

The 516th Meeting of the Trent University Senate

Tuesday, April 9, 2024 2:00 p.m.

Via Zoom

Minutes

Present were: Senators Leo Groarke (Chair), Jodi Ambrose, Joel Baetz, Peri Ballantyne, Cathy Bruce, Craig Brunetti, Bruce Cater, Michael Chan-Reynolds, Kirk Collins, Anthony Coulter, Finis Dunaway, Noah Edwards, Scott Henderson, Holger Hintelmann, Richard Hurley, Nancie Im-Bolter, Michael Khan, William Kim, Jean-François Koprivnjak, Lawrence Lam, Hugo Lehmann, Kelly McGuire, Dennis Murray, Heather Nicol, Kathryn Norlock, Fergal O'Hagan, Karleen Pendleton Jiménez, Catalina Sagarra, Paula Sherman, Mark Skinner, Emily Tufts, Sarah Twomey, Beth Wallace, Sarah West, Rylin Wormington, Robert Wright, Juman Zanzoul and Asaf Zohar. Official Visitors Heather Crowley, Connor Koch, and Brendon Remmelgas. Associate University Secretary (Senate) Tara Harrington and Coordinator, Board and Senate Support Taylor Edwards.

Regrets: Senators Stefan Bilaniuk, Shutao Cao, Ann Celestini, Paul Manning, Liam Mitchell, Suresh Narine, Rovel Rehman, and Shaun Watmough. Visitors Alma Barranco-Mendoza, Geoff Navara and David Tough

Welcome and adoption of the Agenda

The meeting opened with a welcome to the traditional territory:

We respectfully acknowledge that we are on the 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.

Open Session

Chair's Remarks and Announcements.

The Chair announced that he would not be present for the May meeting of Senate, so this was to be his last meeting. He expressed his gratitude for the work undertaken by Senators during his term noting that Senate has advanced a significant number of new initiatives while facing challenges such as those posed by COVID and uncertain government funding. He noted that Karleen Pendleton Jiménez would be completing her term as Academic Colleague and thanked her for her many contributions while in that role. The Chair also thanked staff in the Secretariat who support Senate.

Minutes and Business arising Meeting of March 12, 2024. The minutes were approved as presented.

Undergraduate Studies Committee Report. Senator Norlock presented the report which included the following recommendations:

Kinesiology- New Co-op program.

Political Studies-New undergraduate Certificate in Political Leadership.

Nursing—New articulation agreement with Seneca College that would allow qualified graduates of Seneca's Practical Nursing diploma program to enter Trent's Nursing program with advanced standing.

Criminology-- Two new articulation agreement with Loyalist College that would allow qualified graduates of Loyalist's Community and Justice Services and Protection, Security and Investigation diploma programs to enter Trent's Criminology program with advanced standing.

Policing & Community Well-being-- New articulation agreement with Loyalist College that would allow qualified graduates of Loyalist's Police Foundations diploma program to enter Trent's Policing & Community Well-being program with advanced standing.

Biomedical Science--Modify program requirements for the Bachelor of Science Biomedical Science single-major Honours program.

Communications-Modify program requirements for the single-major Honours program, the joint-major Honours program the single-major General program and the joint-major General program. Rename and modify requirements for Specialization in ~~Media Relations~~ Public Relations.

Computer Science—Modify co-op requirements.

Political Studies—New regular course POSY-IDST 4873H.

Senate approved the recommendations as presented.

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

MSc and MA in Applied Modelling & Quantitative Methods--Addition of new stream-Data Science and Analytics.

MA in Canadian Studies & Indigenous Studies—New courses- CSID 5305H and CSID 5452H.

Ph.D. in Indigenous Studies—Modify program requirements-specifically, the language requirement.

Change cross-listing with another program: AGNG-CSID-SUST 5801H-CAST 6801H.

Addition of course exclusion-CSID-HIST-SUST 5171H-CAST 6171H.

Master of Management—Addition of new stream-Health Care Management.

MSc in Forensic Science—Addition of course description-FRSC 5009H.

Senate approved the recommendations as presented.

2024-25 Meeting Schedule. Senate approved the schedule as presented.

2024-25 Faculty Committee List. Senator Skinner presented the report noting that the list contained a few minor errors which would be corrected as well as some vacancies which would be filled over the next few months.

Senate approved the list.

COU Academic Colleague Report. Senator Pendleton Jiménez reported on the recent meetings of the Colleagues. Cheryl Foy, a consultant on university governance, had addressed the Colleagues on the challenges of governance. Among other things she had observed that the autonomy of universities was being threatened.

Any Other Business. Senator Khan led Senators in a cheer to the president. He reminded Senators that during the president's term(s) Trent had seen unprecedented growth in enrolment and that the president had fostered initiative, collaboration and program development.

Adjournment.

The meeting adjourned at 3:14.

Dr. L. Groarke, Chair

T. Harrington, Secretary