A meeting of the Senate of the University of Victoria was held on May 7, 2021 at 3:30 via Zoom.

1. **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

   Motion: (A. Newcombe/M. Laidlaw)
   That the agenda be approved as circulated.

   CARRIED

2. **MINUTES**

   a. April 9, 2021

   Motion: (M. McGinnis/B. Smith)
   That the minutes of the open session of the meeting of the Senate held on April 9, 2021 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

   Kevin Hall thanked the 26 out-going members of Senate for their hard work. He also noted Acting Deans Steve Evans, Faculty of Graduate Studies, Peter Wild, Faculty of Engineering and Computer Science, and Graham Voss, Faculty of Social Science, for their leadership. He congratulated Robin Hicks on his appointment as in-coming Dean of the Faculty of Graduate Studies.

   Dr. Hall reported on the wrap-up of his Listening Tour meetings with over 2500 people and noted the uvic.ca/suggestionbox was available for anyone to provide feedback or ask questions.

   Regarding COVID-19, Dr. Hall commented on the impact on the university’s international students, the province-wide restrictions, and travel for study and research. As the campus plans for a full return to studies in the fall, the provincial government has released a COVID-19 Return-to-Campus Primer with details on key public health planning assumptions and measures for a safe return to return to in-person activities. Reflecting on the year ahead, Dr. Hall acknowledged that a transition back to in-person learning, will need to prioritize the well-being of our community.
Dr. Hall acknowledged April 22\textsuperscript{nd} as Earth Day and the United Nations Race to Zero campaign in which over 600 universities and institutions of higher education (soon also UVic) commit to mobilizing resources for action-oriented climate research, skills creation, and increasing climate and sustainability programming.

In terms of fundraising, the university exceeded the 2020/2021 fiscal year fundraising goal of $20 million by raising $28.64 million from 4,962 donors. Dr. Hall noted that to do this during a pandemic speaks to the reputation of the institution.

Dr. Hall announced that on April 19, 2021, the federal government released its budget, with the provincial government budget release on the following day. Both budgets were good news for the university sector with many new investments. Nevertheless, they also illustrate the need to build partnerships outside of the university to take full advantage of the new opportunities presented, especially as related to research.

Finally, Dr. Hall recognized the following award recipients:

- **Samuel Seshadri**, a fourth-year Economics student, has been named one of ten 3M National Student Fellows from across Canada.
- **Fawzan Hussain**, a 1\textsuperscript{st} year engineering student, will be receiving a BC’s Medal of Good Citizenship. The 18-year-old used his 3D-printing skills to produce 1500+ PPE during COVID, as well as many assistive devices for people with disabilities.
- **Christina Service** (UVic geography PhD 2019 alum) was awarded The Ecological Solutions and Evidence Prize for best paper by an early career researcher.
- **Cara Marks** (UVic writing alum) has been nominated for the Commonwealth Short Story Prize for her short story Starry Night.
- CUFA BC (Confederation of University Faculty Associations of British Columbia) has awarded **Ewa Czaykowska-Higgins**, Professor of Linguistics, the Paz Buttedahl Career Achievement Award for her lifelong commitment to community-based language research.
- **Budd Hall**, UVic UNESCO co-chair in Community-Based Research and Social Responsibility in Higher Education has been awarded the CBR Canada 2021 Research Leadership Award.

There were no questions.

5. **CORRESPONDENCE**

a. Office of the Ombudsperson

   i. 2020 Annual Report

Annette Fraser, Ombudsperson, introduced the report noting the difficulties experienced during the pandemic, most especially regarding academic integrity.

One member asked for clarity regarding the concerns presented to the Ombudsperson’s office. Dr. Hall asked if these issues were common among other ombuds offices in Canada. Ms. Fraser confirmed this was the case. Finally, members thanked Ms. Fraser for her work and acknowledged the workload increase for her office during the past year.
b. **Campus Planning Committee**

i. **Semi-annual report**

Valerie Kuehne, Vice-President Academic and Provost, introduced the report and highlighted the student housing and dining facilities, the Engineering expansion and the new Indigenous Law addition to the Fraser building.

