The Senate Committee on Learning and Teaching met on September 22, 2016, November 14, 2016, January 24, 2017 and March 20, 2017. The committee is scheduled to meet again on May 4, 2017.

**Effective Practices in Teaching Evaluation**

Over the course of 2015/16, the Senate Committee on Learning and Teaching considered the issue of effective practices in teaching evaluation. A sub-committee established for this purpose met regularly throughout the year and presented draft recommendations to the committee at its May 2016 meeting. At the September 2016 meeting, committee members reviewed a final report to Senate outlining recommendations regarding effective practices in teaching evaluation. Following the October Senate meeting, these recommendations were presented to the Vice-President Academic and Provost.

**Educational Technology in the Classroom**

At its September 2014 meeting, the committee established a goal to develop guidelines for the use of educational technology and applications by university instructors in the classroom. Specifically, the committee was concerned with providing guidance in relation to requirements in the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*.

At the January 2017 meeting, Mr. Bill Trott, Chief Privacy Officer, and Dr. Mariel Miller, Manager, Technology Integrated Learning presented a draft proposal for the committee’s feedback. At the March meeting, the committee reviewed a revised proposal and approved it for recommendation to Senate.

This proposal will be presented to Senate at the April 7, 2017 meeting.

**Graduate Learning Outcomes**

At the November 2016 meeting, committee members engaged in a discussion regarding the development of learning outcomes at the unit level, requirements to report on learning outcomes and how information about learning outcomes could be shared between units. The committee received a report on work being undertaken by a projects committee established by the Vice-President Academic and Provost.

At the January 2017 meeting, the committee discussed a proposal to create a sub-committee to consider development of institutional graduate learning outcomes. In March 2017, following discussions with the Office of the Vice-President Academic and Provost, it was determined that consideration of this issue should be referred to the
projects committee. It was also agreed that stronger ties between the projects committee and the Senate Committee on Learning and Teaching should confirmed given that some matters under consideration by the projects committee may require Senate approval.

Presentations related to committee business

*Report on the Implementation of the International Plan*

At the November 2016 meeting, Dr. Nancy Wright, Associate Vice-President Academic Planning provided committee members with a report regarding the International Plan. The report included a review of the process undertaken to develop the plan and the priorities for the first year of implementation.

*Year of Open Educational Resources Project*

At the January 2017 meeting, Ms. Inba Kehoe from the University Librarian’s Office provided committee members with a presentation on the UVic Libraries and the Open Educational Resources Project.

*Report from the Learning and Teaching Centre*

The committee received regular reports from the Acting Director of the Learning and Teaching Centre on the major initiatives being undertaken by the Centre.

Respectfully submitted,

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