

**MINUTES OF THE OPEN SESSION  
OF THE MEETING OF SENATE**

Friday, December 16, 2022  
following the meeting of the Closed Session  
in the Norman D. Hébert, LLD Meeting Room  
(Room EV 2.260) on the SGW Campus  
and via Zoom video conferencing

PRESENT

Voting Members: Graham Carr (Chair), Mohamad Abdallah, Nagendra Sri Anurag Appala, Leslie Barker, Matthew Barker, Sabine Bergler, Dominique Bérubé, Beverley Best, Catherine Bolton, Adam Bouguila, Sally Cooke, Anne-Marie Croteau, Fabienne Cyrius, Selvadurai Dayanandan, Mourad Debbabi, Larry Deck, William Dickson, Mary Esteve, Mehdi Farashahi (attended remotely), Annie Gérin, Marina Ghali (attended remotely), Fawaz Halloum, Steve Henle (attended remotely), Asli Isaaq, Jordan Jerome-Pitre, Michael Lecchino, Sofia Lipari-Couture, Peter Morden (attended remotely), David Morris, Catherine Mulligan, Fuzhan Nasiri (attended remotely), Xavier Ottenwaelder (attended remotely), Mireille Paquet (attended remotely), Peter Pawelek (attended remotely on behalf of Effrosyni Diamantoudi), Thenmozhie Rajan, Ian Rakita, Nachiketh R. Ravindra, Rosemary Reilly (attended remotely), Pat Riva (attended remotely), Pascale Sicotte, Sofiane Tahar (attended remotely), Kelly Thompson (attended remotely), Craig Townsend, Guylaine Vaillancourt (attended remotely), Deeva Wazir, Anne Whitelaw (attended remotely), Radu Grigore Zmeureanu (attended remotely)

Non-voting members: Philippe Beauregard (attended remotely), Paul Chesser, Denis Cossette (attended remotely), Stéphanie de Celles, Michael Di Grappa (attended remotely), Tom Hughes, Frederica Jacobs, Emilie Martel (attended remotely), Stefana Nita

Also attending: William Cheaib, Richard Courtemanche (attended remotely), Saba Din, Sandra Gabriele, Martin Lefebvre (attended remotely), Lisa Ostiguy (attended remotely), Melodie Sullivan (attended remotely)

ABSENT

Voting members: Alexandra Dawson, Samreet Kaur, Moshe Lander, Christopher Moore, Emilie Rosenthal-Bustamante, Ahmadou Sakho

Non-voting members: Isabel Dunnigan, Nadia Hardy

## 1. Call to order

The President called the meeting to order at 2:24 p.m.

### 1.1 Approval of the Agenda

*R-2022-7-3 Upon motion duly moved and seconded, it was unanimously resolved that the revised Agenda of the Open Session be approved.*

### 1.2 Adoption of November 11, 2022 Minutes

*R-2022-7-4 Upon motion duly moved and seconded, it was unanimously resolved that the Minutes of the Open Session meeting of November 11, 2022, be adopted.*

## 2. Business arising from the Minutes not included on the Agenda

There was no business arising from the Minutes not included on the Agenda.

- **President's Remarks**

The President's remarks are summarized as follows:

- G. Carr expressed that it has been heartening to have students on campus and again seeing so many activities on campus. The University is winding down for the end of term and will be closed starting at end-of-day Friday, December 23<sup>rd</sup>, and re-opening on January 9<sup>th</sup>. The only event scheduled during the break was the annual Molson School MBA International Case Competition, scheduled for January 2<sup>nd</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup>.
- He reminded Senators that a request was sent out with the document package to donate to the Student Emergency Fund.
- On Wednesday, December 14<sup>th</sup>, Maimunah Mohd Sharif, the Executive Director of UN Habitat was on campus with colleagues from her organization for a two-hour meeting hosted by NextGen Cities Institute. UN Habitat announced at COP27 that they will be opening an office in Montréal in 2023 with a focus on applying AI to address challenges of smart, sustainable urban growth. Concordia was one of the main supporters of this initiative.
- The University also hosted the launch of the Canadian office of the Canada-Asia Business council at the John Molson School of Business building. The Council promotes trade and other forms of exchanges between Canada and the ASEAN countries, which include Vietnam, Cambodia, Malaysia, Indonesia, Singapore and Brunei. The event saw over 100 attendees from international organizations, industry, NGOs and diplomatic corps, including Jean Charest (honorary Chair), Louis Vachon

(co-chair), and Minister Pierre Fitzgibbon and the Assistant Deputy Minister of Global Affairs Canada. Board member Francis Baillet was also present along with Michael Novak. G. Carr thanked A.-M. Croteau for making space at the JMSB available for this event.

- G. Carr ended by wishing everyone a safe and restful holiday season.

### 3. **Academic update** (Document US-2022-7-D1)

There was nothing to add in addition to the written report.

## CONSENT

### 4. **Tribunal Pool/Committee Nominations** (Document US-2022-7-D2)

*R-2022-7-5 Upon motion duly moved and seconded, it was unanimously resolved that the Tribunal Pool and Committee appointments be approved.*

### 5. **Academic Programs Committee – Report and recommendations** (Document US-2022-7-D3)

*R-2022-7-6 Upon motion duly moved and seconded, it was unanimously resolved that the Academic Programs Committee – Report and recommendations (Document US-2022-7-D3) be approved.*

## REGULAR

### 6. **Academic Programs Committee – Report and recommendation – Alternative Entry (OOTR-OOTR-5138; GCS-GCS-101; UNVSKIL-UNVSKIL-5141)** (Document US-2022-7-D4)

A. Whitelaw presented the item as the first bridging program, which would support access to engineering programs for Indigenous students.

*R-2022-7-7 Upon motion duly moved and seconded, it was unanimously resolved that, following recommendation of the Academic Programs Committee, the Senate approve changes (New Kaié:ri Nikawerà:ke Indigenous Bridging Program and Alternative Entry changes) - OOTR-OOTR-5138;GCS-GCS-101;UNVSKIL-UNVSKIL-5141 as detailed in the attached document (Document US-2022-7-D4).*

### 7. **Academic Programs Committee – Report and recommendation – Microprogram in Fundamentals of Digital Filmmaking under the Mel Hoppenheim School of Cinema (FA-CINE-4461)** (Document US-2022-7- D5)

A. Gerin presented the item and spoke to making more programs available to respond to the growing cinema industry in Quebec.

R-2022-7-8      *Upon motion duly moved and seconded, it was unanimously resolved that, following recommendation of the Academic Programs Committee, the Senate approve the microprogram in Fundamentals of Digital Filmmaking under the Mel Hoppenheim School of Cinema (FA-CINE-4461) as detailed in the attached Document (Document US-2022-7-D5).*

**8. Centraide Campaign** (Document US-2022-7-D6)

P. Beauregard presented the item, informing Senate that the campaign raised more than \$206,000 in donations. With many in-person events, this year's campaign was a success and will support the needs of the community of Montreal, where more than 600,000 people are in need of support with food costs.

This item was presented for information only.

**9. Question period**

There were no questions asked during the question period.

**10. Other business**

There was no other business to bring before the Open Session.

**11. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 2:42 p.m.

*K. Singh*  
Karan Singh  
Secretary of Senate