

**Meeting of Senate
April 14, 2023**

MINUTES

A meeting of the Senate of the University of Victoria was held on April 14, 2023 at 3:32 p.m. in the Senate and Board Chambers, Jamie Cassels Centre, Room A180.

1. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

The agenda was approved as circulated.

2. MINUTES

a. March 3, 2023

Motion: (M. Laidlaw/M. Garcia-Barrera)

That the minutes of the open session of the meeting of the Senate held on March 3, 2023 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 began his report by announcing Devi Mucina's last Senate meeting and thanked him for all his work in Senate. He also welcomed Anaïs Holdaway, Convocation Senator, to her first Senate meeting.

K. Hall reported on the new names provided to the university for the two Student Housing and Dining building. He noted the special gathering which took place with elders, witnesses, special guests and the campus community to thank and honour the Songhees and Esquimalt Nations for their permission to use lək̓ʷəŋən names. K. Hall explained that the first building started in 2019, is called Cheko'nien (Chook-neen House and the second building, to be completed this September, is called Sngequ (Sneck-ah) House. As per proper protocol, Elder Seniemtten, Dr. Elmer George, one of the last fluent lək̓ʷəŋən speakers, who has made it his life's work to revitalize the language, brought forward the names, which are words for locations where the university sits.

In terms of research funding, K. Hall reported that the provincial government had provided two million dollars in funding to the University of Victoria Pacifica Regional Institute for Marine Discovery (PRIMED). The project may signal a new direction in developing clean energy systems and displace the reliance on fuels like diesel for rural and remote Indigenous communities.

Regarding the Distinguished Alumni Awards, K. Hall noted the inspiring people honoured at the celebration. He also reported on the Vikes Celebration of Champions, which honoured very talented student-athletes – many of whom are dedicated athletes and high achieving honour roll scholars. K. Hall congratulated Women's Field Hockey Captain Anna Mollenhauer, who won the President's Cup and Female Athlete of the Year.

Finally, K. Hall announced the fifth Campus Kudos event, where the university celebrated the individuals and teams across campus who go above and beyond. In addition, along with Kristi Simpson, Vice-President Finance and Operations, he met with nearly 100 Facilities Management and Campus Security staff who help throughout the year.

b. UVic Strategic Plan

Marking the fifth time coming before Senate, K. Hall presented the strategic plan and reviewed the process, which led to the development of the plan. He noted the more than 6000 students, staff, faculty, and community input contributing to many diverse opinions. Explaining that different versions of the plan will be presented internally and externally, the version before Senate is meant to excite and invigorate the campus and to encourage its connection to the other strategic plans across campus.

A Senator noted his appreciation of the straightforward way in which the document is presented. Another Senator suggested a way to include creative activities in support of activities to advance UN Sustainable Development Goals.

In response to a question on the timeline for the framework, K. Hall explained that this is meant to be a living document, reviewed on an ongoing basis and open for revision if needed. He noted the need for key performance indicators, which will be useful in signalling the need for any adjustments.

Motion: (R. Hancock/A. Lepp)

That Senate recommend to the Board of Governors that the Board of Governors approve the University of Victoria Strategic Plan, effective immediately.

CARRIED

5. CORRESPONDENCE

There was none.

6. PROPOSALS AND REPORTS FROM SENATE COMMITTEES

a. Senate Committee on Agenda and Governance

i. Proposal for *Ad Hoc* Senate Committee on Academic Health Programming

Elizabeth Croft, Vice-President Academic and Provost, introduced the proposal before Senate for discussion. She noted that there were no pre-determined outcomes in this opportunity for Senate to re-imagine the health-related programming on our campus.

Helga Hallgrímsdóttir, Acting Deputy Provost, noted that this important academic initiative would utilize Senate's leadership to ensure a transparent process. She explained that this was a working committee that would provide a recommendation to Senate and noted that the composition asks for three faculty members/librarians from Senate. H. Hallgrímsdóttir encouraged Senators to contact Ada Saab, Associate University Secretary, if interested in serving on the committee.

