

**POLICY
COMMITTEE**

**Tuesday July 17, 2017
6:30 pm
SUB 6-06**

ATTENDANCE

NAME	PROXY	PRESENT	SUBMISSION OF WRITTEN FEEDBACK (IF ABSENT)
Sandy Brophy		N	Y
Daren Choi		Y	
Delaine Howie (CHAIR)		Y	
Nathan Sunday		N	Y
Haley Lefferson		Y	
Alannah Piasecki		Y	
Reid Larsen		Y	
Ilya Ushakov		Y	
Shane Scott		Y	

MINUTES (PC 2017-5)

2017-05/1 INTRODUCTION

2017-05/1a Call to Order
Meeting called to order at 6.31 pm

2017-05/1b

Approval of Agenda

PIASECKI/SCOTT moved to approve the agenda
7/0/0, CARRIED

2017-05/1c

Approval of Minutes

LEFFERSON

Mentioned that the minutes make it “she” when referring to PIASECKI

CHOI/LARSEN moved to approve the minutes with amendment
7/0/0, CARRIED

2017-05/1d

Chair’s Business

Student Financial Assistance Policy Renewal

HOWIE

Mentioned that it is Students Financial Assistance Policy Renewal and called upon VP Larsen to describe it

LARSEN

Said that most of it is pretty good expect a few specific things expect for a few facts; Mentioned that “education” is good, and they can still can do it, expect that it is a fact; Added that cost to university is increased and has continued to increase;

Indicated that in #9, it is mentioned that high costs have discouraged students to seek employment, and that is taken out;

Mentioned upfront grant, and said that it is like what is in on the web, is more upfront and doesn’t have to be paid back over time, and one can get grant or loan along with the same from the province;

Said that the next one is Current Needs-based Award, and they have added tax credit system; and are trying to see if tax credit can be related to grants so that students get grants on-time and that helps in their full-time position

(Asked for inputs)

About "resolutions", mentioned that he changed the number of needs based awards; and made the structure a little bit broader, and it can talk about more things than financial things; Also mentioned that the biggest change is under 2, where he added two points that John edited; Said that the real value indicates that it reflects CPI, and means that University has to increase API;

Under C, mentioned that, it is indicated that there is an increase the number of available awards so as to increase the ratio of awards to students

Mentioned that for the last one, he edited the word "diverse" twice (asked for question)

HOWIE

Asked clarification about real value of awards, and specifically what is "real"

LARSEN

Mentioned that real value is the ordinary money value and not just the documented value

HOWIE

Replied that "real" seems subjective, and the need is for the actual dollar amount to increase; Asked if in that sense they would want to the actual monetary value to increase

CHOI

Asked how would the university or province interpret the term real versus monetary value

LARSEN

Suggested to use the term "monetary", which will address it

(all agreed)

SCOTT

Mentioned that diverse background and diverse skills supports the idea but it means diverse educational background

LARSEN

Said that it is in context of donors

SCOTT

Suggested that background and skills can also be used

HOWIE

Proposed to use the word intent

LARSEN

Said that overall the policy hasn't changed drastically but just a few things have changed; and that there are a couple of SFA experts in office, like John and Josh

HOWIE

Asked if LARSEN did anything that requires changes before it goes to council

LARSEN

Replied that it is mostly editorial, and only B and C are changed a bit

HOWIE

Said that Political Policy, when changed significantly, has to go through First and Second Readings in council and the cycles; and the cycles have to pass; however, if the changes are not significant new directions, then they can say that changes are upon recommendation of the Policy Committee;

LEFFERSON

Said that he noticed that in the one placed under resolution, there is no dash

CHOI

Indicated a few minor grammatical issues;

LEFFERSON

In some cases, it is placed and it says "merit-based" and in others it says "merit based"

HOWIE

Said that it is in 11

LEFFERSON

Pointed out that it also in 1-13

LARSEN

Asked in, C, is "aboriginal students" the correct term

SCOTT

Said that it is

Motion

LARSEN/PIASECKI moved to approve the Renewal the Student Finance Assistance Policy as-amended

7/0/0 carried

HOWIE

Thanked all, and said that It will presented in council

2017-05/2

QUESTION/DISCUSSION PERIOD

2017-05/2a

Policy Renewal Check-ins

HOWIE

Said that she has updated from Nathan write-up about international students access, and it will come up in one of the agendas; Added that councillors Brophy did not submit a formal comment on that specifically and he is still waiting for some consultation

CHOI

Mentioned that it is only a week and nothing is done yet

SCOTT

Said that he had only a first reading

LEFFERSON

Said that hasn't started

PIASECKI

Mentioned that she hasn't started

HOWIE

Asked all to let her know whenever their respective renewals are complete

2017-05/2b

Proposed Fall Meeting Schedule

- **Monday September 11th**
- **Monday October 9th**
- **Monday November 6th (early because of Fall Reading Week)**
- **Monday December 11th**

HOWIE

Suggested 5 pm as the time

Asked if 5 pm is fine for all?

(All agreed with 5 pm)

Added that she will check with Sunday and Brophy if 5 pm works for them

Also asked if everyone okay with moving the October meeting to second of the month

(All are okay)

Asked if for November meeting, the week after on the 20th of November is okay
 (All agreed)
 Mentioned that she will make those updates and make sure that they are in the next agenda

2017-05/3 **COMMITTEE BUSINESS**
 none

2017-05/4 **INFORMATION ITEMS**

2017-05/5 **ADJOURNMENT**

2017-05/5a **Next Meeting:** Monday, July 31 at 6.30 pm

2017-05/5b Meeting adjourned at 7:05 pm.

SUMMARY OF MOTIONS

MOTION	VOTES
PIASECKI/SCOTT moved to approve the agenda	7/0/0, CARRIED
CHOI/LARSEN moved to approve the minutes with amendment	7/0/0, CARRIED
LARSEN/PIASECKI moved to approve the Renewal the Student Finance Assistance Policy as amended	7/0/0, CARRIED