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**SENATE MEETING**

**March 30, 2020**

**4:00pm**

**Zoom Meeting**

**MINUTES**

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**In attendance**

Dr. Moira McPherson, Chair  
Dr. Olakunle Akingbola  
Mr. Andrew Ault  
Dr. David Barnett, Vice Chair  
Ms. Denise Baxter  
Dr. Michel Bédard  
Dr. Paul Berger  
Mr. Cole Boucher  
Dr. Elizabeth Birmingham  
Dr. Michael Campbell  
Dr. Aristocles Carastathis  
Dr. Joan Chambers  
Dr. Carlos Christoffersen  
Dr. Gautam Das  
Dr. Isaam Dawood  
Dr. Andrew P. Dean  
Dr. Amanda Diochon  
Ms. Barbara H. Eccles, Secretary  
Mr. Mitch Goldenberg  
Dr. Yanglin Gong  
Dr. Christine Gottardo  
Dr. Scott Hamilton  
Dr. Timothy Hardie

Dr. Douglas Hayes  
Dr. Michael Hoechsmann  
Dr. Peter Hollings  
Mr. Shawn Hsiung  
Dr. Jula Hughes  
Dr. Douglas Ivison  
Dr. Sarah Jacoba  
Dr. Jennifer Jarman  
Dr. Sandra Jeppesen  
Dr. Steven Jobbitt  
Dr. Dean Jobin-Bevans  
Dr. Margaret Johnston  
Dr. Donald Kerr  
Dr. Sreekumari Kuriserry  
Dr. Isabelle Lemée  
Dr. Baoqiang Liao  
Dr. Apichart Linhananta  
Dr. Charles Levkoe  
Ms. Annaah Malik  
Dr. Lynn Martin  
Dr. Richard Maundrell  
Dr. Brian McLaren  
Dr. Karen McQueen

Dr. Wayne Melville  
Ms. Marcie Morrison, Acting Recorder  
Ms. Janice Mutz  
Dr. Hassan Naser  
Dr. Ian Newhouse  
Dr. Robert Petrunia  
Mr. Josh Pogue  
Dr. Antony J. Puddephatt  
Dr. Todd Randall  
Dr. David Richards  
Ms. Yvonne Roussel, Acting Co-Secretary  
Dr. Ulf Runesson  
Dr. Paolo Sanzo  
Dr. Chander Shahi  
Mr. Sean Speer  
Dr. Michael Stevenson  
Dr. Mirella Stroink  
Mr. Robin Sutherland  
Ms. Andrea Tarsitano  
Dr. Natalya Timoshkina  
Dr. Beth Visser  
Dr. Wing Him Yeung  
Dr. Carlos Zepa  
Dr. Qing (Jason) Zou

**Regrets**

Dr. Lori Chambers  
Dr. Basel Ismail

Dr. William McCreedy  
Dr. Lense Meyer

Dr. Sarita Verma

**Official Observers**

Mr. James Aldridge  
Mr. Toby Goodfellow

Dr. Mary Louise Hill  
Dr. Rhonda Koster

Dr. Heather Murchison  
Mrs. Kathy Pozihun  
Dr. Cynthia Wesley-Esquimaux

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In addition, a number of members of the public, including members of the University community attended the public portion of the Senate meeting.

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The meeting was called to order at 4:01pm.

1. Approval of Agenda

MOVED (A. Puddephatt) that the agenda be approved.  
CARRIED

2. Approval of the March 2, 2020 Senate Minutes

The March 2, 2020 Senate minutes were approved, as circulated.

3. Reports of Senate Standing Committees

Senators were provided the opportunity to ask questions or discuss any items in each report.

3.1 Senate Academic Committee (SAC) Report

The SAC report was posted to the website in advance of the meeting.

3.1.1 The Proposal for Temporary Grading Scheme under Exceptional Academic Measures - Year-Long 2019/20 and Winter 2020 Courses was posted to the website in advance of the meeting.

Dr. Maundrell and Dr. Barnett introduced this agenda item.

MOVED (R. Maundrell) to approve the Proposal for Temporary Grading Scheme under Exceptional Academic Measures Year-Long 2019/20 and Winter 2020 Courses (the Proposal) with the following amendments to the Proposal that was circulated with the meeting materials:

1. Deletion of the following provision regarding Special Exams:

**Special Exams:**

Special Exams will be temporarily suspended for Year-Long 2019/20 and Winter 2020 courses given these various options made available to students. Special Exams would resume for future terms.

