



**INDIGENOUS CIRCLE ON EDUCATION
LOYALIST COLLEGE**

MEETING MINUTES – FEBRUARY 22, 2019

In Attendance:

Sandy Maracle	Post-Secondary Education Coordinator, Mohawks Bay of Quinte Member, Board of Governors, Loyalist College	Tyendinaga
Patti Brinklow (Chair)	Post-Secondary Education Coordinator, Mohawks Bay of Quinte	Tyendinaga
Elaine Jeffrey	Métis Nation of Ontario	Métis
Heather Green	Community Member	Tyendinaga
Ann Marie Vaughan	President and CEO, Loyalist College	Resource
Ann Drennan	Sr. Vice President Academic, Chief Learning Officer	Resource
Jackie Stephens	Professor, General Arts and Science, Loyalist	Resource
Tania Ardley	Indigenous Student Success Mentor (on leave)	Resource
Paul Latchford	Manager, Indigenous Services, Loyalist College	Resource
Deiana Gonyea	Assistant, Indigenous Services, Loyalist College	Resource
Dustin Brant	Indigenous Outreach Officer, Loyalist College	Resource
Nikki Auten	Indigenous Faculty, Loyalist College	Resource

Regrets:

Glenda (Sam) Maracle	Executive Director, Aboriginal Labour Force Development	Tyendinaga
Josh Hill	Mohawks of the Bay of Quinte	Tyendinaga
Mike Brant	Trustee, Hastings-Prince Edward District School Board	Tyendinaga
Matt Sagar	Counsellor, Hastings-Prince Edward District School Board	Tyendinaga
Joe Brown	Counsellor, Hastings-Prince Edward District School Board	Tyendinaga
Doug Maracle	Councillor, Tyendinaga Mohawk Council	Tyendinaga
Barb Brant	Past-Governor, Loyalist College Board of Governors	Tyendinaga
Betty Reid	Admissions Officer, Loyalist College	Resource
Lorne Thompson	Professor, School of Health and Human Studies	Resource
Eric Bauer	Professor, School of Biosciences, Loyalist College	Resource
Bob Millard	Professor, Business Administration, Loyalist College	Resource
	Faculty Advisor, Enactus Loyalist	

Review of Minutes:

Minutes from the Indigenous Circle meeting of December 4, 2018 were reviewed.

PEFAL Funding and Indigenous Bursaries: Transfer Payment Agreement was signed and forwarded to the Ministry. No word yet on funding for 2019-2020. Bursaries were to be given out after reading week.

Outdoor Learning Space: With the completion of the storm water pond, construction is to begin on an outdoor Indigenous learning space. Meetings are being scheduled to keep the Indigenous Resource Centre apprised of the progress.

Tyendinaga Bureau: The Journalism program has requested to set up a news bureau in Tyendinaga. They would like to use story-telling as a way to promote understanding of the Indigenous culture. Concerns were brought forward by the Circle in regards to potential danger in having a site like this set up. Student can, unwittingly, do damage. The intent must be honest while preserving freedom of speech. The Circle agrees that there **MUST** be community meetings to discuss this proposal: the Circle cannot speak for the entire community in this particular regard. Ideas such as ensuring the bureau only published “good” news stories, creating a string of wampum between the group and the community, and using a trusted media outlet on reserve to oversee the bureau. The IRC connected with the Dean of Media, Business and Access, along with two Journalism faculty members to set some parameters. It was discussed that there be some focus groups and then a committee meeting. The President reiterated that there needs to be policies and protocols in place prior to establishing a bureau. It must be understood that the intellectual property of any stories belongs to the community.

Land Acknowledgment: Discussion was held on where the land acknowledgement would be used. A new acknowledgment is in the works and will be ready to share with the College community soon.

Colleges and Institutes Canada: The CiCan Conference will be held this coming May in Niagara Falls. Vice President Academic and Manager, Indigenous Services plan to attend.

Other Business:

- ***MBQ Candidate for Board of Governors*** – Our Indigenous Board of Governor’s member’s time as a Governor is up this spring. It is necessary to decide on another member of MBQ to approach for a position on the Board.
- ***Two Row Wampum*** – The College is undertaking to recreate a Two Row Wampum treaty belt in their commitment towards Reconciliation. The College community will be encouraged to participate in the recreation, with sessions being led by Indigenous Services. It is hoped that the belt will be ready for Convocation 2019.
- ***Next Meeting*** – The next meeting of the Indigenous Circle on Education will be held at Loyalist College, on Monday, May 6, 2019 from 9:00 am to 12:00 noon. Please confirm your attendance at your earliest convenience. If you have any agenda items you wish to include for this meeting, please let the Assistant, Indigenous Services know as soon as possible.