



## SENATE MEETING MINUTES

<b>Date of Meeting:</b>	Monday, January 15, 2024
<b>Time:</b>	4:00pm - 6:00pm (ET)
<b>Locations:</b>	In Person: Thunder Bay: Senate Chambers (UC 1001) Orillia: OA 3041  Remotely: via Zoom

### In attendance

Dr. David Barnett, <i>Acting Chair</i>	Dr. Les Fleischer	Dr. Robert Petrunia
Marcie Morrison, <i>Acting Secretary</i>	Dr. Mark Gallagher	Dr. Leigh Potvin
Ashley Beda, <i>Recorder</i>	Dr. Anna Guttman	Dr. Todd Randall
Dr. Olakunle Akingbola	Jessic Hayes	Dr. David Richards
Dr. Asad Aman	Dr. Jula Hughes	Dr. Linda Rodenburg
Denise Baxter	Dr. Douglas Ivison	Dr. Chris Sanders
Dr. Ruth Beatty	Dr. Zi-Hua (Justin) Jiang	Gisella Scalese
Dr. Glenda Bonifacio	Dr. Kristen Jones-Bonofiglio	Dr. Chander Shahi
Dr. Mariette Brennan	Dr. Don Kerr	Prof. Sam Shahsahabi
Robin Canuel	Dr. Rupert Klein	Dr. Karl Skogstad
Dr. Joseph Carney	Dr. Janusz Koziński	Mark Smith
Dr. Lori Chambers	Dr. Brigitte Leblon	Dr. Michael Stevenson
Dr. Carlos Christoffersen	Dr. Mathew Leitch	Dr. Mirella Stroink
Dr. Evgeny Chugunov	Dr. Isabelle Lemée	Dr. Rosario Turvey
Dr. Andrew Conly	Dr. Meredith Lovell-Johnston	Dr. Beatrice Vernier

Dr. Paul Cormier	Dr. Lynn Martin	Dr. Wilson Wang
Dr. Adam Cornwell	Dr. Brian McLaren	Dr. Rachel Warburton
Dr. Gautam Das	Dr. Sabah Mohammed	Dr. Wing Him Yeung
Dr. Andrew J. Dean	Dr. Richard Maundrell	Dr. Shannon Zurevinski
Dr. Andrew P. Dean	Dr. Ian Newhouse	
Dr. Amanda Diochon	Dr. Erin Pearson	
Prof. Daniel Dylan	Dr. Florin Pendea	

**Regrets**

Dr. Edufia Abla Akrong	Dr. Xin Yang Lu	Kathy Pozihun
Dr. Matthew Boyd	Dr. Azim Mallik	Dr. Gillian Siddall, Chair

**Official Observers**

James Aldridge	Toby Goodfellow	Dr. Cynthia Wesley-Esquimaux
Dr. Michel Beaulieu	Dr. Rhonda Koster	
Michael den Haan	Dr. Heather Murchison	

The meeting was called to order at 4:04pm.

1. Approval of Agenda

Item 6.1 - Calendar Change 2023-LAW-8285 - Proposal to extend law cohort to 90 students:

It was noted that in accordance with the Senate Bylaws (Articles 8.5 and 8.7), that suitable access to the supporting documentation (five business days) was not provided.

MOVED (G.Das) to postpone the following calendar change, under item 6.1, until the February 2024 Senate meeting:

- Faculty of Law  
 2023-LAW-8285 - Proposal to extend law cohort to 90 students

	<p>CARRIED</p> <p>MOVED (T. Randall) that the agenda be approved.          CARRIED as amended</p>
2.	<p>Previous Senate Minutes</p>
2.1	<p>November 20, 2023</p> <p>The November 20, 2023 Senate minutes were approved, as circulated.</p>
3.	<p>Calendar Change Reviews</p> <p>The proposed Academic Calendar change referrals were circulated in advance of the meeting.</p> <p>MOVED (A. Dean) that the appropriate committees continue reviewing the proposed Academic Calendar changes.          CARRIED</p>
4.	<p>Enrolment Update</p> <p>The presentation was circulated in advance of the meeting. The Provost and Vice-President, Academic provided an enrolment update, highlights included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● external influences that impact enrolment</li> <li>● review of enrolment for 2023-2024</li> <li>● review of 2023-2024 enrolment FTE vs. headcount</li> <li>● international vs. domestic enrolment</li> <li>● next steps and where to focus efforts</li> </ul> <p>Discussion ensued following the presentation and the Administration answered questions related to the data that was provided. Other topics that were discussed included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● student preparedness</li> <li>● student engagement</li> <li>● barriers for international students</li> <li>● housing affordability and availability</li> </ul>

