

MINUTES OF THE OPEN SESSION
OF THE MEETING OF SENATE

Held on Friday, May 19, 2017,
Immediately following the Closed Session
in the Norman D. Hébert, LL.D. Meeting Room
(Room EV 2.260) on the SGW Campus

PRESENT

Voting members: Alan Shepard (*Chair*); Mudasser Akbar; Ali Akgunduz; Amir Asif; Guylaine Beaudry; Patrick Blair; Patrice Blais; Stéphane Brutus; Philippe Caignon; Ian Campbell; Christine DeWolf; Effrosyni Diamantoudi; Charles Draimin; Rebecca Duclos; Marcie Frank; Jana Ghalayini; Lea Katsanis; Marion Miller; Monica Mulrennan; Lorraine Oades; Virginia Penhune; Justin Powlowski; Harald Proppe; André Roy; Sophia Sahrane; Daniel Salée; Francesca Scala; Yousef Shayan; Robert Soroka; Ted Stathopoulos; Sofière Tahar; Paula Wood-Adams

Non-voting members: Joanne Beaudoin; Philippe Beauregard; Emmet Henchey; Lisa Ostiguy; Melodie Sullivan (*Acting on behalf of Frederica Jacobs*); Daniel Therrien

ABSENT

Voting members: Graham Carr; Frank Crooks; Daniel Cross; Jill Didur; Mariana Frank; Shannon Gittens-Yahoba; Vince Graziano; Eliza Griffiths; Rudy Grow; Brigitte Jaumard; Esmael Kariminezhad; Rahul Kumar; Lucinda Marshall-Kiparissis; Shahbaz Masood; Alexander Milton; David Morris; John Potvin; Omar Riaz; Ali Sherra; Steven Tutino; Jean-Philippe Warren

Non-voting members: Denis Cossette; Roger Côté; Isabel Dunnigan; Bram Freedman

1. **Call to order**

The President called the meeting to order at 2:19 p.m.

1.1 **Approval of Agenda**

R-2017-4-7 *Upon motion duly moved and seconded, it was unanimously resolved that the Agenda of the Open Session be approved.*

1.2 Approval of the Minutes of the Open Session meeting of April 21, 2017

R-2017-4-8 *Upon motion duly moved and seconded, it was unanimously resolved that the Minutes of the Open Session meeting of April 21, 2017 be approved.*

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

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

3. President's remarks

Prof. Shepard's remarks are summarized as follows:

- He thanked the Indigenous Directions Leadership Group, led by Elizabeth Fast and Charmaine Lyn, the special advisors to the Provost on Indigenous Directions, which drafted the indigenous territorial acknowledgement, approved by the Honorary Degree and Convocation Committee, which will now be read at all Convocation ceremonies.
- He encouraged Senators to attend the June 5, 6 and 7 Convocation ceremonies.
- He congratulated JMSB whose AACSB's accreditation has been renewed for the maximum period of five years.
- The Department of Chemical and Materials Engineering officially opened on May 1.
- The 2017 Concordia University Public Scholars initiative launched earlier this week.
- He urged Senators to visit the Leonard and Bina Ellen Art Gallery annual exhibit featuring work of graduate students in Fine Arts.
- This has been a very good year in terms of research funding and the best year ever in terms of fundraising.

4. Academic update (Document US-2017-4-D4)

Senators had no questions in connection with this report which is provided for information.

5. Report of Standing Committees

5.1 Finance (Document US-2017-4-D5)

5.2 Library (Document US-2017-4-D6)

5.3 Research (Document US-2017-4-D7)

Senators had no questions in connection with these reports are provided for information.

