

TRU SENATE AWARDS & HONOURS COMMITTEE

Place: OM 1662

Date: Monday, December 9, 2013

MINUTES

Present: Christine Anderson, Marjorie Budnikas (Chair), Gordon Down, Stephen Eaglestone, Wayne Hendry (non-voting), Jack Miller.

Absent: Tom Dickinson, Mitul Daulat Ramani, Christopher Seguin (non-voting), Martha White.

1) The meeting was called to order at 8:32 AM.

2) New Business

a) Review of Katherine Sutherland's request to review the *Ike Barber Transfer Scholarship* proposed changes.

After reviewing and discussing the letter to Dr. Shaver from Jim Hamilton, the committee concluded the changes presented no concerns for TRU or its students, and in fact represented a potentially positive change for our Engineering Transfer program students.

The committee also reviewed a 2010 email (presented by Gordon Down) from President Barnsley to Ike Barber asking that he consider a policy exemption for the TRU Williams Lake campus that would allow students transferring from TRU Williams Lake to TRU Kamloops to qualify, as this would be fully in line with Ike Barber's original intent for the scholarship. Mr. Barber was in favour of such a change at the time, but his board was unable to accommodate the request at that time. The committee concluded that Williams Lake students continued to be at a unique and singular disadvantage in the province with regard to the scholarship, simply because Williams Lake was a satellite campus (as compared to students at Okanagan College and UBC-O, Camosun and UVic, CNC and UNBC, etc.)

Motion: That the committee chair respond that the Awards & Honours Committee: 1) is in favour of the changes outlined, 2) is not concerned that they would represent an administrative burden, and 3) respectfully requests that the *British Columbia Scholarship Society* provide a policy exemption allowing students completing one or two years in Williams Lake and transferring to Kamloops to complete a degree be eligible to apply for the scholarship." (JM/SE).

3) The meeting was adjourned at 8:57 AM.