



MINUTES

Tuesday, February 4, 2020 4:00 – 6:00 p.m.
Senate and Board Chambers, Waterloo Campus
SCJ210, SC Johnson, Brantford Campus (videoconference)

Present: M. Ahmed, C. Anderson, A. Araujo, C. Arnason, G. Ashoughian, R. Basso, H. Beaudry, A. Beggar, D. Buzza, M.L. Byrne, S. Cameron, M. Cantalini-Williams, M. Carroll, K. Carter, J. Casey, L. Chu, A. Clarke, D. Deutschman, C. Donnelly, A. Edgar, L. Eisler, S. Ensign, S. Ghamat, M. Harris, C. Hiebert, J. Holm, S. Isotupa, K. Jackson, M. Kelly, L. King, V. Kitaev, H. LeBlanc, D. MacLatchy, B. McKay, P. McLaren, L. McLeod, D. McMurray, M. Mancuso, D. Monod, K. Montero, R. Nemesvari, J. Newman, S. Ramsay, M. Reesor, K. Rice, M. Rowinsky, D. Rzondzinski, K. Shankardass, D. Smith, M. Straub, W. Wu

Regrets: G. Carruthers, J. Coolman, A. Goodrum, L. Hawton-Kitmura, T. Hazell, M. Hron, D. Maoz, E. Mercier, J. Mueller, L. Read

Absent: D. Antonowicz, K. Dowler, K. Fritz, M. Hussain, M. MacDonald, K. Sarathy, J. Schwieter, S. Shah, S. Sharma, M. Woodford, K. Yri

A. Introduction

1. Call to Order and Approval of the Consent Agenda, D. MacLatchy

The meeting was called to order; D. MacLatchy read the land acknowledgement and welcomed Senate members and guests. The consent agenda was brought forward for approval, there were no changes.

MOTION (M. L. Byrne/M. Kelly) that Senate approve the Consent items listed for approval under item C.1. CARRIED.

2. Business Arising from the Previous Minutes
 - a. Undergraduate for credit certificate budget, L. Eisler

L. Eisler and P. Lovelock provided an overview of the budget for the undergraduate certificate that was approved at the January Senate meeting, the additional time was provided at the February Senate meeting to allow for additional questions and discussion on the budget for the certificate; L. Eisler and P. Lovelock responded to questions on the budget template; the government grant; the calculations of FTEs, international students and cost recovery students.

3. Leadership Update
 - a. Report of the President, D. MacLatchy

D. MacLatchy made note of the following items in the Report from the President: Laurier has been recognized as one of Canada's Top Employers for Young People by MediaCorp. Canada Inc., Laurier and



UBC are the only two post-secondary education institutions selected for this honour; we are excited to announce a gift of \$852,000 from Scotia Bank for the User Experience Design program that runs out of the Brantford campus; the search for our next Vice-President: Finance and Administration is ongoing we are presently in market; the search for our VP: Student Affairs will be commencing soon; last month D. MacLatchy attended the University President's Professional Program hosted by Universities Canada in Alberta; following the workshop, D. MacLatchy was joined by Vice-President: Research Jonathan Newman in Yellowknife, NWT to meet with partners in our newly-extended 20-year MOU with the government of the Northwest Territories, they also met with the leads from Aurora College and the mayor of Yellowknife; upcoming next week Laurier is hosting a Polar Plunge to raise funds in support of the Special Olympics. There were no questions.

b. Report of the interim Provost & VP: Academic, M. Mancuso

In the Report of the interim Provost & VP: Academic, M. Mancuso provided the following information and updates: application update Laurier continue to be a top choice for students, preliminary numbers, as of Jan 15th 101 applicant applications increased 1.8% despite a system wide decrease, other types of applicants (105 applicants) are still outstanding with their deadline being in April; SMA3 information has been posted to Connect on the Provost's section this includes draft workbook and narrative, there next meeting with the province is February 6th, with 3 sections of the SMA3 still under negotiation: weightings; areas of program strength; community impact metric; information on these sections are not posted as they are still under negotiation

d. Question Period: Written or Verbal

M. Mancuso responded to a question on information on SMA3 being online, she updated that all information that has been negotiated is now available on Connect to the Laurier Community, items that are still being negotiated can not yet be posted and more information will be known after the next meeting on February 6th.

