

Student Affairs Committee
October 22, 2024 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
Michelle LoGullo	President, Mount Royal Staff Association (<i>virtual</i>)
Meagan Bowler	Deans' Council Representative
Kari Roberts	Academic Staff Member (Arts)
Sally Haney	Academic Staff Member (Business, Communication Studies & Aviation)
Meg Stewart	Academic Staff Member (Science and Technology)
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

Sarah Rude	Registrarial Designate
Miranda Diakiw	Designate for Executive Director, Development (<i>virtual</i>)
Sheena Dyer	Assistant University Secretary, GFC, RECORDING SECRETARY

Guests

Michelle Dow	Director, Access and Inclusion Services
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NOT IN ATTENDANCE:

Holly Johnson	Academic Staff Member (Health, Community and Education)
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The Chair called the meeting to order at 3:04PM.

1. Approval of Agenda

Moved and seconded:

THAT the Agenda for the October 22, 2024 Student Affairs Committee meeting be approved.

Motion carried

2. Approval of Meeting Minutes

2.1. Minutes from September 17, 2024

Moved and seconded:

THAT the Minutes of the September 17, 2024 Student Affairs Committee meeting be approved.

Motion carried

2.2. Business Arising from the Minutes

2.2.1. Updates to the Procedures for Administering Awards

Based on discussions at the previous meeting, updates were made to the Procedures for Administering Awards. The track-changes and clean versions of the updated document were provided for review.

3. Access and Inclusion Services Annual Report

The Access and Inclusion Services Annual Report was reviewed prior to it being submitted to GFC for information. M. Dow, Director, Access and Inclusion Services, walked through the report.

Questions were responded to for clarification on the report and accommodation processes. Concern was raised with the trends in numbers of students requiring various accommodations and sustainability of MRU's resources to support students. P. Warsaba addressed the challenges with resourcing in this area, acknowledging that the trend will continue to increase. An additional note will be added to the report to clarify the differences between preferred accommodations and alternative accommodations that satisfy the institution's duty to accommodate.

A question was also asked about the consultation process for revisions to the Academic Accommodation for Students with Disabilities policy. The existing policy is currently with a review committee led by C. Rogerson and drafts will be submitted to SAC as part of the policy consultation process.

M. Dow left the meeting.

4. Office of Student Community Standards Statistics Report

The Office of Student Community Standards Statistics Report was reviewed prior to it being submitted to GFC for information. Questions were responded to and clarification on the report and various procedures was provided. Feedback was shared on presenting the information and capturing additional data points.

5. Student Awards Created from September 18 – October 22, 2024

5.1. Summary Listing of New Awards

Received for information.

5.2. New Awards Requiring SAC Approval

Moved and seconded:

THAT the Student Affairs Committee approve the new awards:

- Connor Kosolofski Memorial Scholarship
- Kenneth Robert Wilson and Margarethe Wilson Memorial Bursary
- Kenneth Robert Wilson and Margarethe Wilson Memorial Scholarship
- MRU Event, Theatre & Hospitality Services Award
- The Horizon Award
- The Wood Automotive Group Big 4 Motors MRU Award in Indigenous Studies

Motion carried

5.3. Existing Awards Requiring SAC Approval

Moved and seconded:

THAT the Student Affairs Committee approve revisions to the existing award, CAPP Bursary.

Motion carried

5.4. 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, as listed in the meeting package attachment.

Motion carried

5.5. Awards with Minor Changes Provisionally Approved by the Office of the Registrar

Moved and seconded:

THAT the Student Affairs Committee approve the awards with minor changes provisionally approved by the Office of the Registrar, as listed in the meeting package attachment.

Motion carried

6. Student Appeal

The Mount Royal Bright Future Scholarships student appeal was considered.

Moved and seconded:

THAT the Student Affairs Committee approve the Mount Royal Bright Future Scholarships student appeal, with the condition that student is registered in a program in Fall 2025 and meets all other conditions of the award.

Motion carried (1 opposed)

7. Committee Chair Report

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

8. New Business

There was no new business.

9. Adjournment 4:50PM