5.	Reports of Senate Standing Committees	
5.1	Senate Academic Committee (SAC) Report	The SAC report was circulated in advance of the meeting.
5.2	Senate Budget Committee Report	<p>The SBC report was circulated in advance of the meeting.</p> <p>A Senator highlighted the paragraph regarding calendar change 2023-LAW-8285 from the report. The Senate Chair noted that this calendar change was postponed to the February 2024 Senate meeting and that further discussion on this item will occur at that time.</p>
5.3	Senate Organization Committee (SOC) Report	The SOC report was circulated in advance of the meeting.
5.4	Senate Teaching and Learning Committee Report	The STLC report was circulated in advance of the meeting.
5.5	Senate Undergraduate Studies Committee Report	The SUSC report was circulated in advance of the meeting.
5.6	Faculty of Graduate Studies Council (FGSC) Report	The FGSC report was circulated in advance of the meeting.
6.	Calendar Change Approvals	
6.1	Approval of Undergraduate Calendar Changes	<p>MOVED (A. Diochon) that the following undergraduate Academic Calendar changes be approved:</p> <p>Faculty of Business Administration</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● 2023-BUS-8240 - Honours Bachelor of Commerce (Finance Major) – Pforzheim University</li> </ul>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● 2023-BUS-8241 - Course Changes - Honours Bachelor of Commerce (Finance Major) – Pforzheim University</li> <li>● 2023-BUS-8245 - Program Change H.B.Comm. BAIS</li> <li>● 2023-BUS-8408 - H.B. Comm. co-operative option</li> <li>● 2023-BUS-8418 - Minor changes Faculty of Business</li> <li>● 2023-BUS-8419 - HB Comm BAIS course changes</li> <li>● 2023-BUS-8420 - Certificate in Business Analytics and Information Systems</li> </ul> <p>Faculty of Education</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● 2022-EDU-8012 - Degree in Technological Education (Phase 1 approval)</li> </ul> <p>Faculty of Health and Behavioural Sciences</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● 2023-HBS-8308 - Course-Minor Modification-UG-Psychology 4016 - course description change</li> <li>● 2023-HBS-8359 - UG Program - Minor Modification - HBK &amp; BK4 Changes</li> </ul> <p>Faculty of Science and Environmental Studies</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● 2023-SCI-8271 - Courses-New-UG-Biology-New course on Climate Change</li> <li>● 2023-SCI-8284 - Program-Modification-UG-Biology-APLS-Change required course ANTH 3138</li> <li>● 2023-SCI-8377 - Courses-Modifications-UG-Mathematics-Changes to Math4030 prerequisites</li> <li>● 2023-SCI-8380 - Courses-New-UG-Biology-Cold Blood in a Hot World</li> <li>● 2023-SCI-8391 - Updating HBSc.GEOG with GEOL program</li> </ul> <p>Faculty of Social Sciences and Humanities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● 2023-SOC-8226-A - Modifications-UG-Sociology Programs-Requiring more SOCI relevant course requirements</li> </ul> <p>CARRIED</p>
6.2		<p>Approval of Graduate Calendar Changes</p> <p>MOVED (C. Shahi) that the following graduate Academic Calendar changes be approved:</p> <p>Faculty of Business Administration</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● 2022-BUS-8027 - Graduate Diploma in Management (Phase 1 approval)</li> </ul>

		Faculty of Engineering <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2023-ENG-8350 - Courses - Modifications - Grad- Engineering            -Changes to Grading Scheme</li> </ul> CARRIED
7.	Adjunct Professor Recommendations	<p>The list of Adjunct Professor appointment recommendations from the President and Vice-Chancellor was circulated in advance of the meeting.</p> <p>MOVED (D. Richards) that the attached Adjunct Professor recommendations be approved.          CARRIED</p>
8.	Informational Items	
8.1	Adjunct Professor Renewals	<p>A list of Adjunct Professor renewals, approved by the President and Vice-Chancellor was circulated in advance of the meeting.</p>
8.2	Fall 2023 Late Additions to Graduands List	<p>The Fall 2023 Late Additions to Graduands List was circulated in advance of the meeting.</p>
8.3	Council of Ontario Universities (COU) Academic Colleagues Report	<p>The COU Report was circulated in advance of the meeting.</p> <p>A Senator highlighted the paragraph regarding the development of the quality assurance framework for micro-credentials from the report. The Senate Chair noted that the Administration plans to discuss micro-credentials and the proposed framework at a subsequent Senate meeting.</p>
8.4	Board of Governors Report	<p>The Board of Governors report was circulated in advance of the meeting.</p> <p>The Senate Chair provided an update on the NOUS 3rd Party Operational Review report, noting that the report is planned to come to the Senate soon. In addition, an update on the Employee Satisfaction Survey was provided,</p>

		noting that a Town Hall is scheduled to take place soon, and will include a presentation with the survey results and the opportunity to ask questions. A communication bulletin will be circulated in the coming days.
8.5	Ogimaawin Indigenous Education Council (OIEC) Report	The OIEC report was circulated in advance of the meeting.
8.6	President and Vice-Chancellor Report	The President's report was circulated in advance of the meeting.
8.7	Provost and Vice-President, Academic Report	The Provost's report was circulated in advance of the meeting.  The Provost and Vice-President, Academic, reported that the Board of Governors had recently approved the Appointment of Deans Policy, and that the President's Executive Team is in the final stages of approving the appointments policies (University Librarian and Academic Administrators) as well as the associated procedures for all three policies.
9.	In Camera Session	<p>MOVED (A.Dean) that the Senate adjourns to an in camera session to discuss a past honorary degree recipient and that only Senators and those requested by the Chair to stay for the purposes of assisting the Senate with its deliberations remain.          CARRIED</p> <p>At 5:07pm, the Senate adjourned to an in camera session. Marcie Morrison, Ashley Beda and members of the Senate Honorary Degrees Committee were invited to remain for the session.</p> <p>The Senate returned to the open meeting at 5:45pm.</p>
10.	Other Business	A Senator raised concerns with regards to a communication circulated by the Alumni Association advertising a mental health speaker series. The Administration plans to investigate the concerns that were raised.

The meeting adjourned at 5:51pm.

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Dr. David Barnett, Acting-Chair

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Marcie Morrison, Acting Secretary