Mike Wilson, Director of Campus Planning and Sustainability, reported on the new cycling plan and the West Campus Greenway which would be ready in September.

There were no questions.

6. **PROPOSALS AND REPORTS FROM SENATE COMMITTEES**

a. **Senate Committee on Academic Standards**

i. **Part-time exchange at the University of Victoria**

Neil Burford introduced the proposal. A member asked to clarify if this proposal for part-time exchange was open to international students. Tricia Best, Director International Student Services, confirmed this was open to both domestic and international students.

**Motion:** (N. Burford/J. Bruton)
That Senate approve the revisions to the Exchange section of the Academic Calendar effective September 2021.

**CARRIED**

ii. **New Academic Calendar Entries in Humanities, Science and Social Sciences on Double Counting Courses and Laddering Credentials**

Dr. Burford introduced the proposal. In response to a question, Lisa Surridge, Associate Dean Academic, Faculty of Humanities, clarified the distinction between first and second programs during concurrent registration. Dr. Surridge also accepted a suggested clarification regarding “co-requisite” and “required” terminology.

**Motion:** (N. Burford/Y. Kandil)
That Senate approve the attached proposed Humanities, Science and Social Sciences regulations on Double Counting Courses and Laddering Credentials to the Undergraduate Academic Calendar effective September 2021.

**CARRIED**

iii. **Policy on Academic Integrity – Inclusion of Doctoral Candidacy**

Dr. Burford introduced the proposal. There were no questions.
Motion: (N. Burford/J. Martin)
That Senate approve the inclusion of “Violations relating to doctoral candidacy examinations” to the Policy on Academic Integrity in the Academic Calendar effective September 2021.

CARRIED

iv. Extension of Approval to Waive Medical Documentation Summer Session, May 2021 – August 2021

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

Motion: (N. Burford/R. Hancock)
That Senate approve the extension of the temporary waiver of medical documentation for all requests for academic concessions during the 2021 Summer Session.

CARRIED

v. Update on revision of the Undergraduate Academic Concession Regulation

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

vi. Consideration of UVSS Proposal for COVID-19 Grading Options

Dr. Burford introduced the proposal and outlined the request by the University of Victoria Students’ Society which the Senate Committee on Academic Standards declined to recommend to Senate.

One member appreciated that student concerns were outlined and asked if the Society for Students with Disabilities had been consulted. Ada Saab, Associate University Secretary, noted the short time frame in which this decision had to be made, the data and communities who had been consulted, and the careful and conscientious work of the committee in making this decision.

Another member acknowledged that this was a difficult decision and asked if there was an ability to limit the COVID-19 grading options to one or two courses. Dr. Burford explained the various avenues considered and why this was not an option for the university.

Another Senator noted the learning strategist supports currently on campus and the need to ensure students are aware of this service.

b. Senate Committee on Agenda and Governance

i. In response to COVID-19: A summary of actions or adjustments made under authority of the Emergency Protocol for Senate Operations (Level 2)

Saul Klein introduced the proposal. There were no questions.

ii. Appointments to the 2021/2022 Senate Standing Committees

Helen Kurki introduced the recommendations. There were no questions.
Motion: (H. Kurki/M. Garcia-Barrera)
That Senate approve the appointments to the 2021/2022 Senate standing committees for the terms indicated in the attached document.

CARRIED

c. Senate Committee on Appeals

i. 2020/2021 Annual Report

Janna Promislow introduced the report. There were no questions.


d. Senate Committee on Awards

i. New and Revised Awards

Charlotte Schaillié introduced the recommended awards. There were no questions.

