Present:

ASHLEE CUNSOLO (Chair; Dean, School of Arctic and Subarctic Studies)
KANANI DAVIS (Chief Executive Officer, Mamu Tshishkutamashutau Innu Education)
AMY HUDSON (Governance and Strategic Planning Lead, NunatuKavut Community Council)
ARN KEELING (Head of Dept. of Geography, Cross-Appointed with SASS)
SCOTT NEILSEN (Assistant Professor, School of Arctic and Subarctic Studies & Department of Archaeology)
SYLVIA MOORE (Assistant Professor, School of Arctic and Subarctic Studies & Department of Education)
NATHANIEL POLLOCK (Research Associate & Adjunct Professor, SASS)
LISA RANKIN (Professor of Archaeology, Cross-Appointed with SASS)
ALEX SAWATZKY (Secretary; Special Projects Manager, Labrador Institute; Adjunct Professor, SASS)

Regrets:

JODIE LANE (Director of Education, Nunatsiavut Government)
THOMAS PIGGOTT (Medical Officer of Health; Adjunct Professor, SASS)

Guests:

FLORENTINE STRZELCZYK (Provost and Vice President Academic, Memorial University)
APPROVALS & UPDATES

TENDER PROCESS
- Transitional Space
  - Floor plan 90% complete
  - Building will be gutted and renovated
  - Waiting on final signing

... IN 5-7 YEARS:
- New campus building

RESEARCH PROGRAM
COORDINATOR
- Chelsea Arbour
  - New position for SASS
  - Focusing on building research relationships
  - Starts October 18th!

NEW POSITIONS
at LI/SASS
- Office Admin Assistant
  - Offer pending
- Two Indigenous Cluster hires
  - Negotiations in progress

AVPIR
- Violet Ford
  - Appointed to SASS
  - Will be connecting through course development, teaching, & research

CRC POSITION
- Who do we want on the hiring committee?
  - Responsibilities:
    - Approving job posting
    - Faculty search

SEARCH BEGINNING
by December 2021

BUDGET PROCESS
with Provost
- Identified as a key growth strategy
  - Need a budget before we can be a campus
  - Aiming for transition budget to be passed in December

- Full campus transition plan created for Senate endorsement and Board approval

Pye Centre
- Farm house lease officially signed!

- Successful first open house in September
- Planning wellness programming with SIFN + Autism NL in Summer 2022

Step-wise plan over 7 years
ACADEMIC PROGRAMMING:

**Master’s/PhD Offering**
- Arctic + Subarctic Studies
  - Quite far along
  - Will discuss at October meeting

**Themes**
- People
- Place
- Identity
- Research Methods
- Health Systems
- Arctic + Subarctic Futures
- Law, Governance, + Advocacy
- Wellness

**Diploma in Northern and Indigenous Child and Youth Care**
- Led by Nat Pollock
- Heather Modlin working on contract to develop this
- Different ways of training and credentialing
- Eventual undergrad degree?
- Will discuss at October meeting

**Diploma in Northern Peoples, Lands, and Resources**
- Scott + Sylvia reviewing website and ad
- Will get on the books for Fall 2022

**Engineering I Course**
- May have found a faculty position
- On track to offer next fall!

**Undergraduate Program**
- Interdisciplinary learning in the classroom + on the land
  - Reflects how people want to learn
- Will discuss at October meeting
DISCUSSION:

**Provincial Community Hubs**

Providing communities with spaces to access stable, reliable internet for working, learning, and meeting.

Co-designed with community partners to meet specific needs and priorities.

Should be accessible to a number of communities.

Led by the Harris Centre, Grenfell, Labrador Institute, and Office of Public Engagement.

**Range of Options to What Hosts Can Do**

- Upgrading equipment
- Renovations to existing buildings
- Community event space
- Research space

Is this of interest? Can you think of communities who might be interested?

**Climate Collective Opportunities**

Funding for youth-led climate change projects.

Enhancing youth access to climate resources, advocacy, and planning.

Global Affairs invested $500K across the North.

3-4 projects in Labrador.

Examples...

Support from "adaptation experts" could connect with academic council, potential community hubs, indigenous governments' ongoing youth initiatives.

Learning modules...
INTRODUCTIONS: Dr. Florentine Strzelczyk, the new Provost and Vice President Academic of Memorial University

PRIORITIES FOR PROVOST

- EDI initiatives + TEC commitments
- Transdisciplinary research

- Enabling units to grow in ways they want + need
- Becoming a student-centric institution
- Drawing upon prior experiences + best practices & support in Labrador campus transition

GROWING BUDGETS

MINIMIZING HURDLES

WHAT ARE WE EXCITED ABOUT AT SASS?

- Lisa: Improving access & education
- Ashlee: Academic council & creating new curricula
- Sylvi: Developing new programs & moving forward with vision
- Aron: Growth of Northern education & creating new courses
- Kanani: Post-secondary opportunities close to home
- Scott: Having a physical campus in Labrador

NEXT MEETING: OCT. 26 @ 10 AM ADT