



592ND MEETING OF SENATE

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2018, 5:30 P.M.

MINUTES

Chair: Principal Michael Goldbloom

Present: Dr. Hafid Agourram, Dr. Yotam Baum, Dr. Layachi Bentabet, Dr. Marie-Josée Berger, Dr. Gregory Brophy, Dr. Jenn Cianca, Mr. Kevin John Chaplin, Dr. Mary Ellen Donnan, Dr. Bruce Gilbert, Dr. Kerry Hull, Ms. Alyson Loach, Dr. Sunny Lau, Mr. Gary McCormick, Dr. Adrianna Mendrek, Dr. Michele Murray, Mrs. Erica Phillips, Dr. Maxime Trempe, Mr. Hans Rouleau, Mr. Charles Rumsby, Ms. Helen Tintpulver, Dr. Francine Turmel, Dr. Miles Turnbull,

Regrets: Dr. Stephan Bruda, Angie Petitclerc, Anthony Martin, Dr. Robert Palmer

Secretary: Ms. Marie-Josée Dufour

Guest: Dr. Heather McKeen-Edwards, Dr. Christopher Stonebanks, Dr. Michael Richardson

The Chair called the meeting to order at 5:35 p.m.

The Chair welcomed Helen Tintpulver, new SRC Humanities Senator.

Item 1: Approval of Agenda

The agenda was approved as distributed.

Item 2: Approval of Minutes

The approval of the minutes of the 591st Meeting of Senate is postponed to the next meeting.

Item 3: Communications from the Chair

The Chair spoke to the success and the quality of the two recent Donald Lecture speakers, Maggie MacDonald and Rick Hansen. The Chair also spoke to the fact that these lectures are institutional priorities and invites people to attend in higher numbers.

Bishop's Debate Team was among the only three teams with perfect scores at the recent Up for Debate weekend, but unfortunately did not make it to the final. The team from St. Francis Xavier won this year's competition.

Item 4: Business Arising

4.1 Change of Senate Time:

The Chair asked the Secretary General to provide background on the decision made regarding the change of time for future meetings of Senate. Ms. Dufour explained that following a survey circulated amongst the Senators, the time period that received the most votes (20 votes out of 25 participants) was 3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. However, considering that students are often not available before 5:00 p.m. due to classes which they chose this year under the understanding that Senate would be in the evening, Ms. Dufour selected the most popular option after 5:00 p.m., which was 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. (with 18 votes out of 25). The 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. period was the least preferred time according to the survey (11 votes out of 25 participants).

A general discussion followed about potential scheduling conflicts if the time of the remaining meetings of Senate for 2017-18 were to be changed to 5:30 p.m.

The Chair suggested that a revised survey regarding a potential change to the time of the meetings of Senate for 2018-19 rather than 2017-18 be drafted and distributed.

Item 5.1: Report of the Senate Planning Committee on Part-time Credits

Dr. Turnbull provided Senate with a detailed PowerPoint presentation of the Senate Planning Committee's decision-making process and recommendations on part-time credits. Dr. Turnbull started by thanking all of the members of the Senate Planning Committee.

In 2017-2018, 235 part-time credits were allocated. For 2018-2019, SPC recommends

- an allocation of 253 credits (see attached detailed spread sheet);
- a 10 month special sessional instructor in Chemistry;
- a 12 month special sessional instructor in *Études françaises et québécoises*.

This year, the Senate Planning Committee requested clarifications or meetings with some Departmental Chairs, when the Committee felt it was required. A Senator requested that the Senate Planning Committee maintain the consultation process.

A general discussion followed about the decision-making process and the contributing factors in the decision-making process.

Motion: On behalf of the Senate Planning Committee, Dr. Turnbull therefore moved approval of this allocation of part time credits, as outlined in Document 5.1.

Moved: Miles Turnbull
Seconded: Erica Phillips

The motion carried

Motion: On behalf of the Senate Planning Committee, Dr. Turnbull also moved that academic departments and programs be required to make a formal request to the Senate Planning Committee for approval of conversion of 7 part-time courses from this allotment to a 10-month sessional position on a yearly basis. Should departments or programs request a 12-month sessional, the academic unit would be required to cash in the actual cost of 12-month sessional.

In making this motion, Dr. Turnbull indicated that the Senate Planning Committee would be surprised that academic units would be in a position to sacrifice the number of courses required to support the cost of a 12-month sessional.

Moved: Miles Turnbull
Seconded: Bruce Gilbert

The motion carried

Motion: On behalf of SPC, Dr. Turnbull moved that Senate approve a special 12-month sessional position in Études françaises et québécoises for the 2018-19 academic year.

Moved: Miles Turnbull
Seconded: Adrianna Mendrek

The motion carried

Motion: On behalf of SPC, Dr. Turnbull moved that Senate approve a special 10-month sessional position in Chemistry for the 2018-19 academic year.

Moved: Miles Turnbull
Seconded: Layachi Bentabet

The motion carried

Item 5.2: Report of the Senate Nominating Committee

Dr. Maxime Trempe presented the Report of the Senate Nominating Committee.

Motion: On behalf of the Senate Nominating Committee, Dr. Trempe moved adoption of the report, with a few minor corrections of typos.

Moved: Maxime Trempe

Seconded: Kerry Hull

The motion carried

Item 6: Other business:

Item 6.1: Academic Report

Dr. Turnbull provided an update on student enrollment. Bishop's is currently ahead of its target.

Dr. Turnbull also provided an update on the fall admissions cycle. Dan Seneker provided the most up-to-date numbers and makes an early prediction that our targets will be met.

Item 7: Recommendations for Program and Course changes

Item 7.1: Arts and Science

7.1.1: Division of Social Sciences

7.1.1.1 Department of Economics – Program Modification Proposal

Dr. Michele Murray moved that Senate approve the program modification proposal in the Department of Economics as set out in document 592/7.1.1.1. Dr. Mary Ellen Donnan seconded the motion.

The motion carried

7.1.1.2 Department of Environment and Geography - Program
Modification Proposal

Dr. Michele Murray moved that Senate approve the program modification proposal in the Department of Environment and Geography as set out in document 592/7.1.1.2. Erica Phillips seconded the motion.

The motion carried

Item 7.2: School of Education
No recommendation

Item 7.3 Williams School of Business
No recommendation

Item 7.4 Continuing Education

Dr. Marie Josée Berger informed Senate that Bishop's is offering French and English courses in Montreal in collaboration with Jade College. Moreover, once the Continuing Education Committee has met and determined the criteria for allocating Continuing Education courses for the fall and winter of 2018-19, this information will be forwarded to all Chairs, which is expected to be on Tuesday, February 13, 2018, in the afternoon.

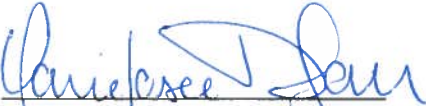
Item 8 Information Items

Dr. Francine Turmel informed Senate that the WSB held its Business Case Competition and that Alyson Loach, WSB Student Senator, was in charge of the organization of this successful event.

There being no further business, the 592nd meeting of Senate was adjourned at 6:40 p.m.



Michael Goldbloom, Chair



Marie-Josée Dufour, Secretary