Motion: (B. Smith/M. McGinnis)
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:

- Gordon and Patricia Gray Animal Welfare Research Fellowship (New)
- First West Credit Union Launi Skinner Indigenous Scholarship (New)
- UVic Bookstore Scholarship in Writing (Revised)
- JTS Scholarship* (Revised)
- Ord and Linda Anderson Interdisciplinary Graduate Scholarship* (Revised)
- Jeremy and Carolyn Webber Award in Law (Revised)
- John Carling Fraser Memorial Bursary* (Revised)
- Level Up Award presented by Codename Entertainment* (New)
- Paulette Lacroix Nursing Informatics Leadership Scholarship (Revised)
- Richard L. Williams Memorial Scholarship* (Revised)
- A. Hugh Salmond Memorial Scholarship in Secondary Science Education* (Revised)
- A. Hugh Salmond Memorial Scholarship in Elementary Science Education* (Revised)
- UVic Retirees Association Award* (Revised)
- Dr. David and Dorothy Lam Scholarship in Geography* (Revised)
- Hugh and Lilian Salmond Scholarship in Secondary Education* (Revised)
- Hugh and Lilian Salmond Scholarship in Elementary Education* (Revised)
- Dr. Jean Downie Dey Student Mobility Award* (Revised)
• Senator Eugene Forsey Scholarship* (Revised)
• Pearson Family Award (Revised)
• Micqualyn Scholarship (Revised)
• Verna J. Kirkness Entrance Award (New)

* Administered by the University of Victoria Foundation

CARRIED

e. Senate Committee on Curriculum

i. 2021/2022 Cycle 2 Curriculum Submissions

Gary McGillivray introduced the proposal. There were no questions.

Motion: (M. Laidlaw/J. Bruton)
That Senate approve the curriculum changes recommended by the Faculties and the Senate Committee on Curriculum for inclusion in the 2021-2022 academic calendar, effective September 1, 2021. CARRIED

Motion: (S. Humphreys/J. Martin)
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

f. Senate Committee on Learning and Teaching

i. 2020/2021 Annual Report

Michael McGuire introduced the report. There were no questions.

ii. Proposed Revisions to the Disclosure of Student Contact Information outside of Canada

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

Motion: (D. Cloutier/J. Bruton)
That Senate approve the revisions to the disclosure of student contact information outside of Canada in the academic calendars as described in the memo, Disclosure of student contact information outside of Canada, dated April 12, 2021. CARRIED

g. Senate Committee on Libraries

i. 2020/2021 Annual Report

Richard Marcy introduced the report. There were no questions.
h. Senate Committee on Planning

i. 2020/2021 Annual Report

Robin Hicks introduced the report. There were no questions.

ii. Proposed curriculum change for the Diploma in Business Administration

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

Motion: (S. Klein/R. Hancock)
That Senate approve the proposed curriculum change for the Diploma in Business Administration, as described in the document “Curriculum Change for Diploma in Business Administration”.

CARRIED

iii. Proposal to establish an undergraduate certificate in American Sign Language

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

Motion: (A. Lepp/A. D’Arcy)
That Senate approve, and recommend to the Board of Governors that it also approve, the proposal to establish an undergraduate certificate in American Sign Language, as described in the document “Undergraduate Certificate in American Sign Language”.

CARRIED

iv. Proposal to establish an option in Geology in the Bachelor of Science in Earth and Ocean Science

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

Motion: (J. Martin/G. Voss)
That Senate approve, and recommend to the Board of Governors that it also approve, the proposal to establish an option in Geology in the Bachelor of Science in Earth and Ocean Science, as described in the document “New Option in Geology”.

CARRIED

v. Proposal to renew the Approved Centre Status for the Centre for Global Studies

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

Motion: (A. Lepp/M. Garcia-Barrera)
That Senate approve the proposal to renew the Approved Centre Status for the Centre for Global Studies for the period July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2026, as described in the memorandum dated March 26, 2021.

CARRIED
**vi. Proposal to renew the Approved Centre Status for the Centre for Asia-Pacific Initiatives**

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

**Motion:** (S. Klein/C. Rose-Redwood)
That Senate approve the proposal to renew the Approved Centre Status for the Centre for Asia-Pacific Initiatives for the period July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2026, as described in the memorandum dated March 23, 2021.

