

MEMORANDUM

To: Barbara H. Eccles, Secretary of Senate

From: Dr. Douglas Ivison - Chair, Senate Teaching and Learning Committee (2017-18)

Senate Meeting Date: 17 September 2018

Subject: Senate Teaching and Learning Committee Report

The Senate Teaching and Learning Committee (STLC) met on June 5 and 25, and held its first meeting of 2018-19 on September 5.

The Committee recommended (by electronic vote due to lack of quorum on June 5) that Senate approve the creation of the Teaching Innovation Award (see attached).

The Writing and Communication sub-committee recommended that the Grammarly pilot project be renewed for another year. K. Keiller indicated that she hopes to be able to do so.

The Learning Spaces and Technology sub-committee reported the results of the pilot of the Learning Space Rating System (LSRS) in the Regional Centre. The review identified strengths and shortcomings in the rooms reviewed, and also identified improvements to the review process. Further reviews will take place.

The Learning Spaces and Technology sub-committee also reported that a team has been formed to develop a Service Catalogue, an online portal to provide faculty, staff, and students with better knowledge of and access to the IT services provided by Lakehead.

The Teaching Awards sub-committee received and reviewed nominations for the Distinguished Instructor Award, and recommended a recipient of the award to the STLC, which voted (electronically due to lack of quorum on June 25) that the recommended recipient be forward to the Provost and Vice-President (Academic) for approval.

As STLC did not have quorum for any of the three meetings, it did not select a Chair for 2018-19. It is in the process of holding an electronic vote to elect a Chair.

Notice of Motion: At the October Senate meeting, the STLC will be bringing forward a Motion that Senate approve the creation of a Teaching Innovation Award.

Respectfully submitted,

Dr. Douglas Ivison
Chair, Senate Teaching and Learning Committee (2017-18)