MINUTES

A meeting of the Senate of the University of Victoria was held on March 1, 2019 at 3:30 p.m. in the Senate and Board Chambers, University Centre, Room A180.

1. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Motion: (S. Lewis/M. Garcia-Barrera)
That the agenda be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

2. MINUTES

a. February 1, 2019

Motion: (C. Whittla/T. Haskett)
That the minutes of the open session of the meeting of the Senate held on February 1, 2019 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 reported that the Vice-President Research search was underway. The university has employed a search consultant and the committee will be looking at candidates shortly. Meanwhile, the call remains open.

In terms of the provincial budget, Prof. Cassels felt it was a positive outcome with solid investment in post-secondary institutions across the province. Of greatest significance is the elimination of student loan interest and full funding for negotiated salary settlements. Prof. Cassels also noted that for public sector organizations, the new employee health tax and the employee premium has been eliminated.

For the University of Victoria, the budget shows a confirmation of debt room to proceed with the $200M student housing capital project in addition to funding for the Ocean Networks North Cascadia Canada Seismic Early Warning Program, and the new Juris Doctor (JD)/Juris
Indigenarum Doctor (JID) program. Prof. Cassels mentioned that the university was actively working with the Ministry of Advanced Skills and Training to create a business case for the capital funding required to expand the Faculty of Engineering/Computer Science.

A Senate member asked if there was an indication from the government to continue the graduate scholarship program. Prof. Cassels responded that he participated in talks with other research institutions across the province as it is a top priority to make this funding permanent.

Prof. Cassels mentioned that for the third time in five years, a UVic faculty member had been awarded a 3M Fellowship. This is Canada’s highest honour for educational leadership in teaching. He congratulated Dr. Helga Thorson as the winner and also acknowledged her recent book, Out There Learning: Critical Reflections on Off-Campus Study Programs, published in conjunction with other UVic colleagues.

Finally, Prof. Cassels reminded Senate members of upcoming IdeaFest where there will be over 40 exciting opportunities for the campus to share our work with the community.

5. CORRESPONDENCE

There was none.

6. PROPOSALS AND REPORTS FROM SENATE COMMITTEES

a. Senate Committee on Awards

i. New and Revised Awards

Dr. Lepp introduced the proposal. There were no questions.

Motion: (A. Lepp/R. Lipson)
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:

- Dr. Marion Porath Legacy Scholarship in Theatre Costume Design or Construction (new)
- Dr. Marion Porath Legacy Scholarship in Theatre Performance (new)
- Dr. Marion Porath Legacy Scholarship in Theatre Production and Management (new)
- Sarah D. Bakony Memorial Scholarship (new)
- Herbert Bertram Falkenstein Graduate Scholarship in Fine Arts (new)*
- Herbert Bertram Falkenstein Graduate Scholarship in Humanities (new)*
- Michael Hayes Award in Public Health & Social Policy (new)
- Davison Graduate Bursary in Economics (new)*
• Lothar Hermann Redlin Memorial Scholarship (new)
• Victoria Chinatown Lioness Club Graduate Award (revised)*
• Michaeala Tokarski Entrepreneurship Bursary (revised)*
• Sandra Ann Chisholm MacLean Aitken Graduate Award (new)
• Museum Studies Award in Memory of Dr. Daniel Gallacher (new)
• Howard & Donna Denike Memorial Award (revised)*
• Engineering Students’ Society Stream ‘B’ Award for Community Involvement (revised)*
• Constance E. Hoyte Award in Music Education (revised)*

* Administered by the University of Victoria Foundation

CARRIED

b. Senate Committee on Planning

i. Proposal to Establish a Physical Education Minor

Dr. Hicks introduced the proposal. There were no questions.

Motion: (R. Hicks/C. Krull)
That Senate approve, and recommend to the Board of Governors that it also approve, subject to funding, the establishment of a Physical Education Minor, as described in the document “Physical Education Minor”, and that this approval be withdrawn should the program not be offered within five years of the granting of approval.

CARRIED

ii. Proposed Major Modification of the Diploma in Intercultural Education

Dr. Hicks introduced the proposal. There were no questions.

