

**Approved for Release
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of the University of Victoria**



MINUTES

A meeting of the Senate of the University of Victoria was held on November 7, 2014 at 3:30 p.m. in the David Strong Building, room C118.

1. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Motion: (C. Shankman/R. Grant)

That the agenda be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

2. MINUTES

a. Minutes of October 3, 2014

Motion: (B. Smith/G. Sutherland)

That the minutes of the open session of the meeting of the Senate held on October 3, 2014 be approved and that the approved minutes be circulated in the usual way.

CARRIED

3. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

There was none.

4. REMARKS FROM THE CHAIR

a. President's Report

Prof. Cassels provided a report to Senate on the Provincial and Federal environment, followed by a report on general UVic activities.

Regarding the provincial environment, Prof. Cassels reported that UVic, along with a number of other BC universities, had recently participated in a trade mission to India.

Prof. Cassels reported that the UVic Board of Governors had endorsed the BC Taxpayer Accountability Principles, as had the Boards of the other research intensive universities in BC. He also reported that UVic had submitted documentation to the Province to demonstrate compliance with the required standards of conduct for the BC public sector. Further, he said, UVic had submitted its report on the BC Jobs Plan.

Dr. Kuehne confirmed that the BC Jobs Plan tied 25% of post-secondary operating grants to programs that aligned with the skills identified in the Plan as 'in demand'. She said that UVic

submitted its plan this week and noted that UVic has always been responsive to the demands of students, the labour market and society. She said that most of UVic's new programs map on to the government's stated priorities and she expected this would continue.

Prof. Cassels reported that the Research Universities Council of British Columbia (RUCBC) was working on a communication plan linking education to jobs and released its first report, *Putting Degrees to Work*. Prof. Cassels said the report, available on the RUCBC website demonstrated BC Research University's success in graduating students that go on to positive employment opportunities.

Regarding the Federal environment, Prof. Cassels said he has recently returned from Ottawa where he met with federal officials and attended a meeting of the Association of Universities and Colleges of Canada. He said, in Ottawa, he also met with university officials from Israel and Germany to exchange ideas about university contributions to economic and social development. Prof. Cassels said he had meetings with the Canada Foundation for Innovation to explore long-term options for stable funding for major UVic science initiatives. Finally, he said he met with the Deputy Minister of Environment, UVic's University Champion, and showcased UVic's strengths in the environmental sciences and discuss how to coordinate effort.

Regarding general UVic activities, Prof. Cassels reported that the President's Campus Update was a success and he appreciated the level of attendance and engagement. He said that the launch of the Student Mental Health Strategy was also a great success and expressed thanks to those that put on the series of programs.

Prof. Cassels reported on the announcement of the CARSA corporate naming partnership with Peninsula Co-op.

Prof. Cassels said that he met with Dr. Karlen and other members of the Ariel Project at Triumf to mark the completion of phase one of the project.

Prof. Cassels closed his comments reminding members of Senate that convocation was forthcoming and thanked those who would be participating.

5. CORRESPONDENCE

There was none.

6. PROPOSALS AND REPORTS FROM SENATE COMMITTEES

a. Senate Committee on Academic Standards

i. 2013/14 Committee Annual Report

The report was received for information, there were no questions.

b. Senate Committee on Agenda and Governance

Ms. Dewis reported that Mr. Shankman, a student senator, raised a question regarding Senate's practice of passing motions to approve reports presented for information or discussion. She said the practice is not consistent with procedural best practices. She reported that the Senate Committee on Agenda and Governance approved a new practice and from this meeting forward reports would be presented for information and could be discussed in the usual way at Senate meetings. She said reports with specific recommendations attached would include a motion where the motion was based on the recommendation and not the report.

i. Appointments to the 2014/15 Senate Committees

Motion: (A. Lepp/G. Sutherland)

That Senate approve the appointments to the 2014/2015 Senate committees for the terms indicated in the attached document, as recommended by the Senate Committee on Agenda and Governance.

CARRIED

c. Senate Committee on Awards

i. New and Revised Awards

Motion: (A. Lepp/M. Purkis)

That Senate approve, and recommend to the Board of Governors that it also approve, the new and revised awards set out in the attached document:

- Simba Technologies Inc. Scholarship* (Revised)
- Victoria Stroke Recovery Association Scholarship (New)
- Lorene Kennedy Graduate Student Field Research Award* (New)
- Le,Nonet Graduate Bursary (New)

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CARRIED

ii. 2013/14 Committee Annual Report

The report was received for information, there were no questions.

d. Senate Committee on Planning

i. Proposal to change the Professional Writing program's name to "Professional Communication"

Motion: (M. Purkis/J. Archibald)

That Senate approve the request to change the Professional Writing program's name to 'Professional Communication' as described in the memo from the Department of English dated May 10, 2014.

