



University
of Victoria

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of the University of Victoria**

MINUTES

A meeting of the Senate of the University of Victoria was held on March 6, 2015 at 3:30 p.m. in the Senate and Board Chambers, University Centre, Room A180.

1. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Motion: (G. Sutherland/B. Lukenchuk)
That the agenda be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

2. MINUTES

Motion: (S. Beam/J. Crocker)
That the minutes of the open session of the meeting of the Senate held on February 6, 2015 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. Update on the Canada First Research Excellence Fund

Prof. Cassels invited Dr. Castle to update members of Senate on the Canada First Research Excellence Fund (CFREF).

Dr. Castle provided a verbal update as to the status of the CFREF proposal process. He said UVic's proposal was submitted Monday March 2, 2015. Dr. Castle explained that UVic's submission was for an Oceans Institute which would be organized under five themes. He said the institute would be broadly inclusive across faculties. Dr. Castle also informed members of Senate that UVic had partnered with other universities on their proposals including the University of Guelph and Simon Fraser University. Dr. Castle confirmed that the results of the funding competition would be announced in July 2015. He said 43 notices of intent were submitted and competition was fierce.

Dr. Castle said that his office was preparing for the second round of requests. In doing so, he said, they would request feedback from those involved in the first round.

b. President's Report

Prof. Cassels updated members of Senate on the recent provincial budget announcement. He said that there were no surprises and the provincial budget confirmed expected institutional-level reductions. Prof. Cassels said there was a projected surplus over the next two years, leading up to the election. Prof. Cassels also noted the broader narrative of the budget had shifted towards conveying the value of a diversified economy.

Prof. Cassels informed members of Senate that the Minister of Advanced Education, Andrew Wilkinson, will be on campus to meet with Prof. Cassels, some researchers and faculty.

Prof. Cassels reminded members of Senate that it was the final two days of Ideafest. He noted that he had attended five events thus far and was very impressed by each of them. Prof. Cassels congratulated Dr. Castle and his team.

Prof. Cassels said that the 2015 Joint Senate and Board Retreat was held on February 28, 2015; he thanked those that participated and noted that it was a successful day with a series of good speakers and good engagement. Prof. Cassels said the theme, the role of universities in their regions, was timely and would be followed by an event, the Catalyst Conversation, which would explore similar themes with a different audience. He said the first Catalyst Conversation, set for June, was being co-organized with Camosun College and Royal Roads University and would include local municipal leaders.

Prof. Cassels said there were two substantial appointments to celebrate from the UVic community. First, Dr. Valerie Kuehne had been appointed as Vice-President Academic and Provost effective July 1, 2015. Second, Vice-President External Affairs, Ms. Carmen Charette had been appointed to the Board of the Federation of Humanities and Social Sciences.

Prof. Cassels also noted that Teaching Professor, Jin-Sun Yoon was the recipient of the prestigious 3M National Teaching Fellowship and provided his deepest congratulations.

5. CORRESPONDENCE

There was none.

6. PROPOSALS AND REPORTS FROM SENATE COMMITTEES

a. Senate Committee on Awards

i. New and Revised Awards

Dr. Lepp directed members of Senate to the provided memo and invited questions. Prof. Gillen questioned the terms of reference for the awards and asked why there was not standardized language regarding who nominates and selects the recipients. Dr. Lepp replied that it depended on the originator of the awards, some awards come from a Faculty while other are centralized through

Student Awards and Financial Aid. Further, Lori Nolt, Director of Student Awards and Financial Aid, said that undergraduate and graduate awards are selected by different bodies.

Motion: (A. Lepp/A. Roudsari)

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:

- David Johnstone Chabassol Bursary in Education (new)*
- UVic Bookstore Scholarship in Writing (new)
- Dax Gibson Memorial Scholarship in Gender Studies & Anthropology (new)*
- Dax Gibson Memorial Award in Gender Studies (revised)*
- Pat Koster Essay in Early Women's Writing (revised)*
- Myrna McEwen Daniels Scholarship (new)*
- Terry Daniels Scholarship (new)*
- CAPP Public Engagement Scholarship (revised)
- Michael and Olga Zachary Scholarship in Ukrainian Studies (new)*
- Emil and Lynette Hain Scholarship in Ukrainian Studies (new)*
- Victoria Joint Scottish Council Travel Award (revised)
- LaFarge Canada Scholarship in Civil Engineering (new)
- Pat Koster Scholarship in Early Women's Writing (revised)*
- CFUW Victoria Anniversary Science Scholarship (new)*
- Geraldine and Peter Shostak Scholarship in Ukrainian Studies (new)
- UVic Residence Bursary (new)

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CARRIED

b. Senate Committee on Planning

a. Minor in Visual Arts Proposal

Dr. Van Luven said she was excited that this proposal had come forward as it would provide an opportunity to include students across the campus in visual arts programming.

Motion: (M. Purkis/ G. Sutherland)

That Senate approve and recommend to the Board of Governors that it also approve, subject to funding, the establishment of an Minor in Visual Arts, as described in the document "Proposal for a Minor in Visual Arts", dated October 15, 2014, and that this approval be withdrawn if the program should not be offered within five years of the granting of approval.

CARRIED

b. Renewal of Approved Centre Status for the Centre for Global Studies

Motion: (R. Lanning/D. Baer)

That Senate approve the renewal of Approved Centre Status for the Centre for Global Studies (CFGS) for the five year period 1 July 2015 through 30 June 2020. This recommendation is not contingent upon the suggestions in the external review report relating to resources, which are advice to the Vice-President Research.

