

THOMPSON RIVERS UNIVERSITY

Student Engagement Senate Sub-Committee

Minutes

Wednesday, 28 September 2011

9:00 – 10:00

HL Boardroom – 4th Floor

Attendance:

Tracy Christianson	Ken Olynyk (regrets)
Adrian Conradi	Justin Powers
Dorys Crespin-Mueller	Susan Purdy
Marion Hannaford (regrets)	Elizabeth Rennie
Gerard Hayes	Harold Richins
Hoberly Hove	Duane Seibel
Peter Hilton	Graeme Wallis
Gary Hunt	Annie Zhong
Brian MacKay (regrets)	Andrew Pillar (Guest)
Sukh Matonovich	Chris Adam (Chair)
Keith Meldrum (regrets)	Sandy Devick (Recorder)

Self-introductions were made around the table.

Membership on the committee: Students's terms end in November

Terms are over for the Faculty members Susan Purdy and Tracy Christianson. Names need to come forward to the Steering Committee of Senate.

1. Approval of Agenda

Motion: to approve the agenda

Moved: Tracy Christianson

Seconded: Dorys Crespin-Mueller

Carried.

2. Approval of April 27, 2011 Minutes

- The May meeting has no minutes to be approved. There was an email vote resulting in the approval to send the committee's annual report to Senate.

3. NSSE 2011 results

(Dorys Crespin Mueller and Andrew Pillar)

- Preliminary results only are presented in the document. It is **CONFIDENTIAL until released to the public.**
- For 2011 there was a 23% response rate from 1st and 4th year, baccalaureate, on-campus students

- IPA is briefing senior executive in a few weeks on October 19
- At the next meeting, the committee will draft a communications plan re NSSE results

a) Distribution of the Canadian University Report 2010/11 Globe and Mail

- Results get published in Globe & Mail
- Administrative and service side – class size, course scheduling, financial aid, advising
- Of 48 indicators, TRU has improved in 20
- The response rate was very low, but not far off the national average (10 %)
- Overall students gave TRU a B+ which is the same as last year
- Results that compare institutions will come out in October in the Globe and Mail
- Awareness of environmental issues has increased

4. NSSE and other surveys (Dorys Crespín Mueller and Chris Adam)

a) Communications planning

- A general discussion was held re: the need for a communications plan for internal and external stakeholders. This will be the focus of the October 26 meeting.

5. Student Engagement Inventory (Chris Adam)

b) Process for 2011

- Sub-committee will report back at the next meeting

6. Next Meeting

- Members of the committee should spend some time with results and record what jumps out at them and how will we communicate these results to students, campus, community
- Understand the NSSE methodology – Dorys to send something out
- Information is **CONFIDENTIAL**
- IPA will meet with certain groups to share information. The key purpose is to advance the institution. The message has to be deliberate
- IPA to do bullet points of highlights
- Next meeting is October 26