



SENATE  
Minutes of Meeting

**Date:** Friday, March 9, 2018  
**Time:** 2:30pm-3:30pm  
**Room:** 203 Anthony P. Toldo

**PRESENT:** Mr. Abraham Abduelmula, Mr. Mohammad Akbar, Dr. Natalie Atkin, Prof. Reem Bahdi, Mr. Chris Baillargeon, Dr. Anne Baird, Mr. Nick Baker, Prof. Jeff Berryman, Ms. Amy Bui, Mr. Pascal Calarco, Dr. Greg Chung-Yan, Mr. Richard Corneil, Dr. Beth Daly, Dr. Gordon Drake, Dr. Eahab Elsaid, Dr. Karen Engle, Dr. Mitch Fields, Mr. Ryan Flannagan, Dr. Brent Furneaux, Dr. Scott Goodwin, Dr. Marcello Guarini, Dr. Xiaoei Guo, Dr. Mustapha Hamil, Dr. Paul Henshaw, Dr. Chris Houser, Dr. Andrew Hubberstey, Mr. Serdar Ismail, Dr. Karl Jirgens, Mr. Dave Johnston, Dr. Debbie Kane, Dr. Thomas Kenworthy, Mr. Ahmed Khalifa, Dr. Ed King, Dr. Douglas Kneale (Chair), Dr. Bruce Kotowich, Dr. Erika Kustra, Dr. Chuck Macdonald, Dr. Scott Martyn, Ms. Zeina Merhed, Ms. Alice Miller, Dr. Carlin Miller, Dr. Maureen Muldoon, Mr. Gordon Orr, Ms. Kathryn Pasquach, Mr. Meet Patel, Dr. Linda Patrick, Dr. Stephen Pender, Dr. Tina Pugliese, Dr. Steven Rehse, Dr. Anotonio Rossini, Mr. Amin Safaei, Dr. Mehrdad Saif, Dr. Iain Samson, Mr. Dilpreet Singh, Dr. K. W. Michael Siu, Ms. Jennifer Soutter, Dr. Jacqueline Stagner, Dr. Darren Stanley, Dr. Shelagh Towson, Dr. Nurlan Turdaliev, Dr. Chris Waters, Dr. Patricia Weir, Dr. Robert Weir, Dr. Bill Wellington, Ms. Sue Williams, Dr. Sarah Woodruff.

**REGRETS:** Dr. Majid Ahmadi, Mr. Jonathan Allison, Mr. Jeremiah Bowers, Dr. Jeff Defoe, Prof. Bruce Elman, Dr. James Gauld, Dr. Vincent Georgie, Dr. Ofelia Jianu, Ms. Diana Marion, Dr. Cheri McGowan, Dr. Ken Montgomery, Dr. Mehdi Sangani Monfared, Dr. Radu Neculau, Dr. Alan Wildeman.

**ABSENT:** Dr. Fazle Baki, Mr. Navjot Deo, Ms. Yosra Elsayed, Dr. Michael Khan, Dr. Norman King,

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Mr. Marcin Pulcer, Ms. Renée Wintermute (University Secretary) and Ms. Alison Zilli (University Secretariat).

*The Provost assumed the role of Acting Chair for the meeting.*

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

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

Mr. N. Baker/Dr. E. King  
**CARRIED**

**2 Minutes of the meetings of February 9, 2018**

**MOTION:** That the minutes of the meeting of February 9, 2018 be approved.

Dr. D. Stanley/Dr. A. Rossini  
**CARRIED**

**3 Business arising from the minutes**

Nothing to report.

#### **4 Outstanding Business/Action Items**

##### **4.1 Truth and Reconciliation Commission's Call to Action – Faculty/Department Initiatives**

*(See document Sa180309-4.1 for more details.)*

At the Senate meeting of February 9, 2018, concern was raised that the recommendations in the *Report of the Senate Working Group on Benchmarking the University of Windsor in Relation to Universities Canada 13 Principles on Indigenous Education* may not be fully addressed if they are not openly discussed on an ongoing basis. In light of this, Senators from each of the Faculties were asked to provide an overview of the various activities, initiatives, and outreach that they are working on pertaining to indigenization of the curriculum.

