An open meeting of the Senate of the University of Victoria was held on November 6, 2020 at 3:30 p.m. via Zoom. Dr. Saul Klein, Vice-Chair of Senate, chaired the meeting.

1. **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

   Motion: (R. Hancock/S. Rogers)
   That the agenda be approved as amended.

   CARRIED

2. **MINUTES**

   a. **October 2, 2020**

      One member noted an editorial correction.

      Motion: (J. Bruton/C. Beaveridge)
      That the minutes of the open session of the meeting of the Senate held on October 2, 2020 be approved and that the approved minutes be circulated in the usual way.

      CARRIED

3. **BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

   There was no business arising.

4. **REMARKS FROM THE CHAIR**

   a. **President’s Report**

      Dr. Kevin Hall began his report by welcoming new Senate member, Sara Humphreys. He commented on the university’s opportunity to be leaders in social justice, EDI, and sustainable development. He also mentioned the upcoming town hall meeting this December.

      Two recently completed decanal searches led to the appointment of Dr. Mina Hoorfar for the Faculty of Engineering and Dr. Helga Hallgrimsdottir for the Faculty of Human and Social Development. Dr. Hall thanked both Dr. Peter Wild and Dr. Esther Sangster-Gormley, who have acted as the Deans of each faculty until the process was complete.

      Dr. Hall noted the university and the province’s incredibly considered and collaborative response in terms of pandemic planning. He also mentioned UVic’s role in assisting Island Health by providing space for a COVID-19 testing clinic in parking lot 10.
Congratulating the over 1400 degrees awarded this fall. Dr. Hall noted the Grad2020 website, which included congratulation videos and other stories shared via #uvicgrad.

UVic’s Five Days of Action is scheduled for November 16-20 and has moved online due to the pandemic with more social media and online content. Dr. Hall mentioned no matter how we engage, it is an opportunity to come together in our shared commitment to end discrimination, harassment and sexualized violence.

Dr. Hall announced the Virtual Victoria Forum 2020 hosted jointly by the university and the Senate of Canada with speakers and experts from 23 countries. The forum’s theme, “Bridging Divides in the Wake of a Global Pandemic,” occurs on November 12, 13, and 19, 2020. Registration is free.

The Maclean’s ranking shows UVic as holding second-place among Canada’s comprehensive schools with notable highlights on experiential learning and the work making Indigenous histories, cultures, and languages visible on campus.

Dr. Hall announced a $6.5M award through Genome Canada, Genome BC, and other partners to Dr. Xuekui Zhang. The project’s collaboration with Brock University, the Canadian Food Inspection Agency, and the Canadian Grape Certification Network aims to develop the genomic solution to replace more than 30 molecular and biological tests currently performed on grapevines to look for disease.

Continuing with gifts, Betty Kennedy, who was pivotal in founding several faculties at UVic, recently bestowed UVic with $3.6 million.

Dr. Hall announced the renaming of the University Centre to the Jamie Cassels Centre to recognize the former president’s long service and extraordinary contribution to the university.

In terms of the Strategic Framework Impact Fund, Dr. Hall announced his office awarded $300,000 in Impact Funds to six UVic initiatives that will help advance UVic’s Strategic Framework. The following proposals were the successful recipients:

- The Water Sustainability Collective, led by Civil Engineering, will establish a research cluster on water sustainability.
- The Vancouver Island Impact Investing Hub, led by the School of Business, aims to mobilize private investments for climate mitigation and adaptation by creating an impact investing hub that integrates climate action, sustainable finance, and impact investing.
- An arts-based community engagement led by the Theatre program, “Staging Equality,” responds to calls to address systemic racism and racial bias. This initiative plans to address systemic racism issues, the meaning of diversity, actionable equity, and Indigenization.
- “UVic Bounce,” led by the English department, aims to support our students’ mental health, wellness, and resilience.
- Employee Electric-Bike (E-bike) Purchase Program led by the Office of Campus Planning and Sustainability aims to see up to 150 UVic employees provided with loans to purchase interest-free E-bikes. The impact funds will be used to cover interest costs, while payroll deductions will cover the rest of the expenses.
- “Scaffolding and Integrating Experiential Learning” aims to build on our strengths and learn from one another. Led by the Learning and Teaching Support and Innovation Unit, this aims to help instructors include experiential learning in their classrooms, emphasizing first- and second-year courses.
Finally, Dr. Hall noted a number of university members who have received awards:

**Clarivate Citation Laureate:** Cosmologist and Physics and Astronomy faculty member Julio Navarro has been named a Clarivate Citation Laureate for his “Nobel class” research in the fundamental understanding of how galaxies form and evolve, cosmic structure, and dark matter halos.

UVic’s REACH Awards, celebrating our faculty and graduate students’ teaching and research excellence, has awarded the following honours:

**Excellence in Teaching**
- Harry Hickman Alumni Award for Excellence in Teaching and Educational Leadership: Victoria Wyatt
- Gilian Sherwin Alumni Award for Excellence in Teaching: Stephanie Calce
- Award for Excellence in Teaching for Experiential Learning: Daniela Damian
- Award for Excellence in Undergraduate Research-Enriched Teaching: Rishi Gupta
- Award for Excellence in Graduate Student Supervision and Mentorship: Stephen Ross

**Excellence in Research**
- David H. Turpin Gold Medal for Career Achievement in Research: Ben Koop
- Silver Medal for Excellence in Research: Sara Ellison
- Award for Excellence in Knowledge Mobilization: Ann Stahl
- Award for Excellence in Research Partnerships: Stephanie Willerth and Tamer Mohamed

**Andy Farquharson Teaching Excellence Awards for Graduate Students**
- Pamela Fraser
- Joseph Horan
- Osman Uluocak

After the report, Dr. Valerie Kuehne welcomed Dr. Hall to Senate.

