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MINUTES

A meeting of the Senate of the University of Victoria was held on February 5, 2016 at 3:30 p.m. in the Senate and Board Chambers, University Centre, Room A180.

1. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Motion: (J. Crocker/K. Erickson)

That the agenda be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

2. MINUTES

a. January 8, 2016

Motion: (K. Erickson/P. Kostek)

That the minutes of the open session of the meeting of the Senate held on January 8, 2016 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. He reported on recent meetings in Ottawa where he worked with colleagues at Universities Canada on a pre-budget submission; priorities for Canadian universities included increased support for the granting councils, increased support for Indigenous students and increased experiential learning opportunities for students. Prof. Cassels reported that, in Ottawa, he met with the head of SSHRC to discuss, among other items, UVic's new strategic research plan. He also noted that UVic was again recognized by SSHRC as an equity leader in the Canada Research Chairs program. He said he had also travelled to Ottawa with a delegation led by the BC Premier and accompanied by four cabinet ministers.

Prof. Cassels informed Senators that UVic's letter of intent for the CFREF proposal process was accepted to the second round. He further reported that the *Times Higher Education* listed UVic as one of the top 200 most international universities and that Dr. David Blades, Professor, Science

Education and Curriculum Studies, was the recipient of one of ten 3M National Teaching Fellowship Awards.

Prof. Cassels said that several noteworthy events had recently taken place on campus. He highlighted announcement of the first ever Chair in Transgender Studies, Dr. Aaron Devor, and congratulated Dr. Devor. He also congratulated the MBA student team, which included Mr. Dulku, for their recent win at a competition in Davos. Dr. Saul Klein described the Davos event and Mr. Dulku commented on the experience.

5. CORRESPONDENCE

There was none.

6. PROPOSALS AND REPORTS FROM SENATE COMMITTEES

- a. Senate Committee on Academic Standards
 - i. Proposal to change the University Academic Standing Probationary Status and Requirement to Withdraw Regulation

Dr. Sara Beam, Chair, Senate Committee on Academic Standards introduced the proposal.

A comment was made that the proposal was compassionate and the appropriate course of action.

Motion: (S. Beam/J. Crocker)
That Senate approve changes to the regulation governing Academic Probationary Status and Requirement to Withdraw * as detailed in Appendix 3 of the "Proposal to change the University Academic Standing Probationary and Requirement to Withdraw Regulation" to be revised in the September 2016 calendar with effective implementation beginning in the 2016-17 Winter Session.

*(listed under the Academic Standing section of the September 2015-16 Undergraduate Calendar)

CARRIED

ii. Proposal to revise the Regulations Governing Administration of University Examinations

Dr. Beam introduced the proposal and noted that it was the culmination of significant sub-committee and committee work. She said the Senate Committee on Academic Standards would continue to monitor the issue.

With the proposed motion on the floor for discussion, a member proposed a motion to amend the document as presented by striking the section that regulates student questions during examinations. A comment was made that students have the right to ask questions and gain clarification if an examination question is unanswerable or unfair and striking the section may limit that right. A

member responded that removing the section does not restrict students from asking questions and the absence of regulation might be more liberal than the proposed wording which would restrict students by granting them permission to ask only certain types of questions.

Motion (P. von Aderkas/T. Tiedje)
That Senate approve the following amendment to the proposed
Regulations Governing Administration of University
Examinations:

Strike the section "Questions are only permitted in relation to the student's understanding of the examination, in cases of supposed errors or ambiguities in the examination questions or illegible or missing material. Such errors should be reported immediately to the invigilator. After the examination, the invigilator should report the error in writing to the academic unit and the Office of the Registrar (exams@uvic.ca)"

CARRIED

A concern was raised over the inclusion of washrooms as part of the examination environment and the potential for invigilators to accompany students into the washroom. A member proposed a motion to amend the document as presented by removing reference to washrooms from the definition of examination environment. Members discussed whether there were provisions for reasonable expectations of privacy that could be referenced.

