

SENATE GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE (SGC) Minutes of Meeting

Date: Wednesday, September 19, 2018

Time: 2:30pm – 2:50pm Room: 209 Assumption Hall

PRESENT: Mr. Abrahim Abduelmula, Prof. Jeffrey Berryman, Mr. Pascal Calarco, Dr. Rick Caron, Dr. Pascale Chapdelaine, Dr. Mitch Fields, Mr. Serdar Ismail, Dr. Michael Khan, Dr. Ed King, Dr. Douglas Kneale (Chair), Mr. Sathish Pichika, Dr. Darren Stanley.

ABSENT: Majid Ahmadi, Dr. Jill Crossman (regrets), Dr. Linda Patrick (regrets), Dr. Danielle Soulliere (regrets), Dr. Miriam Wright (regrets).

IN ATTENDANCE: Ms. Renée Wintermute (University Secretary).

1 Approval of the agenda

MOTION: That the agenda be approved.

Fields/King

CARRIED

2 Minutes of the Meeting of May 16, 2018

(see document SGCm180516 for more details.)

MOTION: That the minutes of the Senate Governance Committee meeting of Monday, May 16, 2018 be

approved.

Calarco/Stanley

CARRIED

E-Votes of February 5, 2018, March 21, 2018 and March 28, 2018

(see documents SGC180205E, SGC180321E, and SGC180328E for more details.)

Received for information.

3 Business arising from the minutes

Nothing to report.

4 Outstanding Business/Action Items

*4.1 Committee Membership

(See document SGCa180919-4.1 for more details)

MOTION: That the Senate Governance Committee recommend to Senate the approval of the

following Senate Standing Committees memberships:

Dr. Ken Montgomery - Faculty of Education Representative - Program Development

Committee

Prof. Ruth Kuras – Faculty of Law Representative – Senate Student Caucus

CARRIED*

5 Bylaw Business

5.1 Acting Appointments – Proposed Bylaw Revisions

(See document SGCa180919-5.1 for more details)

MOTION: That the proposed revisions to Bylaws 5, 8, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 16, and 17 be approved.

Caron/King

NOTED:

• Placing a hard limit on the maximum years for an acting appointment may be too constraining.

AMENDMENT TO THE MOTION: That the last sentence of the acting appointment paragraphs be changed to: "The maximum term for an Acting AAU Head *normally* shall *not exceed* two years."

Fields/Khan

NOTED:

- Additional wording was considered as it was noted that the amendment created redundancy.
- Members were reminded that Senate's directive to add the maximum clause arose from concerns at Senate that the term of acting appointments could be open-ended. Senate requested that the language be consistent with the bylaw on the President which stipulates a two-year maximum.

WITHDRAWN

The main motion was voted on and CARRIED.

5.2 Proposed Revision to Bylaw 51 – Multiple Exams Clause

(See document SGCa180919-5.2 for more details)

AGREED:

- For greater clarity, the proposed revision should incorporate language consistent with other paragraphs in Bylaw 51 on what is meant by "final examinations".
- The item was sent back to the Bylaw Review Committee for further amendments.

6 Question Period/Other Business

NOTED:

Members were informed that the Special Appointments Committee is a subcommittee of the Senate
Governance Committee and considers honorary degree nominations and distinguished professor
applications. The recommendations are brought to the Senate Governance Committee for final approval (as
delegated by Senate).

7 Adjournment

MOTION: That the meeting be adjourned.

Khan/King CARRIED