



Meeting of Senate
November 4, 2022

MINUTES

An open meeting of the Senate of the University of Victoria was held on November 4, 2022 at 3:35 p.m. in the Michele Pujol Room, Student Union Building.

Senate Vice-Chair Robin Hicks chaired the meeting. Kevin Hall attended the meeting remotely.

R. Hicks called the meeting to order.

1. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

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

CARRIED

2. MINUTES

a. October 7, 2022

Motion: (R. Hancock/J. Salem)
That the minutes of the open session of the meeting of the Senate held on October 7, 2022 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

K. Hall thanked R. Hicks for chairing the meeting. He also welcomed the members of Senate, noting his appreciation for new and returning members and their willingness to serve. He also welcomed Elizabeth Croft, Vice-President Academic and Provost, and Helga Hallgrímsdóttir, Acting Deputy Provost, to Senate in their new roles.

K. Hall reported on the most recent Town Hall, reporting that more than 400 staff and faculty members participated. He noted that Elango Elangovan, Associate Vice-President Global Engagement, would provide an update on the Strategic Plan later in the meeting.

K. Hall acknowledged that enrolment was a key topic across the university and that Tony Eder, Executive Director Academic Resource Planning, would provide an update as part of today's meeting.

K. Hall reported that the university's Equity Action Plan had been launched after 18 months of consultation and development with the university community. He expressed his gratitude to all those involved in this challenging work and encouraged Senate members to visit the website. He reminded Senators of the upcoming "5 Days of Action" being held November 14 – 18, 2022.

K. Hall updated Senate on the university's rankings and reputation according to the Times Higher Education Impact Rankings. He reported that the university is ranked twelfth in the world for our overall commitments to advancing the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals and second worldwide for our work in climate action. He also advised that the university was consistently ranked number one in Canada in publicly accessible research, known as Canada's best comprehensive university for preparing students for the global workplace and continues to top the Macleans Magazine rankings.

Finally, K. Hall reminded Senators that next week is the 2022 Fall Convocation Ceremony in which over 1400 degrees, certificates and diplomas will be awarded along with three honorary degrees.

b. UVic's United Way Campaign

Mauricio Garcia-Barrera and Trevor Sanderson, co-chairs, presented on the 2022 United Way campaign. Senators were informed on the campaign goals and informed of the upcoming events happening on campus.

c. Strategic Plan Presentation

K. Hall thanked those who provided input during the strategic plan process and noted the large amount of feedback received. He said the plan intended to be different from other institutions and build a strategic vision that appealed to the entire UVic community.

E. Elangovan thanked K. Hall for the introduction and began his presentation by outlining the timeline of the process to date, the guiding principles, vision, pledge and over-arching themes.

A question was asked on the inclusion of the academic quality of student work at the University of Victoria. The Senator cited concerns with the writing skills of all current university students. E. Elangovan noted that this would be an essential aspect of the aspirations. K. Hall replied that the plan includes innovation in how we teach and do our research and that implementation will come later in the process after institutional initiatives are identified.

Another Senator asked how the plan would be actioned. K. Hall explained that this would come with budget discussion and investments made in the four themes.

5. CORRESPONDENCE

There was none.

6. PROPOSALS AND REPORTS FROM SENATE COMMITTEES

a. Senate Committee on Academic Standards

i. 2021/2022 Annual Report

Yasmine Kandil, Chair, introduced the report. There were no questions.

b. Senate Committee on Agenda and Governance

i. Appointments to the 2022/2023 Senate standing committees

M. Garcia-Barrera, Chair of the Nominations Sub-committee, introduced the appointments for Senate's consideration. There were no questions.

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

That Senate approve the appointments to the 2022/2023 Senate standing committees for the terms indicated in the attached document.

CARRIED

c. Senate Committee on Awards

i. 2021/2022 Annual Report

On behalf of the Chair of the Senate Committee on Awards, Maureen Ryan, Rishi Gupta provided members of Senate with a brief overview of the recent changes made to the annual report to come into line with the report as presented to the Board of Governors. There were no questions.

ii. New and Revised Awards

R. Gupta introduced the new and revised awards. He reported a correction to the spelling of the Susanne Loven Scholarship. There were no questions.

