President’s Advisory Committee on Building an Inclusive Community (PACBIC)

Wednesday, February 22nd, 2017, 9:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.
Gilmour Hall, Room 111 (Council Chambers)

Meeting Minutes


Regrets: Nancy B. Bouchier, Sarah Dickson, Judith Moses Dworkin, Craig Foye, Roseanne Kent, Meaghan Ross, Karen Sutton.

1) Welcome and Introductions. Ameil opened the meeting with a welcome to participants and by acknowledging that McMaster University sits on the traditional Territories of the Mississauga and Haudenosaunee Nations, and within the lands protected by the "Dish With One Spoon" wampum agreement. (ref: IEC May 2016 ). Participants were then invited into an introductory round.

2) Approval of Minutes, January 24th, 2017

- The January 24th, 2017 minutes were approved as previously circulated.

3) Annual Report Update

- The Annual Report, as previously circulated, was presented for discussion. The suggestion to reformat the Annual Report so that the recommendations are highlighted was accepted and will be implemented.
4) The “Challenging Islamophobia on Campus Initiative” Report 2015-2016 – Summary, Release and Discussion

- Khadijeh Rakie and Raihanna Hirji-Khalfan presented the “Challenging Islamophobia on Campus Initiative” Report 2015-2016. They also facilitated a discussion on the most recent manifestations of Islamophobia globally, nationally, locally and at McMaster University.
- The “Challenging Islamophobia on Campus Initiative” Report 2015-2016 can be found at: [https://equity.mcmaster.ca/reports](https://equity.mcmaster.ca/reports).

5) Working Group Updates & Reports:

- Working group conveners provided reports to the Chair on recommendations to include for the annual report based on current working group priorities in preparation for the meeting.
- The working group updates were deferred due to time limitations.

6) Adjournment and Next Meeting: The meeting was adjourned at 11:40. The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, March 22, 2017 from 9:30am – 11:30am in the Council Chambers.