Head’s Report to EDST Department Meeting on January 16, 2020

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Community News

1. Our first Research in Focus session of the year will take place on January 23, 2020 from 2:30pm to 4:30pm with Jude Walker and Daniel Jordan presenting their research. Please plan to attend and support our colleagues.

New and Ongoing Business

1. Notice of Motion: Departmental approval sought for our Process to Guide Our Engagement with Off Campus MEd Programs document.

2. Search update for our open rank professoriate position in Indigenous Education and Advancement (Co-Chairs, Handel Wright and Michael Marker).

3. A draft of the EDST Self Study has by now been circulated by program coordinators. Thanks to everyone able to provide any suggestions for revisions by January 16. Final changes will now be made to the document with the hope of submitting it to the Dean by the end of January, 2020. I've asked the Dean's Office for information about the external review process and will report back.

4. Our new professoriate stream position at the rank of Associate Professor in Educational Leadership, Governance, and Policy has been approved and the start date is July 2, 2021. Next steps will include producing an advertisement for approval and pulling together a Search Committee.

5. In consultation with the Head’s Advisory Committee (HAC), I have decided that we will not have an EDST retreat this year. Typically, our departmental retreats occur in April. However, given that we have just completed our Self Study process and an external review is on the way, I believe we need a break. Once our external review is completed, we will have plenty of fodder for a productive retreat.

Departmental forum topic: Student supervision