

655TH MEETING OF SENATE
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 7TH 2023, 2:30 P.M.
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MINUTES

Chair: Principal Michael Goldbloom

Present: Ms. Reena Atanasiadis, Dr. Darren Bardati, Dr. Gregory Brophy, Dr. Julie Desjardins, Dr. Alexandre Drouin, Dr. Kerry Hull, Dr. Michele Murray, Dr. Elisabeth Prusak, Dr. Jessica Riddell, Dr. Jordan Tronsgard, Dr. Andrew Webster, Dr. Brad Willms, Ms. Sonoma Brawley, Mr. Julien Collin, Mr. Bruno Courtemanche, Ms. Catherine Lavallée-Welch, Mr. Hans Rouleau

Regrets: Dr. Hafid Agourram, Dr. Claire Grogan, Dr. Michael Teed, Dr. Dawn Wiseman, Dr. Marianne Vigneault, Dr. Yanan Wang, Ms. Martina Berkers, Ms. Cleo Wulder, Ms. Christina Lépine, Ms. Élodie Lescure, Ms. Sienna Longo, Ms. Chelsea Sheridan

Guests: Mr. Daniel Bromby, Dr. Vicky Chartrand

Secretary: Ms. Denise Lauzière, LL.B.

Principal Goldbloom called the 655th meeting to order at 2:32 p.m.

655/1 AGENDA

Dr. Kerry Hull indicated that Dr. Bardati would introduce Dr. Vicky Chartrand to present Item 6.4 in the absence of Dr. Marianne Vigneault.

The agenda was approved as revised.

655/2 MINUTES

The following corrections were brought forward to the Minutes of the 654th Senate meeting held on May 19, 2023.

Correction to Item 5.7: Co-Chairs of the EWP Writing Centre Senate Committee are Ms. Catherine Lavallée-Welch and Ms. Diana Gagné.

Correction by on page 9 to Item 7.2.01. The motion should read: “*Upon the recommendation of the Dean of Arts, the Dean of Science requests that Senate approves this new micro-certificate in Thanatology: The Study of Death & Dying*”.

The Minutes of the 654th Senate meeting were adopted with these modifications.

655/3 COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CHAIR

The Principal provided a brief summary about the previous week’s Convocation. Two ceremonies were held on June 3rd, 2023. Two hundred and forty students crossed the stage at the morning ceremony and 255 students at the afternoon ceremony. Principal Goldbloom commented on the overall success of the weekend’s events including the remarkable attendance of 840 individuals at the Chancellor’s Graduation dinner held on June 2nd. He expressed concern about the declining faculty attendance at the Convocations and hope that they would attend in greater numbers in the future.

655/4 BUSINESS ARISING

No items to be added.

655/5 COMMITTEE ITEMS

ACADEMIC STANDING AND ADMISSIONS POLICY COMMITTEE

Mr. Rouleau informed Senators that the Academic Standing and Admission Policy Committee (ASAP) approved, by electronic vote on Monday, May 29th, 2023, an amendment to the Winter 2024 sessional dates to reflect an earlier start date (January 8th, 2024) for courses in the School of Education: (EDU 328/329 and EDU 428/429) and that April 26, 2024 be the last day of the academic session for EDU 328/329.

Registrar Rouleau reminded Senators that this is a standard practice for the third and fourth academic years of the School of Education program in order to accommodate practicums and internships.

Dr. Desjardins asked for a friendly amendment to the proposed motion to include the earlier start date for EDU 328/329.

Motion:

THAT Senate approves, on the recommendation of the School of Education and supported by the Academic Standing and Admissions Policy Committee, the proposed modifications to the 2024 Winter sessional dates to establish an earlier start date for EDU 328/329.

Moved by: Julie Desjardins

Seconded: Alexandre Drouin

Motion carried.

655/6 *OTHER BUSINESS*

6.1 ACADEMIC REPORT

Dr. Webster provided an update on the most recent enrolment data as of June 1st, 2023. The numbers are very encouraging as we are ahead on key indicators. There are 1,210 students signed up this year, up from 1,149 last year, representing an increase of 60 students.

The Senate Evaluation Committee has completed its work and its remaining reports should be available shortly.

Dr. Webster mentioned that Shannon Bell, Administrative Assistant to the Vice-Principal Academic and Research has taken a position elsewhere.

Dr. Webster informed Senators that he has accepted the position of Chair of the Maple League's Governing Board for the upcoming academic year, and that Dr. Desjardins has been appointed President of the ADEREQ (*Association des doyens, doyennes, directeurs, directrices pour l'étude et la recherche en éducation au Québec*) for the coming year.

