



**Minutes**

A meeting of the Ad-hoc Committee to consider the inclusion of the Ode to Newfoundland at Memorial’s convocation ceremonies was held on **Tuesday March 26, 2024 at 11:00 am NDT via Teams**

**Committee members:**

Arif Abu (Internationalization Office); Edwin Bezzina (senator); Mackenzie Broders (student); Kelly Butler (Indigenous Affairs); Cyr Couturier (senator); Delores Mullings (Vice-Provost EDI-AR); Craig Purchase (senator); Lisa Russell (lead, convocation); Adaeze Stella Charles (student); Kati Szego (senator); Valeri Pilgrim (Indigenous Student Resource Centre); Michael Woods (senator); Shayam Yadav (student).

**Convener:** Lee Ann McKivor [non-voting]

**Recording secretary:** Karen Follett [non-voting]

Present: Arif Abu, Mackenzie Broders, Kelly Butler, Cyr Couturier, Karen Follett, Lee Ann McKivor, Valeri Pilgrim Lisa Russell, Kati Szego, Michael Woods

Regrets: Edwin Bezzina; Delores Mullings; Craig Purchase

1.0	<p><b><u>Land Acknowledgement</u></b></p> <p>We acknowledge that the lands on which Memorial University’s campuses are situated are in the traditional territories of diverse Indigenous groups, and we acknowledge with respect the diverse histories and cultures of the Beothuk, Mi’kmaq, Innu and Inuit of this province.</p>	
3.0	<p><b><u>Approval of Agenda</u></b></p> <p>Move to adopt agenda as presented.</p> <p>Move: Cyr Couturier; Second: Michael Woods No objections or abstentions; motion approved.</p>	Approved
4.0	<p><b><u>Approval of Minutes</u></b></p>	
4.1	<p>Minutes from March 21, 2024</p> <p>Move to adopt as the minutes as presented.</p> <p>Move: Cyr Couturier ; Second: Kelly Butler</p>	Approved

		No objections or abstentions; motion approved.	
6.0		<p><b><u>Preliminary Report to Senate</u></b></p> <p>Discussion of draft report including edits to the document.</p> <p>Discussion of process for presenting to Senate.</p> <p><i>Action:</i> Karen to update report draft and circulate it to members for final considerations.</p>	
6.0		<p><b><u>Other Business</u></b></p> <p>[none]</p> <p><b>Meeting adjourned 12:10pm</b></p>	