Senators commented on the composition of the committee and noted concerns about a top-down approach and the need to include the voices from student unions. H. Hallgrímsdóttir explained that the committee's composition would be broader as consultation is conducted and expertise is needed.

A Senator noted the creation of a faculty council working group would be formed within their Faculty to discuss this issue and ensure issues are fully considered and represented.

Another Senator noted the importance of community consultation, such as the Vancouver Island Health Authority and the Ministry. H. Hallgrímsdóttir agreed and that this had been noted as important partners in the initiative, as were considerations of increased co-op possibilities.

A Senator asked if there was previous precedent for such an initiative and if a set of procedures for future initiatives could be created as this process unfolded. Carrie Andersen, University Secretary, confirmed that there were past examples to consider as current procedures and documentation are created.

Senators noted other opportunities, such as the creation of micro-credentials, the ability to address health in other avenues beyond the traditional medical school model, and the ability of the university to bring together areas of health from across the campus.

Regarding the discussion of potential movement to different faculties by faculty members, K. Hall asked that parallel processes be outlined for Senate to explain how decisions surrounding academic governance will unfold in conjunction with labour issues, financial resource considerations, or business opportunities.

Senators discussed the merits of committee decision-making and the need to begin these conversations soon so that considerations are made about programming, impact on other faculties, and envisioning how the university will position itself regarding healthcare in the province.

Senators were reminded to provide their names to A. Saab if they were interested in the ad hoc committee.

b. Senate Committee on Awards

i. New and Revised Awards

Maureen Ryan, Chair of the Senate Committee on Awards, introduced the new and revised awards. There were no questions.

Motion: (A. Kuklev/J. Bengtson)

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:

- Jim Ounsworth Undergraduate Award for Indigenous Students (New)
- Jim Ounsworth Undergraduate Award for Part-time Indigenous Students (New)
- Jim Ounsworth Graduate Scholarship for Indigenous Students (New)
- Sharyl Yore Award* (Revised)
- SMONEĆ Natural Sciences Scholarship for Undergraduate Students (Revised)
- SMONEĆ Natural Sciences Scholarship for Graduate Students (New)
- Jeffrey Rubinoff Art as a Source of Knowledge Graduate Scholarship* (New)
- Lynne (Buzz) Beecroft Women's Field Hockey Award* (New)
- Jeanette Funke-Furber and Robert Furber Scholarship* (New)
- Cecilia and Ken Strong Fellowship* (New)
- Khowutzen Forestry Award in Environmental Studies (New)
- Chemistry Student Society 2002 Alumni Award* (Revised)
- Orca Book Publishers Student Mobility Award in Teacher Education (Revised)
- Alexander and Mary Mackenzie Entrance Scholarship (Revised)
- Hugh and Lilian Salmond Engineering Scholarship* (Revised)
- Flora Hamilton Burns Graduate Fellowship* (Revised)

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c. Senate Committee on Learning and Teaching

i. 2022/2023 Annual Report

Alexandra D'Arcy, Chair of the Senate Committee on Learning and Teaching, introduced the annual report. There were no questions.

d. Senate Committee on University Budget

i. 2022/2023 Annual Report

Graham Voss, Chair of the Senate Committee on University Budget, introduced the annual report, noting that the committee was consultative with the Vice-President Academic and Provost and the Vice-President Finance and Operations. He remarked that he appreciated the time both Vice-Presidents took to prepare the materials and discuss the issues with committee members. There were no questions.

7. PROPOSALS AND REPORTS FROM FACULTIES

There was none.

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

a. Office of the Vice-President Academic and Provost Update

E. Croft announced that the Associate Vice-President Academic Programs search is underway and noted that this was formerly named Associate Vice-President Academic Planning. She thanked Elizabeth Adjin-Tetty for serving in this role in an acting capacity.

In addition, she announced the Deputy Provost (formerly named Vice-Provost) role is currently out for faculty ratification, with the search committee unanimously and strongly recommending Helga Hallgrímsdóttir. Dr. Hallgrímsdóttir is presently serving in the position in an acting capacity. E. Croft encouraged all faculty to vote.