CARRIED

**i. Senate Committee on University Budget**

**i. 2020/2021 Annual Report**

Jen Baggs introduced the report. 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. **Strategic Enrolment Management Progress Report**

Jim Dunsdon, Associate Vice-President Student Affairs, provided Senate with a power-point presentation outlining the progress by the various strategic enrollment management areas. There were no questions.

b. **Advisory Committee on Academic Accommodation and Access for Students with Disabilities**

i. **2019-2021 Report to Senate**

Joel Lynn, Executive Director of Student Services, introduced the report. There were no questions.

c. **Annual Report on Non-Academic Misconduct Allegations and Resolutions**

Mr. Lynn introduced the report. There were no questions.

9. **OTHER BUSINESS**

a. **Annual report to Senate on UVic-approved research centre approvals, renewals and closures**

Lisa Kalynchuk introduced the report. There were no questions.

b. **Orators for the University of Victoria**

Ada Saab introduced the proposal. There were no questions.
Motion: (R. St. Clair/B. Smith)
That Senate re-appoint Mary Kennedy, Professor Emeritus, as Orator for a 3-year term beginning July 1, 2021 and ending June 30, 2024.

CARRIED

c. 2020/2021 Emeriti

Dr. Hall introduced the list of emeriti.

d. Elections Update

Ms. Saab provided a brief update on the elections to Senate for the year.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:24 p.m.
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**Effective January 1, 2021**

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- Dean of Education: Ralf St. Clair
- Acting Dean of Engineering: Peter Wild
- Dean of Continuing Studies: Jo-Anne Clarke
- Acting Dean of Fine Arts: Allana Lindgren
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- Dean of Law: Susan Breau
- Dean of Science: Peter Loock
- Acting Dean of Social Sciences: Graham Voss
- University Librarian: Jonathan Bengtson

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- Section 35 (2) (g)
  - BUSI: Brian Leacock (30/6/22)  
    Brock Smith (30/6/21)
  - EDUC: Sandra Hundza (30/6/23)  
    Graham McDonough (30/6/22)
  - ENGR: Phalguni Mukhopadhyaya (30/6/22)  
    Henning Struchtrup (30/6/23)
  - FINE: Carolyn Butler Palmer (30/6/22)  
    Yasmine Kandil (30/6/21)
  - GRAD: Mauricio Garcia-Barrera (30/6/23)  
    Martha McGinnis (30/6/22)
  - HSD: Richard Marcy (30/6/21)  
    Susan Strega (30/6/22)
  - HUMS: Jason Colby (30/6/21)  
    Alexandra D’Arcy (30/6/22)
  - LAW: Mark Gillen (30/6/22)  
    Andrew Newcombe (30/6/23)
  - SCIE: Neil Burford (30/6/23)  
    Mark Laidlaw (30/6/23)
  - SOSC: Helen Kurki (30/6/23)  
    Denise Cloutier (30/6/21)

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- Sections 35 (2) (g)
  - Janni Aragon (SOSC) (30/6/21)
  - Rustom Bhiladvala (ENGR) (30/6/23)
  - Erin Campbell (FINE) (30/6/23)
  - Laura Cowen (SCIE) (30/6/22)
  - Aaron Devor (SOSC) (30/6/23)
  - Reuven Gordon (ENGR) (30/6/21)
  - Fraser Hof (SCIE) (30/6/23)
  - Sara Humphreys (HUM) (30/6/21)

**MEMBERS ELECTED FROM THE STUDENT SOCIETIES** – Section 35 (2) (h)
- Brittany Berge (LAW) (30/6/21)
- Jeffrey Bruton (GRAD) "
- Sophia Crabbe (FINE) "
- Logan Cucksey (SCIE) "
- Robyn Giffen (GRAD) "
- Benjamin Gijzen (SOSC) "
- Jonathan Granirer (SOSC) "
- Emily Hiser (SOSC) "
- Navinder Hundal (SCIE) "
- Tomas Kalyniuk (BUS) "
- Joseph Martin (GRAD) "
- Michelle Purchase (HSD) "
- Evan Roubekas (ENGR) "
- Wren Shaman (HUMS) "
- Juliet Watts (SOSC) "
- TBD (EDU) "

**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: Matthew Koch (30/06/23)

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- University Secretary: Carrie Andersen

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