



PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE  
Minutes of Meeting

**Date:** Wednesday, March 18, 2026  
**Time:** 9:00am-9:10am  
**Room:** 209 Assumption Hall and MS Teams

**PRESENT:** Muntly Al-Bazaz, Kyle Asquith (Chair), Lorraine Chandler, Dave Johnston, Kenneth Ng, Karen Robson, Lisa Salfi-Novena, Jessica Raffoul, Jane Simanovski, Nurlan Turdaliev, Patti Weir, Sarah Woodruff Atkinson, Jeremy Worth, Zuo Chen Zhang.

**ABSENT:** Sahil Benipal (regrets), Bianca Lenarduzzi, (regrets), Matthew Najem, Gemma Smyth (regrets), Helen Yousif (regrets).

**IN ATTENDANCE:** For item 5.1: Rachel Alexs; Alison Zilli (Associate University Secretary), Renée Wintermute (University Secretary)

**1 Approval of Agenda**

**MOTION:** That the agenda be approved.

Jessica Raffoul/Jeremy Worth  
**CARRIED**

**2 Minutes of Meeting of February 12, 2026**

**MOTION:** That the minutes of February 12, 2026 be approved.

Sarah Woodruff Atkinson/Karen Robson  
**CARRIED**

**3 Business Arising from the Minutes**

Nothing to report.

**4 Outstanding Business**

Nothing to report.

**5 Reports/New Business**

**5.1 Bachelor of Commerce (Honours Business Administration) for Graduates of Georgian College’s General Business Diploma - Major Program Changes (Form B) (See document PDC260318-5.1 for more details.)**

**MOTION:** That the Bachelor of Commerce (Honours Business Administration) degree completion pathway for graduates of Georgian College’s 2-year General Business Diploma be approved. ^

*^Subject to approval of the expenditures required.*

Karen Robson/Jessica Raffoul

NOTED:

- In response to a question raised as to whether a generic transfer agreement could be developed for all colleges, it was noted that this is difficult as Odette has to carefully review each colleges curriculum due to the differences in course offerings.
- Odette is in the process of creating a similar transfer agreement with Lambton College.
- Given that colleges now offer both degrees and diplomas, this may affect future transfer pathways.

**CARRIED**

**\*5.2 Kinesiology – New Course Proposal (Form D)**  
(See document PDC260318-5.2 for more details.)

**MOTION:** That the following course be approved: ^  
**KINE-3570. Community Sport**

*^Subject to approval of the expenditures required.*

**\*CARRIED**

**\*5.3 Kinesiology – Minor Program Changes (Form C)**  
(See document PDC260318-5.3 for more details.)

**MOTION:** That the Honours Bachelor of Sport Management and Leadership programs be changed in accordance with the program/course change forms. ^

*^Subject to approval of the expenditures required.*

**\*CARRIED**

**\*5.4 Kinesiology – Summary of Minor Course and Calendar Changes (Form E)**  
(See document PDC260318-5.4 for more details.)

The document was received for information. \*

**\*5.5 Biomedical Sciences – New Course Proposal (Form D)**  
(See document PDC260318-5.5 for more details.)

**MOTION:** That the following course be approved: ^  
**BIOM-3300. Neuroscience Methods**

*^Subject to approval of the expenditures required.*

**\*CARRIED**

**\*5.6 Biomedical Sciences (New Minor) – Minor Program Changes (Form C)**  
(See document PDC260318-5.6 for more details.)

**MOTION:** That the Minor in Biomedical Sciences be approved.

*^Subject to approval of the expenditures required.*

**\*CARRIED**

**\*5.7 Environmental Studies – Minor Program Changes (Form C)**  
(See document PDC260318-5.7 for more details.)

**MOTION:** That the Honours Bachelor of Environmental Studies (BES) program be changed in accordance with the program/course change forms. ^

*^Subject to approval of the expenditures required.*

**\*CARRIED**

**\*5.8 Environmental Science – Minor Program Changes (Form C)**

*(See document PDC260318-5.8 for more details.)*

**MOTION:** That the Honours Bachelor of Environmental Science (with/without thesis) programs be changed in accordance with the program/course change forms.^

*^Subject to approval of the expenditures required.*

**\*CARRIED**

**\*5.9 Environmental Science – Summary of Minor Course and Calendar Change (Form E)**

*(See document PDC260318-5.9 for more details.)*

The document was received for information. \*

**\*5.10 Forensic Science – Summary of Minor Course and Calendar Changes (Form E)**

*(See document PDC260318-5.10 for more details.)*

The document was received for information. \*

**\*5.11 Psychology (Graduate) – Summary of Minor Course and Calendar Change (Form E)**

*(See document PDC260318-5.11 for more details.)*

The document was received for information. \*

**\*5.12 Engineering (Mechatronics) – Summary of Minor Course and Calendar Changes (Form E)**

*(See document PDC260318-5.12 for more details.)*

The document was received for information. \*

**6 Question Period/Other Business**

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

Sarah Woodruff Atkinson/Lorraine Chandler

**CARRIED**