



SENATE  
Minutes of Meeting

**Date:** Friday, May 26, 2017

**Time:** 2:35pm-4:50pm

**Room:** 203 Anthony P Toldo

**PRESENT:** Dr. Abdo Alfakih, Mr. Jonathan Allison, Dr. Natalie Atkin, Mr. Nick, Baker, Ms. Katia Benoit, Prof. Jeff Berryman, Mr. Pascal Calarco, Dr. Joseph Casey, Mr. Richard Corneil, Dr. Beth Daly, Dr. Jeff Defoe, Dr. Jess Dixon, Ms. Yosra Elsayed, Dr. Eahab Elsaid, Dr. Shervin Erfani, Mr. Ryan Flannagan, Dr. Johanna Frank, Dr. Laurie Freeman-Gibb, Dr. Marcello Guarini, Dr. Chris Houser, Mr. Ahmed Khalifa, Dr. Michael Khan, Dr. Muharem Kianieff, Dr. Ed King, Ms. Diana Marion, Ms. Alice Miller, Dr. Maureen Muldoon, Ms. Kathryn Pasquach, Dr. Jagdish Pathak, Dr. Linda Patrick, Dr. Stephen Pender, Dr. Tina Pugliese, Mr. Amin Safaei, Dr. Mehrdad Saif, Dr. Victor Sevillano, Ms. Amber Shaheen, Dr. K. W. Michael Siu, Dr. Jacqueline Stagner, Dr. Darren Stanley, Dr. Maureen Sterling, Dr. Edwin Tam, Dr. Shelagh Towson, Dr. Nurlan Turdaliev, Dr. Chris Waters, Dr. Patricia Weir, Dr. Alan Wildeman, (Chair), Ms. Sue Williams.

**REGRETS:** Dr. Majid Ahmadi, Prof. Reem Bahdi, Mr. Chris Baillargeon, Ms. Amy Bui, Dr. Tanja Collet-Najem, Ms. Joan Dalton, Dr. Phil Dutton, Dr. Mitch Fields, Dr. Phil Graniero, Dr. Debbie Kane, Dr. Wladyslaw Kedzierski, Dr. Douglas Kneale, Dr. Ziad Kobti, Dr. Joanna Luft, Dr. Scott Martyn, Ms. Zeina Merheb, Dr. Lydia Miljan, Dr. Radu Neculau, Dr. Francisca Omorodion, Dr. Gurupdes Pandher, Mr. Meet Patel, Dr. Katherine Quinsey, Dr. Alan Scoboria, Mr. Dilpreet Singh, Dr. Julie Smit, Ms. Jennifer Soutter, Prof. Lionel Walsh, Dr. Zhuo Wang, Dr. Robin Wright.

**ABSENT:** Mr. Abraham Abduelmula, Mr. Mohammad Akbar, Dr. Gordon Drake.

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Ms. Vanessa Sparkes, Ms. Renée Wintermute (University Secretary) and Ms. Alison Zilli (University Secretariat).

**1 Approval of Agenda (Unstarring agenda items)**

*Although items were not discussed in a sequential manner, the minutes do reflect the agenda order of business.*

Items 5.5.1 and 5.5.3 were unstarred.

**MOTION:** That the agenda be approved, as amended.

Dr. J. Pathak/Mr. A Safaei

**CARRIED**

**2 Minutes of the meetings of May 12, 2017**

**MOTION:** That the minutes of the meeting of May, 12 2017 be approved.

Dr. M. Sterling/Dr. E. King

**CARRIED**

**3 Business arising from the minutes**

Nothing to report.

