

632ND MEETING OF SENATE FRIDAY, MAY 7, 2021 ELECTRONIC VOTE

MINUTES

Chair: Principal Michael Goldbloom

Participated:

Ms. Reena Atanasiadis, Mr. Branden Bonham, Dr. Gregory Brophy, Mr. Julien Collin, Mr. Bruno Courtemanche, Dr. Anthony Di Mascio, Mr. Mauladad Bashar Doost, Ms. Sufia Langevin, Ms. Catherine Lavallée-Welch, Ms. Victoria Perak, Dr. Elizabeth Prusak, Dr. Jessica Riddell, Dr. Michael Teed, Dr. Miles Turnbull, Dr. Marianne Vigneault, Ms. Doan Duy Vo, Dr. Yanan Wang, Dr. David Webster, Dr. Brad Willms, Dr. Dawn Wiseman

Secretary: Dr. Trygve Ugland

As provided for in the motion passed by the 619th meeting of Senate held on May 22nd 2020, the Secretary General forwarded the following motion to all Senators on May 7th 2021.

Motion:

On behalf of the ASAP Committee, I move that Senate extends its student-centred accommodations for the Spring/Summer 2021 semester, namely:

- 1. That grading in the Spring/Summer 2021 semester continues to be identical to the process used in the Winter 2021 semester. Professors will provide students with numerical grades. Students will have the option of choosing to convert passing numerical grades to a PASS. All failing numerical grades will be automatically converted to a FAIL;
- 2. That Senate endorses that in the Spring/Summer 2021 semester, students are expected to complete all course requirements (e.g., assignments, group activities, quizzes, and exams) to the best of their ability. Instructors shall make it clear to students, in the course syllabus, which assignments, quizzes, exams and other assessment items in the course must be completed to be eligible to pass the course. Instructors may also set a minimal performance threshold for some assessment items in order to successfully complete a course. Instructors shall make this threshold clear in the course syllabus before the add-drop deadline.

- 3. That the Course Withdrawal date be moved to the last day of classes;
- 4. That Senate continues to endorse the elimination of all penalties for students who report to their course instructor that they are experiencing COVID-like symptoms which was to be effective as of the Fall 2020 Final Examinations and until further notice. Professors may not require students to produce a medical note to justify an absence from class or from upcoming exams, class assignments, and/or presentations. ASAP anticipates that grading in the Fall 2021 and Winter 2022 semesters will return to normal practices.

Moved by: Seconded by:

Miles Turnbull Sufia Langevin

Motion carried.

Michael Goldbloom, Chair

Trygve Ugland, Secretary General