



**INDIGENOUS CIRCLE ON EDUCATION
LOYALIST COLLEGE**

MEETING MINUTES – DECEMBER 4, 2018

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
Mike Brant	Trustee, Hastings-Prince Edward District School Board	Tyendinaga
Heather Green	Community Member	Tyendinaga
Ann Drennan	Sr. Vice President Academic, Chief Learning Officer	Resource
Josh Hill	Mohawks of the Bay of Quinte	Tyendinaga
Tania Ardley	Indigenous Student Success Mentor (on leave)	Resource
Betty Reid	Admissions Officer, Loyalist College	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
Jackie Stephens	Professor, General Arts and Science, Loyalist	Resource
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
Ann Marie Vaughan	President and CEO, 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:

There were no minutes to review from the last meeting.

Hiring of Indigenous Faculty: A member of the Mohawks Bay of Quinte has been hired as the full-time Indigenous faculty member at Loyalist College. She began in October 2018 and is being housed in the Indigenous Resource Centre. The incumbent shared the work she is doing on two new Indigenous General Education courses: Story Telling and Indigenous Agricultural Practices. Vice-President Academic shared that the balance of the faculty's time would not just be doing paperwork, but working on policy and the Indigenous strategy and implementation of same. The plan is to provide cultural safety within the classroom in keeping with the Indigenous learning outcomes.

PEFAL Funding and Indigenous Bursaries: While attending the Higher Education Summit, the Manager, Indigenous Service was advised that while there was no word on the 2018-2019 PEFAL funding as of that date, the Ministry was going to be releasing the Indigenous bursaries.

Outdoor Learning Space: With the commencement of the building for the storm water pond in accordance with the flood plan, facilities has asked for our input with regards to an outdoor Indigenous learning space. Meeting to finalize what this may look like are schedule for the new year.

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 will connect with the Media program to discuss next steps.

Fall Outreach: The Indigenous Outreach Officer shared his outreach activities for the fall semester. He would like to be involved with more schools moving forward.

Festival of Native Arts: Turn out for our annual Festival of Native Arts was great. The vendors expressed that they did well this year, although the total number of vendors was down due to Trent University holding their Elders' Conference on the same weekend.

Other Business:

- ***Land Acknowledgement*** – The group needs to go to Band Council to get final approval of the wording. Examples of the HPEDSB and Queens University were discussed as options.
- ***Smoke Free Campus*** – Starting January 1, 2019 Loyalist College is going smoke-free.
- ***Next Meeting*** – The next meeting of the Indigenous Circle on Education will be held at Loyalist College, on Friday February 22, 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.