MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SENATE

MARCH 15, 2019

The meeting was held at 1:30 p.m. in Room 1R40, Arts and Humanities Building.

SENATORS: 69

R. Andersen  J. Hatch  D. Olteanu
S. Barghi    M. Heath    I. Paul
S. Basu      H. Hill      W. Pearson
G. Belfry    A. Holms     P. Peddle
L. Beres     A. Hrymak    T. Percival-Smith
S. Burke     L. Jiang     A. Ray
J. Capone    K. Kirkwood  G. Read
A. Chakma    R. Konrad    G. Rezai-Rashti
E. Chamberlain  K. Kontogiannis  M. Robinson
A. Chant     G. Kopp      C. Roulston
D. Cheng     K. Kwan      V. Schwean
K. Cole      L. Leguard   K. Shuey
R. Collins   L. Logan     N. Shuva
J. Corrigan  D. Macpherson Z. Sinel
J. Cuciurean  J. Matthews  W. Siqueira
C. Davies-Chalmers  M. McDayter  V. Smye
M. Davison   A. Meyer     C. Steeves
I. Decoito   M. Milde     P. Thomlinson
L. Frederking  L. Miller  G. Tigert
J. Garland   K. Miller    S. Trosow
R. Garno     S. Mumm      M. Vandenbosch
L. Ghattas   O. Nadler    J. Wilson
Y. Hassan    M. Novello   K. Yeung


Land Acknowledgement

P. Thomlinson read the Land Acknowledgement.

S.19-31

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

A Senator noted a change to the Senate attendance list.

The minutes of the meeting of February 15, 2019 were approved as circulated.
REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT [Exhibit I]

The President’s report distributed with the agenda contained information on the following topics:

- Wendy Pearson; won the prestigious 3M National Teaching Fellowship
- Representatives from Western, the City of London and London Police Service attended a meeting February 15 with nine Ontario university communities focused on finding solutions to the growing problem of unsanctioned street parties.
- Western Leadership Updates: Sharon Hodgson announced as the next Dean of the Ivey Business School.

Other items noted in the report:

- University awaits the Federal budget release on March 19, 2019.
- The Provincial budget to be released on April 19, 2019.

A Senator requested clarification on whether there would be changes to the drafted unit budgets considering the operating grants remained intact.

The President noted that the drafted unit budgets would not change. The unit budgets would still require reductions to accommodate the changes in domestic tuition.

A Senator requested clarification on the Mayor’s Broughdale taskforce and whether community groups would be consulted throughout this process.

L. Logan noted that the taskforce was created by the City of London but that she would bring the concern forward to the City of London for consideration.

UNANIMOUS CONSENT AGENDA [Exhibit II]

It was moved by J. Garland, seconded by G. Read,

That the items listed in the Unanimous Consent Agenda (Exhibit II), excluding item 16, be received for information by Senate by unanimous consent.

CARRIED

REPORT OF THE OPERATIONS/AGENDA COMMITTEE [Exhibit III]

Revisions to the Senate Election Procedures: Senate Membership – Changes to the Distribution of Senate Seats in the School of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies

It was moved by M. Milde, seconded by D. Cheng,

That Section A.2.1 – Faculty in the Senate Election Procedures be revised effective July 1, 2020 (for elections to be conducted in January/February 2020).

CARRIED

REPORT OF THE SENATE NOMINATING COMMITTEE [Exhibit IV]

University Research Board

Roberta Bgeginski (Postdoctoral Fellow) was acclaimed to the University Research Board (URB) for a term to June 30, 2019.

REPORT OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC POLICY AND AWARDS [Exhibit V]

S.19-36  Faculty of Arts and Humanities: Discontinuation of the Honors Specialization and Specialization in German Language and Culture

It was moved by J. Garland, seconded by G. Read,

That effective September 1, 2019, admissions to the Honors Specialization and Specialization in German Language and Culture be discontinued, and

That students currently enrolled in the module be allowed to graduate upon fulfillment of the module requirements until August 31, 2022, and

That the modules be withdrawn effective September 1, 2022.

CARRIED (Unanimous Consent)

S.19-37  School of Graduate and Post-Doctoral Studies: Introduction of an Accelerated MBA for Business Graduates Option in the Master of Business Administration (MBA) Program

It was moved by J. Garland, seconded by G. Read,

That, an Accelerated MBA for Business Graduates Option be introduced in the MBA Program effective January 1, 2020 (for March 2019 recruitment cycle), as shown in Appendix 1.

