

# Approved for Release by the Senate of the University of Victoria

# Meeting of Senate October 2, 2020

#### **MINUTES**

An open meeting of the Senate of the University of Victoria was held on October 2, 2020 at 3:30 p.m.

#### 1. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Motion: (M. McGinnis/S. Hundza)

That the agenda be approved as circulated.

**CARRIED** 

#### 2. REMARKS FROM THE CHAIR

# a. President's Report

Prof. Cassels began his report by expressing his condolences for Elder May Sam on her husband's death. He also sadly marked the anniversary of the Bamfield bus crash, announcing the creation of scholarships and a memorial. Prof. Cassels committed to the university's adoption of all 43 recommendations resulting from the independent external review.

In terms of the COVID-19 pandemic, Prof. Cassels thanked members for their resilience, adaptability, and patience. He noted while the university worked to increase face-to-face learning, communication is difficult. The earlier communication is given, the less specific it can be during such a fluctuating time. Remarking on the budget challenges, while expenditures were much higher and revenues much lower, the financial situation was better than planned. As a result, the university is expected to bridge the gap using carrying forward funds and avoiding operational cuts.

Prof Cassels remarked on the need for dialogue surrounding systemic racism in society and institutions. He noted the office of Equity and Human Rights, with the full engagement of the entire executive, is leading the development of a number of initiatives: a university-wide climate survey to understand the issues; more robust anti-racism training, redoubled efforts to ensure diversity, including BIPOC representation, throughout the university; and new comprehensive advisory structures.

In terms of recent university recognition, Prof. Cassels congratulated just a few of the excellent researchers who have been recently honoured: seven new or renewed Canada Research Chairs; three new Fellows of the Royal Society; Lin Cai's election as a member of the Royal Society; Nancy Turner as emeritus Royal Society; Kelly Stajduhar as a Fellow of the Canadian Academy of Nursing; and Aaron Devor as named one of 50 Sexual and Gender Health Revolutionaries by University of Minnesota Medical School.

Prof. Cassels updated members on the ongoing projects on campus and commented on the busy year ahead regarding the Sexualized Violence Prevention policy review, the Strategic Research Plan, and the Climate and Sustainability Action Plan.

Finally, Prof. Cassels welcomed the incoming president, Dr. Kevin Hall, who would begin his term on November 1, 2020.

A member asked when the Climate and Sustainability Action Plan and fossil fuel inventory would be accomplished. Prof. Cassels responded that there was a working group dealing with this issue. He added that the Board of Governors passed a new investment policy on this issue, and the university was now a signatory of the United Nations Principles of Responsible Investment.

In response to a question regarding the hiring of new senior administration, Prof. Cassels noted that all positions were made with existing funding.

Dr. Robin Hicks and Dr. Annalee Lepp provided a few words to thank and acknowledge Prof. Cassels' leadership.

## b. Strategic Framework Implementation Report 2019/20

Prof. Cassels introduced the report. Mr. Tony Eder, Executive Director, Academic Resource Planning, reviewed the highlights of the report. In the interest of time, Prof. Cassels suggested any question regarding the report be emailed to Mr. Eder.

#### 3. MINUTES

## a. May 1, 2020

Motion: (R. Hancock/J. Bruton)
That the minutes of the open session of the meeting of the Senate held on May 1, 2020 be approved and that the approved minutes be circulated in the usual way.

**CARRIED** 

## 4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

There was none.

#### 5. ELECTION OF STUDENTS TO THE SENATE

## a. Student Representatives to Senate

Ms. Ada Saab outlined the pandemic's impact on the student elections to the Senate and provided an update on the recent election and acclamation.

#### 6. CORRESPONDENCE

#### a. University of Victoria Financial Statements as at March 31, 2020

Prof. Cassels introduced the statements. He acknowledged that Kristi Simpson, Associate Vice-President Financial Planning & Operations, was in attendance to answer any questions. There were no questions.

