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**Carleton University Senate  
Meeting of January 26, 2018 at 2:00 p.m.  
Senate Room, Robertson Hall**

**MINUTES**

**Attending:** F. Afagh, S. Ajila, A. Barclay, A. Bellerive, S. Blanchard, A Bowker, L. Callaghan, C. Carruthers, A. Chandler, W. Clement, J. Coghill, D. Deugo, T. Di Leo Browne, A. Dodge, C. Dogan, L. Dyke, J. Erochko, M. Esponda, R. Goubran, E. Grant, N. Grasse, J. Green, P. Gunupudi, B. Hallgrimsson, A. Hassan, E. Hitsman, W. Horn, F. Hosseinian, W. Jones, J. Kovalio, E. Kwan, D. Long, K. Lumsden, A. Maheshwari, C. Miller, J. Miller, H. Nemiroff, M. Neufang, D. Nussbaum, Z. Parkkari, J. Paulson, M. Piche, A. Plourde, M. Rooney, D. Russell, A. Shotwell, D. Siddiqi, E. Sloan, P. Smith, A. Summerlee, S. Taylor, J. Tomberlin, J. Wolfart, C. Young.

**Guests:** Z. Clayden, J. C. Prent, J. Shields [nominees]

**Recording Secretary:** Kathy McKinley

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**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The Chair called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

**2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

It was **MOVED** (C. Miller, J. Paulson) that Senate approve the agenda for the meeting of Senate on January 26, 2018, as presented.

The motion **PASSED**.

### 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was **MOVED** (M. Neufang, C. Miller) that Senate approve the minutes of the Open Session of the Senate meeting on November 24, 2017, as presented. The motion **PASSED**.

### 4. MATTERS ARISING

There were none.

### 5. CHAIR'S REMARKS

**a) Smudging at Senate** – One of the new Senators, who is Anishinaabe, has offered to perform a short smudging before Senate to promote the values of good governance, truth, reconciliation, and comradery. This is an important activity that Senate would like to include, while being mindful of sensitivities to smoke that some Senators may have. The Senate Office will circulate more information prior to the next Senate meeting as decisions around this activity are finalized.

**b) Sexual Assault Awareness Week** – Many events and activities on campus supported this initiative over the past week. More than 3,000 people engaged in training and other activities centred around awareness and reporting of sexual assault. A summary report is expected and will be published. Some issues with the language in the policy remain, and these will be addressed following a broad consultation with students across campus. The Chair thanked Equity Services for their leadership on this issue.

**c) Department of University Communications** – The Chair recognized the efforts of the Department of University Communications in reporting on the Federal Budget and on recent activities of the provincial government that are of interest to Carleton. We are anticipating announcements with the provincial government around research and employment opportunities for people with disabilities, which is key strength of our university.

**d) Department of University Advancement** – The Chair reported that the Carleton University Campaign is proceeding well. He praised members of the Board of Governors for their leadership in supporting the campaign.

**e) SIPC Retreat** – Next Week the SIPC (Strategic Integrated Planning Committee) retreat will frame issues around the budget and budget development. Consistency of information across platforms will be at the center of discussions, as will supporting students, graduation and retention rates, and communication processes in general.

## **6. QUESTION PERIOD (Chair)**

There were no questions submitted in advance or from the floor.

## **7. MOTION RE: SENATE EMERGENCY ACADEMIC RESPONSE COMMITTEE (J. Paulson)**

It was **MOVED** (J. Paulson, J. Wolfart) that Senate revoke all authority of the Senate Emergency Academic Response Committee until such time as Senate clarifies the circumstances under which the President may invoke an emergency.

There was no discussion of the motion. 21 voted in favour, and 25 were opposed. The motion **FAILED**.

One Senator asked for clarification on whether or not a strike on campus would be considered an emergency. The Chair agreed that a strike would be a campus emergency, but not one that would suspend Senate's ability to act. A strike is not a Senate emergency, and would not, in itself, be enough to cause the President to call the SEARC into existence.

The Chair noted that the Senate Academic Governance Committee is still working on the constitution and other issues of SEARC.

## 8. ADMINISTRATION (Clerk of Senate)

### a) Senate and Senate Committee appointments

The Clerk noted that many of the vacant positions for Graduate Students on Senate Standing Committees have been filled since the last Senate meeting. In addition, one retiree and one faculty member have been nominated for vacancies on committees and three undergraduate students have been elected to Senate.

It was **MOVED** (D. Russell, C. Miller) that Senate ratify the new Senate and Senate Committee appointments, as presented.  
The motion **PASSED**.

#### Discussion:

The Clerk was asked to clarify the Senate policy for appointing or approving members to Senate and Senate Standing Committees. The Clerk explained the current student appointments as a continuation of the process that began last fall. A Call for Nominations was circulated via CASG and GSA, and elections were held in cases where there was more than one candidate for a position. The Clerk agreed to provide a rationale explaining the process with any future lists of appointments circulated to Senate.

**b) CUASA** – There were four (4) appointments contrary to advertising policy in the collective agreement. (This announcement was for information purposes only.)