Dr. Saul Klein provided a further invitation to the Victoria Forum next week.

Ms. Shelagh Rogers offered a welcome to the president.

- **b. United Way Presentation**

Ms. Michele Parkin, a co-chair of this year’s UVic’s United Way, introduced the United Way campaign and showed members a video of how the campaign helps those in our community.

**5. CORRESPONDENCE**

There was none.
6. PROPOSALS AND REPORTS FROM SENATE COMMITTEES

a. Senate Committee on Academic Standards

i. Proposed Residency requirement for the Diploma in Applied Linguistics

Dr. Neil Burford welcomed Dr. Hall to Senate and introduced the proposed residency requirement for the Diploma in Applied Linguistics. He noted Dr. Lisa Surridge, Associate Dean Academic, Faculty of Humanities, was in attendance to answer any questions. There were no questions.

Motion: (N. Burford/M. Laidlaw)
That Senate approve the proposed residency requirements for the post-degree Diploma in Applied Linguistics, effective September 1, 2021.

CARRIED

ii. Revisions to the Guidelines on Posthumous Degrees

Dr. Burford introduced the revisions to the Guidelines on Posthumous Degrees and noted an editorial revision suggested by a Senate member prior to the meeting. There were no questions.

Motion: (N. Burford/J. Martin)
That Senate approve the revisions, as amended, to the Posthumous Degree, Diploma and Certificate Guidelines.

CARRIED

b. Senate Committee on Agenda and Governance

i. Appointments to the 2020/2021 Senate standing committees

Dr. Helen Kurki introduced the appointments to the 2020/2021 Senate standing committees. There were no questions.

Motion: (H. Kurki/R. Hancock)
That Senate approve the appointments to the 2020/2021 Senate standing committees for the terms indicated in the attached document.

CARRIED

c. Senate Committee on Awards

i. 2019/2020 Annual Report

Dr. Helga Hallgrimsdottir noted the annual report for information. There were no questions.
ii. New and Revised Awards

Dr. Hallgrimsdottir introduced the new and revised awards. One member questioned how one award was phrased and asked if there was a more sensitive way to describe the award’s terms. This award was removed for further consideration.

Motion: (H. Hallgrimsdottir/J. Bruton)
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, as amended:

- Janet Person Legacy Award (New)
- Norah & Calvin Banks Indigenous Leadership Award in the Sciences* (Revised)
- Ronald C. Corbeil Award for Merit in Program Evaluation* (Revised)
- Law Student Emergency Fund (New)
- UVic Business Class of 2009 Scholarship (New)
- Dr. Marion Porath Bursary in Education* (New)
- Churchill Foundation Vancouver Island Barry Gough Scholarship in English* (New)
- Jawl PhD Student Scholarship for Research Excellence (New)
- Agamemnon Kasapi and Family Scholarship* (New)
- Academic Excellence Scholarship* (New)
- Edna and Jack Marshall Scholarship* (New)
- Vic Scott Award in Voice Accompaniment* (New)
- Aaron Learmont Memorial Scholarship (New)
- Maclean Scholarship in Legal History and Criminal Law* (Revised)
- Michaela Tokarski Entrepreneurship Award* (Revised)
- Lei & Di Medical Physics Graduate Scholarship (New)
- Pacific Blue Cross Scholarship in the School of Public Health & Social Policy (Revised)

* Administered by the University of Victoria Foundation

CARRIED

d. Senate Committee on Planning

i. Proposal to extend the approved centre status of the Centre for Advanced Materials and Related Technology (CAMTEC)

Dr. Robin Hicks introduced the proposed extension. He noted Dr. Cynthia Milton was in attendance to answer any questions. There were no questions.
Motion: (P. Loock/M. Garcia-Barrera)
That Senate approve the proposal to extend the approval status of the Centre for Advanced Materials and Related Technology (CAMTEC) from July 1, 2021 to December 30, 2021, as described in the memorandum dated September 10, 2020.

CARRIED

ii. Proposal to extend the approved centre status of the Centre for Global Studies (CFGS)

Dr. Hicks introduced the proposed extension. He noted Dr. Cynthia Milton was in attendance to answer any questions. There were no questions.

Motion: (G. McDonough/C. Russell)
That Senate approve the proposal to extend the approval status of the Centre for Global Studies (CFGS) from January 1, 2021 to June 30, 2021, as described in the memorandum dated September 10, 2020.

CARRIED

7. PROPOSALS AND REPORTS FROM FACULTIES

There was none.

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

a. Enrolment update

Dr. Kuehne introduced the enrolment update. Mr. Tony Eder, Executive Director, Academic Resource Planning, provided highlights of the update in a presentation for Senate. There were no questions.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:33 p.m.
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**MEMBERSHIP OF THE SENATE OF THE UNIVERSITY OF VICTORIA**

**Effective November 2, 2020**

**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: 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
- Acting Dean of Humanities: Annalee Lepp
- 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)
- Helga Hallgrimsdottir – HSD (30/6/21)
- Fraser Hof (SCIE) (30/6/23)
- Sara Humphries (HUM) (30/6/21)

**MEMBERS ELECTED BY THE FACULTY (continued)**

- CindyAnn Rose-Redwood - SOSC (30/6/22)
- Suzanne Snizek (FINE) (30/6/23)
- Victoria Wyatt (FINE) (30/6/23)
- TBD (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 Kalyuniuk (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

Last updated: 12/7/2020