Regarding initiatives within the Provost's office, E. Croft noted the need to ensure UVic complies with the new Accessible British Columbia Act. This has been one of the projects handled by the Acting Deputy Provost, and Senate will see an update in May.

E. Croft announced that her office was cautiously optimistic the university would hit the enrolment target for the upcoming academic year. She explained that this would help rebuild the enrolments lost during the pandemic but noted that the budget impacts of lost enrolments would take longer to recover. It was reported that admission acceptance offers are up from the same time as last year due to earlier offers, scholarships, and our partnership with Kaplan International.

Finally, E. Croft noted that work on the West Shore initiative continues with programming planned for first- and second-year students.

9. OTHER BUSINESS

a. Re-appointments of the Orators for the University of Victoria

K. Hall introduced the re-appointments. There were no questions.

Motion: (A. Holdaway/A. Lepp)

That Senate re-appoint the following as Orators for a 3-year term beginning January 1, 2023 and ending December 31, 2025:

- Linda Hardy
- Eric Higgs

CARRIED

Motion: (L. Harder/A. Kuklev)

That Senate re-appoint the following as Orators for a 3-year term beginning July 1, 2023 and ending June 30, 2026:

- Carole Miller
- Judith Terry

CARRIED

b. Declaration of Senate Vacancies

A. Saab advised members of Senate of the resignations of two Senators, a Student Senator, and a Convocation Senator, noting that Anaïs Holdaway was the new Convocation Senator until June 2024, the balance of the term.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

