

**MINUTES OF THE FIRST MEETING OF
THE COUNCIL OF THE SCHOOL OF GRADUATE STUDIES
OPEN SESSION**

October 12, 2017 at 10:00 am room EV 2.776

PRESENT

Ex-officio members: J. Beaudoin (Secretary), C. Guy, S. Poulin, V. Venkatesh (Acting Chair).

Voting members: A. Aghdam, O. Ait Mohamed, K. Boies, S. Chang-Kredl, M. Debbabi, D. Erropole, D. Howes, B. Jaumard, T. Mohamed, B. Nelson, L. Qashu, A. Soliman, M. Taufiquzzaman, G. Vaillancourt, C. Wild.

Non-Voting members: S. Gabriele, M. Jordan (Recording Secretary), I. Kraulis (for D. Therrien).

REGRETS

Voting members: C. Assi, J. Berzowksa, S. Bhagwati, S. Chauhan, P. Pawelek, E. Peltier-Wagner, A. Poteete, K. Sawchuk, S. Ullah, M. Watson.

Non-voting members: W. Cheaib, J. Powlowski.

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order immediately following the Closed Session.

2. Welcome and Introductions

Dr Venkatesh welcomed Council members to the first meeting of the academic year and led a tour de table.

3. Approval of the Agenda

Moved and seconded (B. Nelson, A. Aghdam). Carried.

4. Approval of the Minutes of the Open Meeting of May 18, 2017.

Moved and seconded (B. Nelson, M. Debbabi). Carried.

5. Chair's Remarks

Dr Venkatesh welcomed Vice-President Christophe Guy to the first meeting of the Council of the School of Graduate Studies who then addressed members. Since Dr Guy's appointment a few short months ago, he has been on the ground meeting faculty members, staff and students. He has toured each of the faculties and research centres, and has discovered a vibrant community who highly values research and graduate studies. Dr Guy reiterated his pleasure in occupying the position of Vice-President not only of Research but also of Graduate Studies – a relatively unique portfolio across Canada.

Dr Guy shared his view of our role as a public institution and our obligation to translate our discoveries to society. He acknowledged that one of the best ways to do so is through our graduates who leave us to work in industry, non-profits, etc. He pledged his support for graduate studies and to ongoing research development during his tenure as Vice-President.

6. Question Period

There were no questions.

Consent Agenda

7. Election/Ratification

7.1	Steering Committee members	CSGS 1718 1 D1
7.2	Faculty Tribunal Pool nominees	CSGS 1718 1 D2

Moved and seconded (A. Aghdam, M. Debabbi). Carried.

Business

8. Proposed Graduate Calendar Changes

Faculty of Arts and Science

8.1	GCC report from the Chair of GCC	CSGS 1718 1 D3
8.2	Département d'études françaises	CSGS 1718 1 D4
	New Program: <i>Microprogramme en didactique et linguistique pour l'enseignement du français</i> (FRAN-30)	

Dr Nelson reminded Council members that the CSGS had previously delegated authority to approve curriculum changes other than new programs to the Graduate Curriculum Committee (GCC). Curriculum changes approved by GCC would be reported to Council in a summary, as in document D8 of the present package. Members were free to discuss any of the dossiers mentioned in the GCC Report.

Dr Nelson provided an overview of the new *microprogramme* and stated that it does not lead to teacher certification. Its purpose is to provide enrichment to teachers already in the field and to respond to the immediate needs in the teaching of French, as they are

identified. There are no new course allotments required as they are drawn from the department's existing allocation.

Moved and seconded (B. Nelson, M. Debbabi). Carried, one abstention.

Information

9. Council of the School of Graduate Studies

9.1 Council Membership 2017-18

CSGS 1718 1 D5

9.2 Powers of Council

CSGS 1718 1 D6

10. Call for Honorary Degree nominations

CSGS 1718 1 D7

11. Report from the Graduate Curriculum Committee

CSGS 1718 1 D8

The above documents were distributed to Council members for their information.

Other Next Meeting: November 13, 2017 from 10:00 am – 12:00 noon in LB 362

12. Adjournment of the Open Session moved and seconded (M. Debabbi, B. Nelson).

Respectfully submitted,
Michael Jordan
Recording Secretary
Council of the School of Graduate Studies