#### 7. PROPOSALS AND REPORTS FROM SENATE COMMITTEES

#### a. Senate Committee on Academic Standards

## i. 2019/20 Annual Report

Dr. Neil Burford introduced the report. There were no questions.

# ii. Consultation on the Proposed Revisions to the Undergraduate Academic Concessions Regulation

Dr. Burford introduced the consultation document. Dr. Rob Hancock, Chair of the sub-committee, outlined the highlights of the report and how the committee had approached the proposed revisions in separating the regulation from the implementation.

A member asked if the committee would consider a way to create a process that would remove instructors from making decisions in which they may not have the full picture. Dr. Hancock responded that a common request has been to centralize the process, which would be part of the implementation work.

## iii. Examination Cancellation Policy and Guidelines

Dr. Burford introduced the policy and guidelines noting Dr. Henning Struchtrup, Chair of the sub-committee, was in attendance to answer any questions.

One member asked for clarification on how alternate assessments would be handled. Dr. Struchtrup outlined the steps in the guidelines.

Motion: (N. Burford/J. Bruton)

That Senate approve the Examination Cancellation Policy and Guidelines for inclusion in the Academic Regulations – Examinations section of the Undergraduate Academic Calendar and the Faculty Academic Regulations section of the Graduate Academic Calendar effective January 1, 2021.

**CARRIED** 

#### b. Senate Committee on Agenda and Governance

i. In response to COVID-19: A summary of actions or adjustments made under authority of the Emergency Protocol for Senate Operations (Level 2)

Dr. Saul Klein introduced the report to Senate on the decisions made by the Senate Committee on Agenda and Governance with regards to the Emergency Protocol for Senate Operations. There were no questions.

## ii. Appointments to the 2020/2021 Senate Standing Committees

Dr. Helen Kurki introduced the recommendations. There were no further recommendations.

Motion: (H. Kurki/J. Bruton)

That Senate approve the appointments to the 2020/2021 Senate standing committees for the terms indicated in the attached document.

**CARRIED** 

# iii. Revisions to the Terms of Reference for the Senate Committee on Admission, Reregistration and Transfer

Ms. Saab introduced the revisions to the Senate Committee on Admission, Re-registration and Transfer. There were no questions.

Motion: (M. Garcia-Barrera/J. Bruton)

That Senate approve the revisions to the terms of reference for the Senate Committee on Admission, Re-registration and Transfer Appeals.

**CARRIED** 

#### iv. Revisions to the Terms of Reference for the Senate Committee on Academic Standards

Ms. Saab introduced the revisions to the Senate Committee on Academic Standards. There were no questions.

Motion: (N. Burford/M. Garcia-Barrera)

That Senate approve the revisions to the terms of reference for the Senate Committee on Academic Standards.

**CARRIED** 

#### c. Senate Committee on Awards

## i. New and Revised Awards

Dr. Helga Hallgrimsdottir introduced the motion regarding new awards and revisions to existing awards. One editorial correction was suggested to the Victoria Real Estate Board Bursary.

Motion: (H. Hallgrimsdottir/B. Smith)

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

- Otto and Joan Bekius Scholarship\* (New)
- Distinguished Education Alumni Scholarship\* (Revised)
- Knowledge First Foundation Scholarship\* (Revised)
- Stephens Family Undergraduate Research Awards in Organic & Sustainable Food Systems (Revised)
- Orca Book Publishers Award in Indigenous Language Revitalization (Revised)
- Faculty of Education Emergency Bursary (Revised)
- Brian Money and Nancy Dyer Accordion Scholarship in Music (New)
- Faculty of Engineering Undergraduate Entrance Scholarship\* (New)
- Faculty of Education Undergraduate Entrance Scholarship\* (New)
- Faculty of Human and Social Development Undergraduate Entrance Scholarship\* (New)

