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**Carleton University Senate
Meeting of October 26, 2016 at 2:00 p.m.
Senate Room, 608 Robertson Hall
MINUTES**

Present: S. Ajila, F. Alhattab, A. Arya, A. Bellerive, S. Blanchard, A. Bowker, D. Buss, M. Butler, L. Callaghan, C. Carruthers, W. Clement, J. Debanné, D. Deugo, C. Duff, M. Esponda, K. Evans, C. Feres, A. Forth, R. Goubran, N. Grasse, J. Hayes, R. Hoey, W. Horn, D. Howe, B. Hughes, W. Jones, E. Kwan, E. Lai, A. Loïselle, D. Long, A. Maheshwari, C. Miller (proxy sent), H. Nemiroff, M. Neufang, D. Owusu-Akyeeah, J. Paulson, P. Ricketts, R. Runte, D. Russell, J. Shepherd, E. Sloan, C. Smelser, M. Sucharov, N. Tait, S. Taylor, P. Thompson, J. Tomberlin, P. Watzlawik-Li, F. Webster, J. Wolfart, P. Wolff

Regrets: F. Afagh, K. Bashir, A. Chandler, C. Chi, A. Christianson, C. Cruickshank, J. Dalphy, A. Diptee, A. Dodge, M. El-Tanany, W. Felepchuk, S. Field, C. Fong, T. Garvey, P. Gentile, R. Gorelick, F. Hosseinian, O. Javanpour, K. Karim, M. Martinov, J. Miller, K. O'Meara, B. Örmeci, C. Parrott, M. Pelletier, M. Piché, A. Plourde, N. Rajapakse, J. Smith, J. Stoner, S. Sur, L. Watson, C. Wong.

Open Session:

1. Welcome

The President welcomed the new Senators.

2. Approval of Agenda (open)

It was **MOVED** (W. Felepchuk, W. Jones) that Senate approve the open agenda of the meeting of October 26, 2016 with the following two changes. Item 4 was deferred to the next Senate meeting as this was a topic request by a Senator unable to attend today's meeting. W. Felepchuk requested that the November 2, Day of Action be added to the agenda under 'Other Business'.

The motion **PASSED**.

3. Minutes:

a) September 9, 2016

It was **MOVED** (R. Goubran, M. Neufang) that Senate approve the minutes of the meeting of September 9, 2016.

The motion **PASSED**.

4. Member Request: Update on the Global Academy (P. Ricketts)

This item is deferred to the November Senate meeting.

5. Reports:

a) SAPC (P. Ricketts)

It was **MOVED** (P. Ricketts, M. Butler) that Senate approve the addition of the Astrophysics stream in the BSC honours program effective fall 2017.

The motion **PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**.

It was **MOVED** (P. Ricketts, W. Clement) that Senate approve the Final Assessment Report and Executive Summary for the MA program in Religion and Public Life.

The motion **PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**.

It was **MOVED** (P. Ricketts, W. Clement) that Senate approve the Final Assessment Report and Executive Summary for the Undergraduate and Graduate Programs in Sociology.

The motion **PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**.

A Senator asked if the issue of over-reliance on contract instructors is mentioned in many program reviews. P. Ricketts stated that it is mentioned in some instances and the department responsible for the program generally addresses the issue.

b) SCCASP (H. Nemiroff)

H. Nemiroff introduced the following motions:

It was **MOVED** (H. Nemiroff, A. Arya) that Senate approve revisions to section 2.5, Deferred Final Examinations and the addition of section 2.5.1, Early Departure from Final Examinations as amended, effective the 16-17 calendar.

The motion **PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**.

It was **MOVED** (H. Nemiroff, J. Shepherd) that Senate approve the revised admission requirements for the Bachelor of Information Technology program in Photonics and Laser Technology with a report to be submitted at the conclusion of the 2017-2018 academic year to the Carleton University Committee on Quality Assurance on the degree

to which the first cohort of students admitted to the program under the revised admission requirements successfully completed first year.
The motion **PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**.

It was **MOVED** (H. Nemiroff, R. Hoey) that Senate approve inclusion of the WDN notation on official transcripts, for graduate and undergraduate students who withdraw after the full fee adjustment date in each term, for courses commencing the 17-18 academic year.

S. Blanchard stated that this change would bring Carleton in line with the standard practice of most other universities. Senators discussed the benefits and disadvantages of this change for the university and for students. H. Nemiroff stated that the motivation for this change was to provide better transparency and to align with provincial practices. It is not retroactive and does not impact a student's CPGA. L. Ralph stated that students can appeal the WDN notation for health reasons.
The motion **PASSED**.

It was **MOVED** (H. Nemiroff, J. Shepherd) that Senate approve changes to regulation 2.3, Standing in Courses/Grading System, as amended, for the 17-18 calendar.
The motion **PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**.

It was **MOVED** (H. Nemiroff, J. Shepherd) that Senate approve the Academic Nomenclature document, as presented, effective the 18-19 calendar.
The motion **PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**.

- c) Academic Colleague (J. Smith)
The report was included in the meeting materials.

6. Senate Administration

The Clerk presented updated membership of Senate and Senate Committees (see Appendix A).

It was **MOVED** (D. Russell, J. Paulson) that senate recommend to the Board that a representative of the alumni be appointed to Senate and that Jack Coghill be the alumni representative on Senate.

The motion **PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**.

It was **MOVED** (D. Russell, R. Hoey) that Senate approve the additions and changes to the memberships on various Senate Committees as presented. The motion **PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**.

7. Discussion Period: Sexual Violence Policy (S. Blanchard)

S. Blanchard asked Jen Sugar, Director of Student Affairs, to make a presentation on the proposed Sexual Violence Policy. After the presentation, there was considerable discussion and Senators provided much feedback on the Policy which Jen Sugar will take back to the Committee. S. Blanchard thanked everyone for this level of engagement.

8. Reports for Information:

a) Senate Executive Minutes – June 3, July 20, August 23 (electronic), August 30, September 15 (electronic) and September 20, 2016

There were no questions.

b) Board of Governors Minutes – June 28, 2016

There were no questions. The Chair stated that the Board is still waiting on the federal infrastructure funding announcement.

c) Appointments Made Contrary to the Advertising Policy (Clerk)

The Clerk stated that there have been three appointments made under this policy.

9. Other Business

a) November 2: Day of Action

W. Felepchuk stated that next Wednesday, November 2, is the national day of action by the Canadian Federation of Students. The GSA made an appeal to the Provost for academic amnesty on this day to encourage students to attend this event. However, P. Ricketts was unable to consider this request due to the August deadline in the 2010 Senate policy that addresses this type of request. W. Felepchuk stated that several universities have granted academic amnesty for this event. The GSA will be seeking to amend this policy in the near future.

J. Paulson reported that since the last Senate meeting he and others have received a lengthy email regarding the Senate Financial Review Committee. The Senate Office was not aware of this email. The Clerk

asked J. Paulson to forward it to him and stated that it will be circulated to all Senators.

In response to a question, H. Nemiroff stated that the new WPN notation will become active in 2017-18 and the method of informing students has not yet been determined.

10. Adjournment

It was **MOVED** (M. Neufang, P. Ricketts) to adjourn the meeting at 3:50 p.m.
The motion **PASSED**.