Carleton University Senate
Meeting of February 28, 2020 at 2:00 p.m.
Senate Room, Robertson Hall

MINUTES – OPEN SESSION


Regrets: O. Baysal, C. Dion, P. Dion, K. Evans, B. Hallgrimsson, E. Kwan, J. Liu, C. Viju, C. Warner, J. Wolfart


Open Session:

1. Welcome & Approval of Agenda (open)

The Chair welcomed Senators to the Open Session.

It was MOVED (D. Deugo, E. Sloan) that Senate approve the Open Agenda for the meeting of Senate on February 28, 2020, as presented. The motion PASSED.
2. Minutes: January 31, 2020 (open session)
   It was **MOVED** (J. Paulson, S. Parathundyil) that Senate approve the minutes of the Open Session of the Senate meeting of January 31, 2020, as presented. The motion **PASSED**.

3. Matters Arising:
   The Chair provided an update on Carleton’s preparedness efforts regarding COVID-19, the Novel Coronavirus. Carleton is continuing to consult with public health agencies and other institutions in the country and will continue to communicate regularly with the community. A working group has been meeting regularly since January. Updates to Carleton’s exiting Pandemic Emergency Response Plan have been made and many elements of the plan are already in place. Academic contingency plans and protocols in the event of disruption, including those for Senate meetings, are actively being prepared. In response to a question from a Senator, it was noted that extensions and other accommodations are being offered to International applicants who may not be able to complete aspects of the application process (language tests, for example) because of the lockdown conditions in their countries.

4. Chair’s Remarks
   The Chair began his remarks by congratulating all recipients of the 2020 Achievement Awards for excellence in research and teaching. A celebration will be held in April, hosted by the Provost and VP Research and International. The Chair also congratulated all winners and nominees of Service Excellence Awards that were presented to faculty and staff on February 27th.

   Carleton’s second annual Black History Celebration, held at the Carleton Dominion Chalmers Centre on February 5th, showcased a variety of performers, speakers, and panel discussions. The Chair thanked all involved in both the event and in this important initiative.

   On February 6 the first annual Kinamagawin Symposium was held at Carleton. The theme was Indigenous Identity & Sovereignty. The Chair thanked Benny Michaud and the Centre for Indigenous Initiatives for organizing the event and Pam Palmater from Ryerson University for her powerful and timely keynote address.

   The Chair noted as well that the Carleton University Indigenous Strategic Initiatives Community (CUISIC) Report is being finalized and is expected to be published before the end of this term.
A new multi-year partnership has been announced between Carleton University and Ericsson Canada to advance talent development programs for computer scientists and engineers, and to generate state-of-the-art research into this field. The partnership will provide funding for research projects, graduate student internships, a fellowship program and experiential learning opportunities for students in Engineering, Computer Science and Information Technology at Carleton. A new center of excellence for wireless research will be established in Carleton’s ARISE Building.

The schedule for the June 2020 Convocation has been finalized and is posted on the Convocation website. Senators were urged to visit the Convocation site to review the schedule, as some degrees in FPA and FED have moved to different ceremonies. Faculty members wishing to join the procession must register by May 21st. Questions can be directed to the Senate Office.

Carleton is hosting the U Sports Canadian University Basketball Championships at TD Place on March 5 and 6. Carleton men’s basketball coach Taffe Charles was honoured with the OUA Coach of the Year Award. The Chair extended his congratulations.

The Chair mentioned the launch of the new Raven Magazine under the editorship of Dan Rubinstein, Senior Writer in the Department of Communications. Raven is an inspirational collection of stories emerging from Carleton students, faculty, staff and alumni. Senators were encouraged to visit the online site or pick up a hard copy.

5. Question Period
No questions were submitted in advance for this meeting.

6. Senate Administration (Clerk)
a. Membership renewal - Senate Committees
The Clerk provided an update on Senate membership nominations for 2020/21, and outlined the process for Senate committee membership renewal, set to begin on March 4 with a Call for Nominations. Senators were encouraged to submit expressions of interest for vacancies on committees, particularly for positions that must be filled by Senators.
7. Reports:
   a. SCCASP - Senate Committee on Curriculum, Admissions and Studies Policy

The Chair of SCCASP, Howard Nemiroff, presented eight items for approval and one item for information.

- B.M.P.D. – 0000 level Courses - clarification that 0000 level courses are prerequisites for admission to a program and should not count as courses towards the degree.

  It was **MOVED** (H. Nemiroff, A. Plourde) that Senate approve the changes to R-UG Bachelor of Media Production and Design for the 2020-21 Undergraduate Calendar as presented.
  The motion **PASSED**.

- Discredits – removing the discredit element

  It was **MOVED** (H. Nemiroff, N. Cappuccino) that Senate approve the changes to Reg. 3.1.12 for the 2020-21 Undergraduate Calendar as presented.
  The motion **PASSED**.

