

## The 476<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Trent University Senate

Tuesday, March 12, 2019, 2:00 p.m.  
A.J.M. Smith Room

### Minutes

Present were: Senators Leo Groarke (Chair) Gillian Balfour, Ingrid Brenner, Craig Brunetti, Jim Buttle, Antonio Cazorla Sanchez, Gytha Chapman, Robert Clarke, Neil Emery, Jason Fenno, Helen Haines, Holger Hintelmann, Hugh Hodges, Markus King, Byron Lew, Lewis MacLeod, Kelly McGuire, Jaime Morales, Shaelyn Mortensen, Jacqueline Muldoon, David Newhouse, Van Nguyen-Marshall, Colleen O'Manique, Karleen Pendleton Jimenez, Marco Pollanen, Raul Ponce-Hernandez, Nona Robinson, Robert Robinson, Sonia Sanders, Aaron Slepko, Shaun Watmough, Kirsten Woodend and Asaf Zohar. Official Visitors: Karen Foster and Vivian Parkes. University Secretary Karen Spearing, Associate University Secretary (Senate) Tara Harrington

**Regrets:** Senators Cathy Bruce, Saud Choudhry, James Conolly, Garae Goodman, Carolyn Kay, Elizabeth Lindsay, Janet Miron, Erica Nol, James Parker, Andreas Pickel, Mark Skinner, Kasandra Tancorre and Jada Wahabu

**Guests:** Ms. Julie Davis, Vice-President External Relations and Advancement and Mr. Steven Pillar, Vice-President Finance & Administration.

### Welcome and Adoption of the Agenda

The Chair opened the meeting with a welcome to the traditional territory:  
We respectfully acknowledge that we are on treaty and traditional territory of the Mississauga Anishinabeg. We offer our gratitude to First Nations for their care for, and teachings about, our earth and relations. May we honour those teachings.

### Closed Session

#### Executive Committee Reports.

The Nominating and Governance Subcommittee had recommended that Stephen Stohn be appointed as Trent's next Chancellor. Senate Executive had supported the recommendation. The Chair and Julie Davis noted that Mr. Stohn, an alum, was a very successful entertainment lawyer and has been an active alum, engaging on a variety of fronts.

Senate approved the recommendation as presented. Mr. Stohn will be installed as the University's 12<sup>th</sup> Chancellor at convocation in June.

The University Honours Subcommittee had made a recommendation regarding the 2019 Eminent Service Award. Senate approved forwarding the recommendation to the Board of Governors for approval.

## Open Session

### Minutes and Business Arising—Meeting of February 12, 2019

Senate approved the minutes as presented.

### Chair's Remarks and Announcements

The Chair reported that there was still a great deal of uncertainty regarding the provincial government's recent announcement about ancillary fees. He noted that discussions were on-going.

The Symons Campus Open House was to be held on Friday, March 15<sup>th</sup>.

The Northern Studies Colloquium was to take place at the Gathering Space on Tuesday, March 19<sup>th</sup>.

Gillian Balfour announced the recipients of the 2019 teaching awards:

Symons Award for Excellence in Teaching—awarded to Wesley Burr, Assistant Professor in Mathematics

Award for Educational Leadership and Innovation—awarded to Sheldene Simola, Professor in the School of Business

Award for Excellence in Teaching Assistance—awarded to Sarah McNeilly, Teaching Assistant in Cultural Studies and Media Studies

CUPE Teaching Award Committee: CUPE 3908-1 AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN TEACHING—awarded to Sam Grey, Instructor in International Development Studies

Online Teaching Award Committee: Award for Excellence in Online Teaching—awarded to Susan Yates, Instructor in Biology

A Celebration of Teaching was to be held on April 11<sup>th</sup>.

Senator Colleen O'Manique announced that Shelley Tanaka, an editor, had been selected as the next Ashely Fellow.

**Mental Health-Exercise and Discussion.** Senator Nona Robinson led a discussion on mental health. Senators worked in small groups to discuss potential responses to various scenarios.

**Undergraduate Studies Committee Report.** Senator O'Manique presented the report which included five major modifications:

**Cultural Studies**-New Option in Visual Arts;

**Education**-new Option in Education;

**School of the Environment**-new Option in Planning;

**Policing & Community Well-being**-new Postgraduate Certificate in Senior Police Leadership; and

**Political Studies**-discontinue the Emphasis in Law & Policy.

Senate approved the recommendations as presented.

The report also included a number of minor modifications:

**Business**-new course ADMN 4720H

**Canadian Studies**-new course CAST-HIST 2235H

**Child & Youth Studies**-revise program requirements for the Honours program

Three new courses-CHYS 4003H, CHYS 4800Y and CHYS 4880H, 4881H

**Cultural Studies**-four new courses-CUST-INDG 1570H(which would fulfill the Indigenous Course Requirement and be added to the Approved Indigenous Course List), CUST 2547H, CUST 3526H and CUST 4526H;

Compress CUST 2111Y to CUST 2511H, CUST 3029Y to CUST 3529H and CUST 4035Y to 4535H;

**Education**-two new courses-EDUC-PHIL 2200H and EDUC 4388H;

**English Literature**-three new courses-ENGL 3509H, ENGL 3603H and WRIT 3003H;

**Forensic Science**-four new courses-FRSC 4700H, FRSC-CHEM 3720H, FRSC 3800H and FRSC-BIOL 4800H;

**History**-two new courses-HIST 3330H and HIST 3790H;

**Political Studies**-revise program requirements for the Honours program.

Senate approved the recommendations as presented.

**Graduate Studies Committee Report** The report, which Senator Brunetti presented, included recommendations for the following new courses:

**M. Sc.F.S. Forensic Science**-FRSC 5007H

**M.A. Cultural Studies**-CUST 5511H

In addition, the report recommended a number of changes to the calendar copy regarding Grade Reports.

Senate approved the recommendations as presented.

**Cyclical Program Review Committee Report** Senator Woodend presented the report noting that the MSc & PhD Materials Science (with UOIT) and the BA/BSAc & MA/MSc Psychology had completed the cyclical review process. The report was accepted as information.

**2019-20 Committee List.** Senator Hintelmann presented the list and reported that a number of the Chair positions had yet to be filled for academic 2019-20.

Senate approved the list as presented.

### **Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 3:18 p.m.

Dr. L. Groarke, Chair

T. Harrington, Secretary