CARRIED

c. Converting the Centre for Forest Biology into an Intra-Faculty Research Centre

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

7. PROPOSALS AND REPORTS FROM FACULTIES

There were none.

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

a. Student Mental Health Initiative

Dr. Kuehne introduced Associate Vice-President Student Affairs, Mr. Jim Dunsdon and the Student Mental Health Strategy. Mr. Dunsdon introduced Registered Psychologist, Dr. Rita Knodel.

Mr. Dunsdon provided a slide presentation, presenting an overview of the Student Mental Health Strategy. He provided the history of the initiative, noting results from a National College Health Assessment (NCHA) survey. Mr. Dunsdon reported on the work of the Student Mental Health Initiative thus far, including a dedicated website, a mental health literacy program, a folder providing quick tips to assist students in distress, and a student mental health grant.

Mr. Dunsdon closed the presentation with a video on the initiative and welcomed questions.

A Senator asked about referring students to counselling and confidentiality. Dr. Knodel said that all services are confidential and referrals from faculty are also treated as confidential.

A Senator asked about online resources for distance education students. Mr. Dunsdon confirmed that the conversation will continue to take into account special faculty needs.

Regarding a question about students who are resistant to attend counselling and yet are in need, Mr. Dunsdon responded that there was a process in place to put together a small team to support the student and that faculty members should talk to students services and make them aware of such a situation, should it arise.

Regarding wait lists and difficulties getting an appointment, Dr. Knodel responded that her office was working on accessibility and has made strides in this area.

A student Senator suggested that effort should be put towards the graduate student/supervisor relationship and training supervisors to be aware of mental health issues. He said much could be achieved by raising awareness among supervisors.

Prof. Cassels thanked Dr. Knodel and Mr. Dunsdon for the presentation and shared his experience supporting students in emotional or mental health distress as an Associate Dean in the Faculty of Law.

Prof. Cassels said the format on the presentation slides reminded him that he wanted to note the recent unveiling of the culmination of input into the UVic Difference Project, the UVic Edge.

9. OTHER BUSINESS

a. Update on Elections

Ms. Dewis updated members of Senate on a recent resignation from Senate, as per the Senate Rules and Procedures. She said Dr. Lianne McLarty, Senate representative for Fine Arts, resigned her position on Senate in late January 2015. Ms. Dewis informed members of Senate that the resignation and vacancy came at time when Faculty elections were being conducted for the regular three-year term positions. She noted that since there were two members from the Faculty of Fine Arts running for election, after consulting with the Senate Committee on Agenda and Governance, it was decided that one of the two candidates would be acclaimed into the newly vacant position to fill the remainder of the term, which will end July 2016. Ms. Dewis reported that Dr. Carolyn Butler-Palmer will serve in this capacity.

Ms. Dewis updated members of Senate on the ongoing Senate elections. She reported that there were eight acclamations for Student Senator positions including six current Senators. She said the elections for Student Senator positions from the Faculties of Science and Social Sciences and members-at-large were on-going and that there would need to be a by-election in the fall for student Senators representing the Peter B. Gustavson School of Business and the Faculty of Fine Arts. Ms. Dewis reported that the faculty members-at-large elections would open March 31, 2015 and would close April 8, 2015. She said seven candidates were standing for three available positions. Finally, Ms. Dewis said that the Convocation Senator election would open on March 9, 2015 with 22 candidates running for election.

There being no other business the meeting was adjourned at 4:27 p.m.

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

MEMBERSHIP OF THE SENATE OF THE UNIVERSITY OF VICTORIA
Effective February 13, 2015

EX OFFICIO MEMBERS - University Act: Section 35 (2) (a-f)

- Chancellor: Shelagh Rogers (31/12/17)
- President and Vice-Chancellor: Jamie Cassels, Chair
- Acting V.P. Academic & Provost: Valerie Kuehne
- V.P. Research: David Castle
- Dean, Peter B. Gustavson School of Business:
Saul Klein
- Dean of Education: Ralf St. Clair
- Dean of Engineering: Thomas Tiedje
- Dean of Continuing Studies: Maureen MacDonald
- Acting Dean of Fine Arts: Lynne van Luven
- Dean of Graduate Studies: David Capson
- Dean of Humanities: John Archibald
- Dean of HSD: Mary Ellen Purkis, Vice-Chair
- Dean of Law: Jeremy Webber
- Dean of Science: Robert Lipson
- Dean of Social Sciences: Catherine Krull
- University Librarian: Jonathan Bengtson

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: Carolyn Butler-Palmer (30/6/16)
Patricia Kostek (30/6/15)
- 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)
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MEMBERS ELECTED BY THE FACULTY MEMBERS

- Sections 35 (2) (g)

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| 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 – 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)

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| 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) | “ |

MEMBERS ELECTED BY THE CONVOCATION
– Section 35 (2) (i)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Nav Bassi | (30/06/15) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Linda Hannah | (30/06/15) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Robbyn Lanning | (30/06/15) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 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)

SECRETARY OF SENATE - Section 64 (2)

- University Secretary: Julia Eastman

BY INVITATION - Seated with specified speaking rights

- Assoc. V.P. Student Affairs: Jim Dunsdon
- Assoc. V.P. Academic Planning: Catherine Mateer
- Registrar: Lauren Charlton
- Acting Associate University Secretary:
Cassbreea Dewis