CARRIED

7. PROPOSALS AND REPORTS FROM FACULTIES

There were none.

8. PROPOSALS AND REPORTS FROM THE VICE-PRESIDENT ACADEMIC AND PROVOST

a. 2009/10 to 2013/14 Enrolment Report

Dr. Kuehne introduced Mr. Tony Eder who was present to provide an update on UVic enrollment.

Mr. Eder presented a PowerPoint presentation and provided an update on UVic enrollment. He noted this academic year had the highest enrollment numbers to date. In his presentation, Mr. Eder reported that UVic was increasingly relying on direct entry and international students. He also said that retention rates were lowest for students that entered UVic with less than 80% GPA.

During the question and answer period, Mr. Eder responded to questions from members of Senate, commenting that:

- Other institutions were also seeing an increase in the average entering GPA.
- Past demographic declines did not overly impact enrollment at universities and noted perhaps older students helped fill the gap.
- International students continued to support enrollment growth of the university; however, they also required support resources.
- International student retention rates were higher than domestic student retention rates.
- International student growth could not act as a replacement for domestic students as the provincial grant funding only counts domestic students.
- Aboriginal student numbers are expected to continue to grow.
- His office continued to work on graduate student retention and completion timelines.
- Findings from external data indicated that it could be more difficult to engage students in larger classes.

Prof. Cassels thanked Mr. Eder for his report.

There being no other business the meeting was adjourned at 4:17 pm.

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| Name | In Attendance | Regrets | Position |
|--------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---|
| Aragon, Janni | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Faculty of Social Sciences |
| Archibald, John | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Dean, Faculty of Humanities |
| Baer, Doug | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Faculty of Social Sciences |
| Banerjee, Sikata | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Faculty of Humanities |
| Bassi, Nav | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Convocation Senator |
| Beam, Sara | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Faculty of Graduate Studies |
| Bengston, Jonathan | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | University Librarian |
| Blackstone, Sarah | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Acting Associate Vice-President Planning |
| Branzan Albu, Alexandra | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Faculty of Engineering |
| Brekstad, Lee | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Student Senator |
| Calder, Gillian | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Faculty of Law |
| Canessa, Rosaline | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Faculty of Social Sciences |
| Cassels, Jamie | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | President and Vice-Chancellor |
| Castle, David | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Vice-President Research |
| Caws, Catherine | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Faculty of Humanities |
| Chapman, Alison | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Faculty of Humanities |
| Charlton, Lauren | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Registrar |
| Crippen, Carolyn | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Faculty of Education |
| Crocker, Jordan | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Student Senator |
| Dechev, Nikolai | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Faculty of Engineering |
| Devor, Aaron | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Faculty of Social Sciences |
| Dewis, Cassbreea | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Associate University Secretary |
| Diacu, Florin | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Faculty of Science |
| Driessen, Peter | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Faculty of Engineering |
| Dunsdon, Jim | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Associate Vice-President Student Affairs |
| Eastman, Julia | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | University Secretary |
| Erickson, Kayleigh | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Student Senator |
| Farmer, Murray | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Chancellor |
| Francis Pelton, Leslee | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Faculty of Education |
| Gillen, Mark | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Faculty of Law |
| Gillis, Kathryn | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Faculty of Science |
| Gopalakrishnan, Karthik | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Student Senator |
| Grant, Rebecca | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Peter B. Gustavson School of Business |
| Hannah, Linda | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Convocation Senator |
| Haskett, Tim | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Faculty of Humanities |
| Ivanova, Ivelina | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Student Senator, Law |
| Karim, Susan | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Student Senator, Education |
| Klein, Saul | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Dean, Peter B. Gustavson School of Business |
| Kostek, Patricia | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Faculty of Fine Arts |
| Krull, Catherine | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences |
| Kuehne, Valerie | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Acting Vice-President Academic and Provost |
| Lanning, Robbyn | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Convocation Senator |
| Lepp, Annalee | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Faculty of Humanities |
| Lewis, Susan | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Faculty of Fine Arts |
| Lipson, Robert | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Dean, Faculty of Science |
| Lukenchuk, Ben | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Student Senator |
| MacDonald, Maureen | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Dean, Division of Continuing Studies |
| McIntyre, Cathy | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Convocation Senator |
| McLarty, Lianne | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Faculty of Fine Arts |
| Mellin, Dakota | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Student Senator |
| Nam, Roy | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Student Senator |
| Neiman, Alex | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Student Senator |
| Parisi, Laura | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Faculty of Humanities |
| Purkis, Mary Ellen | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Dean, Faculty of Human and Social Development |
| Roudsari, Abdul | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Faculty of Human and Social Development |
| Sangster-Gormley, Esther | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Faculty of Human and Social Development |
| Schallié, Charlotte | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Faculty of Graduate Studies |
| Shankman, Cory | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Student Senator |
| Smith, Brock | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Peter B. Gustavson School of Business |
| Smith, Tracie | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Librarian |
| St. Clair, Ralf | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Dean, Faculty of Education |
| Stahl, Ann | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Faculty of Social Sciences |
| Sutherland, Gabrielle | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Student Senator |
| Szakacs, Kaylee | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Student Senator |
| Tang, Nick | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Student Senator |
| Tiedje, Thomas | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Dean, Faculty of Engineering |
| Ulysses, Alicia | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Faculty of Humanities |
| Van Luven, Lynne | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Acting Dean, Faculty of Fine Arts |
| Varela, Diana | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Faculty of Science |
| Walsh, John | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Faculty of Graduate Studies |
| Webber, Jeremy | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Dean, Faculty of Law |
| Willis, Lindsey | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Student Senator |
| Wilson, Margot | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Acting Dean, Faculty of Graduate Studies |
| Wright, Bruce | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Head, Division of Medical Sciences |
| Wyatt, Victoria | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Faculty of Fine Arts |