Motion: (R. Hicks/M. Garcia-Barrera)
That Senate approve the proposed major modification of the Diploma in Intercultural Education, as described in the memorandum dated January 1, 2019.

CARRIED

iii. Proposal for the Addition of a Cultural, Social and Political Thought Option to the Master of Arts in Germanic and Slavic Studies

Dr. Hicks introduced the proposal. A question was raised as to why this motion did not mention the approval be withdrawn should the program not be offered within five years of the granting of approval. Dr. Hicks replied that this was an addition to an already established program.
Motion: (R. Hicks/M. Garcia-Barrera)
That Senate approve, and recommend to the Board of Governors that it also approve, the establishment of a Cultural, Social and Political Thought Option, as described in the document “Addition of CSPT Option to Germanic and Slavic Studies Master’s Program”.

CARRIED

iv. Proposal for the Addition of a New Stream in the Politics of Global Challenges in the Existing Master of Arts in Political Science

Dr. Hicks introduced the proposal. There were no questions.

Motion: (R. Hicks/R. Hancock)
That Senate approve, and recommend to the Board of Governors that it also approve, subject to funding, the addition of an new stream in the Politics of Global Challenges program in the existing Master of Arts in Political Science, as described in the document “New Stream in the Politics of Global Challenges in the Existing Master of Arts in Political Science”, and that this approval be withdrawn if the program should not be offered within five years of the granting of approval.

CARRIED

v. Proposal for the Addition of a Major Research Project Option in the Master of Arts in Political Science

Dr. Hicks introduced the proposal. There were no questions.

Motion: (R. Hicks/C. Krull)
That Senate approve, and recommend to the Board of Governors that it also approve, subject to funding, the addition of a major research project option in the Master of Arts in Political Science, as described in the document “Major Research Project Option in the Master of Arts in Political Science”, and that this approval be withdrawn if the program should not be offered within five years of the granting of approval.

CARRIED

vi. Proposal to Discontinue the Major and Minor Programs in Mediterranean Studies

Dr. Hicks introduced the proposal. There were no questions.
Motion: (R. Hicks/J. Colby)
That Senate approve, and recommend to the Board of Governors that it also approve, the proposal to discontinue the Major and Minor programs in Mediterranean Studies, as described in the memorandum dated December 6, 2018.

CARRIED

vii. Proposal to Discontinue the Entrepreneurship Certificate and Diploma Programs

Dr. Hicks introduced the proposal. There were no questions.

Motion: (R. Hicks/S. Klein)
That Senate approve, and recommend to the Board of Governors that it also approve, discontinuation of the Entrepreneurship Certificate and Diploma programs, as described in the memorandum dated January 11, 2019.

CARRIED

viii. Renewal of the Institute for Integrated Energy Systems (IESVic) as an Approved UVic Research Centre

Dr. Hicks introduced the proposal. There were no questions.

Motion: (R. Hicks/P. Wild)
That Senate approve the renewal of Approved Centre Status for the Institute for Integrated Energy Systems (IESVic) for the period April 1, 2019 through March 31, 2024.

CARRIED

ix. Institute on Aging and Lifelong Health (IALH)

Dr. Hicks introduced the proposal. There were no questions.

Motion: (R. Hicks/M. Garcia-Barrera)
That Senate approve the extension of Approved Centre Status for the Institute on Aging and Lifelong Health (IALH) until October 31, 2019.

CARRIED

7. PROPOSALS AND REPORTS FROM FACULTIES

There were none.
8. PROPOSALS AND REPORTS FROM THE VICE-PRESIDENT ACADEMIC AND PROVOST

a. Strategic Enrolment Management (SEM) Plan for UVic

Dr. Kuehne introduced the Strategic Enrolment Management Plan outlining the consultation conducted and the transition from planning to development. The plan is meant to move forward in the same direction as the Strategic Framework and as a result SEM’s objectives, goals, strategies and tactics builds on the priorities of dynamic learning, graduate student support and research excellence, international recruitment, and successful student retention.

Mr. Dunsdon presented on the SEM goals and process to date and the plans future plans for implementation. He outlined the consultation process and method for ongoing communication and engagement for Senate and across the campus community.