6.2 RESEARCH DATA MANAGEMENT STRATEGY

Ms. Catherine Lavallée-Welch presented the Research Data Management Institutional Strategy that was prepared by the Senate Research Committee's ad hoc Research Data Management Strategy (RDMS) Sub-Committee. This document is in response to a mandate to universities included in the Tri-Agency's 2021 Research Data Policy. The Tri-Agency is made up of the Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR), the Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council (NSERC), and the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC). This Policy requires that every university prepare a strategy for managing, preserving and giving access to their research data in order to get grants and to underline its commitment to research at the institutional level.

Ms. Lavallée-Welch indicated that the goals and objectives stated in Section 5 of the Strategy were written taking into consideration the resources available at Bishop's and affirmed that the University will be able to fulfill these goals and objectives. Ms. Lavallée-Welch stated that the aforementioned document ought to be reviewed after two (2) years.

Motion

THAT Senate approves the Bishop's University Research Data Management Institutional Strategy.

Moved: Catherine Lavallée-Welch

Seconded: Michele Murray

Motion carried.

6.3 POLICY ON ACADEMIC FREEDOM

Dr. Webster reminded Senators that a draft Policy on Academic Freedom was presented at the 654th meeting of the Senate, held on May 19th, 2023, for consultation and feedback. The Policy as presented fulfills the specific requirements of the *Act respecting academic freedom in the university sector* to create a mechanism for dealing with complaints on academic freedom.

Motion

THAT Senate approve the Policy on Academic Freedom as required by the Government of Quebec.

Moved: Andrew Webster

Seconded: Julien Collin

Motion carried.

6.4 CENTER FOR JUSTICE EXCHANGE

Dr. Darren Bardati introduced Dr. Vicky Chartrand who presented The Centre for Justice Exchange (Justice Exchange), formerly called the Prison Letters, which she founded along with student volunteers in 2012 at the University of Ottawa. The initiative was initially developed to support people in and out of prison by providing information and resources through print-based correspondence.

The proposal being presented for information at this Senate meeting is to make the Centre for Justice Exchange a formally established and recognized research centre at Bishop's University, with the purpose of:

1. advancing scholarly activity through collaborative research, research training, and research dissemination in the field of collaborative and community justices,
2. offering experiential-based learning opportunities for students through the Justice Clinic internship program,
3. engaging in relevant academic forums and community-based outreach within an interdisciplinary capacity.

Mr. Hans Rouleau questioned whether the logo and letterhead are in line with the Bishop's brand standards. Dr. Chartrand mentioned that this will be taken into consideration as the project moves forward.

Dr. Hull added some general information concerning research centres and mentioned that this Centre could be recognized as a pilot project.

Mr. Collin raised a concern about potential conflict of interest with regards to the governance and asked that the Ethics Committee and external stakeholders (e. g.: Le Pont and Equijustice, etc.) be involved in the process.

Dr. Brad Willms asked if the Eastern Townships Resource Centre (ETRC) was consulted. Dr. Hull mentioned that the ETRC is a resource centre and not a research centre.

Dr. Gregory Brophy asked for clarification on the usage of the term pilot project. Dr. Hull clarified that a formal proposal including the definition of pilot project, timeline and the type of final report that will be produced would be brought back to Senate at a later date.

655/7 RECOMMENDATIONS

7.1 WILLIAMS SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

7.2 ARTS AND SCIENCE

7.2.1 DIVISION OF HUMANITIES

7.2.2 DIVISION OF NATURAL SCIENCES AND MATHEMATICS

7.2.3 DIVISION OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

7.2.3.1 *ADJUNCT PROFESSOR*

Dr. Hull explained that the Adjunct Professor status is required for Dr. Emma Green who is starting her 3rd 10-month limited term appointment because she will be co-supervising a student's Individualized Master program with Dr. Joel Montanez. Given that the length of the student's program extends passed the duration of Dr. Green's current contract, the Adjunct Professor status is required for her.

Motion

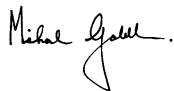
THAT Senate approves, on the recommendation of the Division of Science, that Dr. Emma Green be granted Adjunct Professor Status in the Department of Psychology for a period of three years (September 1st, 2023 - August 31st, 2026)

Moved: Michele Murray

Seconded: Andrew Webster

Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:40 p.m.



Michael Goldbloom, Chair



Denise Lauzière, LL.B. Secretary General
(Interim)