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Effective September 17, 2014

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 Dean of Social Sciences: Catherine Krull
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MEMBERS ELECTED BY THE FACULTIES - Section 35 (2) (g)

BUSI: Rebecca Grant (30/6/16)
 Brock Smith (30/6/15)
 EDUC: Carolyn Crippen (30/6/16)
 John Walsh (30/6/17)
 ENGR : Peter Driessen (30/6/16)
 Nikolai Dechev (30/6/17)
 FINE: Patricia Kostek (30/6/15)
 Lianne McLarty (30/6/16)
 GRAD: Sara Beam (30/6/16)
 Charlotte Schallié (30/6/17)
 HUMA: Abdul Roudsari (30/6/15)
 Esther Sangster-Gormley (30/6/16)
 HUMS: Annalee Lepp (30/6/16)
 Laura Parisi (30/6/15)
 LAWF: Gillian Calder (30/6/17)
 Mark Gillen (30/6/16)
 SCIE: Florin Diacu (30/6/17)
 Diana Varela (30/6/17)
 SOSC: Doug Baer (30/6/17)
 Rosaline Canessa (30/6/15)

MEMBERS ELECTED BY THE FACULTY MEMBERS
 - Sections 35 (2) (g)

Janni Aragon – SOSC (30/6/15)
 Sikata Banerjee - HUMS (30/6/16)
 Alexandra Branzan Albu – ENGR (30/6/17)
 Catherine Caws – HUMS (30/6/15)
 Alison Chapman – HUMS (30/6/15)
 Aaron Devor – SOSC (30/6/17)
 Kathryn Gillis – SCIE (30/6/17)
 Tim Haskett – HUMS (30/6/17)
 Susan Lewis Hammond – FINE (30/6/17)

MEMBERS ELECTED BY THE FACULTY

MEMBERS (continued)

Leslee Francis Pelton – EDUC (30/6/17)
 Ann Stahl - SOSC (30/6/16)
 Victoria Wyatt – FINE (30/6/16)

MEMBERS ELECTED FROM THE STUDENT

ASSOCIATION – Section 35 (2) (h)

Lee Brekstad (HSD) (30/6/15)
 Jordan Crocker (HUMA) “
 Kayleigh Erickson (SOSC) “
 Karthik Gopalakrishnan (SCIE) “
 Ivelina Ivanova (LAW) “
 Susan Karim (GRAD) “
 Ben Lukenchuk (BUS) “
 Dakota Mellin (EDUC) “
 Roy Nam (SOSC) “
 Alex Neiman (ENGR) “
 Cory Shankman (GRAD) “
 Gabrielle Sutherland (GRAD) “
 Kaylee Szakacs (HUMA) “
 Nick Tang (SCIE) “
 Lindsey Willis (HUMA) “
 TBA (FINE) “

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– Section 35 (2) (i)

Nav Bassi (30/06/15)
 Linda Hannah (30/06/15)
 Robbyn Lanning (30/06/15)
 Cathy McIntyre (30/06/15)

ADDITIONAL MEMBERS - Section 35 (2) (k)

Head, Division of Medical Sciences: Bruce Wright
 Member elected by the Professional Librarians:
 Tracie Smith (30/06/15)
 Continuing Sessional: Alicia Ulysses (30/06/17)

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 Cassbrea Dewis