



President's Action Committee on Anti-Racism (PACAR)

Religious Inclusion Working Group (Extended)

Wednesday, January 17, 2025

9:00-10:00 am In-Person Morrison Hall Boardroom 102

Minutes

Attendees: S. Brazeau, A. Hopkins, Donald MacGillivray, Barry MacKenzie, Muffy McIntyre, S. Parks, D. Trembinski, Moran Wortman, E. Yeo, and J. *Sylvester (Recording Secretary)*

Teams: J. Levin

Regrets: I. Ahmed, C. Tohidian

The meeting was called to order at 10:06 am with a welcome and land acknowledgement provided by E. Yeo. Followed by introductions.

Several common themes emerged from the group's perspectives on the StFX community, including a strong commitment to community, a profound sense of belonging, and a deep connection to its heritage and spirit of place, firmly rooted in tradition. These shared values, along with the institution's legal framework, will continue to guide and shape our work moving forward.

To ensure alignment and focus on achieving the objectives outlined in the PACAR Action Plan, our immediate focus will be on the Chaplaincy role and Ceremonial Events. Moving forward, we will assess current practices, identify what is working well, and explore gaps and opportunities for improvement.

Action Items: Fr. Donald will prepare a detailed report outlining the current activities and responsibilities of the Chaplaincy Office. Group Members will review recorded ceremonies available online to gain a deeper understanding of their structure and significance.

The group will come to the next meeting prepared to engage in discussion about the concept of heritage and how it is expressed within our community.

Our next meeting will be in person on Friday, January 31, on Teams.

The meeting adjourned at 10:02 am.