**4 Outstanding Business/Action Items**

**4.1 Candidates for Degrees, Diplomas and Certificates**

*(See document Sa170526-4.1 for more details.)*

**MOTION #1:** to approve the slate of candidates for the Spring 2017 Convocation in the Faculty of Education.

Dr. D. Stanley/Dr. M. Guarini

**CARRIED**

- MOTION #2:** to approve the slate of candidates for the Spring 2017 Convocation in the Faculty of Human Kinetics.  
Dr. M. Khan/Dr. J. Dixon  
**CARRIED**
- MOTION #3:** to approve the slate of candidates for the Spring 2017 Convocation in the Faculty of Engineering.  
Dr. M. Saif/Mr. A. Safaei  
**CARRIED**
- MOTION #4:** to approve the slate of candidates for the Spring 2017 Convocation in the Odette School of Business.  
Dr. M. Sterling/Dr. J. Pathak  
**CARRIED**
- MOTION #5:** to approve the slate of candidates for the Spring 2017 Convocation in the Faculty of Science.  
Dr. C. Houser /Dr. B. Daly  
**CARRIED**
- MOTION #6:** to approve the slate of candidates for the Spring 2017 Convocation in the Faculty of Nursing.  
Dr. L. Freeman-Gibb/Dr. L. Patrick  
**CARRIED**
- MOTION #7:** to approve the slate of candidates for the Spring 2017 Convocation in the Faculty of Arts Humanities and Social Sciences.  
Dr. S. Pender/Dr. V. Sevellano  
**CARRIED**
- MOTION #8:** to approve the slate of candidates for the Spring 2017 Convocation in the Faculty of Law.  
Dr. C. Waters/Dr. M. Kianieff  
**CARRIED**
- MOTION #9:** to approve the list of candidates receiving Board of Governors medals for Graduating/In-Course student awards.  
Dr. J. Casey/Dr. L. Freeman-Gibb  
**CARRIED**
- MOTION #10:** to approve the candidates for the President's Medal and the Governor General's Silver Medal award.  
Dr. E. King/Dr. M. Sterling  
**CARRIED**
- MOTION #11:** to approve the addendum for the Spring 2017 Convocation.  
Ms. A. Miller/Ms. D. Marion  
**CARRIED**
- MOTION #12:** That the Dean of the Faculty concerned in consultation with the Director of Student Awards be empowered to approve award recipients whose names arrive too late for the Senate meeting.  
Prof. J. Berryman/Dr. M. Guarini  
**CARRIED**

**MOTION #13: That the Dean of the Faculty concerned in consultation with the Registrar be empowered to approve the names of candidates whose notification of completion of the requirements for their degrees arrived too late for the Senate meeting.**

Dr. S. Pender/Dr. J. Casey  
**CARRIED**

## **5 Reports/New Business**

### **5.1 Report from Student Presidents (UWSA, OPUS, GSS)**

#### University of Windsor Students Alliance (UWSA)

Senators were informed that the majority of the 2017-2018 UWSA Executive has been constituted and members are looking forward to engaging in activities that will help promote the University of Windsor. A bi-election will take place in the near future for the new President.

#### Organization of Part-Time University Students (OPUS)

Members were reminded that the OPUS student representatives are elected for two-year terms. Current terms are effective until April 30, 2019. Senators were also informed that OPUS is working on ongoing activities for the upcoming year.

#### Graduate Students Society (GSS)

The incoming GSS Executives commenced their terms on May 1, 2017. It was noted that the 9<sup>th</sup> annual GSS soccer game will be held July 16, 2017 and all are encouraged to participate.

### **5.2 Report of the President**

#### Aboriginal Education Council (AEC)

Senators were reminded that every university has an Aboriginal Education Council that is unique to its institution. It was noted that a small group is reviewing the Council's composition in light of the *13 Principles on Indigenous Education* that were endorsed. Engaging in dialogue with indigenous communities and continuing discussion on decolonization and indigenization will be imperative to understanding what is needed to support this initiative.

The official opening of Turtle Island Walk (which is the section of Sunset Avenue between University and Wyandotte Street) is slated for September 21, 2017. The name is in recognition of the First Nations history of the land on which the campus sits.

#### Strategic Mandate Agreement (SMA)

Members were informed that the University is awaiting feedback from the Ministry of Advanced Education and Skills Development on the draft Strategic Mandate Agreement (SMA). The province recently wrote to all universities requesting that documents be shortened to around 30-40 pages. Like Windsor's draft SMA, most universities submitted documents that were close to fifty pages in length. Revisions will be made ensuring that nothing substantive is lost. If the University does not condense the document, the government may take the liberty of editing it.

In response to a suggestion made regarding whether consideration has been given to hiring a third-party copy-editor to condense the document, it was noted that although this has been done in the past, the SMA is far too critical to be left to a third-party editor.

### **5.3 Report of the Academic Colleague**

Nothing to report.

### **5.4 Senate Student Caucus**

Nothing to report.

## 5.5 Program Development Committee

### 5.5.1 Graduate Program/Course Changes

*(See document Sa170526-5.5.1 for more details.)*

**MOTION: That the Graduate Program/Course Changes be approved.**

Dr. P. Weir/Ms. A. Miller

In response to a question raised regarding the rationale for allowing only a one-term deferral, it was noted that this ensures that professors are not holding back funding for students without guarantee that they would attend the university.