Exception: Special Exams will continue for the Faculty of Law.

2. Addition of the following exception:

Exception: For the Faculty of Health and Behavioural Sciences, the numeric grade required to pass a course

and to convert the numeric grade to a Pass/Fail will remain as stated in the course calendar.

CARRIED as amended

Prior to the adoption of the above motion a lengthy debate ensued regarding the following topics:

- Clarification surrounding all of the proposed options
- Importance of communications to students, including program specific considerations
- Deadlines
- Special Exams
- Technology considerations
- Consideration of exceptions

During debate the following amendment was proposed and postponed to allow time for the Registrar to review options:

MOVED (P. Berger) to add the following provision into the Proposal:

- Ability to change the grade outside of the 7 day period upon payment of an administrative fee.

POSTPONED

The SAC Chair asked Senators to provide feedback via email on the Calendar Change Efficiencies memo that was included in the SAC report.

### 3.2 Senate Budget Committee (SBC) Report

The SBC report was posted to the website in advance of the meeting.

#### 3.2.1 Proposed University Operating Budget 2020/21 Presentation

The Vice-President, Administration and Finance; and Provost and Vice-President, Academic provided a 2020/21 Budget presentation that included an overview of the following:

- Integrating our Planning and Budgeting at Lakehead University
- Current Context: Tuition and SMA3
- Current Context: Enrolment
- Facts and Figures: Revenue
- Facts and Figures: Expenses
- Considerations and Opportunities
- Next steps and ongoing mitigation strategies

- 3.2.2 The proposed 2020/21 University operating budget was posted to the website in advance of the meeting.

MOVED (S. Jacoba) that the Lakehead University draft Operating Budget 2020/21 be endorsed.

Discussion ensued regarding the following topics:

- Board of Governors balanced budget requirement
- Budget updates and timelines
- Endorsement considerations
- SMA3
- COVID-19 Considerations

CARRIED

- 3.3 Faculty of Graduate Studies Council (FGSC) Report

The FGSC report was posted to the website in advance of the meeting.

- 3.4 Senate Nominations Committee (SNC) Report

The SNC report was posted to the website in advance of the meeting, including the list of the Committee's faculty appointment recommendations to the Senate standing committees.

- 3.4.1 MOVED (A. Diochon) that the attached list of faculty appointments to the Senate Standing Committees be approved.  
CARRIED

- 3.5 Senate Research Committee (SRC) Report

The SRC report was posted to the website in advance of the meeting.

Dr. A. P. Dean provided a summary of the consultation work and the resulting proposed amendments to the Policy for the Use of Residual Research Funds from Grants and Contracts.

- 3.6 Senate Undergraduate Studies Committee (SUSC) Report

The SUSC report was posted to the website in advance of the meeting.

- 3.7 Senate Executive Committee Recommendation

MOVED (T. Randall) that the following individuals be appointed to the Senate Nominations Committee for the terms indicated:

- Dr. Aris Carastathis for the term commencing July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2022
- Dr. Zubair Fadlullah for the term commencing July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2022
- Dr. Toby Rollo for the term commencing July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2022
- Dr. Abdulsalam Yassine for the term commencing July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2022

CARRIED

#### 4. Calendar Change Approvals

##### 4.1 Approval of Undergraduate Calendar Changes

MOVED (J. Chambers) that the following undergraduate Academic Calendar changes be approved:

###### Faculty of Education

- 2019-EDU-7101 – New Courses-UG-Aboriginal Education-Dialects separated

###### Faculty of Engineering

- 2020-ENG-7237 – COURSES – MODIFICATION AND ADD – UG – CIVIL ENGINEERING –
- 2020-ENG-7238 – PROGRAMS – MODIFICATION – UG – CIVIL ENGINEERING – Update list of electives
- 2020-ENG-7239 – COURSE – NEW COURSE – UG – CHEMICAL ENGINEERING
- 2020-ENG-7248 – PROGRAMS – MODIFICATION – UG – CHEM ENGINEERING – new core course

###### Faculty of Health and Behavioural Sciences

- 2019-HBS-7088 – Program modifications – UG – Psychology programs
- 2019-HBS-7089 – Program modifications – UG – Psychology programs & SSH
- 2019-HBS-7090 – Program modifications – UG – Psychology programs & Education
- 2019-HBS-7092 – Course modifications – UG – Psychology courses
- 2019-HBS-7093 – Course modifications – UG – Psychology
- 2019-HBS-7094 – Course modifications – UG – Psychology