- Academic Performance Evaluation – Discredits

  It was **MOVED** (H. Nemiroff, A. Plourde) that Senate approve the changes to Reg. 3.2.1 for the 2020-21 Undergraduate Calendar, as presented.
  The motion **PASSED**.

- Restrictions on Program Elements – Double Counting Rule – elimination

  It was **MOVED** (H. Nemiroff, E. Sloan) that Senate approve the changes to Reg. 3.1.13 for the 2021-22 Undergraduate Calendar, as presented.
  The motion **PASSED**.

It was noted that the later implementation date will allow departments time to work out these changes.
• COOP Regulations BMPD Admission and Continuation Requirements - adding a marker course

It was **MOVED** (H. Nemiroff, A. Plourde) that Senate approve the changes to regulation TBD 1817 Bachelor of Media Production and Design Co-op Admission and Continuation Requirements. The motion **PASSED**.

• Regulation 11 Academic Standing - to clarify wording regarding documenting progress for PhD students

It was **MOVED** (H. Nemiroff, P. Smith) that Senate approve the changes to Regulation 11 for the 2020-21 Graduate Calendar, as presented.

Discussion: Some Senators felt that this change introduced a new layer of bureaucratic oversight that would not result in greater support for students.

The motion **PASSED**, with 1 opposed and 6 abstentions.

• Regulation 13 Time limits for Program Completion

It was **MOVED** (H. Nemiroff, P. Smith) that Senate approve the changes to Regulation 13 for the 2020-21 Graduate Calendar, as presented. The motion **PASSED**.

• New BA Template - created as a framework to help clarify the requirements of the various types of BA programs.

It was **MOVED** (H. Nemiroff, A. Plourde) that Senate approve the changes to the BA Template as presented.

Discussion: It was noted that the term “general” will be replaced with the term “15-credit” in the next update.

The motion **PASSED**.

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**For Information**

• Minor Modifications – (Appendix 1) Chair Howard Nemiroff noted Minor Modifications for February were included in the meeting materials for information. There was no discussion.
Major Modifications

Chair Dwight Deugo presented 20 major modifications for approval, combined into one omnibus motion, and one cyclical review for approval.

Omnibus Motion:
It was moved (D. Deugo, D. Dragunoiu) that Senate approve the major modifications as presented below with effect from Fall 2020.

Senators requested that Motion #6 (BGINS) and Motion #15 (BA General) be removed from the list for the Omnibus motion, to be discussed separately.

With these modifications removed, Senators voted on the remainder of the modifications in the omnibus motion.

The motion passed.

Senators then considered the two modifications that were pulled:

Motion #6: BGINS Stream Specialization and thematic Categories in Global Migration and Transnationalism

It was moved (D. Deugo, S. Paranthundyil) that Senate approve the major modification to the BGINS Stream, Specialization and Thematic Categories in Global Migration and Transnationalism program as presented with effect from Fall 2020.

Discussion: A Senator questioned the rationale provided in the documentation for changing the name of the program from Migration and Diaspora Studies to Global Migration and Transnationalism. In response it was noted that the name change came at the request of the Migration and Diaspora Initiative, who felt that it would ease students' transition to the new Masters program in this field. Other Senators noted that the new name is a better reflection of the current content of the program, and that similar examples of this type of change have occurred in other programs in the Arthur Kroeger College.

The motion passed, with 1 abstention.

Motion #15: BA General

It was moved (D. Deugo, A. Bowker) that Senate approve the removal of the term “General” from all undergraduate 15 credit programs with effect from Fall 2020.
Discussion: A Senator asked if this is an evidence-based decision, and, assuming that it would require significant resources to accomplish, whether the change is necessary. It was noted that the change will make the language more consistent with how the degree is presented at Convocation and on diplomas, and that no additional resources will be required to effect the change.

The motion **PASSED** with 2 opposed.

**List of Major Modifications from the Omnibus Motion:**

- **BEcon, Concentration in Economic Data Science**
  
  **THAT** Senate approve the introduction of the concentration in Economic Data Science to the Bachelor of Economics Honours program as presented with effect from Fall 2020.

- **Post-Baccalaureate in Art History**
  
  **THAT** Senate approve the introduction of the Post-Baccalaureate in Art History as presented with effect from Fall 2020.

- **Post-Baccalaureate in History and Theory of Architecture**
  
  **THAT** Senate approve the introduction of the Post-Baccalaureate in History and Theory of Architecture as presented with effect from Fall 2020.

- **HIST 3815**
  
  **THAT** Senate approve the introduction of HIST 3815 as presented with effect from Fall 2020.

- **Bachelor of International Business Honours**
  
  **THAT** Senate approve the major modification to the Bachelor of International Business Honours program as presented with effect from Fall 2020.

- **BPAPM Development Policy Studies Specialization**
  
  **THAT** Senate approve the major modifications to the BPAPM Development Policy Studies Specialization as presented with effect from Fall 2020.