- Peter B. Gustavson School of Business Undergraduate Entrance Scholarship\* (New)
- Faculty of Humanities Undergraduate Entrance Scholarship\* (New)
- Faculty of Fine Arts Undergraduate Entrance Scholarship\* (New)
- Dr. David Cook Memorial Scholarship (Revised)
- Embassy of Ukraine Book Prize (New)
- Phoenix Bursary (Revised)
- Carmanah Prize in Eco-Technology\* (Revised)
- J. Prospero Scholarship for Sustainable Mining (New)
- Graduate of 1976 Visual Arts Scholarship (New)
- Victoria Real Estate Board Bursary (Revised)
- Darlene Scott Scholarship\* (Revised)
- Henry and Marian Thiel International Business Award\* (Revised)
- Peter B. Gustavson School of Business MGB Scholarship (New)
- Betty and Gilbert Kennedy Graduate Scholarship in Mathematics and Statistics\* (New)
- Dr. Margaret "Marmie" Perkins Hess Graduate Fellowships in Earth, Ocean, Astronomy, and Environmental Sciences\* (New)
- Rose Won Lau Business Scholarship\* (Revised)
- JTS Scholarship\* (Revised)
- School of Music Faculty String Award\* (Revised)
- Sheila Ryan and Eileen Ryan Graduate Scholarship in Nursing\* (Revised)
- Microserve Scholarship in Business, Management Information Systems (Revised)
- Iola Worthington Scholarship in Business\* (Revised)
- Jean Foley International Business Scholarship (Revised)

**CARRIED** 

# d. Senate Committee on Continuing Studies

#### i. 2019/20 Annual Report

Dr. Jo-Anne Clarke introduced the annual report. There were no questions.

## e. Senate Committee on Curriculum

#### i. 2019-2020 Annual Report

Dr. Hicks introduced the annual report. There were no questions.

<sup>\*</sup> Administered by the University of Victoria Foundation

## ii. 2020/2021 Cycle 3 Curriculum Submissions

Dr. Hicks introduced the recommended changes. A member inquired as to the reason for a lab assigned 0.0 units. Dr. Hicks responded that the committee would follow up on the issue.

Motion: (R. Hicks/J. Bruton)

That Senate approve the curriculum changes recommended by the Faculties and the Senate Committee on Curriculum for inclusion in the 2020-2021 academic calendar, effective January 1, 2021.

**CARRIED** 

Motion: (R. Hicks/F. Hoff)

That Senate authorize the Chair of the Senate Committee on Curriculum to make small changes and additions that would otherwise unnecessarily delay the submission of items for the academic calendar.

**CARRIED** 

#### 8. PROPOSALS AND REPORTS FROM FACULTIES

- a. Peter B. Gustavson School of Business
  - i. Bylaws & Constitution Changes for Senate Approval

Dr. Klein introduced the changes to the bylaws and constitution. There were no questions.

Motion: (S. Klein/B. Smith)

That Senate approve the proposed revisions to the Peter B. Gustavson School of Business' Bylaws and Constitution.

**CARRIED** 

## b. Faculty of Humanities

i. Revised Faculty of Humanities' Constitution and Operating Structure

Dr. Annalee Lepp introduced the revisions to the constitution and operating structure. There were no questions.

Motion: (A. Lepp/M. McGinnis)

That Senate approve the revised Faculty of Humanities' Constitution and Operating Structure (2020).

**CARRIED** 

# 9. PROPOSALS AND REPORTS FROM THE VICE-PRESIDENT ACADEMIC AND PROVOST

a. 2019/20 Annual Report on the Status of Academic Program Reviews

Dr. Susan Lewis, Associate Vice-President Academic Planning, introduced the report and noted highlights.

## b. Revisions to Policy AC1145 Academic Program Reviews

Dr. Valerie Kuehne, Vice-President Academic and Provost, introduced the revisions and noted that the recommendations came as a result of the provincial Degree Quality Assessment Board review. Dr. Lewis noted a few edits to be made and highlighted the changes made to the policy.

<u>Motion:</u> (G. McDonough/J. Martin) That Senate approve the revisions to Policy AC1145 External Reviews of Academic Units.