CARRIED (Unanimous Consent)

S.19-38  School of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies: Discontinuation of the Master of Clinical Science (MCISc) in Driving Rehabilitation Therapy (DRT) Program

It was moved by J. Garland, seconded by G. Read,

That effective September 1, 2019, the Master of Clinical Science (MCISc) Driving Rehabilitation Therapy (DRT) be discontinued.

CARRIED (Unanimous Consent)

S.19-39  School of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies: Revision to the Communication Sciences and Disorders (MCISc) – Audiology Program

It was moved by J. Garland, seconded by G. Read,

That the Graduate Program in Audiology (MCISc) be revised to make CSD 9504 – Audiology Practicum IV a mandatory course effective September 1, 2019.

CARRIED (Unanimous Consent)

S.19-40  Faculty School of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies: Revision to the PhD in Health Information Science (HIS) Program

It was moved by J. Garland, seconded by G. Read,

That, the “Health Knowledge: Systems, Methods and Theory” field be removed from the PhD in Health Information Science (HIS) Program effective September 1, 2019.

CARRIED (Unanimous Consent)

S.19-41  Faculty of Health Sciences, Arthur Labatt School of Nursing: Revisions to the Admission
Requirements of the Bachelor of Nursing (BScN) Programs

It was moved by J. Garland, seconded by G. Read,

That the admission requirements of the Bachelor of Nursing (BScN) programs be revised as shown in Appendix 2, effective September 1, 2019.

CARRIED (Unanimous Consent)

Schulich School of Medicine & Dentistry, School of Dentistry: Revisions to the Admissions and Progression Requirements of the Internationally Trained Dentist (ITD) Program

S.19-42a Revisions to the Admission Requirements of the ITD Program

It was moved by J. Garland, seconded by G. Read,

That effective September 1, 2020, the Admission Requirements for the ITD program be amended as shown in Appendix 3.

CARRIED (Unanimous Consent)

S.19-42b Revisions to the Progression Requirements of the ITD Program

It was moved by J. Garland, seconded by G. Read,

That effective September 1, 2020, the Progression Requirements for the ITD program be amended as shown in Appendix 4.

CARRIED (Unanimous Consent)

S.19-43 Faculty of Science, Applied Mathematics: Revision to the Honors Specialization in Mathematical Sciences and Honors Specialization in Integrated Science with Mathematics Modules

It was moved by J. Garland, seconded by G. Read,

That the Honors Specialization in Mathematical Sciences and the Honors Specialization in Integrated Science with Mathematics modules be revised as shown in Appendix 5, effective September 1, 2019

CARRIED (Unanimous Consent)

Faculty of Social Science and Richard Ivey School of Business: Introduction of New Combined Degree Programs

S.19-44a Introduction of an Honors Specialization in Politics, Philosophy and Economics—Politics and Philosophy Concentration (PPE-P) and HBA Combined Degree Program

It was moved by J. Garland, seconded by G. Read,

That an Honors Specialization in Politics, Philosophy and Economics - Politics and Philosophy Concentration (PPE-P) and HBA Combined Degree program be introduced effective September 1, 2019, as shown in Appendix 6.

CARRIED (Unanimous Consent)
S.19-44b  

**Introduction of an Honors Specialization in Politics, Philosophy and Economics—Economics Concentration (PPE-E) and HBA Combined Degree Program**

It was moved by J. Garland, seconded by G. Read,

That an Honors Specialization in Politics, Philosophy and Economics - Politics and Philosophy Concentration (PPE-P) and HBA Combined Degree program be introduced effective September 1, 2019, as shown in Appendix 6.

CARRIED (Unanimous Consent)

S.19-45  

**Brescia University College: Introduction of a Certificate and a Diploma in Diversity and Families**

It was moved by J. Garland, seconded by G. Read,

That a Certificate and a Diploma in Diversity and Families be introduced at Brescia University College effective September 1, 2019, as shown in Appendix 7.

CARRIED (Unanimous Consent)

S.19-46  

**Brescia University College: Renaming of the “Family Studies” Subject Area as “Family Studies and Human Development”**

It was moved by J. Garland, seconded by G. Read,

That the Family Studies Subject Area be renamed as “Family Studies and Human Development” effective September 1, 2019.

