Meeting of Senate
April 9, 2021

MINUTES

A meeting of the Senate of the University of Victoria was held on April 9, 2021 at 3:30 p.m. via Zoom.

1. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Kevin Hall advised members that item 6(a)(i) would be removed from the agenda.

Motion: (M. Garcia-Barrera/C. Beaveridge)
That the agenda be approved as amended.

CARRIED

2. MINUTES

   a. March 5, 2021

      Motion: (M. Laidlaw/B. Smith)
      That the minutes of the open session of the meeting of the Senate held on March 5, 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

Dr. Hall began his report with a statement regarding International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination. He noted the need for everyone to stand up against intolerance and affirm our commitment to practices of equity, diversity and inclusion.

The President updated Senate on his listening tour with over 3000 people and 170 meetings conducted so far. He also noted his recent classroom tour in which he was shown many different examples throughout the university.

Dr. Hall reminded members of the Equity Action Plan. To contribute to design and implementation of the plan, applications for the Reflection and Challenge Committee are open until April 19, 2021 to all UVic faculty, staff and students.
Dr. Hall reported that two of the four UVic Strategic Impact Chairs have been awarded. Amanda Bates, current Canada Research Chair in Marine Environmental Physiology at Memorial University, was awarded the Impact Chair in Ecosystem Change and Conservation. Heather Castleden, Canadian Research Chair in Reconciling Relations for Health, Environments, and Communities at Queen’s University, was awarded the Impact Chair in Transformative Governance for Planetary Health in the School of Public Administration. Both Chairs will begin on July 1, 2021.

In terms of funding news, Dr. Hall informed Senate on the $3M funding announcement to upgrade the UVic Transit Exchange and bus stops along Ring Road. The Ministry of Advanced Education and Skills Training will also provide the university with one-time funding to support 42 graduate student scholarships.

Finally, the president congratulated the university on the following awards:

- Karen Urbanoski and Sarah Hunt were selected as delegates for the 2021 Science Meets Parliament program.
- UVic was named one of Canada's Best Diversity Employers for 2021 for the tenth consecutive year.
- Randall Sobie, Physics & Astronomy, was elected as the Chair of the New Digital Research Infrastructure Organization Researcher Council.
- Anna Höstman, composition instructor and UVic alumni, received a Juno nomination for Classical Composition of the Year for her album, ‘Harbour’.
- Sara Ellison, Physics & Astronomy, received the Peter G. Martin Award for mid-career achievement awarded by the Canadian Astronomical Society.

5. CORRESPONDENCE

There was none.

6. PROPOSALS AND REPORTS FROM SENATE COMMITTEES

   a. Senate Committee on Academic Standards

      i. Grading Revisions to the Graduate Academic Calendar

Neil Burford introduced the proposal.

A member asked if the undergraduate grading table showing the official grading system used by instructors in arriving at final assessments of student performance, was contradictory to a statement warning against the assignment of a predetermined percentage of students with a specific grade. Dr. Burford replied that this question could be brought back to the Senate Committee on Academic Standards for discussion.

Motion: (N. Burford/S. Evans)
That Senate approve the attached proposed grading revisions to the Graduate Academic Calendar effective September 2021.

CARRIED
b. Senate Committee on Agenda and Governance

i. Appointments to the ad hoc Joint Senate Board Committee to consider the recommendations of the Presidential Appointment Committee

Helen Kurki introduced the recommended appointments to Senate. There were no questions.

Motion: (H. Kurki/J. Colby)
That Senate approve the appointments of Aaron Devor, Faculty of Social Sciences, and Lynne Marks, Faculty of Humanities, to the ad hoc Joint Senate Board Committee to consider the recommendations of the Presidential Appointment Committee.

CARRIED

c. Senate Committee on Awards

i. New and Revised Awards

Charlotte Schaillié introduced the new and revised awards.

One member noted minor editorial clarity issues with the Hugh and Lilian Salmon Engineering Scholarship and the Scotiabank Scholarship for Law Students. Lori Nolt, Director of Student Awards and Financial Aid, reported that these changes would be brought back to the donors.

Another member asked if a definition of terms could be included in the award submission for Senate. Ms. Nolt confirmed that this would be possible.