**CARRIED**

### \*5.5.2 Program Course Changes

#### \*a) Chemistry and Biochemistry – New Course Proposals

*(See document Sa170526-5.5.2a for more details.)*

**MOTION: That the following course additions be made\*:**

**59-432. Dyes and Pigments: Design Synthesis and Properties**

**59-532. Dyes and Pigments: Design Synthesis and Properties**

**59-442. Nuclear Magnetic Resonance (NMR) Spectroscopy**

*\*Subject to approval of the expenditures required.*

**\*CARRIED**

#### \*b) Science – General – New Course Proposals

*(See document Sa170526-5.5.2b for more details.)*

**MOTION: That the following course additions be made\*:**

**03.390. Undergraduate Research Experience**

**03-380. Service Learning**

**03-399. Internship**

*\*Subject to approval of the expenditures required.*

**\*CARRIED**

#### \*c) Forensics – New Course Proposals

*(See document Sa170526-5.5.2c for more details.)*

**MOTION: That the following course additions be made\*:**

**57-480. Forensic Medicine: Toxins and Pathology**

**57-482. Bioterrorism, Food and Environmental Forensics**

**57-420. Special Topics in Forensic Science**

*\*Subject to approval of the expenditures required.*

**\*CARRIED**

#### \*d) Sociology, Anthropology and Criminology – New Course Proposals and Minor Program Changes *(See document Sa170526-5.5.2d for more details.)*

**MOTION 1: That the following course addition be made\*:**

**48-222. Morals, Markets and Myths**

*\*Subject to approval of the expenditures required.*

**\*CARRIED**

**MOTION 2:** That the degree requirements for the General Family and Social Relations, Honours Family and Social Relations, Combined Honours Family and Social Relations, and Minor in Family and Social Relations be changed according to the program/course change forms\*.

*\*Subject to approval of the expenditures required.*

**\*CARRIED**

**\*e) FAHSS – New Course Proposal**

*(See document Sa170526-5.5.2e for more details.)*

**MOTION:** That the following course addition be made\*:

**51-310 Canine Impact: Exploring the Dog Human Relationship**

*\*Subject to approval of the expenditures required.*

**\*CARRIED**

**5.5.3 Social Work and Women’s and Gender Studies - Course Learning Outcomes**

*(See document Sa170526-5.5.3 for more details.)*

In response to a question raised regarding why the course 53-400, *Exploring the Feminist Voice* is not pluralized to “voices”, it was noted that this question should be directed to the Director of Women’s and Gender Studies.

The document was received for information.

**\*5.5.4 Computer Science – Course Learning Outcomes**

*(See document Sa170526-5.5.4 for more details.)*

The document was received for information. \*

**\*5.5.5 Economics – Program Learning Outcomes**

*(See document Sa170526-5.5.5 for more details.)*

The document was received for information. \*

**\*5.5.6 Psychology – Program Learning Outcomes**

*(See document Sa170526-5.5.6 for more details.)*

The document was received for information. \*

**5.6 Academic Policy Committee**

**\*5.6.1 Calculation of Averages – Revisions**

*(See document Sa170526-5.6.1 for more details.)*

**MOTION:** That the revisions to the Calculation of Averages be approved.

**\*CARRIED**

**5.6.2 New Course Numbering Framework**

*(See document Sa170526-5.6.2 for more details.)*

**MOTION:** That the proposed Course Numbering framework be approved.

Senators were informed that there will be a new course number framework that will coincide with the new Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) software which will be replacing the current Student Information System (SIS).

The proposed framework will establish an alphanumeric course numbering system for the University that will have 4 alpha characters to identify the discipline and 4 numeric characters with the first digit designation the level of the course. Once the framework, is approved than the courses will be identified in the new ERP system.

Clarification was requested regarding the implementation process, particularly the process by which the department will need to follow in order to make these course number changes. In response, it was noted that once the new system is implemented, the current course numbering information will be transferred into the new system as an administrative change inclusive of consultation with academic units. (For example, 62-100 might be transferred to "MATH 1000 or MATH 1100".) Areas who would like to do curriculum reviews or full course number changes afterwards can then put forward proposals at a later date.

In response to a question raised about denoting section number for a course (*i.e.*, lab, tutorial, high-impact course, internship, seminar, *etc.*), it was noted that the system has the ability to add these criteria within the program which will make it easier for students when selecting their courses.