**c) Response to previous question regarding majority votes in Senate:** The Clerk clarified when a simple majority is needed to decide a vote, and when a 2/3 majority of those present is required.

- Most motions require a simple majority of those voting. This is the default rule for majority votes on motions.
- Some motions, such as a waiver of notice, or a motion to close or limit debate, require a 2/3 majority of those present to pass.

## 9. REPORTS

### a) SAPC Senate Academic Program Committee (Tomberlin)

The committee prepared an omnibus motion to cover 19 major modifications for existing programs, all of which have been approved by Faculty Boards and have passed through the Quality Assurance process before coming to Senate.

It was **MOVED** (J. Tomberlin, W. Clement) that Senate approve the major modifications as presented with effect from Fall 2018. The motion **PASSED**.

Modifications included in the omnibus motion are listed below for information:

- Major modifications to the Bachelor of Arts in Sociology (Honours, Combined Honours) programs as presented with effect from Fall 2018.
- Major modifications to the Mention Français program in Sociology & Anthropology as presented with effect from Fall 2018.
- Major modification to the Certificate in Public Service Studies as presented with effect from Fall 2018.
- Major modifications to the Bachelor of Arts in Religion program as presented with effect from Fall 2018.
- Introduction of the Interdisciplinary Public Affairs (IPAF) courses as presented with effect from Fall 2018.
- Major modifications to the Bachelor of Information Technology, Information Resource Management program as presented with effect from Fall 2018.
- Introduction of the Bachelor of Journalism, Concentration in Health Science program and independent project course as presented with effect from Fall 2018.
- Major modification to HLTH4909 as presented with effect from Fall 2018.
- Major modifications to the Bachelor of Arts in Film Studies program as presented with effect from Fall 2018.
- Major modification to the minor in Disability Studies as presented with effect from Fall 2018.

- Introduction of the specialization in Digital Humanities to the Master of Arts in Canadian Studies program as presented with effect from Fall 2018.
- Introduction of the specialization in Data Science to the Master of Information Technology program as presented with effect from Fall 2018.
- Introduction of the specialization in Data Science to the Master of Arts in History program as presented with effect from Fall 2018.
- Introduction of the specialization in Data Science to the Master of Arts in Psychology program as presented with effect from Fall 2018.
- Major modification to the Master of Philanthropy and Non-Profit Leadership program as presented with effect from Fall 2018.
- Major modification to the Masters programs in Sustainable Energy as presented with effect from Fall 2018.
- Major modification to the PhD in Canadian Studies program as presented with effect from Fall 2018.
- Major modification to the PhD in Canadian Studies with a specialization in Political Economy program as presented with effect from Fall 2018.
- Major modification to the PhD in Public Policy with a specialization in Political Economy program as presented with effect from Fall 2018.

Discussion:

The committee was asked if there had been any dissent at lower levels of approval, or if there were any issues arising at these levels that Senate should be aware of. The Chair of SAPC assured Senators that there were no concerns at SAPC, SCCASP or CUCQA.

Several Senators also commended the committee for removing courses that were no longer taught from several of the programs.

## **9. REPORTS (continued)**

### **b) SCCASP Senate Committee on Curriculum, Admission and Studies Policy (H. Nemiroff)**

The Committee presented four motions for approval.

It was **MOVED** (H. Nemiroff, A. Plourde) that Senate approve the revisions to R UG-2.2 for the 2018/19 Calendar as presented.  
The motion **PASSED**.

It was **MOVED** (H. Nemiroff, C. Miller) that Senate approve the inclusion of BIT recommended courses in the 2018/19 Calendar as presented.  
The motion **PASSED**.

It was **MOVED** (H. Nemiroff, L. Dyke) that Senate approve the Journalism program changes for the 2018/19 Calendar as presented.  
The motion **PASSED**.

It was **MOVED** (H. Nemiroff, W. Clement) that Senate approve the additional high school French Admissions requirements for the Specialization in French and Francophone Studies in the BGIInS degree for the 2018/19 Calendar as presented.  
The motion **PASSED**.

## **9. REPORTS (continued)**

### **c) Senate Committee on Student Awards**

It was **MOVED** (D. Russell, A. Shotwell) that Senate approve the list of new awards and changes to existing awards, as presented.  
The motion **PASSED**.

#### Discussion:

Senators expressed appreciation for the work that Advancement has done on these awards. Several Senators requested clarification of the process involved in endowing an award, or changing its terms. The Chair agreed to invite Advancement to Senate to provide a presentation on student awards, to clarify the process, and answer specific questions that Senators may have.

## **10. REPORTS FOR INFORMATION**

The following reports were submitted for information.

### **a) Senate Executive Committee Minutes**

1. August 29, 2017
2. October 17, 2017
3. November 14, 2017

### **b) Senate Committee on Curriculum, Admission and Studies Policy**

1. Final Glossary for 2018-19 Calendar
2. Course Program Minor Modifications for 2018-19  
(Undergraduate and Graduate)

There was no discussion.

## **11. OTHER BUSINESS**

There was no other business.

## **12. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was **ADJOURNED** at 2:33 pm.