CONSENT6. Committee appointments (Document US-2017-4-D8)

R-2017-4-9 *That the committee appointments, outlined in Document US-2017-4-D8, be approved.*

7. Academic Programs Committee: Report and recommendations (Document US-2017-4-D9)7.1 Undergraduate curriculum changes – Faculty of Arts and Science

7.1.1 Department of Applied Human Sciences (Document US-2017-4-D10)

7.1.2 Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry (Documents US-2017-4-D11 and D12)

7.1.3 Department of Classics, Modern Languages and Linguistics (Documents US-2017-4-D13 to D17)

7.1.4 Department of Education (Documents US-2017-4-D18 and 19)

7.1.5 Department of Exercise Science (Document US-2017-4-D20)

7.1.6 Department of Political Science (Document US-2017-4-D21)

7.1.7 Department of Sociology and Anthropology (Document US-2017-4-D22)

7.1.8 Department of Theological Studies (Document US-2017-4-D23)

R-2017-4-10 *That the undergraduate curriculum changes in the Faculty of Arts and Science, outlined in Documents US-2017-4-D10 to D23, be approved, as recommended by the Academic Programs Committee in Document US-2017-4-D9.*

7.2 Undergraduate curriculum changes – Faculty of Engineering and Computer Science – Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering (Document US-2017-4-D24)

R-2017-4-11 *That the undergraduate curriculum changes in the Faculty of Engineering and Computer Science, outlined in Document US-2017-4-D24, be approved, as recommended by the Academic Programs Committee in Document US-2017-4-D9.*

7.3 Undergraduate curriculum changes – John Molson School of Business – Proposed changes to the curriculum of the undergraduate programs (Document US-2017-4-D26)

R-2017-4-12 *That the undergraduate curriculum changes in the John Molson School of Business, outlined in Document US-2017-4-D26, be approved, as recommended by the Academic Programs Committee in Document US-2017-4-D9.*

7.4 Institute for Co-operative Education (Document US-2017-4-D29)

R-2017-4-13 *That the undergraduate curriculum changes in the Institute for Co-operative Education, outlined in Document US-2017-4-D29, be approved, as recommended by the Academic Programs Committee in Document US-2017-4-D9.*

7.5 Graduate curriculum changes – Faculty of Arts and Science

7.5.1 Department of Communication Studies (Document US-2017-4-D31)

7.5.2 Département d'études françaises (Document US-2017-4-D32)

R-2017-4-14 *That the graduate curriculum changes in the Faculty of Arts and Science, outlined in Documents US-2017-4-D31 and D32, be approved, as recommended by the Academic Programs Committee in Document US-2017-4-D9.*

7.6 Graduate curriculum changes – Faculty of Engineering and Computer Science

7.6.1 Department of Building, Civil and Environmental Engineering (Document US-2017-4-D33)

7.6.2 Department of Mechanical and Industrial Engineering (Document US-2017-4-D34)

R-2017-4-15 *That the graduate curriculum changes in the Faculty of Engineering and Computer Science, outlined in Documents US-2017-4-D33 and D34, be approved, as recommended by the Academic Programs Committee in Document US-2017-4-D9.*

7.7 Graduate curriculum changes – John Molson School of Business – Master of/Magisteriate in Science in Management (Document US-2017-4-D35)

R-2017-4-16 *That the graduate curriculum changes in the John Molson School of Business, outlined in Document US-2017-4-D35, be approved, as recommended by the Academic Programs Committee in Document US-2017-4-D9.*

REGULAR AGENDA

8. Academic Programs Committee: Report and recommendations (Document US-2017-4-D9)

8.1 Undergraduate curriculum – New Programs – John Molson School of Business

8.1.1 BComm Honours in Accountancy (Document US-2017-4-D25)

Associate Dean George Kanaan indicated that this new program provides an opportunity for the most gifted students in Accountancy to undertake accounting research work in their undergraduate program, thereby enhancing their degree. It will also encourage intellectually curious students to consider an academic career in accounting.

8.1.2 Minor in Information Systems Audit and Risk Management (Document US-2017-4-D27)

Dr. Kanaan apprised Senate that this new Minor fills a gap in the areas of Information Systems Audit and Risk Management and will help students gain experience in both areas. It responds to an increasing demand for professionals in security audit, information technology audit, fraud risk management and information technology risk management.

8.1.3 Minor in Real Estate (Document US-2017-4-D28)

Dr. Kanaan stated the high demand from students for the creation of a Minor in Real Estate. This Minor offers multidisciplinary education in business, economics, finance, regional science, urban planning and public policy.

