

**MINUTES**

April 19, 2021

3:00 – 5:00 PM

- Present:** Phil Warsaba, Chair, Vice-Provost & Associate Vice-President, Students  
Carly Bullough, Vice-Chair, Student Representative  
Brian Nichols, Academic Staff Member - Arts  
Denise Chenger, Academic Staff Member - Business and Communication Studies  
Melanie Rathburn, Academic Staff Member - Science and Technology  
Sara Sharun, Academic Staff Member - University Library  
Cynthia Gallop, Academic Staff Member - Teaching and Learning  
Marty Clark, Academic Staff Member - Health, Community and Education  
Pat Pardo, Student Affairs Representative  
Michelle LoGullo, MRSA President, Ex Officio  
Camille Tabacla, Student Representative  
Sarah Micho, Student Representative  
Geri Lynn Gouglas, Registrar Designate (Resource)  
Rebecca Bowman, Designate for Executive Director, Development (Resource)  
Angela Spinner, Recording Secretary
- Regrets:** Steve Kootenay-Jobin, Iniskim Centre Representative  
Meagan Bowler, Deans' Council Representative
- Guest:** Tori McMillan, AEP Administration, Iniskim Centre

**1.0 Approval of the Agenda for April 19, 2021**

Moved by Pat/Marty

THAT the Student Affairs Committee approve the April 19, 2021 agenda as distributed.

**Carried.**

**2.0 Approval of the Student Affairs Committee Minutes for March 22, 2021  
[attachment]**

Moved by Sarah/Camille

THAT the Student Affairs Committee approve the March 22, 2021 minutes as distributed.

**Carried.**

**3.0 Business Arising from the Student Affairs Committee Minutes of  
March 22, 2021**

No business arising from the minutes.

**4.0 New Business**

- 4.1 Summary Listing of New Awards (February 23, 2021-April 19, 2021)  
[attachment]

The summary listing of new awards for February 23-April 19, 2021 was provided as information.

4.2 New Awards Requiring Approval (February 23, 2021-April 19, 2021) [attachment]

Deloitte Indigenous Computer Science Bursary

Moved by Melanie/Camille

THAT the Deloitte Indigenous Computer Science Bursary be approved.

Discussion:

The process and rationale for self-declaration of Indigenous status was discussed.

**Carried.**

Indigenous University Bridging Program Bursary

Moved by Brian/Melanie

THAT the Indigenous University Bridging Program Bursary be approved.

Discussion:

Included in the eligibility is an age requirement. This is a stipulation from the donor and not from Iniskim. The Registrar confirmed this bursary is not included in the application pool for other MRU awards and is coordinated, instead, through Iniskim.

It was recommended that the age criteria be converted to a preference (i.e., preference will be given to youth [18 to 30 years of age] or adults over 30 who are parenting).

**Carried.**

Agnes Cooke Bursary in Nursing

Moved by Brian/Sara

THAT the Agnes Cooke Bursary in Nursing award be approved.

**Carried.**

Discussion:

Following approval of the award, the Chair asked for the committee's input on how best to manage the award criteria, as administration of the award will require a change to the Awards application process. There needs to be a mechanism for asking students about their background on an application. The FOIP statement on the Awards application will also need to be reviewed to ensure that information collected through the application process is only collected and used for the purposes of award selection and disbursement.

The Student Awards and Financial Aid department, within the Registrar's Office, will gather information other PSIs to be shared at the May SAC meeting for further consideration.

4.3 Awards Provisionally Approved as per Student Awards and Financial Aid (September 3, 2020- April 19, 2021) [attachment]

Moved by Sarah/Michelle

THAT the Co-op Community Foundation Scholarship name change be approved.

**Carried.**

New Business

There was a final question regarding the charging of application fees to Indigenous students. There will be further discussion at the next meeting.

**5.0 Next Meeting**

May 17, 2021

**6.0 Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 4:54pm.