



## CONFEDERATION COLLEGE BOARD OF GOVERNORS

# BOARD REPORT

<b>MEETING TYPE:</b>	Board	<b>REPORT NUMBER:</b>	19 - 2021
<b>MEETING DATE:</b>	May 12, 2021	<b>DATE PREPARED:</b>	April 15, 2021
<b>SUBJECT:</b>	Annual Advisory College Council Report to the Board of Governors		

### **MOTION:**

For information.

### **PURPOSE:**

To provide the annual Advisory College Council report to the Board.

### **BACKGROUND:**

The Ministry of College and Universities (MCU) Binding Policy Directives, Business Plan operating procedure, states “the board of governors is to ensure that an advisory college council is established, the purpose of which is to provide a means for students and staff of the college to provide advice to the president on matters of importance to students and staff. A report from this advisory council shall be included in each college’s annual report.”

The board of governors is to ensure that the structure, composition, terms of reference and procedures for the council are established in by-law.

### **DISCUSSION:**

For the 2020-2021 academic year, the council has met on a monthly basis. As a result of the COVID 19 pandemic, the meetings moved to a virtual forum rather than in-person attendance.

The council maintained a regular meeting cycle outlining meeting topics and discussions. These included reports and information sharing from each stakeholder group of the committee as well as presentations from other college departments.

Standing items on the Committee’s agendas included Health & Safety, Project Updates, and the recent addition of updates for Program Mix and the Decolonization Committee. COVID 19-Pandemic Planning was added as a temporary standing item. Other topic discussions throughout the year included Strategic Plan consultation, program mix, enrolment and systemic racism and a review of the college’s Mature Student Assessment.

Presentation of the Ombuds 2019-20 report provided an overview of usage trends by students, faculty and staff along with recommendations for the college community’s consideration.

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A report from the Equity and Human Rights Advisor was also presented on December 18, 2020.

Attendance from all stakeholder groups has been excellent. The new OASA (Oshki Anishnawbeg Student Association) President joined the council on for her first meeting on February 11, 2021.

In recognition of and honouring traditions as outlined in the Truth and Reconciliation Commission Report, in 2020 the council committed to opening their meetings with a ceremony and added, as a regular agenda item, a commitment to close each meeting with a "Reflection;" each council member sharing their own thoughts and reflection of the current meeting. For September 2020 to April 2021, the opening ceremony did not take place because of time restrictions; however, the council was successful in having a "Reflection" at the end of each meeting.

The last meetings of the academic year to be held on May 20 and June 17 will include standing items, presentation of the new Decolonization Report, Enrolment update, a presentation from our student union leaders as well as evaluating the committee.

***ENDS:***

This report relates to the "Institutional Excellence" pillar of the Board's Ends, and the goal to operate and communicate efficiently, effectively and transparently.

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