

Western Deans Meeting
(in collaboration with JDC West)
Saskatoon, Saskatchewan

Saturday January 16th, 2016

19h00 – 21h30 Dinner at Dean Daphne Taras's House
801, University Drive, Saskatoon
(meet in hotel lobby at 18h45 to share taxis to her house)

Sunday January 17th, 2016

09h15 -09h55 *Welcome, Opening Remarks, Brief Presentation from JDC West*

Daphne Taras, Dean, Edwards School of Business, University of
Saskatchewan

Tyler Webb, Chair, JDC West Board of Directors

10h00 -11h15 *International and External Issues*

Joseph Doucet, Dean, Alberta School of Business, U of Alberta

- Managing international student experience: students come in with a decreasing scale of proficiencies (English, teamwork skills, etc.). How are Deans managing and have solutions been found?
- Can we organize a regional international recruitment approach? Go beyond provincial initiatives to organize as Western Deans?
- How can we change or improve the image of business schools within our institutions? Have other faculties seen the relevance? Preliminary suggestions have already been made on extending collaborations, are there other ideas?



11h30 – 12h45

Budget Models

Saul Klein, Dean, Peter B. Gustavson School of Business, UVic

- Budget models: follow-up from previous discussions on how each school and university is organized. How are revenue and expenses managed? What model is each school using? What model would each school like to be using?

13H00- 14H15

Lunch & *Discussion on “Life in the Dean’s Chair”*

Ali Dastmalchian, Dean, Beedie School, SFU

- Is there a shared experience by business Deans depending on where they are in their mandate? It has been suggested that the third year is 'hell year', is this true? Is there a typical shift in focus over time? Can we help newer Deans to survive?
- What role do Deans play in donor engagement? How do you manage relations? What about donor influence?

14h30 – 15h45

Managing Faculty & Collective Agreements

Keith Willoughby, Associate Dean’ Edwards School of Business
(Moderator and discussion leader)

- What language and possibilities does your collective agreement give you for teaching evaluation? What guidance could we give to faculty in providing evidence of good teaching beyond the standard student evaluation?
- What does your collective agreement say about research? How do you measure research productivity? Does the variety of recognized activities currently reflect the more holistic definition being suggested to business deans (dissemination, applied journals, partnerships, etc.)? Do you have incentives for certain research behaviors?

15h45 -16h00

Wrap-up

Practical Information

Accommodation:

The James Hotel,
620 Spadina Crescent East,
Saskatoon

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<http://thejameshotel.ca/>

Sessions:

The James Penthouse Suite, The James Hotel, 12th floor

Dinner Saturday Evening:

Dean Daphne Taras's House
801, University Drive, Saskatoon

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