Motion (C. Shankman/D. Popova)
That Senate approve the following amendment to the proposed Regulations Governing Administration of University Examinations:

Strike the words "and washrooms" from the section "The examination environment includes the room in which the examination is being written as well as the hallways and washrooms adjacent to the examination room"

DEFEATED

A question was raised regarding whether it was fair to restrict food from the examination environment. A member proposed a motion to amend the document as presented and allow food in the examination environment. A member noted that the restriction was proposed due to concern that food packaging could be used to cheat during examinations. This comment prompted a motion to revise the document's wording to clarify that all containers may be inspected.

Motion (A. Lemieux/K. Erickson)

That Senate approve the following amendment to the proposed Regulations Governing Administration of University Examinations:

Strike the section: "Food is not permitted"

CARRIED

Motion (C. Beaveridge/B. Dulku)

That Senate approve the following amendment to the proposed Regulations Governing Administration of University Examinations:

Revise the sentence: "The invigilator may inspect the container" to "The invigilator may inspect containers"

CARRIED

A member suggested that editorial language adjustments in the regulations be permitted in order for the document to reflect the spirit of the motions revising the document. Members agreed with this approach.

Motion: (S. Beam/C. Shankman)
That Senate approve the revised Regulations Governing
Administration of University Examinations*, as amended, effective
May 1, 2016.

*(listed on page 36 under the Examinations section of the September 2015-16 Undergraduate Calendar)

CARRIED

b. Senate Committee on Admission, Re-registration and Transfer

i. Change to admission requirements for the Music & Computer Science Program

Dr. Kenneth Stewart, Chair, Senate Committee on Admission, Re-registration and Transfer introduced the proposal.

A member asked for clarification on the rational for the 73% minimum admission requirement. It was explained that 73% was the minimum admission requirement for Math 100 as well as the percentage of a 'B' in high school.

Motion: (S. Lewis/J. Crocker)

That Senate approve that the minimum grade in Pre-calculus 12 required for admission to the Music and Computer Science program be changed to 73%, effective May 1, 2016.

CARRIED

ii. Revised Calendar entries relating to transfer credit

Dr. Stewart introduced the proposal.

Motion: (J. Crocker/K. Erickson)

That Senate approve the attached calendar revisions, which add the sentence "Students should be aware that up to 30 units of transfer credit will normally be applied toward degree requirements and considered in determining year standing."

CARRIED

iii. Change to admission requirements for the Faculty of Science

Dr. Stewart introduced the proposal.

A member commented that the requirement seemed low for entry into the Faculty of Science. The Dean of Science explained that all students in the Physical Sciences must take Math 100 which requires 73% for admission. The proposed admission requirement was meant to include students interested in the life sciences who are not required to take math at that level during their studies.

Motion: (C. Shankman/K. Erickson)

That Senate approve that the minimum grade in Pre-calculus 12 required for admission to the Faculty of Science be changed from 60% to 67%, effective May 1, 2016.

CARRIED

c. Senate Committee on Awards

i. New and Revised Awards

Dr. John Walsh, Chair, Senate Committee on Awards introduced the proposal.

Motion: (J. Walsh/J. Crocker)

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:

- Georgia Klap Award (new)*
- Anne McLaughlin Legacy Scholarship in Theatre (new)*
- Me to We Scholarship (new)
- Thomas M. Hess Scholarship in Indigenous Language Revitalization (revised)*
- Alumni Association Science Scholarship (new)*
- Alumni Association Humanities Scholarship (new)*

• Alumni Association Exercise Science, Physical and Health Education Scholarship (new)*

* Administered by the University of Victoria Foundation

CARRIED

d. Senate Committee on Curriculum

i. Major Curriculum Changes

Dr. Tim Haskett, Chair, Senate Committee on Curriculum introduced the proposal.

Motion: (T. Haskett/J. Crocker)

That Senate approve the curriculum changes recommended by the Faculties and the Senate Committee on Curriculum for inclusion in the 2016-2017 academic calendar, effective May 1, 2016.

CARRIED

Motion: (T. Haskett/J. Crocker)

That Senate authorize the Chair of the Senate Committee on Curriculum to make small changes and additions that would otherwise unnecessarily delay the submission of items for the academic calendar.

