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**Carleton University Senate
Meeting of May 27, 2016 at 2:00 p.m.
Senate Room, Robertson Hall
MINUTES**

Present: P. Adams, S. Bertram, S. Blanchard, D. Owusu-Akyeeah for M. Bueckert, D. Buss, M. Butler, D. Deugo, A. Dodge, M. El-Tanany, K. Evans, S. Field, P. Gentile, E. Ghias-Begloo, R. Goubran, J. Hayes, R. Hoey, D. Howe, T. Howarth for A. James (Open Session only), H. Khoo, C. Khordoc, E. Kwan, T. Xu for H. Logan (Open Session only), D. Long, H. Nemiroff, M. Neufang, J. Paulson, S. Phinney, A. Plourde, N. Rajapakse, A. Ramirez, P. Ricketts, O. Rowland, R. Runte, D. Russell, J. Shaw, J. Shepherd, C. Smelser, M. St. Cyr, M. Sucharov, S. Sur, N. Tait, J. Tomberlin, A. Whitehead

Regrets: F. Alhattab, S. Brouillette, C. Carruthers, C. Chi, J. Deaville, J. Debanné, A. Diptee, A. Forth, T. Garvey, R. Gess, R. Gorelick, L. Gravis, A. Grenstone, E. Hemm, F. Hosseinian, B. Hughes, O. Javanpour, W. Jones, K. Karim, E. Lai, A. Landon-Browne, L. Mohammed, B. Örmeci, I. Riar, J. Robson, J. Sack, R. Sengupta, T. Sherwood, J. Smith, J. Stoner, P. Thompson, D. Watt, A. Webb, S. Whitney, P. Wilson

Open Session:

1. Welcome

The President opened the meeting at 2:00 p.m.

2. Approval of Agenda

It was **MOVED** (R. Hoey, D. Long) that Senate approve the agenda of the meeting of May 27, 2016. E. Ghias-Begloo asked to add a motion item to the agenda regarding the GSA election. Senators discussed the process of adding motion items at a meeting (it needs to be urgent and supported by 2/3 of present members). A handout discussing the GSA perspective of the motion was distributed to Senators by the GSA. Senate voted on a motion to amend the agenda: 11 in favour, 25 Opposed. The motion failed and the agenda was not amended. It was **PASSED**.

3. Minutes:

a) April 29, 2016 (Open Session)

It was **MOVED** (S. Bertram, A. Ramirez) that Senate approve the minutes of the meeting of April 29, 2016 (Open Session).

They were **PASSED**.

4. Committee of Medals and Prizes:

It was **MOVED** (D. Russell, A. Plourde) that Senate approve the changes to the Senate Medals Policy.

It was **PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**.

5. Chairs' Remarks.

R. Runte announced the official opening this week of the Urbandale Centre for Home Energy Research. This is the "house on the hill", with red siding, overlooking Bronson Avenue. This solar house a research project that is interdisciplinary, collaborative and innovative. Both Engineering and Architecture faculty are studying energy efficiency, from solar panels to shingle sensors to underground heat storage and the deployment of energy in space. Numerous graduate and undergraduate students are conducting research projects at the site. It is funded by a grant from the Canadian Innovation fund and regional companies.

6. Senate Administration (Clerk):

a) Senate Election

The Clerk presented the results of the faculty elections. The new terms will start on July 1, 2016.

7. Discussion Period: Learning Outcomes Assessment (J. Shepherd)

J. Shepherd made a presentation on the provincial requirements for learning outcome assessment and their application at Carleton. J. Shepherd stated that not all learning outcomes can be measured but they can be assessed. The plan at Carleton is to roll out assessment of our programs incrementally. There is no one assessment tool that would work for all programs.

Senators discussed the impact that this additional administrative task may have. J. Shepherd stated that the motivation for assessment is to look systematically at our programs in the interest of providing the best learning opportunity to our students and that we are working to ensure the time spent on this will be efficient and as effective.