R-2017-4-17 Upon motion duly moved and seconded, it was unanimously resolved that the new undergraduate programs in the John Molson School of Business, outlined in Documents US-2017-4-D25, D27 and D28, be approved, as recommended by the Academic Programs Committee in Document US-2017-4-D9.

8.2 Graduate curriculum – New Program - Faculty of Arts and Science - Department of Applied Human Sciences- Master of/Magisteriate in Arts (Youth Work and Psychoeducation) (Document US-2017-4-D30)

Dean Wood-Adams presented this new program which is designed to form practitioners working with young people in different settings.

Dr. Varda Mann-Feder added that this program is based on three distinct models in child work. It is the first Anglophone program in Quebec, with a dedicated content around intervention and prevention relative to indigenous youth.

R-2017-4-18 Upon motion duly moved and seconded, it was unanimously resolved that the new graduate program in the Faculty of Arts and Science, outlined in Document US-2017-4-D30, be approved, as recommended by the Academic Programs Committee in Document US-2017-4-D9.

9. Change to graduate curriculum review and approval procedures (Document US-2017-4-D36)

Dean Wood-Adams conveyed the change to the graduate curriculum review and approval procedures, recently approved by the Council of the School of Graduate Studies, whereby the Council voted to delegate final approval authority for curriculum proposals the Graduate Curriculum Committee, save for new graduate program proposals.

9. Research Committee recommendation regarding University recognition of a research unit: Centre for Research Expertise on Aging Through Engagement (CREATE) (Document US-2017-4-D37)

Dr. Powlowski conveyed the mission of the proposed centre. The point was made by the President and other Senators that the acronym CREATE was too common and could be confused with some other programs, namely the CREATE program under NSERC. It was agreed to approve the establishment of the centre with a recommendation that its name be changed without having to come back to Senate.

R-2017-4-19 *Upon motion duly moved and seconded, it was unanimously resolved that, on recommendation of the Research Committee, Senate grant the university-recognized status, in the category of emerging research centre to the Centre for Research Expertise on Aging Through Engagement (CREATE), in accordance with the Policy on Research Units (VPRGS-8), as outlined in Document US-2017-4-D37, with the recommendation that a more distinctive Centre name, not subject to Senate approval, be chosen.*

11. Annual report of the Office of Rights and Responsibilities (Document US-2017-4-D38)

Associate Advisor Lisa White summarized the mandate of the Office of Rights and Responsibilities (ORR) and presented the highlights of the annual report, including some key statistics.

To illustrate the type of situations that ORR deals with on a regular basis, Ms. White shared three narratives, one situation involving two students, another involving two employees and the third regarding a student of concern. Following her presentation, she responded to questions.

12. Revised Code of Rights and Responsibilities (Document US-2017-4-D39)

The Chair of the Ad Hoc Committee to Review the Code of Rights and Responsibilities, Me Melodie Sullivan, Senior Legal Counsel, summarized the highlights of the Committee's report, including its membership, its mandate as well as the process followed to arrive at the Code revisions. She summarized the main revisions listed in the report, which were approved by the Board of Governors at its meeting of April 19, 2017.

13. ENCS part-time faculty representative on Senate

Noting ENCS' appreciation of the contributions of part-time faculty members, Dean Asif outlined the steps taken by the Faculty to demonstrate this appreciation (teaching excellence awards, speaking privileges on Faculty Council). Following various discussions, the latest occurring at today's Faculty Council meeting attended by Me Blais and Prof. Soroka, he indicated that the issue of adding a part-time faculty member from ENCS as a non-voting member of Senate is very close to a resolution. It is expected that a proposal will be presented to Senate in the Fall.

14. Question period

Me Sullivan responded to a query from Me Blais regarding the infractions listed under article 29 o) of the ORR annual report in connection with the Criminal Code infraction of impersonation, noting that criminal charges are still pending against the individual in question.

15. Other business

There was no other business to bring before Senate.

16. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 3:15 p.m.



Danielle Tessier
Secretary of Senate