

Meeting Notes

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| Meeting: | Elder Advisory Circle | Date & Time: | Date: February 8th, 2021 Time: 1:00pm – 2:30pm |
| Location: | Microsoft Teams | | |
| Chair: | Kanonhsyonne Janice Hill, Associate Vice-Principal (Indigenous Initiatives and Reconciliation) | | |
| Members Attending: | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Linda Zaluska • Sandra Moore • Betty Carr-Brant • Wendy Phillips • Sharon Clarke • Al Doxtator • Deb St. Amant • Chief Dave Mowat • Janice Hill • Haley Cochrane | | |
| Minutes: | S. Clarke | | |
| Discussion Item | Person Introducing | Notes | |
| 1. Opening and Introductions | J. Hill | Opening prayer – L. Zaluska Jan – roundtable introductions. | |
| 2. Overview of the OII | J. Hill | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • After the release of the TRC Calls to Action, Queen's looked at the Calls related to post-secondary institutions. • A Queen's TRC Task Force met and produced a report with 25 recommendations. • This Extending the Rafters Report is available on the OII Website • One recommendation was to set up OII – then a year later, Jan was appointed as AVP. • For last few years anything involving indigenous issues comes to our office. This circle was established to assist OII and to provide us advice, etc. | |
| 3. Overview of the Circle | J. Hill | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What do we want to accomplish while we (members of the Elders Advisory Circle) are here – • About the TRC – where do we fit in? What is our responsibility? Some feel like tokens. • There are a lot of different Elders Councils – This will be very important work – it is very convenient • It is very important work, and perhaps we can meet more often. A suggestion was once per month • In committing to meeting once per month, we can either find an existing Terms of Reference for an Elders Council or Draft one and send it out - • It is not our intention to rubber stamp issues • What do other faculties/Univ groups who want to | |

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| | | <p>Speak to Elders – what can be the purpose of the Elders Circle?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> We have support of the Research Faculty and also the Principal's office. <p><u>Action:</u> Agreement that we meet once per month for this quarter – and then we can revisit</p> |
| <p>4. Review of Proposals</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Indigenous Research Centre - No. 9 Gardens - NIBS | J. Hill | <p>Research Centre Proposal is a good opportunity to make change –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Queen's has been addressing issues of racism. For example: Statement on Racism (EDII) we are having discussions. <p>Next proposal on #9 Gardens –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Would like to establish an Indigenous garden there. The #9 Centre is also an outdoor teaching place. Can research No.9 Gardens for more info. What is potential to linking #9 Gardens to other FNs who are interested in protecting medicine? <p>NIBs Proposal (National Indian Brotherhood)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Proposal has 3 components: Support for Faculty learning, An Indigenous E-portal, and supporting Indigenous ways of knowing and being into curriculum |
| <p>5. Other Business</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Terminology: Indigenous vs Aboriginal | J. Hill | <p>Indigenous vs Aboriginal</p> <p>Asking your opinion on the usage for the Aboriginal Council name.</p> <p>We are Indigenous to this land. Agree in support of utilizing the word 'Indigenous.'</p> |
| <p>6. Closing</p> | L. Zaluska | Offered closing words. |