**CARRIED** 

## 10. OTHER BUSINESS

## a. Academic Important Dates

Ms. Saab outlined the update to the academic important dates.

Motion: (M. Laidlaw/R. Hancock)
That Senate approve the Academic Important Dates for the period January
2022 through April 2022 for submission to the January 2021 undergraduate
and graduate academic calendar publications.

**CARRIED** 

## b. 2021/22 Senate Meeting Dates

Ms. Saab noted the update to the Senate Meeting Dates.

Motion: (D. Seeman/M. Laidlaw)
That Senate approve the 2021/22 Senate Meeting Dates and Other Important Dates.

**CARRIED** 

## c. Senate Vacancies

Ms. Saab notified members of one faculty acclamation for the Faculty of Social Sciences. An election for one faculty Member-at-Large position would be held at the end of October. Finally, a recent vacancy has resulted in a second upcoming by-election for another Member-at-Large position.

#### d. Joint Senate Board Retreat

Ms. Saab noted the cancellation of the 2020 Joint Board Senate Retreat due to the pandemic.

#### e. Election of Vice-Chair of Senate

Prof. Cassels asked for nomination to fill the role of Vice-Chair of Senate. Mr. Dean Seeman nominated Dr. Saul Klein. There were no other nominations. Dr. Klein was elected by acclamation.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:20 p.m.