Some examples of initiatives included: decolonizing the library by re-describing current collections, acquiring indigenous-themed literature/authors, establishing an Indigenous Outreach Librarian as the point of contact for all indigenous activities involving the library; hiring indigenous Faculty members, conceptualizing of an Indigenous business centre; restructuring classroom space in a circular manner when logistically possible; cultivating relationships with First Nations (Walpole Island) for collaborative teachings; conceptualizing the development of a certificate or minor in indigenous studies; incorporating indigenous authors in courses; having indigenous authors as guest speakers; structuring courses to address indigenous knowledge; re-visiting the idea of bringing back indigenous language courses such as Ojibwe or courses on pre-history and colonization. It was noted that many professional schools have accreditation bodies that are requiring indigenous content at the pre-service level or throughout the curriculum.

Given that Western Knowledge systems are built differently than Indigenous Knowledge systems, it will be important for the University to have culturally appropriate supports in place so that implementation of activities, initiatives, and teachings are successful, relevant, and supportive of transmitting information from an indigenous knowledge paradigm. Reframing how Western knowledge is viewed from an Indigenous perspective will require a strong knowledge base and support.

This discussion will continue at the Provost Council and Faculty (Coordinating) Councils.

#### **5 Reports/New Business**

##### **5.1 Report from the Student Presidents**

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

Senators were provided with the following updates: 1) a game night was hosted at the Hub as a fundraiser and to help students de-stress; 2) UWSA is working on creating a first-year student council that will have representatives from all areas; 3) Student Elections are going on until March 15<sup>th</sup>; and, 4) the UWSA Annual General Meeting will be held on March 29<sup>th</sup> in Alumni Auditorium.

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

Members were informed that OPUS hosted a successful event on mental and physical health as part of their Winter Social, which included a panel that addressed topics such as mental health, heart and stroke, nutrition, and exercise.

###### Graduate Students Society (GSS)

It was noted that GSS has decided to re-open the position for VP Finance and that there are already nominations in place for the Presidential position. Members were informed that GSS has been hosting various workshops for students on a variety of topics such as immigration.

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

Nothing to report.

### 5.3 Report of the Academic Colleague

Nothing to report.

### 5.4 Senate Student Caucus

It was noted that it may be timely to revisit the Senate Student Caucus as it may not be the best avenue for bringing forward student concerns.

### 5.5 Program Development Committee

#### \*5.5.1 Program Course Changes

##### \*a) Women's and Gender Studies – Minor Program Changes

*(See document Sa180309-5.5.1a for more details.)*

**MOTION:** That the degree requirements for the BA (General) in Women's and Gender Studies, BA Honours in Women's and Gender Studies, and Combined Honours in Women's and Gender Studies be changed according to the program/course change forms\*.

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

**\*CARRIED**

##### \*b) International Relations and Development Studies – Minor Program Changes

*(See document Sa180309-5.5.1b for more details.)*

**MOTION:** That the degree requirements for the Honours International Relations and Development Studies be changed according to the program/course change forms.\*

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

**\*CARRIED**

##### \*c) Bachelor of Music – Minor Program Changes

*(See document Sa180309-5.5.1c for more details.)*

**MOTION:** That the degree requirements for Bachelor of Music be changed according to the program/course change forms. \*

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

**\*CARRIED**

##### \*d) Earth and Environmental Science – Minor Program Changes

*(See document Sa180309-5.5.1d for more details.)*

**MOTION:** That the requirements for the Minor in Earth Science and Minor in Environmental Science be changed according to the program/course change forms. \*