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Name	In Attendance	Regrets		Position
Adjin-Tetty, Elizabeth	X		A/Associate Vice-President Academic Planning	By Invitation
Andersen, Carrie	X		University Secretary	Secretary of Senate
Anyaeibunam, Chekwube	X		Student Senator	Elected from the student societies
Bengtson, Jonathan	X		University Librarian	Ex officio
Bonnieux, Justin	X		Student Senator	Elected from the student societies
Brolo, Alexander	X		Faculty of Science	Elected by the Faculty
Brown, Hannah	X		Student Senator	Elected from the student societies
Buller, Marion	X		Chancellor	Ex officio
Campbell, Erin	X		Faculty of Fine Arts	Elected by the faculty members
Clarke, JoAnne			Dean, Division of Continuing Studies	Ex officio
Croft, Elizabeth	X		Vice-President Academic and Provost	Ex officio
Curran, Deborah		X	Faculty of Law	Elected by the Faculty
Devor, Aaron	X		Faculty of Social Sciences	Elected by the faculty members
Diether, Kelly	X		Convocation Senator	Elected by the convocation
Dunsdon, Jim	X		Associate Vice-President Student Affairs	By Invitation
Friedland, Matsuko		X	Student Senator	Elected from the student societies
Garcia-Barrera, Mauricio	X		Faculty of Graduate Studies	Elected by the Faculty
Grewal, Ashmita	X		Student Senator	Elected from the student societies
Gupta, Rishi	X		Faculty of Engineering and Computer Science	Elected by the Faculty
Hall, Kevin	X		President and Vice-Chancellor	Chair of Senate
Hallgrimsdottir, Helga	X		Acting Vice- Provost	By invitation
Hancock, Rob	X		Faculty of Social Sciences	Elected by the Faculty
Harder, Lois	X		Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences	Ex officio
Harding, Catherine	X		Faulty of Fine Arts	Elected by the Faculty
Hicks, Robin	X		Dean, Faculty of Graduate Studies	Ex officio
Hier, Sean			Faculty of Social Sciences	Elected by the faculty members
Hof, Fraser	X		Faculty of Science	Elected by the faculty members
Holdaway, Anais	X		Convocation Senator	Elected by the convocation
Hoorfar, Mina		X	Dean, Faculty of Engineering and Computer Science	Ex officio
Hope Tucker, Nathaniel			Student Senator	Elected from the student societies
Huang, Li-Shih	X		Faculty of Humanities	Elected by the faculty members
Hundal, Navinder	X		Student Senator	Elected from the student societies
Hundza, Sandra	X		Faculty of Education	Elected by the Faculty
Itamunoala, Belema	X		Student Senator	Elected from the student societies
Jeffery, Donna		X	Faculty of Human and Social Development	Elected by the faculty members
Jensen, Alannah			Student Senator	Elected from the student societies
Kalynchuk, Lisa	X		Vice-President Research and Innovation	Ex officio
Kaur, Anureet			Student Senator	Elected from the student societies
Kelly, Erin	X		Faculty of Humanities	Elected by the faculty members
Kerr, Tom	X		Student Senator	Elected from the student societies
Klein, Saul	X		A/Dean, Peter B. Gustavson School of Business	Ex officio
Koch, Matthew	X		Continuing Sessional	Elected by the Continuing Sessionals
Kuklev, Artem	X		Student Senator	Elected from the student societies
Kurki, Helen	X		Faculty of Social Sciences	Elected by the Faculty
Laidlaw, Mark	X		Faculty of Science	Elected by the Faculty
Lepp, Annalee	X		Dean, Faculty of Humanities	Ex officio
Lindgren, Allana			Dean, Faculty of Fine Arts	Ex officio
Loock, Peter	X		Dean, Faculty of Science	Ex officio
Marks, Lynne	X		Faculty of Humanities	Elected by the Faculty
McDonough, Graham	X		Faculty of Education	Elected by the Faculty
McGregor, Catherine	X		A/Dean, Faculty of Education	Ex officio
Minshall, Simon	X		Faculty of Human and Social Development	Elected by the Faculty
Mucina, Devi	X		Faculty of Human and Social Development	Elected by the Faculty
Mukhopadhyaya, Phalguni			Faculty of Engineering and Computer Science	Elected by the faculty members
Nair, Sudhir		X	Peter B. Gustavson School of Business	Elected by the Faculty
Napoleon, Val			A/Dean, Faculty of Law	Ex officio
Navarro, Julio			Faculty of Science	Elected by the faculty members
Newcombe, Andrew		X	Faculty of Law	Elected by the Faculty
Peta, Liam			Student Senator	Elected from the student societies
Raiwal, Joban	X		Student Senator	Elected by the student societies
Saab, Ada	X		Associate University Secretary	By Invitation
Salem, Joseph	X		Faculty of Fine Arts	Elected by the Faculty
Shi, Yang			Faculty of Engineering and Computer Science	Elected by the Faculty
Smith, Brock		X	Peter B. Gustavson School of Business	Elected by the Faculty
Stewart, Kenneth	X		Faculty of Social Sciences	Elected by the faculty members
Stinson, Danu	X		Faculty of Graduate Studies	Elected by the Faculty
Taylor, Wendy	X		Acting Registrar	By Invitation
Voss, Graham	X		Faculty of Social Sciences	Elected by the faculty members
Walde, Paul	X		Faculty of Fine Arts	Elected by the faculty members
Walshaw, Jill	X		Faulty of Humanities	Elected by the Faculty
Wang, Alivia	X		Convocation Senator	Elected by the convocation
Warburton, Rebecca	X		Convocation Senator	Elected by the convocation
White, Jennifer	X		A/Dean, Faculty of Human and Social Development	Ex officio
Wilson, Lara	X		Professional Librarian	Elected by the Professional Librarians
Wright, Bruce		X	Head, Division of Medical Sciences	Additional Member
Wu, David			Student Senator	Elected from the student societies

MEMBERSHIP OF THE SENATE OF THE UNIVERSITY OF VICTORIA

Effective April 3, 2023EX OFFICIO MEMBERS - University Act: Section 35 (2) (a-f)