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Name Alexander, David	In Attendance	Regrets	Convocation Senator	Position  Elected by the convocation
Andersen, Carrie			University Secretary	Secretary of Senate
Aragon, Janni			Faculty of Social Sciences	Elected by the faculty members
Beaveridge, Chandra			Convocation Senator	Elected by the raculty members  Elected by the convocation
Bengtson, Jonathan			University Librarian	Ex officio
Berge, Brittany			Student Senator	Elected from the student societies
Bhiladvala, Rustom			Faculty of Engineering	Elected from the student societies  Elected by the faculty members
Breau, Susan			Dean, Faculty of Law	Ex officio
Bruton, Jeffrey			Student Senator	Elected from the student societies
Burford, Neil			Faculty of Science	Elected from the student societies  Elected by the Faculty
Butler-Palmer, Carolyn			Faculty of Science Faculty of Fine Arts	Elected by the Faculty
Campbell, Erin			Faculty of Fine Arts Faculty of Fine Arts	Elected by the faculty members
·			President and Vice-Chancellor	Chair of Senate
Clarka, la Anna				Ex officio
Clarke, Jo-Anne			Dean, Division of Continuing Studies	
Cloutier, Denise			Faculty of Social Sciences	Elected by the Faculty
Colby, Jason			Faculty of Humanities	Elected by the Faculty
Cowen, Laura			Faculty of Science	Elected by the faculty members
Crabbe, Sophia			Student Senator	Elected from the student societies
Cucksey, Logan			Student Senator	Elected from the student societies
D'Arcy, Alexandra			Faculty of Humanities	Elected by the Faculty
Devor, Aaron			Faculty of Social Sciences	Elected by the faculty members
Dunsdon, Jim			Associate Vice-President Student Affairs	By Invitation
Evans, Steve			Acting Dean, Faculty of Graduate Studies	Ex officio
Garcia-Barrera, Mauricio			Faculty of Graduate Studies	Elected by the Faculty
Giffen, Robyn			Student Senator	Elected from the student societies
Gijzen, Benjamin			Student Senator	Elected from the student societies
Gillen, Mark	$\boxtimes$		Faculty of Law	Elected by the Faculty
Granirer, Jonathan		$\boxtimes$	Student Senator	Elected from the student societies
Greengoe, Nicole			Registrar	By Invitation
Hallgrimsdottir, Helga			Faculty of Social Sciences	Elected by the faculty members
Hancock, Rob	$\boxtimes$		Convocation Senator	Elected by the convocation
Hicks, Robin	$\boxtimes$		Faculty of Science	Elected by the faculty members
Hiser, Emily			Student Senator	Elected from the student societies
Hof, Fraser	$\boxtimes$		Faculty of Science	Elected by the faculty members
Hundal, Navinder			Student Senator	Elected from the student societies
Hundza, Sandra			Faculty of Education	Elected by the Faculty
Kalynchuk, Lisa			Vice-President Research	Ex officio
Kalyniuk, Tomas	$oxed{\boxtimes}$		Student Senator	Elected from the student societies
Kandil, Yasmine			Faculty of Fine Arts	Elected by the Faculty
Klein, Saul			Dean, Peter B. Gustavson School of Business	Ex officio
Koch, Matthew			Continuing Sessional	Elected by the Continuing Sessionals
Krull, Catherine			Special Advisor to the Provost	By Invitation
Kuehne, Valerie			Vice-President Academic and Provost	Ex officio
Kurki, Helen			Faculty of Social Sciences	Elected by the Faculty
Laidlaw, Mark			Faculty of Science	Elected by the Faculty
			Peter B. Gustavson School of Business	
Leacock, Brian				Elected by the Faculty
Lepp, Annalee			Faculty of Humanities	Elected by the faculty members
Lewis, Susan			Associate Vice-President Academic Planning	By Invitation
Lindgren, Allana			Acting Dean, Faculty of Fine Arts	Ex officio
Loock, Peter			Dean, Faculty of Science	Ex officio
Marcy, Richard			Faculty of Human and Social Development	Elected by the Faculty
Martin, Joseph			Student Senator	Elected from the student societies
McDonough, Graham			Faculty of Education	Elected by the Faculty
McGinnis, Martha			Faculty of Graduate Studies	Elected by the Faculty
Mukhopadhyaya, Phalguni			Faculty of Engineering	Elected by the Faculty
Newcombe, Andrew			Faculty of Law	Elected by the Faculty
Purchase, Michelle			Student Senator	Elected from the student societies
Rogers, Shelagh	<u> </u>		Chancellor	Ex officio
Rose-Redwood, CindyAnn			Faculty of Social Sciences	Elected by the faculty members
Roubekas, Evan			Student Senator	Elected from the student societies
Russell, Carolyn			Convocation Senator	Elected by the convocation
Saab, Ada			Associate University Secretary	By Invitation
Sangter-Gormley, Esther			Acting Dean, Faculty of Human and Social Development	Ex officio
Seeman, Dean			Librarian	Elected by the Professional Librarians
Shaman, Wren			Student Senator	Elected from the student societies
Smith, Brock	$\boxtimes$		Peter B. Gustavson School of Business	Elected by the Faculty
Snizek, Suzanne	$\boxtimes$		Faculty of Fine Arts	Elected by the faculty members
St. Clair, Ralf			Dean, Faculty of Education	Ex officio
Strega, Susan			Faculty of Human and Social Development	Elected by the Faculty
Struchtrup, Henning			Faculty of Engineering	Elected by the Faculty
Voss, Graham			Acting Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences	Ex officio
Watts, Juliet			Student Senator	Elected from the student societies
Wild, Peter			Acting Dean, Faculty of Engineering	Ex officio
Wright, Bruce			Head, Division of Medical Sciences	Additional Member
Wyatt, Victoria			Faculty of Fine Arts	Elected by the faculty members
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## MEMBERSHIP OF THE SENATE OF THE UNIVERSITY OF VICTORIA

# Effective October 1, 2020

EX OFFICIO MEMBERS - University Act: Section 35 (2) (a-f)

Chancellor: Shelagh Rogers President and Vice-Chancellor: Jamie Cassels, Chair

Vice-President Academic & Provost: Valerie Kuehne

Vice-President Research: Lisa Kalynchuk

Dean, Peter B. Gustavson School of Business: Saul Klein, Vice-Chair

Dean of Education: Ralf St. Clair Acting Dean of Engineering: Peter Wild

Dean of Continuing Studies: Jo-Anne Clarke Acting Dean of Fine Arts: Allana Lindgren Acting Dean of Graduate Studies: Steve Evans Acting Dean of Humanities: Annalee Lepp