- **PAPM Communication and Policy Studies Specialization**
  
  **THAT** Senate approve the major modifications to the PAPM Communication and Policy Studies Specialization as presented with effect from Fall 2020.
- **BPAPM International Policy Studies Specialization**
  
  **THAT** Senate approve the major modifications to the BPAPM International Policy Studies Specialization as presented with effect from Fall 2020.

- **BPAPM Public Policy and Administration Specialization**
  
  **THAT** Senate approve the major modifications to the BPAPM Public Policy and Administration Specialization as presented with effect from Fall 2020.

- **Minor in News Media and Information**
  
  **THAT** Senate approve the introduction of the minor in News Media and Information as presented with effect from Fall 2020.

- **HLTH 5801**
  
  **THAT** Senate approve the introduction of HLTH 5801 as presented with effect from Fall 2020.

- **Public History courses**
  
  **THAT** Senate approve the introduction of HIST 6908, 6809 & 6810 as presented with effect from Fall 2020.

- **Minor in Korean Modern Languages**
  
  **THAT** Senate approve the introduction of the Minor in Korean Modern Languages as presented with effect from Fall 2020.

- **IMD 4901**
  
  **THAT** Senate approve the major modification to IMD 4901 as presented with effect from Fall 2020.

- **Stream in Mental Health and Well-Being**
  
  **THAT** Senate approve the introduction of the Stream in Mental Health and Well-Being as presented with effect from Fall 2020.

- **ENVE 3909**
  
  **THAT** Senate approve the deletion of ENVE 3909 as presented with effect from Fall 2020.

- **INAF 6905**
  
  **THAT** Senate approve the deletion of INAF 6905 as presented with effect from Fall 2020.
Master of Computer Science, Specialization in Bioinformatics

THAT Senate approve the deletion of the Master of Computer Science with a specialization in Bioinformatics as presented with effect from Fall 2020.

Cyclical Review: Anthropology

It was MOVED (D. Deugo, J. Paulson) that Senate approve the Final Assessment Report and Executive Summary arising from the Cyclical Review of the PhD program in Anthropology.
The motion PASSED.

7-Reports, cont’d

c. Senate Academic Governance Committee

The Chair of the committee presented new Terms of Reference for the new Senate Quality Assurance and Planning Committee.

It was MOVED (B. Kuzmarov, A. Tremblay) that Senate approve the Terms of Reference for the Senate Quality Assurance and Planning Committee, as presented.
The motion PASSED.

d. Medals & Prizes Committee

A memo and modified Senate Medals Policy were circulated to Senators in advance. The changes proposed will affect Senate and University medals at the Undergraduate level, and were the result of an 18-month review by the Medals & Prizes Subcommittee.

It was MOVED (B. Kuzmarov, J. Bruno) that Senate approve the modifications to the Senate Medals Policy, as presented, to take effect starting with the Fall 2020 graduation.
The motion PASSED.
8. Strategic Mandate Agreement - Update

The Provost provided a brief update on the Strategic Mandate Agreement. Carleton concluded bilateral discussions with the Ministry, and submitted a slightly revised draft of the agreement on February 18. A response is expected by mid-March in anticipation of the deadline to conclude SMA3 on March 30th.

9. Strategic Integrated Plan - First Draft Preview

Co-Chairs Cindy Taylor, Patrice Smith, Betina Appel Kuzmarov and Lorraine Dyke presented the first draft of the Strategic Integrated Plan.

Cindy Taylor began by thanking the Task Force members in attendance at the meeting, then she provided an overview of the schedule and milestones of the SIP process, and reviewed the 3-part conceptual framework that was presented to Senate at the January meeting.

Co-chairs Patrice Smith, Betina Appel Kuzmarov and Lorraine Dyke then presented a series of objectives and pathways connected with each of the three directions from this framework:

- Share Knowledge, Shape the Future
- Serve Ottawa, Serve the World
- Strive for Wellness, Strive for Sustainability

Senators were asked specifically to identify any perceived gaps in the pathways presented and to provide feedback on whether the pathways were appropriate to the aspirations outlined within each theme. Co-chairs noted that an implementation plan will follow and will be discussed in future meetings.

Senators provided several specific suggestions that were minuted by the members of the Task Force. In general, Senators urged the Task Force to revise some of the language in the SIP to be bolder, to incorporate Carleton’s strengths, and to indicate that Carleton is enhancing and supporting things that we already do well. It was also noted that the concept of pathways provides a rich metaphor for the document and can open opportunities for storytelling and enhanced narratives.

The Chair thanked the SIP Co-Chairs and Task Force for their work and Senators for their input. He noted that the SIP draft will be posted publicly on the SIP website and
that feedback from the community will be collected until March 18. A report on this feedback will be presented to Senators at the next Senate meeting on March 27.

10. Reports for Information:

   a. Senate Executive Committee Minutes - January 21, 2020
      There was no discussion.

11. Other Business
    There was none.

12. Adjournment
    The meeting was adjourned at 4:00 pm.