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**Carleton University Senate
Meeting of December 15, 2015 at 11:00 a.m.
Senate Room, Robertson Hall
MINUTES**

Present: S. Blanchard, M. Bueckert, M. Butler, C. Carruthers, J. Debanné, D. Deugo, A. Dodge, M. El-Tanany, S. Field, A. Forth, T. Garvey, R. Gess, E. Ghias-Begloo, R. Goubran, L. Gravis, R. Hoey, D. Howe, B. Hughes, K. Karim, H. Khoo, C. Khordoc, E. Kwan, M. Neufang, B. Örmeci, J. Paulson, A. Plourde, A. Ramirez, I. Riar, P. Ricketts, R. Runte, D. Russell, J. Shaw, J. Shepherd, T. Sherwood, C. Smelser, M. Sucharov, S. Sujit, J. Tomberlin, A. Whitehead, S. Whitney, P. Wilson

Regrets: P. Adams, F. Alhattab, S. Bertram, S. Brouillette, D. Buss, C. Chi, J. Deaville, A. Diptee, K. Evans, P. Gentile, R. Gorelick, A. Grenstone, J. Hayes, E. Hemm, F. Hosseinian, A. James, O. Javanpour, W. Jones, A. Landon-Browne, H. Logan, D. Long, L. Mohammed, H. Nemiroff*, S. Phinney, N. Rajapakse, J. Robson, O. Rowland, J. Sack, R. Sengupta, J. Smith, M. St.Cyr, J. Stoner, N. Tait, P. Thompson, D. Watt, A. Webb

Open Session:

1. Welcome and Chair's Remarks

The President opened the meeting at 11:04 am. R. Runte informed Senate that the province has distributed an initial report on proposed funding changes. The funding formula is expected to change from one based only on enrolment to one based on enrolment, graduation rates, and impact.

2. Approval of Agenda

It was **MOVED** (R. Hoey, A. Plourde) that Senate approve the agenda.

It was **PASSED**.

R. Runte stated that Senate had received a question. M. Bueckert asked that one of the Board's representatives on Senate speak to the issue in the media regarding CAUT (Canadian Association of University Teachers). R. Runte invited C. Carruthers to respond to the question. C. Carruthers stated that minutes are the official record of a meeting and that the Board has been concerned since last spring with the impact of blogging by individual Board members. C. Carruthers stated that Carleton's bylaws are under review by the Board's governance committee. It will review best practices across universities and provide recommendations to the Board. C. Carruthers recommended that Senate members read the recent governance reports from Western University and from the University of British Columbia:

- uwo.ca/univsec/pdf/Report_of_the_Governance_Review_Task_Force.pdf
- president.ubc.ca/files/2015/10/Summary-of-Process-and-Conclusions-Final.pdf

R. Runte stated that the Board has not yet met to discuss the consequences of a Board member refusing to sign its Code of Conduct. Nor has the Board met to discuss the possible censure by CAUT. C. Carruthers stated that the Board is aware of the seriousness of the issues and that it will take the course of action that is best for Carleton.

3. Senate Administration – Committee Memberships

It was **MOVED** (D. Russell, J. Tomberlin) that Senate approve the new appointments to Senate committees as distributed.

It was **PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**.

4. Committee Reports:

a) SAPC

P. Ricketts thanked members for attending this extra meeting of Senate called to respond to these SAPC motions in time to meet provincial ministry deadlines.

It was **MOVED** (P. Ricketts, M. Neufang) that Senate approve the proposed Master of Information Technology in Digital Media and PhD in Information Technology (Digital Media) to commence Fall 2016, with report to be submitted by June 30th, 2016 on plans to appoint additional faculty and on the replacement of the Director of the School of Information Technology AND that Senate approve the proposed Master of Information Technology in Network Technology to commence Fall 2016, with report to be submitted by June 30th, 2016 on plans to appoint additional faculty.

It was **PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**.

5. Reports for Information and Comment:

a) Appointments Contrary to the Collective Agreement

D. Russell stated that there was an appointment. P. Ricketts clarified that the appointment is in perfect adherence to the collective agreement, but that it is contrary to the usual process.

6. Other Business

M. Bueckert stated that Senate has not received a Board report recently. R. Runte stated that the Board is not required to report to Senate and that, at this time, there is no report to present. Another Senate member asked that a Board report be provided at the next meeting of Senate.

Adjournment

It was **MOVED** (P. Ricketts, M. Neufang) that Senate adjourn until the next meeting.

It was **PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**.