CARRIED

e. Senate Committee on Planning

i. Signing of a MOU with Camosun College and renaming the Joint Degree Program in Nursing

Dr. Ann Stahl, member of the Senate Committee on Planning introduced the MOU. Prof. Cassels thanked and congratulated Dr. Howard Brunt and Dr. Laurene Sheilds for their work.

ii. Revisions to the Diploma in First Nations Government and Administration

Dr. Stahl introduced the proposal.

In response to a question, it was noted that while diploma students are not required to meet the university's academic writing requirement, they are often encouraged to progress to a full degree which would require the academic writing requirement.

Motion: (A. Stahl/M. MacDonald)

That Senate approve, and recommend to the Board of Governors that it also approve, changing the title from the Diploma in First Nations Government and Administration to the Diploma in Indigenous Community Development and Governance, as well as other changes to the program as described in the document "Proposal for a Credit

Diploma in Indigenous Community Development and Governance", dated December 7, 2015.

CARRIED

iii. Reinstatement of the Honours Program in Visual Arts

Dr. Stahl introduced the proposal.

Motion: (A. Stahl/S. Lewis)

That Senate approve, and recommend to the Board of Governors that it also approve, subject to funding, the reinstatement of the Honours Program in Visual Arts, as described in the document "Proposal for the Reinstatement of the Honours Program in Visual Arts", dated November 9, 2015, and that this approval be withdrawn if the program should not be offered within five years of the granting of approval.

CARRIED

iv. Proposal for expanded scope for the Centre for Aboriginal Health Research and that the Centre be renamed the Centre for Indigenous Research and Community-Led Engagement (CIRCLE)

Dr. Stahl introduced the proposal.

Motion: (A. Stahl/J. Crocker)

That Senate approve the expanded scope for the Centre for Aboriginal Health Research and that the Centre be renamed the Centre for Indigenous Research and Community-Led Engagement (CIRCLE), with the approval of CIRCLE as a multi-faculty research centre in effect until May 31, 2018.

CARRIED

v. Renewal of Approved Centre Status for the Centre for Studies of Religion and Society (CSRS)

Dr. Stahl introduced the proposal. Prof. Cassels congratulated the Centre on the positive review.

Motion: (A. Stahl/K. Erickson)

That Senate approve the renewal of Approved Centre Status for the Centre for Studies of Religion and Society (CSRS) for the five year period 21 April 2016 through 20 April 2021. 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

7. PROPOSALS AND REPORTS FROM FACULTIES

There were none.

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

There were none.

9. OTHER BUSINESS

a. Ten-Year Sessional Calendar

Dr. Julia Eastman, University Secretary introduced the item.

A member raised a concern that the short turnaround time between the end of the examination period in December and the first day of classes in January was causing burnout, particularly among Assistant Teaching Professors. It was noted that a sub-committee of the Senate Committee on Agenda and Governance was considering a longer fall reading break and this group would be considering the length of the exam period in their deliberations. A further question was raised about the varying lengths of semesters, in particular the length of the summer semester.

Motion: (W. Boyd/J. Crocker)

That Senate approve the 2015-2025 Ten-Year Sessional Calendar.

CARRIED

b. Academic Year Important Dates

Dr. Eastman introduced the item noting that the dates are drawn from the Ten-Year Sessional Calendar.

Motion: (C. Shankman/J. Crocker)

That Senate approve the Academic Year Important Dates for the period January 2017 through August 2017 for submission to the online academic calendar and for the academic calendar May 2016 publication.

CARRIED

c. 2015/2016 Emeritus and Emerita

Prof. Cassels said the item was provided for information.

d. 2016/2017 Senate Meeting Dates and Other Important Dates

Motion: (W. Boyd/K. Erickson)

That Senate approve the 2016/2017 Senate Meeting Dates and Other Important Dates.

CARRIED

e. Election Update

Ms. Cassbreea Dewis, Governance Services Manager provided an update on the ongoing faculty and student elections.

There being no other business the meeting was adjourned at 4:47p.m.

