Carleton University Senate
Meeting of January 29, 2016 at 2:00 p.m.
Senate Room, Robertson Hall
MINUTES


Open Session:
1. Welcome
   The President opened the meeting at 2:02 p.m.

2. Approval of Agenda
   It was MOVED (R. Hoey, M. Neufang) that Senate approve the agenda.
   It was PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

3. Minutes:
   a) November 27, 2015 (Open Session)
      It was MOVED (H. Logan, T. Sherwood) that Senate approve the minutes of the meeting of November 27, 2015.
      It was PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

   b) December 15, 2015 (Open Session)
      It was MOVED (J. Shepherd, R. Hoey) that Senate approve the minutes of the meeting of December 15, 2015.
      It was PASSED.
4. **Chairs’ Remarks:**

Since the last Senate meeting an electronic vote was held in order to grant an honorary degree in circumstances that would not allow the vote to be delayed until this meeting of Senate. Several Senators raised questions on the procedure. As a result, the following motion was received prior to the Senate meeting:

It was **MOVED** (J. Shepherd, R. Goubran) that Senate confirm the previous electronic poll granting an honorary degree to Mr. António Guterres.

In addition the Clerk clarified our current rules and practices surrounding electronic votes and stated that the process followed in this case was consistent with our governing documents. He agreed to bring the issue to the Senate Governance Committee to clarify our practices regarding electronic votes.

It was **PASSED**.

5. **Senate Administration:**

The Clerk withdrew this item due to the need for further discussion on the 2019 dates. The item will be postponed to a future meeting.

6. **Committee Reports:**

   a) SACP

   P. Ricketts introduced the following omnibus motion (P. Ricketts, K. Karim):

   1) Bachelor of Arts Communication Studies/ Bachelor of Communication and Media Studies

   **THAT** Senate approves the deletion of the three concentrations (listed below) in the BA Communication Studies effective for the fall term of 2016

   a. Concentration in Image, Politics and Persuasion
   b. Concentration in Media Industries and Institutions
   c. Concentration in Communication and Identity, and

   **THAT** Senate approves the name change of the Bachelor of Arts Communication Studies to the Bachelor of Communication and Media Studies for the honours degree, combined honours degree, general degree and the minor to commence in the fall of 2016, and

   **THAT** Senate approves the name change of the Journalism and Communication Studies B.J. Combined Honours to the Journalism and Communication and Media Studies B.J. Combined Honours to commence in the fall of 2016 and,

   **THAT** Senate approves the new degree designation of Bachelor of Communication
and Media Studies (B.CoMS) to commence in the fall of 2016 and,

**THAT** Senate approves the updated and revised program requirements and COMS courses as presented to commence in the fall of 2016.

P. Ricketts stated that current students will be given the choice to continue in the degree in which they first enrolled or to transfer to the new one. New students will begin in the new program. There is a transition plan in place for the Registrar’s Office to assist affected students.

It was **PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**.

2) Bachelor of Global and International Studies

P. Ricketts introduced the following motion (P. Ricketts, R. Hoey):

**THAT** Senate approves the introduction of the stream in Global Media and Communication and the specialization in Global Media and Communication to the Bachelor of Global and International Studies to commence in the fall of 2016.

It was **PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**.

3) Bachelor of Journalism

P. Ricketts introduced the following motion (P. Ricketts, P. Gentile):

**THAT** Senate approves the deletion of the language requirement for the Bachelor of Journalism program (honours and combined honours) effective in the fall of 2016.

P. Ricketts stated that the School of Journalism and Communication had reviewed the requirement and found that it did not enhance the employability of graduates and may present an unnecessary challenge for some students. Some Senators expressed the view that we should be increasing the language skills of our graduates in order for them to participate in the global economy. Senate requested that SAPC examine the topic of learning a second language and its impact on our graduates and their employability.

It was **PASSED**.

b) SCCASP

H. Nemiroff stated that the materials provided in the Senate meeting package were for information. He thanked Sandra Bower and Dan Begin for their work and organization of these materials.
7. **Discussion Period: Flipped Classrooms (Prof. Gerald de Montigny)**

The Chair introduced Professor de Montigny to provide his presentation.

At 3:00 p.m. the Chair adjourned the meeting. There were no objections. Senators were invited to remain in the Senate room to attend the convocation ceremony awarding an honorary doctorate to Mr. António Guterres.