**CARRIED**

## **5.7 Senate Governance Committee**

### **5.7.1 Revisions to Bylaw 22**

*(See document Sa170526-5.7.1 for more details.)*

**MOTION:** That the proposed revisions to Bylaw 22 be approved.

Dr. D. Stanley/Dr. S. Pender

**FRIENDLY AMENDMENT:** "6.4: The Deans recommendation on the file *and its rationale reasons* ~~therefore~~, and the right to make written representations to the UCAPT, will be provided in writing to the faculty member concerned."

**CARRIED, as amended**

### **5.7.2 Revisions to Bylaw 51 and Bylaw 31**

*(See document Sa170526-5.7.2 for more details.)*

**MOTION 1:** That the proposed revisions to Bylaw 51 be approved.

Dr. S. Pender/Prof. J. Berryman

**CARRIED**

**MOTION 2:** That the proposed revisions to Bylaw 31 be approved.

Dr. L. Freeman-Gibb/Dr. D. Stanley

**CARRIED**

### **\*5.7.3 Senate Standing Committees – Membership**

*(See document Sa170526-5.7.3 for more details.)*

**MOTION:** That the Senate Standing Committee memberships be approved.

**\*CARRIED**

#### 5.7.4 Senate Representatives on the Board of Governors

*(See document Sa170526-5.7.4 for more details.)*

The University of Windsor Act provides for "four members of the teaching staff elected by and from the members of the Senate" to sit as members on the Board of Governors of the University.

The following nomination was received prior to the Senate meeting: Dr. Majid Ahmadi. The floor was open for nominations. Dr. Jagdish Pathak was nominated from the floor.

**MOTION: That nominations be closed.**

Dr. M. Sterling/Dr. J. Casey  
**CARRIED**

The vote was by secret ballot. The results of the secret ballot were as follows: Dr. M. Ahmadi was elected to the Board of Governors.

**MOTION: That the ballots be destroyed.**

Dr. M. Kianieff /Mr. A. Safaei  
**CARRIED**

#### 5.8 Report of the Provost

*(See document Sa170526-5.8 for more details.)*

The 2017-2018 Academic Year appointments were presented to Senate. It was noted that there were 4 in the Faculty of Arts Humanities and Social Sciences (Social Work, Creative Arts, and Sociology, Anthropology, Criminology), 7 in Engineering (MAME, Civil and Environmental Engineering, and Electrical and Computer Engineering), 1 in Human Kinetics, 1 in Law, 3 in Odette School of Business and, and 3 in Science (Computer Science, Mathematics and Statistics, Earth and Environmental Sciences).

#### 5.9 Report of Vice-President, Research and Innovation

Senators were informed that last year, the Ministry of Science commissioned a Fundamental Science Review. Minister Duncan adopted a very broad definition of Science for the review, which embraced not only the natural sciences, but also engineering, social sciences, and humanities. The blue-ribbon expert panel was headed by David Naylor and its report was released on April 10. This was a 280-page document containing 35 recommendations that touched upon all aspects of research and its environment in Canada.

The following four main themes are believed to be targeted for immediate focus and improvement: 1) Consistent governance and coordination among organizations that fund researchers; 2) Greater efforts to promote equity and diversity within the research community; 3) Better support for early-career researchers; and, 4) Improved agility and timeliness in responding to emerging research issues.

One of the recommendations of the Panel is on re-investment in frontline research. Altogether, the recommendations call for raising the combined funding of research from \$ 3.5 billion today to \$ 4.8 billion by 2022. The Federal Government appears to be tempering down expectations when it comes to increase in research funding. One aspect of the Naylor report that has received unanimous support within the Government is the promotion of equity and diversity. In many disciplines the record on gender equity is dismal. However, if urgent efforts are made in rectifying this work quotas may not be far off.

Senators were encouraged to read the Naylor report, which had been described as the most comprehensive review of Federal support in 40 years. It can be found online<sup>1</sup> at: <http://www.sciencereview.ca>.

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<sup>1</sup> Canadian Fundamental Science Review Report:  
[http://www.sciencereview.ca/eic/site/059.nsf/vwapj/ScienceReview\\_April2017-rv.pdf/\\$file/ScienceReview\\_April2017-rv.pdf](http://www.sciencereview.ca/eic/site/059.nsf/vwapj/ScienceReview_April2017-rv.pdf/$file/ScienceReview_April2017-rv.pdf)

**6 Question Period/Other Business**

Nothing to report.

**7 Adjournment**

**MOTION: That the meeting be adjourned.**

Dr. M. Sterling/Dr. S. Pender  
**CARRIED**