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Name	In Attendance	Regrets	*	Position
Andersen, Carrie		×	Associate University Secretary	By Invitation
Aragon, Janni		X	Faculty of Social Sciences	Elected by the Faculty
Baer, Doug		X	Faculty of Social Sciences	Elected by the faculty members
Banerjee, Sikata	X		Faculty of Humanities	Elected by the faculty members
Bashir, Rizwan			Convocation Senator	Elected by the convocation
Beam, Sara			Faculty of Graduate Studies	Elected by the Faculty
Beaveridge, Chandra			Convocation Senator	Elected by the raddity
			Faculty of Education	
Begoray, Deborah				Elected by the faculty members
Bengston, Jonathan		X	University Librarian	Ex officio
Boyd, Wesley-Ryan			Student Senator	Elected by the students
Branzan Albu, Alexandra			Faculty of Engineering	Elected by the faculty members
Brekstad, Lee			Student Senator	Elected by the students
Bryden, Penny	in		Faculty of Humanities	Elected by the faculty members
Butler-Palmer, Carolyn		1	Faculty of Fine Arts	Elected by the Faculty
Calder, Gillian		0	Faculty of Law	Elected by the Faculty
Capson, David	78"		Dean, Faculty of Graduate Studies	Ex officio
Cassels, Jamie	3		President and Vice-Chancellor	Chair of Senate
astle, David			Vice-President Research	Ex officio
charlton, Lauren	B		11	Elected by the convocation
	-		Convocation Senator	
olby, Jason		*	Faculty of Humanities	Elected by the Faculty
rippen, Carolyn		X	Faculty of Education	Elected by the Faculty
rocker, Jordan	×		Student Senator	Elected by the students
echev, Nikolai			Faculty of Engineering	Elected by the Faculty
enley, Julia			Student Senator	Elected by the students
evor, Aaron	5		Faculty of Social Sciences	Elected by the faculty members
Piacu, Florin	×		Faculty of Science	Elected by the Faculty
riessen, Peter			Faculty of Engineering	Elected by the Faculty
olku, Bhupinder			Student Senator	Elected by the students
Ounsdon, Jim	N N		Associate Vice-President Student Affairs	By Invitation
urno, John	TO /		Librarian	Elected by the Professional Librarian
astman, Julia	•		University Secretary	Secretary of Senate
rickson, Kayleigh	V		Student Senator	Elected by the students
rancis Pelton, Leslee	Ø		Faculty of Education	Elected by the faculty members
Gillen, Mark	0		Faculty of Law	Elected by the Faculty
Gillis, Kathryn	' Ø		Acting Dean, Faculty of Science	Ex officio
Grant, Rebecca		×	Peter B. Gustavson School of Business	Elected by the Faculty
lallgrimsdottir, Helga		~	Faculty of Social Sciences	Elected by the faculty members
laskett, Tim	20%/		Faculty of Humanities	Elected by the faculty members
licks, Robin	P		Faculty of Science	Elected by the faculty members
vanova, Ivelina			Student Senator	Elected by the students
lein, Saul	12		Dean, Peter B. Gustavson School of Business	Ex officio
Costek, Patricia	200		Faculty of Fine Arts	Elected by the Faculty
rull, Catherine	3		Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences	Ex officio
(uehne, Valerie	V		Vice-President Academic and Provost	Ex officio
Cushniruk, Andre	M		Faculty of Human and Social Development	Elected by the Faculty
emieux, Andrew			Student Senator	Elected by the students
epp, Annalee	\mathrew (1)		Faculty of Humanities	Elected by the Faculty
ewis, Susan			Acting Dean, Faculty of Fine Arts	Ex officio
iddell, Peter		>8<	Convocation Senator	Elected by the convocation
ittlewood, Cedric	- 5/		Acting Dean, Faculty of Humanities	Ex officio
MacDonald, Maureen	12		Dean, Division of Continuing Studies	Ex officio
Marck, Patricia		> <	Dean, Faculty of Human and Social Development	Ex officio
Mateer, Catherine			Associate Vice-President Academic Planning	By Invitation
/lellin, Dakota			Student Senator	Elected by the students
leiman, Alex			Student Senator	Elected by the students
eterson, Bernadette			Student Senator	Elected by the students
opova, Diana	¥		Student Senator	Elected by the students
Rogers, Shelagh		V	Chancellor	Ex officio
Ryan, Tristan			Student Senator	Elected by the students
		6	Faculty of Human and Social Development	
Sangster-Gormley, Esther	7			Elected by the Faculty
Schallié, Charlotte	%		Faculty of Graduate Studies	Elected by the Faculty
Schrod, Phillip			Student Senator	Elected by the students
hankman, Cory	Ò		Student Senator	Elected by the students
mith, Brock			Peter B. Gustavson School of Business	Elected by the Faculty
t. Clair, Ralf		×	Dean, Faculty of Education	Ex officio
Stahl, Ann	×		Faculty of Social Sciences	Elected by the faculty members
iedje, Thomas	S		Dean, Faculty of Engineering	Ex officio
	*		Faculty of Humanities	Elected by the Continuing Sessiona
Jlysses, Alicia				
/arela, Diana		×	Faculty of Science	Elected by the Faculty
on Aderkas, Patrick	×		Faculty of Science	Elected by the faculty members
Valsh, John	×		Faculty of Graduate Studies	Elected by the Faculty
Vebber, Jeremy	×		Dean, Faculty of Law	Ex officio
Vright, Bruce			Head, Division of Medical Sciences	Ex officio
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MEMBERSHIP OF THE SENATE OF THE UNIVERSITY OF VICTORIA