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

**\*CARRIED**

##### \*e) Sociology, Anthropology and Criminology - Graduate – Minor Program Changes

*(See document Sa180309-5.5.1e for more details.)*

**MOTION: That the degree requirements for Master of Arts in Criminology and the Master of Arts in Sociology be changed according to the program/course change forms.\***

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

**\*CARRIED**

- \*f) MFA in Film and Media Arts – Minor Program Changes**  
*(See document Sa180309-5.5.1f for more details.)*

**MOTION: That the degree requirements for the Master of Fine Arts in Film and Media Arts be changed according to the program/course change forms.\***

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

**\*CARRIED**

- \*g) Nursing – Graduate – New Course Proposal**  
*(See document Sa180309-5.5.1g for more details.)*

**MOTION: That the following course addition be made\*:  
63-593. Advanced Professional Nursing Practicum**

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

**\*CARRIED**

- \*h) Psychology – Graduate – New Course Proposals**  
*(See document Sa180309-5.5.1h for more details.)*

**MOTION: That the following course addition be made\*:  
46-688 Introductory Practicum in Clinical Neuropsychology  
46 689. Intensive Practicum in Neuropsychology**

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

**\*CARRIED**

- \*i) Political Science – New Course Proposal**  
*(See document Sa180309-5.5.1i for more details.)*

**MOTION: That the following course addition be made\*:  
45-441. The New Scramble for African Resources**

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

**\*CARRIED**

- \*j) Biological Science – New Course Proposal**  
*(See document Sa180309-5.5.1j for more details.)*

**MOTION: That the following course addition be made\*:  
55-405. Stem Cell Biology**

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

**\*CARRIED**

**\*k) Chemistry and Biochemistry – New Course Proposals**

*(See document Sa180309-5.5.1k for more details.)*

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

**03-59-234/ CHEM-2340. Fundamentals of Organic Chemistry**

**03-59-236/ CHEM-2341. Fundamentals of Organic Chemistry**

**03-59-473/59-573 (CHEM-4730/CHEM 8573). Self-Organization by Molecular Design**

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

**\*CARRIED**

**\*l) Science – New Course Proposals**

*(See document Sa180309-5.5.1l for more details.)*

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

**03-370. Special Topics in Science**

**03-401. Science in the Media**

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

**\*CARRIED**

**\*m) Economics – New Course Proposal**

*(See document Sa180309-5.5.1m for more details.)*

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

**41-495 Economics Internship**

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

**\*CARRIED**

**\*n) Political Science – Graduate – New Course Proposal**

*(See document Sa180309-5.5.1n for more details.)*

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

**45-569. Globalization, Poverty and Development**

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

**\*CARRIED**

**\*5.5.2 Bachelor of Social Work and Women's Studies Program Learning Outcomes**

*(See document Sa180309-5.5.2 for more details.)*

The document was received for information. \*

**\*5.5.3 English – Graduate – Program Learning Outcomes**

*(See document Sa180309-5.5.3 for more details.)*

The document was received for information. \*

**5.5.4 Languages, Literatures and Culture – Course Learning Outcomes**

*(See document Sa180309-5.5.4 for more details.)*

The document was received for information. \*

**\*5.5.5 Discontinuation of Articulation Agreement – Sheridan’s Craft and Design Diploma Program and the BFA in Visual Arts** *(See document Sa180309-5.5.5 for more details.)*

The document was received for information. \*

**\*5.5.6 PDC Reports on University Program Reviews and Status Reports**  
*(See document Sa180309-5.5.6 for more details.)*

The document was received for information. \*

**5.6 Academic Policy Committee**

**\*5.6.1 Policy on Grading and Calculation of Averages – Graduate Revisions**  
*(See document Sa180309-5.6.1 for more details.)*