B. Discussion

4. In Camera Session

MOTION (M. L. Byrne/C. Anderson) to move in camera. Carried

5. Reports/Recommendations from Divisional Councils

a. Faculty of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies, D. Deutschman

D. Deutschman presented the curriculum changes from the Faculty of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies, there were no questions on the items.

i. Substantive Minor change – MA English and Film Studies

MOTION (D. Deutschman/M/ Ahmed) on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, that Senate approve the change in name of our MA in English to MA in English and Film Studies. CARRIED.

ii. Substantive Minor change – MA Geography

OMNIBOUS for the three Geography curriculum items:



MOTION (D. Deutschman/M.L. Byrne) on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, that Senate approve the changes to the course requirements for the Master of Arts in Geography Program, Master of Environmental Studies in Geography Program. CARRIED.

iii. Substantive Minor change – MES Geography

MOTION ((D. Deutschman/M.L. Byrne)) on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, that Senate approve the changes to the course requirements for the Master of Environmental Studies in Geography Program. CARRIED.

iv. Substantive Minor change – MSc Geography

MOTION ((D. Deutschman/M.L. Byrne)) on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, that Senate approve the changes to the course requirements for the Master of Science in Geography Program. CARRIED.

v. Major Modification – Religion, Culture and Global Justice

MOTION (D. Deutschman/M. Harris) On the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, that Senate approve a change to the MA in Religion, Culture and Global Justice to allow for the addition of an Internship option to complete program requirements. CARRIED.

vi. Major Modification – MIPP

MOTION (D. Deutschman/M. Kelly) on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, that Senate approve the deletion of the Internship Stream of the Master in International Public Policy program. CARRIED.

vii. Substantive Minor change – MIPP and MBA

MOTION (D. Deutschman/S.Isotupa) on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, that Senate approve changes to the MBA/MIPP program requirements. CARRIED.

viii. Major Modification – MFin

MOTION (D. Deutschman/M. Kelly) on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, that Senate approve the academic merger of the Master of Finance and Master of Finance (Executive) programs into a single, cost recovery Master of Finance program. CARRIED.

ix. Substantive Minor change– MMT

MOTION (D. Deutschman/K. Yri) on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, that Senate approve revised admission and program requirements for the 1-year and 2-year Master of Music Therapy. CARRIED.

b. Faculty of Human and Social Sciences, L. Eisler

L. Eisler presented the curriculum changes for the Faculty of Human and Social Sciences.



i. Substantive Minor change – Bachelor of Public Safety

L. Eisler responded to questions on the consultation and possible impact on the Geography unit with the change to remove three geography courses from the Bachelor of Public Safety.

MOTION (L. Eisler/K. Carter) on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, that Senate approve changes to the program requirements of the Bachelor of Public Safety

Honours BA program.

CARRIED.

Approved: 32

Abstention: 5

Opposed: 7

ii. Substantive Minor change – Minor Community Health

MOTION (L. Eisler/P. McLaren) on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, that Senate approve changes to the requirements of the Minor in Community Health (formerly Health Studies). CARRIED.

c. Faculty of Science, A. Clarke

A. Clarke presented the curriculum changes for the Faculty of Science.

i. Major Modification – Health Sciences

MOTION (A. Clarke/M.Ahmed) on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, that Senate approve changes to the required curriculum in the Department of Health Sciences. CARRIED.

ii. Substantive Minor change – Chemistry & Biochemistry

Items ii. and iv. were an omnibus motion.

MOTION (A. Clarke/V. Kitaev) on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, that Senate approve the replacement of a program elective as required course and change the number and sequencing of program electives and electives. CARRIED.

iii. Substantive Minor change – Chemistry & Biochemistry

MOTION (A. Clarke/C. Anderson) on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, that Senate approve the replacement of a program elective as required course and the re-sequencing of program electives and electives in Years 2, 3, and 4. CARRIED.

iv. Substantive Minor change – Chemistry & Biochemistry

MOTION (A. Clarke/V. Kitaev) on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, that Senate approve the replacement of a program elective as required course and change the number and sequencing of program electives and electives. CARRIED.

v. Substantive Minor change – Financial Mathematics



MOTION (A. Clarke/M.Straub) on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, that Senate approve the creation of a new course MA207 that Financial Mathematics students will be required to take in place of CP104. CARRIED.

vi. Substantive Minor change – Computer Science

Items vi. and vii. were an omnibus motion. A. Clarke responded to questions related to the impact on Lazaridis School BBA programs, it was indicated that the Lazaridis School had motions forthcoming to future meetings and that working on the curriculum changes in a coordinated effort is appreciated; as well, A. Clarke responded to comments related to the change of the course content no longer being taught by Math and instead by Computer Science faculty.

