University of Windsor Senate

5.8: **Report of the Provost**

Item for: **Information**

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1. Winter 2022

We were very pleased to welcome students back to our campus on Monday January 31, 2022. Some quick facts about the return:

- 11,434 student registered in a course with a face-to-face component (67% of total)
- 10,189 students registered in all face-to-face courses (60% of total)
- 58% of course sections have a face-to-face component and 42% are exclusively online

58% of sections are F2F. Looking at only those that are F2F in classrooms that are on campus, this is 44% of total sections (76% of all F2F offerings).

The return to campus website continues to be a valuable resource with record breaking access in January of 52,146 visits. The top pages included: January 17, 2022 announcement regarding return, Self-assessment, Information for students, vaccination policy, vaccine attestation.

2. #UniteUWin

Dr. Phebe Lam and the Office of Student Experience are planning the #UniteUWin campaign to bring the Lancer community together through kindness, healing and courage.

There are three campaigns, the first of which will take over Winter 2022 semester.

30+30 Days of Kindness - When we practice kindness to ourselves or to others, we experience positive mental and physical changes. This first campaign is 30 plus 30 days of kindness awareness. The first 30 days focuses on recognizing what kindness is, how one can show kindness to ourselves, each other, and the community. The following 30 days focuses on acts of kindness. For a total of 60 days, there will be opportunity to submit kindness messaging and acts of kindness which will be documented on a live site. Every submission of kindness will have the chance to win inspiring gifts in hopes of continuing to spread kindness beyond the 60 days. It is the campaign's hope that through kindness awareness we can re-sensitize us to one another and shine a small light in what are some dark times by lifting spirits and reminding us that there is good all around.

Updates on the other two campaigns will be shared in the months to come.

3. SET Taskforce

The SET Taskforce is making progress under the guidance of Dr. Dennis Jackson. To date the faculty member survey has been completed and the data analyzed, with the student survey being currently conducted.

Dr. Jackson's graduate measurement class will be using the feedback from both surveys to propose a new survey tool and their report will also detail a plan for piloting the new survey and potential analyses to address concerns about bias and validity.

A report will be made at the May 2022 senate meeting.

4. Upcoming Searches

- a) Associate Vice-President Student Experience Search committee will be formed in February 2022
- b) Associate Vice-President Academic Search committee will be formed in April 2022

5. International Framework

A "think-tank" to begin the work on an international framework will be held on March 9, 2022, with broad representation from academic faculty, students, administrators and relevant campus stakeholders who support current international activity. An update will be provided at the May or June meeting of Senate.