



**MINUTES for the
University of the Fraser Valley
INDIGENIZATION COMMITTEE OF SENATE
May 17, 2017
5 pm to 8 pm
Aboriginal Gathering Place - CEP**

Attendees: Mark Point, Judy Swakum, Lorna Andrews, Dianna Kay, Eddie Gardner, Peter Geller, Muriel Roberts, Shirley Hardman, Luanne Yellowfly, Geoffrey Carr, Tracy Ryder Glass

Regrets: Cheryl Gabriel, Bibiana Norris, Greg St. Hilaire, Colleen Hodgson, June Quipp, Eric Alex

Resources: Carol Dickson (recorder)

- 1. Welcome and Opening**
- 2. Approval of Agenda** – the agenda was approved as presented
- 3. Approval of Minutes**

ON A MOTION DULY MADE AND SECONDED that the minutes from the April 7, 2017 meeting be approved as presented.

P. Geller/T. Ryder Glass. Motion carried.

4. Business Arising:

a. Recommendation to Senate re: Territorial Acknowledgment

Attachment #1 was sent to Senate and discussed at their May 5 meeting. Senate approved the ICS recommendation, “that Senate explore the ways that they can support and encourage territorial acknowledgement in every course” , and have asked the ICS to report back to Senate on ways to accomplish this. The committee agreed to the following:

- The Chair of ICS and Resident Elders visit Faculty Councils to discuss this.. (ACTION: C. Dickson to arrange dates for M. Point and E. Gardner to attend Faculty Council meetings).
- Explore opportunities for having a territorial acknowledgement as part of the basic Blackboard shell.
- Explore the inclusion of a territorial acknowledgement on the main UFV web page.

b. Recommendation to Senate re: Student Representatives

Senate has accepted ICS’s request to have one of the ICS’s student representatives recommended by the Student Union Society.

5. Membership Update:

A number of faculty and committee member position terms are expiring this academic year. Members were asked to contact Carol for information on how to extend the term.

6. Framework for Moving Forward:

a. Strategic Planning for Indigenization at UFV

The committee discussed ways to consult with the community, which would contribute to the development of a strategic plan for indigenization at UFV. A committee consisting of M. Point, L. Andrews, P. Geller and D. Kay volunteered to work together to develop an implementation plan over the summer months and report back to the committee in the Fall.

b. ICS Role and Workplan

Ideas for indigenization activities were discussed and included:

- Development of a speaker series, possibly with soup and bannock
- PD day presentations by Stó:lō community members
- Development of a course on “Introduction to First Nations Studies”
- Creation of a First Nations Day for students
- Development of a Faculty of First Nation Studies

7. Indigenization Update – Projects & Partnerships - to be discussed at the next meeting.

8. Report to Senate (June 2017) – A copy of the 2017 ICS Report to the Senate will be forwarded to committee members.

9. Dates for 2017/18 Meetings:

After consultation with the committee, all meetings in 2017-18 will be held in the evenings. Those dates will be:

- Tuesday, September 26 from 5 pm to 8 pm (*this event will take place in Abbotsford and will include a visit to the Witness Blanket Exhibition*).
- Tuesday, November 28 from 5 pm to 8 pm (at CEP)
- Tuesday, February 27 from 5 pm to 8 pm (at CEP)
- Tuesday, April 24 from 5 pm to 8 pm (at CEP)