

STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Student Affairs Committee

March 25, 2025 at 3pm – 5pm University Boardroom A341

IN ATTENDANCE:

Phil Warsaba Vice-President, Students, CHAIR
Fiona Chetty Student Representative, VICE-CHAIR

Chris Rogerson Associate Vice-President, Student Experience and Success

Meagan Bowler Deans' Council Representative (virtual)

Kari Roberts Academic Staff Member (Arts)

Sally Haney Academic Staff Member (Business, Communication Studies & Aviation)
Holly Johnson Academic Staff Member (Health, Community and Education) (virtual)

Meg Stewart Academic Staff Member (Science and Technology) (virtual)

Sara Sharun Academic Staff Member (University Library)

Christina Lovestone Continuing Education Representative

Tori McMillan Iniskim Centre Representative Nicky Renault Student Affairs Representative

Qanita Samore Student Representative Saron Solomon Student Representative

Resources

Geri Lynn Gouglas Registrarial Designate

Miranda Diakiw Designate for Executive Director, Development

Sheena Dyer Assistant University Secretary, GFC, RECORDING SECRETARY

NOT IN ATTENDANCE:

Michelle LoGullo President, Mount Royal Staff Association

The Chair called the meeting to order at 3:02PM.

1. Approval of Agenda

Moved and seconded:

THAT the Agenda for the March 25, 2025 Student Affairs Committee meeting be approved.

Motion carried

2. Approval of Meeting Minutes

2.1. Minutes from January 21, 2025

Moved and seconded:

THAT the Minutes of the January 21, 2025 Student Affairs Committee meeting be approved.

Motion carried

2.2. Business Arising from the Minutes

Business arising from the minutes were included in Item 3.3.

3. Student Awards Created from January 22 – March 25, 2025

3.1. Summary Listing of New Awards Received for information.

3.2. New Awards Requiring SAC Approval

In response to a question, the differences between the MRU IUBP Advancement Bursary, the MRU IUBP Bursary and the MRU IUBP Tuition Bursary were explained and the intent of each bursary was clarified. It was also confirmed that a student could qualify for both the Advancement and Tuition bursaries.

Moved and seconded:

THAT the Student Affairs Committee approve the new awards:

- 55th Anniversary Mount Royal Aviation Alumni Legacy Award
- MEG Energy Indigenous University Bridging Program Bursary
- MRU IUBP Advancement Bursary
- MRU IUBP Bursary
- MRU IUBP Tuition Bursary
- RSM Canada Scholarship in Accounting
- Zane Halperin Legacy Award

Motion carried

3.3. Existing Awards Requiring SAC Approval

As a follow-up from the last meeting, the Indigenous Bursary award was presented to the committee as an existing award with a proposed name change for approval. The differences between the Indigenous Student Bursary and the MRU Indigenous Business Bursary were highlighted.

Moved and seconded:

THAT the Student Affairs Committee approve revisions to the existing awards:

- Colleen Griffin Memorial Award in Internationalization
- Indigenous Student Bursary
- MRU Indigenous Business Bursary

Motion carried

3.4. New Awards Provisionally Approved by the Office of the Registrar

Moved and seconded:

THAT the Student Affairs Committee approve the new award provisionally approved by the Office of the Registrar: Discovery Bursary.

Motion carried

Moved and seconded:

THAT the Student Affairs Committee approve the new award provisionally approved by the Office of the Registrar: Pathfinder Award.

Discussion:

• In response to a question, it was explained the name of this award was distinct enough from another award that also uses the word "Pathfinder".

Motion carried

3.5. Existing Awards Provisionally Approved by the Office of the Registrar

Moved and seconded:

THAT the Student Affairs Committee approve revisions to the existing awards provisionally approved by the Office of the Registrar:

- Chris and Ellen Bowden Bursary
- Crescent Point Energy Scholarship
- Linda Singleton Memorial Scholarship
- MacNeill/Enbridge Entrance Scholarship in Nonprofit Studies for High School
- MacNeill/Enbridge Scholarship in Nonprofit Studies (Entrance)
- MacNeill/Enbridge Scholarship in Nonprofit Studies (In-Course)
- Mary Anderson Memorial Bursary

Motion carried

4. Student Appeal – Tuition Bursary

The MRU Tuition Bursary Appeal was considered.

Moved and seconded:

THAT the Student Affairs Committee approve the student appeal of the Tuition Bursary. *Motion carried*

5. Revised Student Affairs Selection Committee Charter

The revised Student Affairs Selection Committee Charter was reviewed. Based on feedback provided by committee members, language in the Charter will be adjusted to clarify Selection Committee membership, including specifying there are two student representatives for the Centennial Gold Medal Award. A final draft will come forward for review at the next meeting.

6. Committee Chair Report

A copy of the previous Committee Chair's Report to GFC was provided for information.

7. For Information:

7.1. SAC 2025-26 Meeting Schedule

Received for information. A meeting will be proposed for October 2025 to approve any additional awards before applications open on November 1.

8. New Business

There was no new business.

9. Adjournment 4:05PM