrygier, Faculty Association

JRuampura, Vice -Provost (International)

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B. Uppal, Students'Union

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S. Belcher

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1. Conflict of Interest Declaration

No conflicts were declared.

2. Remarks of the Chair

The Chair included the following in his remarks:

- x Bill Ghali, the University's new Vice-President (Research), and Corey Hogan, the new Senior Associate Vice-President - Strategic Communications & Marketing, were welcomed to their first General Faculties Council (GFC) meeting
- x An evaluation session, giving members the opportunity to dialogue about the GFC, will be held immediately following the meeting
- x During these uncertain biological, economic, and geopolitical times, the University plays an important role, including continuing student learning and faculty research projects as much as possible, and reacting thoughtfully to the provincial post-secondary budget cuts using the University's foundational documents
- x Recent successes include:
 - o University researchers being actively involved in COVID-19 research
 - The School of Architecture, Planning and Landscape's "9 Block Initiative", which is a joint interdisciplinary project with the Urban Alliance to improve safety, vibrancy, and social inclusion in the City of Calgary's downtown area
 - Heather Jamniczky, Cumming School of Medicine, is one of 10 Canadians to be awarded a 2020 3M National Teaching Fellowship
 - Douglas Kondro, PhD student in Biomechanical Engineering, was recently named as a 2019 Compelling Calgarian and received a 2019 Mitacs Award for Outstanding Innovation for his leadership in STEM cell and Type 1 Diabetes research vities
 - o 147 Dinos have been named as 2019 Academic All-Canadians, in addition to several Dinos teams winning recent national championships
 - On February 20, 2020, the Schulich School of Engineering hosted high school students at Women in Engineering Day and an Operation Minerva event brought Grade 8 girls to the University to interact with researchers in STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) fields and to engage in hands-on activities
 - o Several undergraduate students have received Mitacs Global Research Awards, which will allow them to go to prestigious international universities such as Cornell and Stanford

- x With regard to COVID-19:
 - o The University has a well-

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o The University's existing educational materials contain information about consent in relation to sexual violence. Consideration is being given to including this education in Orientation sessions.

x Discussion included that:

- Section 5.2a implies that a member of the University community who has been subject to, or a witness of, sexual violence is to report to the University's Sexual Violence Response Office (SVRO) as the first point of contact, before reporting to the police or a hospital. The proponents clarified that this section does not prevent anyone from reporting promptly to emergency services, but it was noted that metrics indicate that some events are not reported until weeks or months later and that the SVRO should be the first point of contact at the University.
- o Memories can fade or change over time, and that immediate reporting to authorities should be encouraged. The proponents noted that some persons are not ready to report immediately, and that the SVRO will provide advice and support as needed.
- o The proposed policy includes a requirement for a review every 5 years, but it was suggested that consideration be given to shortening this to every 2 years
- o The policy does not specifically speak to avenues for assistance for students in Residence
- x The proponents invited that any additional feedback be sent directly to them
- 8. Changes to the Regulations K. Statement on Principles of Conduct and L. Integrity in Scholarly

- a) Report on the February 3 and February 24, 2020 APPC Meetings
- b) Report on the February 6, 2020 Senate Meeting
- c) Policy Development Update

In response to a question, it was reported that some instruction can happen on Saturdays, but not on a recurring basis. The GFC suggested that thought be given to not holding exams on Saturdays any more.

10. Other Business

There was no other business.

11. Adjournment

Moved/Seconded

That the General Faculties Council adjourn the March 12, 2020 meeting.

Carried

The meeting was adjourned at 2:43 p.m.

Susan Belcher, University Secretary