Acting Dean of HSD: Esther Sangster-Gormley

Dean of Law: Susan Breau Dean of Science: Peter Loock

Acting Dean of Social Sciences: Graham Voss University Librarian: Jonathan Bengtson

# MEMBERS ELECTED BY THE FACULTIES

- Section 35 (2) (g)

BUSI: Brian Leacock (30/6/22)

Brock Smith (30/6/21)

EDUC: Sandra Hundza (30/6/23)

Graham McDonough (30/6/22)

ENGR: Phalguni Mukhopadhyaya (30/6/22)

Henning Struchtrup (30/6/23)

FINE: Carolyn Butler Palmer (30/6/22)

Yasmine Kandil (30/6/21)

GRAD: Mauricio Garcia-Barrera (30/6/23)

Martha McGinnis (30/6/22)

HSD: Richard Marcy (30/6/21)

Susan Strega (30/6/22)

HUMS: Jason Colby (30/6/21)

Alexandra D'Arcy (30/6/22)

LAW: Mark Gillen (30/6/22)

Andrew Newcombe (30/6/23)

SCIE: Neil Burford (30/6/23)

Mark Laidlaw (30/6/23)

SOSC: Helen Kurki (30/6/23)

Denise Cloutier (30/6/21)

## MEMBERS ELECTED BY THE FACULTY MEMBERS

- Sections 35 (2) (g)

Janni Aragon – SOSC	(30/6/21)
Rustom Bhiladvala (ENGR)	(30/6/23)
Erin Campbell (FINE)	(30/6/23)
Laura Cowen - SCIE	(30/6/22)
Aaron Devor (SOSC)	(30/6/23)
Helga Hallgrimsdottir – HSD	(30/6/21)
Robin Hicks – SCIE	(30/6/21)
Fraser Hof (SCIE)	(30/6/23)

## MEMBERS ELECTED BY THE FACULTY

MEMBERS (continued)

CindyAnn Rose-Redwood - SOSC (30/6/22) Suzanne Snizek (FINE) (30/6/23) Victoria Wyatt (FINE) (30/6/23) TBD (30/06/21)

# MEMBERS ELECTED FROM THE STUDENT

SOCIETIES – Section 35 (2) (h)

Brittany Berge (LAW)	(30/6/21)
Jeffrey Bruton (GRAD)	"
Sophia Crabbe (FINE)	"
Logan Cucksey (SCIE)	"
Robyn Giffen (GRAD)	"
Benjamin Gijzen (SOSC)	44
Jonathan Granirer (SOSC)	"
Emily Hiser (SOSC)	"
Navinder Hundal (SCIE)	"
Tomas Kalyniuk (BUS)	"
Joseph Martin (GRAD)	"
Michelle Purchase (HSD)	"
Evan Roubekas (ENGR)	"
Wren Shaman (HUMS)	"
Juliet Watts (SOSC)	"
TBD (EDU)	"

# MEMBERS ELECTED BY THE CONVOCATION

- Section 35 (2) (i)

David Alexander (30/06/21) Chandra Beaveridge (30/06/21) Robert Hancock (30/06/21) Carolyn Russell (30/06/21)

# ADDITIONAL MEMBERS - Section 35 (2) (k)

Head, Division of Medical Sciences: Bruce Wright Member elected by the Professional Librarians:

Dean Seeman (30/06/21)

Continuing Sessional: Matthew Koch (30/06/23)

# SECRETARY OF SENATE - Section 64 (2)

University Secretary: Carrie Andersen

BY INVITATION - Seated with specified speaking rights

Special Advisor to the Provost: Cathie Krull Assoc. VP Student Affairs: Jim Dunsdon Assoc. VP Academic Planning: Susan Lewis

Registrar: Nicole Greengoe

Associate University Secretary: Ada Saab