**MOTION: That the proposed revisions to the Policy on Grading and Calculation of Averages be approved.**

**\*CARRIED**

**\*5.6.2 Information Technology Services Annual Report**  
*(See document Sa180309-5.6.2 for more details.)*

The document was received for information. \*

**\*5.6.3 Tabula Rasa for Liberal Arts and Professional Studies Policy – Revisions**  
*(See document Sa180309-5.6.3 for more details.)*

**MOTION: That the proposed revision to the Tabula Rasa for Liberal Arts and Professional Studies Policy be approved.**

**\*CARRIED**

**5.6.4 Policy on Undergraduate English Language Proficiency Requirement- Revision**  
*(See document Sa180309-5.6.4 for more details.)*

**MOTION: That the University of Windsor accept a minimum overall score of 176 on the Cambridge English: Advanced (CAE) or the Cambridge English: Proficiency (CPE) as proof of English Language Proficiency for Undergraduate Programs**

Dr. A. Rossini/Ms. A. Miller

Senators were informed that several other major universities accept Cambridge English as proof of English Proficiency which is comparable to the Cambridge English IELTS.

**CARRIED**

**5.7 Senate Governance Committee**

**5.7.1 Sessional Lecturers Standing on Councils**  
*(See document Sa180309-5.7.1 for more details.)*

**MOTION: That the proposed revisions to Bylaws 1, 3, 5, 8, 10, 11, 13, 14, 17, 20, 31, 32, 40 and 44 be approved.**

Dr. C. Macdonald/Dr. A. Rossini

Senators were informed that the proposed changes will allow Sessional Lecturers to participate in governance at the Departmental, Faculty, and Senate levels, should they choose to volunteer.

In response to a question raised, Senators were reminded that Sessional Lecturers are permanent members of the teaching staff with teaching duties for eight consecutive months of the year. In response to a question raised about governance terms extending beyond the eight consecutive months, it was noted that a Sessional Lecturer who chooses to participate would be expected to do so for the full length of the committee term.

In response to a question raised about the logistics, it was noted that each AAU Head would inquire if their Sessional Lecturers would like to participate in governance before establishing the committees for the year. Senate Committees would follow the normal election process.

**CARRIED**

## **5.8 Report of the Provost**

Senators were provided with the following updates: 1) The University continues to make strong progress pertaining to the SPF 50 faculty hires (Round 3) and President's Indigenous Peoples Scholars (PIPS) program; 2) Applications numbers remain strong for both Teacher Education and 101/105/Visa students; 3) March Open House was extremely successful with 2868 registrants and guests, up 372 over last Spring; and, 4) the opening of the performance Hall in School of Creative Arts (SoCA) was fantastic.

It was noted that the UWill Discover Conference that showcases undergraduate research has over 100 submissions and will be held in the CAW Centre on March 22-23. It was also noted that the UWindsor Three Minute Thesis Competitions will be held on Monday, March 26, 2018 starting at 2 pm in Alumni Auditorium, CAW Student Centre.

The Provost extended congratulations to Heidi Jacobs and Dave Johnston from the Leddy Library and Dr. Miriam Wright from the Department of History on receiving the Lieutenant Governor's Excellence in Conservation Award from the Ontario Heritage Trust for their project on the Chatham Coloured All-Stars (1932-1939). They have also been nominated for an Outstanding Contribution Award from the Ontario Council of University Libraries.

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

The Vice-President, Research and Innovation noted that the Federal Liberal budget invests significantly in Canadian scientists and researchers and includes a historic increase to Tri-Council base funding for basic research. It was noted that it is important to acknowledge that lobbying plays a significant role in government funding decisions.

## **6 Question Period/Other Business**

The University of Windsor campus received national applause recently when Best Choice Schools (BCS) ranked it among the most beautiful in Canada. In particular, the campus landscaping was also highlighted as home to several species of trees found in the Carolinian forest with many of the seedlings being cultivated from the Leddy Library garden.

## **7 Adjournment**

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

Dr. A. Rossini/Dr. C. Miller

**CARRIED**