Motion: (B. Smith/D. Cloutier)
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:

- Hugh and Lilian Salmond Engineering Scholarship* (Revised)
- M. Beverley Vaio Law Scholarship in Education* (Revised)
- Howard and Linda Petch Scholarship* (Revised)
- Dr. B. Barbara Adams Scholarship* (Revised)
- Vikes Men’s Rugby Award* (New)
- Horning Memorial Scholarship in Music* (Revised)
- Dr. and Mrs. W. Clarke Horning Memorial Prize in Music* (Revised)
- Marilyn (Leslie) Kan & John YH Kan Award for Indigenous Students* (New)
- Scotiabank Scholarship for Law Students (Revised)
- Dr. Charlotte Loppie Award (Revised)
- HSBC Bank Canada Indigenous Award* (Revised)
- David Ravenhill Men’s Soccer Award* (New)
- Mackenzie Rigg Men’s Soccer Award* (New)
- Moreno Stefani Men’s Soccer Award* (New)
- Peter Fast Men’s Soccer Award* (New)
- mistermerv Graduate Scholarship in Writing (New)
• Salish Sea Hub Graduate Scholarship (New)
• Emma Machado Memorial Scholarship* (Revised)
• Motion Picture Technicians Union Local 891 Bursary (Revised)
• Betty Moyls Memorial Award (New)
• Boehm Family Scholarship for Excellence in Science* (Revised)
• Vikes International Athlete Award (New)

* Administered by the University of Victoria Foundation

CARRIED

d. Senate Committee on Planning

i. Proposed changes to the Master of Science in Health Information Science

Robin Hicks introduced the proposal. There were no questions.

Motion: (M. McGinnis/M. Laidlaw)
That Senate approve the proposed changes to the Master of Science in Health Information Science, as described in the document “Master of Health Informatics/change to program requirements”.

CARRIED

ii. Proposed name change for the Faculty of Engineering

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

Motion: (R. St. Clair/J. Martin)
That Senate approve, and recommend to the Board of Governors that it also approve, the proposed name change to the Faculty of Engineering and Computer Science, as described in the document “Change of the name of a faculty”.

CARRIED

7. PROPOSALS AND REPORTS FROM FACULTIES

a. Faculty of Law

i. Removing Law Faculty Exemption for Fall Reading Break

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

Motion: (R. Hancock/M. Garcia-Barrera)
That Senate approve the removal of the Faculty of Law’s exemption to the scheduling of the university’s Fall reading break effective for Fall 2021.

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

There was none.

9. OTHER BUSINESS

There was none.

There being no other business the meeting was adjourned at 3:56 p.m.
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MEMBERSHIP OF THE SENATE OF THE UNIVERSITY OF VICTORIA

Effective January 1, 2021

EX OFFICIO MEMBERS - University Act: Section 35 (2) (a-f)
Chancellor: Shelagh Rogers
President and Vice-Chancellor: Kevin Hall, Chair
Vice-President Academic & Provost: Valerie Kuehne
Vice-President Research and Innovation: Lisa Kalynchuk
Dean, Peter B. Gustavson School of Business: Saul Klein, Vice-Chair
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
Acting Dean of Graduate Studies: Steve Evans
Dean of HSD: Helga Hallgrimsdottir
Dean of Law: Susan Breau
Dean of Science: Peter Loock
Acting Dean of Social Sciences: Graham Voss
University Librarian: Jonathan Bengtson

MEMBERS ELECTED BY THE FACULTIES
- 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)

MEMBERS ELECTED BY THE FACULTY MEMBERS
- 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 BY THE FACULTY (continued)
Lynne Marks (HUM) (30/6/21)
CindyAnn Rose-Redwood (SOSC) (30/6/22)
Suzanne Snizek (FINE) (30/6/23)
Victoria Wyatt (FINE) (30/6/23)

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)

SECRETARY OF SENATE - Section 64 (2)
University Secretary: Carrie Andersen

BY INVITATION - Seated with specified speaking rights
Acting Vice-Provost: Susan Lewis
Assoc. VP Student Affairs: Jim Dunsdon
A/Assoc. VP Academic Planning: Robin Hicks
Registrar: Nicole Greengoe
Associate University Secretary: Ada Saab

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