Motion: (R.Gupta/J. Salem)

That Senate approve as amended, and recommend to the Board of Governors that it also approve, the new and revised awards set out in the attached document:

- Doreen J. Renton Bursary* (New)
- G. Neil Perry Award in Public Administration* (Revised)
- Jacob Kerr Scholarship (Revised)
- Kathleen B. Tobin Memorial Award* (Revised)
- Pacific Coast Swimming Vikes Women's Swim Award* (New)
- Steven P. Starkovich Opportunity Entrance Award (Revised)
- Ted L. McDorman Annual Entrance Scholarship in Law (New)
- Madame Berangere Steel Memorial Award* (Revised)
- Ken Woods Vikes Women's Basketball Award* (New)
- Graeme Jackson Award (Revised)

- Pratt-Short Memorial Scholarship* (Revised)
- Bill Buckwold/Jennifer Richardson Award* (Revised)
- Susanne Loven Scholarship (New)

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CARRIED

d. Senate Committee on Planning

i. Proposal to discontinue the Latin American Literary and Cultural Studies program

Elizabeth Adjin-Tettey, Chair, introduced the proposal. There were no questions.

Motion: (L. Wilson/A. Lepp)

That Senate approve, and recommend to the Board of Governors that it also approve, the proposal to discontinue the Latin American Literary and Cultural Studies program, as described in the document “Discontinuation of Latin American Literary and Cultural Studies.”

CARRIED

ii. Proposal to change the name of the Latin American Interdisciplinary Studies program to Latin American Studies

E. Adjin-Tettey introduced the proposal. There were no questions.

Motion: (S. Minshall/M. Garcia-Barrera)

That Senate approve, and recommend to the Board of Governors that it also approve, the proposal to change the name of the Latin American Interdisciplinary Studies program to Latin American Studies, as described in the document “Title Change to LAS Interdisciplinary Program.”

CARRIED

7. PROPOSALS AND REPORTS FROM FACULTIES

a. Faculty of Human and Social Development

i. Change to Convocation Approval Process

Jennifer White, Acting Dean of the Faculty of Human and Social Development, introduced the proposed change to the faculty's approval process for graduating students. She noted that this would align with other campus faculty processes. There were no questions.

Motion: (J. White/S. Minshall)

That Senate approve that the convocation lists of graduating students from the Faculty of Human and Social Development be approved by the Dean, or designate, after review and approval by the School Directors.

CARRIED

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

a. Enrolment update presentation

Tony Eder, Executive Director, Academic Resource and Planning, provided members of Senate with an update on both domestic and international enrolment.

In response to a question, he noted the enrolment in targeted areas across the campus and the difference between the Summer and Winter Sessions.

A Senator asked if there was a connection between enrolment and admission offers and if the university was providing offers too late. T. Eder replied that he did not believe this was an issue but noted that many areas affect enrolment, such as scholarship offers.

In response to declining enrolment and retention due to the pandemic, T. Eder responded this was not the case as retention rates were growing; however, the number of recent graduating students exceeded the number of admits. In addressing whether increased online course offerings would help enrolment, he noted the improved classroom hybrid technology and course mode delivery, which offered increased flexibility.

T. Eder also addressed questions surrounding diversifying the international student body, issues pertaining to the housing shortage, comparisons to other institutions in BC and elsewhere and the possible untapped potential in older, professional students.

Finally, a question was asked regarding any consideration for adjusting entry requirements. T. Eder replied that any changes would be brought to Senate for approval in this area.

Upon request, T. Eder noted that the presentation slides would be available for Senators.

9. OTHER BUSINESS

There was none.

There being no other business the meeting was adjourned at 5:06 p.m.

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

MEMBERSHIP OF THE SENATE OF THE UNIVERSITY OF VICTORIA

Effective October 7, 2022EX 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
 A/University Librarian: Lisa Goddard

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)

Rustom Bhiladvala (ENGR) (30/6/23)
 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)

MEMBERS ELECTED BY THE FACULTYMEMBERS (continued)

Phalguni Mukhopadhyaya (ENGR) (30/6/25)
 Julio Navarro (SCIE) (30/6/23)
 Kenneth Stewart (SOSC) (30/6/23)
 Graham Voss (SOSC) (30/6/24)

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

Chekwube Anyaegbunam (GRAD) (30/6/23)
 Justin Bonnieux (SOSC) “
 Hannah Brown (GRAD) “
 Rebekah Dueck (EDUC) “
 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) “

MEMBERS ELECTED BY THE CONVOCATION

– Section 35 (2) (i)

Kelly Diether (30/06/24)
 Carolyn Russell (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 Vice-Provost: Helga Hallgrímisdóttir
 Assoc. VP Student Affairs: Jim Dunsdon
 A/Assoc. VP Academic Planning: Elizabeth Adjin-Tetty
 A/Registrar: Wendy Taylor
 Associate University Secretary: Ada Saab