A question was asked as to the size and commitment of the implementation committees. Mr. Dunsdon replied that the plan would be 8-12 member committees who meet monthly.

Another question was raised regarding students with disabilities and if they had been considered in creating a student centred process. Mr. Dunsdon noted that through the process of examining the university’s changing population, students with disabilities were an important consideration in both recruitment and retention.

A comment was made as the general nature of the goals and strategies and whether it would be better to concentrate on more specific priorities or strengths. Mr. Dunsdon referenced the International Plan, Indigenous Plan, and Strategic Framework which guided the work of the SEM goals, strategies and tactics. The intention would be for faculties to think about their strengths and areas of improvement within these larger institution’s priorities.

9. OTHER BUSINESS

a. 2018 Policy Annual Report

Prof. Cassels introduced the report. There were no questions.

There being no other business the meeting was adjourned at 4:19 p.m.
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MEMBERSHIP OF THE SENATE OF THE UNIVERSITY OF VICTORIA

Effective December 1, 2018

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

Chancellor: Shelagh Rogers (31/12/20)
President and Vice-Chancellor: Jamie Cassels, Chair
Vice-President Academic & Provost: Valerie Kuehne
Vice-President Research: David Castle
Dean, Peter B. Gustavson School of Business: Saul Klein
Dean of Education: Ralf St. Clair
Acting Dean of Engineering: Peter Wild
Dean of Continuing Studies: Jo-Anne Clarke
Dean of Fine Arts: Susan Lewis, Vice-Chair
Dean of Graduate Studies: David Capson
Dean of Humanities: Christopher Goto-Jones
Dean of HSD: Patricia Marck
Dean of Law: Susan Breau
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: Dale Ganley (30/6/19)
Brock Smith (30/6/21)

EDUC: Sandra Hundza (30/6/20)
Monica Prendergast (30/6/19)

ENGR: Peter Driessen (30/6/19)
Henning Struchtrup (30/6/20)

FINE: Patrick Boyle (30/6/21)
Carolyn Butler Palmer (30/6/19)

GRAD: Sara Beam (30/6/19)
Mauricio Garcia-Barrera (30/6/20)

HSD: Lynda Gagné (30/6/19)
Richard Marcy (30/6/21)

HUMS: Jason Colby (30/6/21)
Annalee Lepp (30/6/19)

LAWF: Gillian Calder (30/6/20)
Mark Gillen (30/6/19)

SCIE: Neil Burford (30/6/20)
Diana Varela (30/6/20)

SOSC: Helen Kurki (30/6/20)
Erica Woodin (30/6/21)

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

Janni Aragon – SOSC (30/6/21)
Doug Baer - SOSC (30/6/20)
Aaron Devor – SOSC (30/6/20)
Garry Gray – SOSC (30/6/19)
Helga Hallgrimsdottir – HSD (30/6/21)
Tim Haskett – HUMS (30/6/20)
Robin Hicks – SCIE (30/6/21)
Mark Laidlaw – SCIE (30/6/20)

MEMBERS ELECTED BY THE FACULTY (continued)

Joseph Salem – FINE (30/6/20)
Rebecca Warburton - HSD (30/6/19)
Linda Welling – SOSC (30/6/20)
Victoria Wyatt - FINE (30/6/19)

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

David Alexander (30/06/21)
Chandra Beaveridge (30/06/21)
Robert Hancock (30/06/21)
Carolyn Russell (30/06/21)

ADDITIONAL MEMBERS - Section 35 (2) (k)

Head, Division of Medical Sciences: Bruce Wright
Member elected by the Professional Librarians:
Dean Seeman (30/06/21)
Continuing Sessional: Alicia Ulysses (30/06/20)

SECRETARY OF SENATE - Section 64 (2)

University Secretary: Carrie Andersen

BY INVITATION - Seated with specified speaking rights

Assoc. V.P. Student Affairs: Jim Dunson
Assoc. V.P. Academic Planning: Nancy Wright
Acting Registrar: Wendy Taylor
Acting Associate University Secretary: Ada Saab