- 2019-HBS-7095 – Course modifications – UG – Psychology courses
- 2019-HBS-7096 – Course modifications – UG – Psychology courses
- 2019-HBS-7097 – Course modifications – UG – Psychology courses
- 2019-HBS-7103 – Adding Bachelor of Kinesiology
- 2020-HBS-7254 – Undergrad Nursing Course Change

#### Faculty of Law

- 2020-LAW-7230 – Changes to Course Descriptions to reflect Integrated Practice Curriculum requirements

#### Faculty of Science and Environmental Studies

- 2019-SCI-7114 – New Undergraduate Econ Course
- 2019-SCI-7145 – Program Change Updates for WRS
- 2019-SCI-7154 – HBASc ENVS Electives restriction – clarification
- 2019-SCI-7172 – ECON 2117 – Note Update

#### Faculty of Social Sciences and Humanities

- 2019-SOC-7138 – Name change for cross-listed course (WOME-3517)
- 2019-SOC-7142 – Cross-list POLI 2311 with CRIM 2311
- 2019-SOC-7164 – Program Modifications-UG-Sociology-Adding university regulation to our portion of the calendar.
- 2019-SOC-7166 – Course modifications-UG-Sociology-Adding Prerequisites
- 2019-SOC-7168 – Program Modification-UG-Sociology Concurrent Education-Adding university regulation to our portion of the calendar.
- 2019-SOC-7209 – Course addition for Women’s Studies

CARRIED

#### 4.2 Approval of Undergraduate Regulation and Admission Changes

MOVED (R. Maundrell) that the following undergraduate regulation and admission changes be approved:

#### Faculty of Education

- 2019-EDU-7201 – Removing One Year Education Professional Program regulations

- 2019-EDU-7208 – Minor changes to Environmental Science and History teachables

Faculty of Health and Behavioural Sciences

- 2019-HBS-6937 – Kine UG – Admission Requirements 6 new Transfer Pathways
- 2019-HBS-7098 – Regulations modification – UG – Psychology
- 2019-HBS-7106 – Kinesiology regulation modification for 4193 special event undergraduate

University Regulations and Admission Requirements for Applicants from the United States

- 2019-UNIVREG-7087 – Modification to Admission Requirements for Applicants from the United States

CARRIED

4.3 Approval of Graduate Calendar Changes

MOVED (C. Shahi) that the following graduate Academic Calendar changes be approved:

Faculty of Health and Behavioural Sciences

- 2020-HBS-7257 – Course reduction for MSc Kinesiology and MSc Kine Gerontology Specialization

Faculty of Science and Environmental Studies

- 2020-SCI-7229 – Courses-Modifications-GR-Biology-Correcting mistake in grade scheme
- 2020-SCI-7235 – Course-Modification-GR-Chemistry-Update-Description

CARRIED

5. Informational Items

5.1 President's Report

- COVID-19 Response and Update

The President, Provost and Vice-President (Academic), Vice-Provost (International), Vice-President (Research and Innovation), Principal (Orillia), and Vice-President (Administration and Finance) provided a summary of the COVID-19 responses to date, and updated the Senate on next steps. Updates will be provided at each Senate meeting.

The President announced the future launch of a student relief fund to provide emergency funds for students, and encouraged Lakehead's internal community to contribute to the fund, if they are able.

Discussion ensued regarding the following topics:

- Fall term
- Student Relief Fund
- Domestic enrolment
- Entrance requirements
- Co-op and placement

#### 5.2 Provost & Vice-President (Academic) Report

The Provost & Vice-President (Academic) report was posted to the website in advance of the meeting.

#### 5.3 Board of Governors Report

The Board of Governors report was posted to the website in advance of the meeting.

Mr. Speer noted that he will apprise the Board on the Senate meeting, including the discussions around the 2020/21 draft operating budget.

#### 6. In camera Session

MOVED (D. Barnett) that the Senate adjourns to an in camera session to discuss honorary degrees and other confidential matters and that only Senators and those specifically invited by the Chair shall be present.  
CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 7:41pm.

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Dr. Moira McPherson, Chair

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Ms. Barbara H. Eccles, Secretary