Assessment will be continuous and will help programs prepare for their cyclical review. J. Shepherd stated that his office will work with the faculty in individual programs to jointly develop assessment methods. R. Runte asked if Senate should have meaningful discussions on how to reduce the impact of assessment on faculty workload. Several suggestions were made including referring the issue to the Senate Academic Program Committee and providing increased opportunities to engage faculty in discussions regarding program assessment.

8. Committee Reports:

a) SAPC

It was **MOVED** (P. Ricketts, C. Khordoc) that Senate approve the Final Assessment Report and Executive Summary for the cyclical program review of the undergraduate programs in Greek and Roman Studies.

It was **PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**.

It was **MOVED** (P. Ricketts, R. Gess) that Senate recommends to the Board of Governors the change of academic unit name from the School of Canadian Studies to the School of Indigenous and Canadian Studies. The program will focus on North American Indigenous culture, but not limited to it.

It was **PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**.

R. Runte stated that Carleton is the first and oldest school of Canadian Studies. This change was developed from within the school. Congratulations to the new school.

It was **MOVED** (P. Ricketts, P. Gentile) that Senate approve the change in program name from Human Rights to Human Rights and Social Justice for the Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) Honours program, B.A. Combined Honours program and the B.A. General program effective fall 2017.

It was **PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**.

P. Ricketts received consent from Senators to combine the two motions below:

It was **MOVED** (R. Ricketts, J. Paulson) that Senate approve the addition of a specialization in Global Inequalities and Social Change in the Bachelor of Global and International Studies Honours program effective fall 2017 and that Senate approve the addition of a stream in Global Inequalities and Social Change in the Bachelor of Global and International Studies General program effective fall 2017.

It was **PASSED**.

P. Ricketts stated that the specialization will be housed in the Department of Sociology.

It was **MOVED** (R. Ricketts, A. Plourde) that Senate approve the new degree designation of the Bachelor of Economics (B. Econ) from the Bachelor of Arts to commence in the fall 2017 and That Senate approve the deletion of the applied economics program (honours, honours with concentration and combined honours) effective fall 2017 and That Senate approve the ECON 4905 Honours Capstone seminar effective fall 2017 and That Senate approve the introduction of the Concentration in Economic Theory and Concentration in Computational Analysis within the B. Econ Honours program effective fall 2017 and That Senate approve the modification to the existing B.A. Honours, Economics with Specialization in Quantitative and Mathematical Economics, to the

Concentration in Mathematics and Quantitative Economics within the B. Econ Honours program effective fall 2017.

It was **PASSED**.

b) SCCASP

H. Nemiroff presented the following motions:

It was **MOVED** (A. Plourde, S. Sur) that Senate approve the University and Admission Regulations as presented for the Bachelor of Economics Degree.

It was **PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**.

It was **MOVED** (N. Rajapakse, D. Long) that Senate approve revisions to section 4.3, Absence from the University and the addition of section 8.2.1 – Automatic Graduation from the University as presented. A few Senators expressed concern about the process. S. Blanchard stated that there are conditions before the automatic graduation occurs including trying to contact the student and waiting three terms of inactivity. She stated that it is increasingly important to have accurate graduation numbers, as the government tracks this and there may be a funding impact.

It was **PASSED**.

It was **MOVED** (P. Gentile, M. Butler) that Senate approve revisions to section 2.5, Deferred Final Examinations as presented. Currently the School of Mathematics and Statistics has a different schedule for deferred exams than all other programs. This will move the school in-line with the rest on campus.

It was **PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**.

It was **MOVED** (P. Gentile, J. Shepherd.) that Senate approve revisions to section 2.6, Deferred Term Work, as presented. This motion will ensure consistency with the process for deferring examinations.

It was **PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**.

9. Reports for Information and Comment:

a) Senate Executive: April 19, 2016 (Clerk)

The Clerk announced that the June Senate meeting is now on **June 17 at 10:00 a.m.**

10. Other Business

There was no other business.

11. Adjournment

Next Senate meeting: Friday, June 17 (NEW!), 2016