Chancellor: Marion Buller (31/12/24)
 President and Vice-Chancellor: Kevin Hall, Chair
 Vice-President Academic & Provost: Elizabeth Croft
 Vice-President Research and Innovation: Lisa Kalynchuk
 A/Dean, Peter B. Gustavson School of Business: Saul Klein
 A/Dean of Education: Catherine McGregor
 Dean of Engineering: Mina Hoorfar
 Dean of Continuing Studies: Jo-Anne Clarke
 Dean of Fine Arts: Allana Lindgren
 Dean of Graduate Studies: Robin Hicks (Vice-Chair)
 Dean of Humanities: Annalee Lepp
 A/Dean of HSD: Jennifer White
 A/Dean of Law: Val Napoleon
 Dean of Science: Peter Loock
 Dean of Social Sciences: Lois Harder
 University Librarian: Jonathan Bengtson

MEMBERS ELECTED BY THE FACULTIES

- Section 35 (2) (g)

BUSI: Sudhir Nair (30/6/25)
 Brock Smith (30/6/24)
 EDUC: Sandra Hundza (30/6/23)
 Graham McDonough (30/6/25)
 ENGR: Rishi Gupta (30/6/25)
 Yang Shi (30/6/23)
 FINE: Catherine Harding (30/6/25)
 Joseph Salem (30/6/24)
 GRAD: Mauricio Garcia-Barrera (30/6/23)
 Danu Stinson (30/6/25)
 HSD: Simon Minshall (30/6/25)
 Devi Mucina (30/6/24)
 HUMS: Lynne Marks (30/6/24)
 Jill Walshaw (30/6/25)
 LAW: Deborah Curran (30/6/25)
 Andrew Newcombe (30/6/23)
 SCIE: Alexander Brolo (30/6/23)
 Mark Laidlaw (30/6/23)
 SOSC: Robert Hancock (30/6/24)
 Helen Kurki (30/6/23)

MEMBERS ELECTED BY THE FACULTY MEMBERS

- Sections 35 (2) (g)

Erin Campbell (FINE) (30/6/23)
 Aaron Devor (SOSC) (30/6/23)
 Sean Hier (SOSC) (30/6/24)
 Fraser Hof (SCIE) (30/6/23)
 Li-Shih Huang (HUM) (30/6/24)
 Donna Jeffery (HSD) (30/6/25)
 Erin Kelly (HUM) (30/6/24)
 Phalguni Mukhopadhyaya (ENGR) (30/6/25)

MEMBERS ELECTED BY THE FACULTYMEMBERS (continued)

Julio Navarro (SCIE) (30/6/23)
 Kenneth Stewart (SOSC) (30/6/23)
 Graham Voss (SOSC) (30/6/24)
 Paul Walde (FINE) (30/6/23)

MEMBERS ELECTED FROM THE STUDENTSOCIETIES – Section 35 (2) (h)

Chekwube Anyaegbunam (GRAD) (30/6/23)
 Justin Bonnieux (SOSC) “
 Hannah Brown (GRAD) “
 Matsuko Friedland (HSD) “
 Ashmita Grewal (HSD) “
 Nathaniel Hope Tucker (SOSC) “
 Navinder Hundal (SCIE) “
 Tamunobelema Itamunoala (GRAD) “
 Alannah Jensen (LAW) “
 Anureet Kaur (HUMS) “
 Tom Kerr (BUSI) “
 Artem Kuklev (SOSC) “
 Liam Peta (SOSC) “
 Joban Raiwal (ENGR) “
 David Wu (FINE) “
 TBD (EDUC) “

MEMBERS ELECTED BY THE CONVOCATION

– Section 35 (2) (i)

Kelly Diether (30/06/24)
 Anais Holdaway (30/06/24)
 Alivia Wang (30/06/24)
 Rebecca Warburton (30/06/24)

ADDITIONAL MEMBERS - Section 35 (2) (k)

Head, Division of Medical Sciences: Bruce Wright
 Member elected by the Professional Librarians:
 Lara Wilson (30/06/24)
 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 Deputy Provost: Helga Hallgrímsdóttir
 Assoc. VP Student Affairs: Jim Dunsdon
 A/Assoc. VP Academic Programs: Elizabeth Adjin-Tetty
 A/Registrar: Wendy Taylor
 Associate University Secretary: Ada Saab