

The 505th Meeting of the Trent University Senate

Tuesday, January 17, 2023 2:00 p.m.

Via Zoom

Minutes

Present were: Senators Leo Groarke (Chair). Suzanne Bailey, Sam Barry, Rita Bode, Cathy Bruce, Craig Brunetti, Gary Burness, James Connelly, Aiden Cooke, Anthony Coulter, Noah Edwards, Rodney Fitzsimons, Cyndi Gilmer, Scott Henderson, Holger Hintelmann, Hugh Hodges, Nancie Im-Bolter, Michael Khan, Whitney Lackenbauer, Lily Lalonde, Lawrence Lam, Paul Manning, Sanela Martic, Claire Mooney, Dennis Murray, Van, Nguyen-Marshall, Heather Nicol, Kathryn Norlock, Fergal O'Hagan, Karleen Pendleton Jimenez, Viviana Pinheiro, Marco Pollanen, Mark Skinner, Annalise Smart, Shay Surujnarain and Kelly Young. Official Visitors Heather Crowley, Robyn Quantick and Ian Thompson. Associate University Secretary (Senate) Tara Harrington, Governance and Access/Privacy Officer Richelle Hall and Coordinator, Board and Senate Support Taylor Edwards.

Regrets: Senators Peri Ballantyne, Ann Celestini, Michael Chan-Reynolds, Saud Choudhry, Richard Hurley, William Kim, Hugo Lehmann, Phuong Nguyen and Raul Ponce-Hernandez.

Welcome and adoption of the Agenda

The meeting opened with a welcome to the traditional territory:

We respectfully acknowledge that we are on treaty and traditional territory of the Michi Saagiig 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

The Chair announced that we would be reaching out to a fourth honorary degree nominee from the list that Senate had approved. All three of the individuals approached to date had accepted.

Academic Planning and Budget Committee Report. Senator Khan presented a proposal for a new program.

Senate approved the program proposal for submission to the Quality Council.

Open Session

Chair's Remarks and Announcements.

The Chair gave notice that there would be a motion coming forward in February for the 'merger of the department of French and Francophone Studies with the School for the Study of Canada'. The new name will be '*School for the Study of Canada / École d'études canadiennes*'.

The Chair noted that there had been a discussion at Faculty Board about ChatGBT. There is concern, among our faculty and in the broader academic community, about the impact this program might have on how we approach academic integrity.

Minutes and Business arising Meeting of December 6, 2022. The minutes were approved as presented.

Undergraduate Studies Committee Report. Senator Mooney presented the report, which included the following recommendations for approval:

Anthropology-Two new specializations-Specialization in Biological Anthropology and Specialization in Bioarchaeology.

Biology-Revise program requirements for the major, joint-major and minor to indicate that BIOL 1050H and BIOL 1051H will not to be eligible for credit toward one of these degrees or the minor.

Cultural Studies- Two new regular courses-CUST 2525H and CUST 3525H.

Policing & Community Well-being—Three new regular courses-PLCW 2006H, PLCW 3009H and PLCW 4009H.

It was reported that the issue of 4U prerequisites had been discussed at Senate Exec and that the Undergraduate Studies Committee had been asked to look at the challenges that they present. Senate approved the recommendations as presented.

Graduate Studies Committee Report. Senator Brunetti presented the report which included the following proposals:

Ph.D. in Indigenous Studies- Removal of INDG 6601Y and addition of the curriculum from INDG 6601Y to INDG 6701Y.

M.Sc. Nursing—New course NURS 5901H

Merge two graduate diplomas into one—The Graduate Diploma in Mental Health and Addictions Nursing and the Graduate Diploma in Dementia Studies Nursing to be renamed Graduate Diploma in Nursing-Mental Health and Addictions and Graduate Diploma in Nursing-Dementia Studies.

Senate approved the recommendations as presented.

Strategic Research Plan (SRP) Consultation. Senator Bruce provided an update on the consultation process reporting that there had been 14 listening sessions and 180 responses to the survey. Her presentation included information about the research themes that had emerged during the process and the shared goals that had been identified. Following Senator Bruce's update, she asked each Dean that had facilitated one of the breakout sessions in December to provide the highlights of their group discussions.

It was agreed that the new SRP would be brought back to Senate for approval in May.

Adjournment.

The meeting adjourned at 3:30

Dr. L. Groarke, Chair

T. Harrington, Secretary