MOTION (A. Clarke/M.L. Byrne) on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, that Senate approve the new course requirements for the Honours BSc Computer Science program and the Honours BA Computer Science in Combination with another Honours program. CARRIED.

Approved: 29
Opposed: 2
Abstention: 15

vii. Substantive Minor change – Computer Science in Combination with another Honours program

MOTION (A. Clarke/M.L. Byrne) on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, that Senate approve the new course requirements for the Honours BA Computer Science in Combination with another Honours program. CARRIED.

Approved: 29
Opposed: 2
Abstention: 15

viii. Substantive Minor change – Computer Science and Physics

MOTION (A. Clarke/B. McKay) on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, that Senate approve the new course requirements for the Honours BSc Computer Science and Physics program. CARRIED.

ix. Substantive Minor change – Physics

MOTION (A. Clarke/M. Reesor) on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, that Senate approve the new course requirements for the Honours BSc Physics program. CARRIED.

x. Major Modification – For credit undergraduate certificate (Data Analytics)

Items x. and xi. were an omnibus motion. J. Casey noted that the credential innovation framework is coming forward at a future meeting and that information related to admissions process and requirements is still being developed and approved certificates will have to adhere to those requirements.

MOTION (A. Clarke/C. Donnelly) on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, that Senate approve the creation of a new for-credit undergraduate certificate in Data Analytics and in Quantitative Finance. CARRIED.



- xi. Major Modification – For credit undergraduate certificate (Quantitative Finance)

MOTION (A. Clarke/C. Donnelly) on the recommendation of the Senate Academic Planning Committee, that Senate approve the creation of a new for-credit undergraduate certificate in Quantitative Finance. CARRIED.

6. Reports and Recommendations from Standing Committees

- b. Senate Committee on Teaching and Learning, K. Montero
 - i. Procedure for Dean’s Honour Roll

K. Montero presented the updated Procedure for the Dean’s Honour Roll. It was noted that having all faculties use the proposed procedure will create equity for students.

MOTION (K. Montero/K. Jackson) on the recommendation of the Senate Committee on Teaching and Learning that Senate approve the proposed changes to the Dean’s Honour Roll process. CARRIED.

- c. Senate Committee on Research and Publications, J. Newman
 - i. Annual Report

J. Newman provided information on the Research Annual Report which had been distributed to all Senate members. There were no questions.

- d. Senate Governance Committee, Mary Kelly
 - i. Senate Governance Committee Recommendations

M. Kelly presented the nominations report, there were no questions.

MOTION (M. Kelly/L. McLeod) that Senate approve the slate of nominations. CARRIED.

7. Budget 2020-2021 Update, A. Araujo and M. Mancuso

M. Mancuso and A. Araujo provided an update on the 2020-2021 Budget this included information on the work that has been done in working groups and at faculties to generate ideas related to cost savings and revenue generation; currently working with updated information related to enrolment; currently reviewing essential requests; the proposed budget will come through the governance process in April. M. Mancuso and A. Araujo responded to a question if increase revenue will still mean a 4% budget cut; at this time the budget cut of 4% is still assumed but work is ongoing to calculate and a full answer will be available in April.

8. Matters from the Consent section of the agenda

There were no matters from the consent section of the agenda.

9. Other Business

It was discussed that the issue of secret ballot voting should be looked into, issues related to Robert’s Rules of Order, confidentiality and openness. This item will be discussed at the next governance



committee meeting.

10. Adjournment

C. Consent

The following items are provided for approval or information. The items noted for Approval were approved by consent.

1. Items for Approval
 - a. Agenda
 - b. Draft Minutes of the January 9, 2020 meeting
2. Items for Information
 - a. Report of the Senior Executives
 - b. COU Colleague Report