



## MEMORANDUM

To: Barbara H. Eccles, Secretary of Senate

From: Dr. Craig MacKinnon - Chair, Senate Organization Committee

Senate Meeting Date: November 4, 2019

Subject: Senate Organization Committee Report

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The Senate Organization Committee (SOC) met on September 25, 2019 and conducted the following business:

1. Review of 2019-2020 SOC Workplan
  - The SOC reviewed their 2019-2020 Workplan.
2. Ratification of the SOC Chair Election
  - Dr. Craig MacKinnon's election as the 2019-2020 SOC Chair was ratified.
3. Review of the SOC Terms of Reference
  - The SOC reviewed their Terms of Reference.
4. Joint Senate Committee for NOSM Terms of Reference
  - The SOC reviewed the proposed amendments to the JSC for NOSM Terms of Reference and is recommending Senate approval.

A track changes and clean copy of the proposed amendments will be included with the motion on the Senate agenda.

5. Student Position Criteria for the Senate and Senate Standing Committees
  - The SOC held a discussion regarding the student eligibility criteria currently used for the Senate and Senate Standing Committees. It was requested that the Secretariat conduct some research on student eligibility criteria used at other universities and report back at the next SOC meeting.
6. Senate Committee Interim Restructuring Recommendations
  - The University Secretariat consulted with the Interim Librarian and the Interim Deputy Provost and Vice Provost, Teaching and Learning regarding how to handle the interim restructuring effects on the Senate and Senate Standing Committee compositions, and provided some recommendations regarding such. Following discussion, the SOC is recommending that the Senate approves the following motion:

Whereas the position of University Librarian and Vice-Provost, Teaching and Learning and the position of Deputy Provost have both been temporarily restructured as the following 2 interim positions of;

- University Librarian
- Deputy Provost and Vice Provost, Teaching and Learning;

Be it resolved that the attached recommendations for filling the Senate and Senate Committee positions related to the previous positions be recommended to the Senate for approval as an interim measure until June 30, 2020, or such earlier time as the Provost requests.

The corresponding attachment will be included with the above motion on the Senate agenda.

The next SOC meeting will be held on November 12, 2019.