CARRIED (Unanimous Consent)

S.19-47  

**Huron University College: Introduction of a Minor in History of the Book**

It was moved by J. Garland, seconded by G. Read,

That a Minor in History of the Book be introduced at Huron University College, effective September 1, 2019, as shown below.

CARRIED (Unanimous Consent)

S.19-48  

**King’s University College: Introduction of a Certificate and a Diploma in Critical Security Studies**

It was moved by J. Garland, seconded by G. Read,

That a Certificate and a Diploma in Critical Security Studies be introduced at King’s University College effective September 1, 2019, as shown in Appendix 8.

CARRIED (Unanimous Consent)

S.19-49  

**King’s University College: Revisions to the King’s Scholar Admission, Progression and Graduation Requirements**

It was moved by J. Garland, seconded by G. Read,

That the admission, progression and graduation requirements of the King’s Scholar Program be revised effective September 1, 2019, as shown Appendix 9.

CARRIED (Unanimous Consent)
Policy Revisions: Introduction of the Policy on Admissions Fraud

It was moved by J. Wilson, seconded by R. Konrad,

That the admission, progression and graduation requirements of the King’s Scholar Program be revised effective September 1, 2019, as shown Appendix 9.

CARRIED

Information Items Reported by the Senate Committee on Academic Policy and Awards

Exhibit IV, Report of the Senate Committee on Academic Policy and Awards, contained the following items that were received for information by unanimous consent:

- New Scholarships and Awards
- Faculty of Arts and Humanities, Department of Visual Arts: Correcting the name of the Honors Specialization in Studio Art Module
- SUPR-G Report: Cyclical Review - Huron University College, Theology Program
- Report of the Subcommittee on Teaching Awards (SUTA)

REPORT OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON UNIVERSITY PLANNING (SCUP) [Exhibit VI]

Peter C. Maurice Research Fellowship in Biomedical Engineering

It was moved by J. Garland, seconded by G. Read,

That Senate approve that the Peter C. Maurice Research Fellowship in Biomedical Engineering be established retroactively in the Faculty of Engineering.

CARRIED (Unanimous Consent)

Daryl T. Bean Professorship in Law and Women's Studies – Revision to Terms of Reference

It was moved by J. Garland, seconded by G. Read,

That Senate approve that the term of the existing Daryl T. Bean Professorship in Law and Women's Studies be revised as outlined in Appendix 2.

CARRIED (Unanimous Consent)

Information Items Reported by the Senate Committee On University Planning

Exhibit VI, Report of the Senate Committee on University Planning, contained the following item that was received for information by unanimous consent:

- Report on Year One Class and Entering Averages

REPORT OF THE HONOURARY DEGREE COMMITTEE [Exhibit VII]

Information Item Reported by the Senate Honorary Degrees Committee

Exhibit VII, Report of the Senate Honorary Degrees Committee, contained the following item that was received for information by unanimous consent:

- Honorary Degree Recipients – Spring 2019

Senate was advised that there would be a change made to the provided list due to a scheduling conflict. An amendment will be brought to the next regularly scheduled meeting of Senate.
REPORT OF THE ACADEMIC COLLEAGUE [Exhibit VIII]

Exhibit VIII, Report of the Academic College, was received for information. The following items were included in the report:

- Freedom of Expression
- Provincial Funding Cuts announced in January

DISCUSSIONS AND QUESTION PERIOD

Senator A. Chant presented the following item for the consideration of Senate:

That the Academic Handbook’s General Policy on Convocation and Graduation Diplomas be updated to include the following under the section titled “Graduation Diplomas and Certificates”:

Effective October 2019, the designation of “Honors” will be used on diplomas for honors programs, with the designation of “Honours” approved for use on diplomas upon request by individual students.

The Chair advised that the item had already been referred to the Senate Committee on Academic Policy and Awards for their consideration.

Senator S. Trosow requested that Senate consider formally addressing the issue of Open Access/Scholarly Communication and that steps be taken to set up a working group or taskforce at Western University.

C. Steeves (Vice-Provost & Chief Librarian) informed Senate that within Western Libraries this issue was already under consideration and that she has plans to bring forward strategies for campus-wide engagement.

The Chair advised that the item would be referred to the Operations/Agenda Committee for their consideration and requested that Senator Trosow provide the committee with a summary of the proposal prior to the next meeting of the Operations/Agenda committee.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 1:58 p.m.

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A. Chakma       K. Kwan
Chair        Secretary