Effective January 1, 2016

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Chancellor: Shelagh Rogers (31/12/17)

President and Vice-Chancellor: Jamie Cassels, Chair

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: Susan Lewis Dean of Graduate Studies: David Capson Acting Dean of Humanities: Cedric Littlewood

Dean of HSD: Patricia Marck Dean of Law: Jeremy Webber

Acting Dean of Science: Kathryn Gillis 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 (30/6/18)

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 (30/6/18)

GRAD: Sara Beam (30/6/16)

Charlotte Schallié (30/6/17)

HSD: Andre Kushniruk (30/6/18)

Esther Sangster-Gormley (30/6/16)

HUMS: Jason Colby (30/6/18)

Annalee Lepp (30/6/16)

LAWF: Gillian Calder (30/6/17)

Mark Gillen (30/6/16)

SCIE: Florin Diacu (30/6/17)

Diana Varela (30/6/17)

SOSC: Janni Aragon (30/6/18)

Doug Baer (30/6/17)

MEMBERS ELECTED BY THE FACULTY MEMBERS

- Sections 35 (2) (g)

Sikata Banerjee - HUMS	(30/6/16)
Deborah Begoray – EDUC	(30/6/18)
Alexandra Branzan Albu – ENGR	(30/6/17)
Penny Bryden – HUMS	(30/6/16)
Aaron Devor – SOSC	(30/6/17)
Tim Haskett – HUMS	(30/6/17)
Robin Hicks – SCIE	(30/6/18)
Helga Hallgrimsdottir – SOSC	(30/6/18)

MEMBERS ELECTED BY THE FACULTY MEMBERS (continued)

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

MEMBERS ELECTED FROM THE STUDENT SOCIETIES – Section 35 (2) (h)

Wesley-Ryan Boyd (SOSC) (30/6/16)
Lee Brekstad (HUMS) "
Jordan Crocker (HUMA) "
Julia Denley (SCIE) "
Bhupinder Dulku (BUS) "
Kayleigh Erickson (SOSC) "
Ivelina Ivanova (LAW) "
Andrew Lemieux (GRAD) "

Dakota Mellin (EDUC) "
Alex Neiman (ENGR) "
Bernadette Peterson (SCIE) "
Diana Popova (GRAD) "
Tristan Ryan (SOSC) "

Phillip Schrod (SOSC) "
Cory Shankman (GRAD) "
vacancy (FINE) "

MEMBERS ELECTED BY THE CONVOCATION

- Section 35 (2) (i)

Rizwan Bashir (30/06/18) Chandra Beaveridge (30/06/18) Lauren Charlton (30/06/18) Peter Liddell (30/06/18)

ADDITIONAL MEMBERS - Section 35 (2) (k)

Head, Division of Medical Sciences: Bruce Wright Member elected by the Professional Librarians:

John Durno (30/06/18)

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: TBA

Associate University Secretary: Carrie Andersen

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