Carleton University Senate
Meeting of September 9, 2016 at 2:00 p.m.
Senate Room, Robertson Hall
MINUTES


1. Welcome and Introduction of New Members
   The President opened the meeting at 2:00 p.m. and welcomed the new Senators.

2. Approval of Agenda
   It was MOVED (A. Arya, O. Javanpour) that Senate approve the agenda of the meeting of September 9, 2016.
   The motion PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

3. Minutes: June 17, 2016
   It was MOVED (K. Evans, P. Ricketts) that Senate approve the minutes of the meeting of June 17, 2016.
   The motion PASSED.

4. Chairs’ Remarks
   R. Runte stated that earlier today she delivered the State of the University Address. The President reported that Carleton has applied to the provincial government for additional support in the form of a special grant. Although it is difficult for Carleton to compete against Universities with Medical Faculties, Carleton was the only university to meet the government standards in all three areas. We continue to strive to be the intellectual capital. Dr. Runte encouraged others to advocate for further government support.

   P. Gentile asked M. Piché, our new Vice-President (Finance and Administration), to advocate for funding for research and graduate programs. M. Neufang stated that his Faculty has an excellent relationship with the Vice-President and that Carleton has recently added 15 new programs and realised an 18% growth in Ph.D. and 15% in Masters’ students. M. Neufang stated that we need to continue to improve our communication and advertising of our success.

5. Senate Administration (Clerk):
   a. Committee Memberships
      The Clerk provided the list of new committee members (Appendix A).
It was MOVED (D. Russell, A. Plourde) that Senate approve the additional Committee members as presented.

The motion PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

It was MOVED (J. Tomberlin, M. Neufang) that D. Isabelle fill the vacancy (Business) on SCCASP

The motion PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

It was MOVED (D. Russell, J. Shepherd) that Senate approve the dates for the June 2017 Convocation be changed from June 6-9, 2017 to June 13-16, 2017.

The motion PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

It was MOVED (D. Russell, P. Ricketts) that the dates for the October 2016 Senate meeting be changed from October 28, 2016 at 2:00 p.m. to October 26, 2016 at 2:00 p.m.

The motion PASSED.

b. Report on the Empowering Motion
The Clerk reported that there were two cases involving graduation issues. During the next closed session, the Clerk will provide more information. There were no issues under the empowering motion allowing Senate Executive to act on behalf of Senate over the summer months. This empowerment is now closed as Senate has resumed meeting.

6. Carleton University Committee on Quality Assurance – Membership 2016-17
It was MOVED (J. Shepard, W. Jones) that Senate ratify the 2016-17 membership of the Carleton University Committee on Quality Assurance.

The motion PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

7. Reports:
   a. SAPC
      P. Ricketts presented three motions:

      It was MOVED (P. Ricketts, A. Plourde) that Senate approve the Final Assessment Report and Executive Summary for the cyclical review of the undergraduate program in Economics.

      Senators discussed how Senators ensure that due process has been followed. The process, which has been approved by Senate, gives responsibility for ensuring that due process has been followed to SAPC. All the documentation is provided to members of SAPC and is available to Senators on request. In passing this motion Senate is accepting that due process has been followed and that the outcome is reasonable given the documentation on which it is based.

      The motion PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

      It was MOVED (P. Ricketts, W. Clement) that Senate approve the Final Assessment Report and Executive Summary for the cyclical review of the undergraduate programs in Religion.
P. Ricketts stated that this review was discussed in great detail by the Carleton University Committee on Quality Assurance (CUCQA) and SAPC, and that the unit agreed to provide the report that is required when a program is categorised as ‘conditional approval to continue.’ Under the terms of Carleton’s IQAP, the unit and the Dean were provided with an opportunity to appeal the categorisation, but decided not to. CUCQA and SAPC will consider the report when it is submitted, and a subsequent Final Assessment Report and Executive Summary will be presented to SAPC and Senate at this time. In these circumstances, Carleton’s IQAP states that ‘there is every expectation that receipt of the report by CUCQA will result in the outcome of the review being upgraded to ‘good quality.’

Senators discussed the consequences of the motion failing. If the motion fails, Senate will need to clarify what issues SAPC should reconsider. P. Ricketts stated that Senators are voting on whether the process set out in the IQAP was followed and whether the outcome was reasonable given the documentation on which it was based. If the motion passes, the unit will have 12 months to address the issues identified in the Final Assessment Report and Executive Summary before Senate.

J. Shepherd stated that the external reviewers’ report identified three main concerns:
1. The high number of courses offered.
2. The heavy reliance on contract instructors.
3. How the annual course offerings are selected.

P. Ricketts stated that it is up to the unit to decide how to address these concerns. The motion **PASSED**.

It was **MOVED** (P. Ricketts, A. Plourde): That Senate approve the deletion of the following specializations: Communication and Information Technology Policy; Human Rights: Social Policy; and Strategic Public Opinion and Policy Analysis to the Bachelor of Public Affairs and Policy Management (BPAPM) program effective fall 2017 and;

That Senate approve the addition of the Specialization in Communication and Policy Studies to the BPAPM program effective fall 2017 and;

That Senate approve the change of name from the Specialization in Development Studies to the Specialization in Development Policy Studies to the BPAPM program effective fall 2017 and;

That Senate approve the change of name from the Specialization in International Studies to the Specialization in International Policy Studies to the BPAPM program effective fall 2017 and;

That Senate approve the addition of the concentrations: Communication Technologies and Regulation; and Strategic Public Opinion within the Communication and Policy Studies Specialization to the BPAPM program effective fall 2017 and;

That Senate approve the addition of the concentrations: Global Economic Relations; and Rights and Human Development within the Development Policy Studies Specialization to the BPAPM program effective fall 2017 and;
That Senate approve the addition of the concentrations: International Relations and Conflict; and Security and Intelligence within the International Policy Studies specialization to the BPAPM program effective fall 2017 and;

That Senate approve the addition of the concentrations: Economic Policy; Environmental and Sustainable Energy Policy; and Social Policy within the Public Policy and Administration specialization to the BPAPM program effective fall 2017. The motion PASSED.

A. Plourde thanked Dr. Barry Wright, Associate Dean and Director of Kroeger College, for his work of almost two years on this massive undertaking of improvements.

b. SCCASP

It was MOVED (H. Nemiroff, J. Shepherd) that Senate approve revision to the calendar language for Academic Accommodation for Students with Disabilities Regulations as presented.

H. Nemiroff stated that it is essential that we have this accommodation language. There is no change in our procedures and practise. The change is being made to comply with a request from the Human Rights.

The motion PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

c. Academic Colleagues

J. Smith stated that “Academic Colleague” is a representative of the Council of Ontario Universities (COU). He presented his report (Appendix B).

J. Paulson stated that the cycle length of the student survey is not sufficient to catch trends and adjust programing to meet the changing needs.

8. Reports for Information:

a. Minutes of the Board of Governors: March 21, 2016 and April 26, 2016

P. Gentile requested that public (or at least faculty-wide) presentations be included in the hiring process of executives. R. Runte stated that Carleton’s hiring procedures are well documented (Appendix C) and that search committees are representative of the Carleton community.

A Senator also raised financial questions about the proposed new building for the Sprott School of Business, parking services, debt, and the policy on naming rights.

b. Appointments Made Contrary to the Advertising Policy (Clerk)

The meeting adjourned before this item could be handled - it will be deferred to the September 30, 2016 meeting.

9. Other Business

There was no other business.

10. Adjournment

It was MOVED (O. Javanpour, M. Neufang) to adjourn. The motion PASSED.