

# **SENATE MEETING**

# **Open Minutes**

| Date:     | Monday, September 23, 2024   |
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| Time:     | 4:00pm - 6:00pm (ET)   |
| Location: | Thunder Bay Campus: Senate Chambers (UC 1001) Orillia Campus: OA 3041 Zoom |

| In attendance                                      |                              |                      |
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| Dr. Gillian Siddall, chair                         | Dr. Amanda Diochon           | Dr. Ian Newhouse     |
| Dr. David Barnett, Vice-Chair                      | Prof. Daniel Dylan           | Dr. Erin Pearson     |
| Jason Lisi, Secretary                              | Dr. Hosam El-Ocla            | Dr. Leigh Potvin     |
| Marcie Morrison, Associate<br>University Secretary | Dr. Les Fleischer            | Dr. David Richards   |
| Trudy McKinnon, Recording Secretary                | Dr. Mark Gallagher           | Dr. David Richards   |
| Dr. Olakunle Akingbola                             | Dr. Anna Guttman             | Dr. Chris Sanders    |
| Dr. Dzhamal Amishev                                | Dr. Douglas Ivison           | Dr. Kathy Sanderson  |
| Denise Baxter                                      | Dr. Sarah Jacoba             | Gisella Scalese      |
| Dr. Betsy Birmingham                               | Dr. Jennifer Jarman          | Prof. Sam Shahsahabi |
| Dr. Glenda Bonifacio                               | Dr. Kristen Jones-Bonofiglio | Dr. Sultan Siddiqui  |
| Amit Boyina  | Dr. Taryn Klarner            | Dr. Mirella Stroink  |
| Dr. Kristin Burnett                                | Dr. Rupert Klein             | Andrea Tarsitano     |
| Dr. Michael Campbell                               | Dr. Janusz Koziński          | Dr. Tamara Varney    |
| Robin Canuel                                       | Dr. Sreekumari Kurissery     | Dr. Beatrice Vernier |
| Dr. Joseph Carney                                  | Dr. Brigitte Leblon          | Dr. Wilson Wang      |
| Dr. Lori Chambers                                  | Dr. Meredith Lovell-Johnston | Dr. Rachel Warburton |

| Dr. Evgeny Chugunov   | Dr. Xin Yang Lu           | Dr. Elaine Wiersma     |
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| Dr. Andrew Conly      | Dr. Brian McLaren         | Dr. Abdulsalam Yassine |
| Dr. Gautam Das        | Dr. Wayne Melville        | Dr. Wing Him Yeung     |
| Dr. Andrew J. Dean    | Dr. Sabah Mohammed        | Dr. Kam Yu             |
| Dr. Andrew P. Dean    | Vivian Mok                |                        |
| Regrets               |                           |                        |
| Dr. Adam Cornwell     | Dr. Zi-Hua (Justin) Jiang | Dr. Sam Salem          |
| Dr. Martin-Joe Ezeudu | Dr. Michael Rennie        | Mark Smith             |
| Official Observers    |                           |                        |
| James Aldridge        | Dylan Mazur               | Kathy Pozihun          |
| Alexandra Korinowsky  | Dr. Heather Murchison     | Rosanna Scaffeo        |
| Dr. Rhonda Koster     |                           |                        |

The Meeting was called to order at 4:03pm.

The Chair opened the meeting by acknowledging the Indigenous territories of Thunder Bay and Orillia.

In Memoriam - Dr. Lois M. Wilson

President Siddall spoke in memory of Dr. Lois Wilson who was Chancellor of Lakehead University from 1990 to 2000. The Senate observed a moment of silence for Dr. Wilson.

1. Approval of Agenda

MOVED (M. Campbell) that the agenda be approved. CARRIED

2. Previous Senate Minutes

The June 24, 2024 Senate minutes were approved by consensus, as circulated.

3. Graduands List - Fall 2024

#### a. Approval of Degree and Diploma Recipients

MOVED (A. Tarsitano) that the candidates on the distributed Graduands List - Fall 2024 be awarded the undergraduate degrees or diplomas, and graduate degrees indicated. CARRIED

# 4. Contribution to Teaching Awards

Dr. Barnett spoke to the accomplishments of each of the following Contribution to Teaching Award recipients being honoured at the Senate meeting:

- Dr. Amir Ameli, Assistant Professor, Electrical Engineering
- Prof. Daniel Dylan, Associate Professor, Law
- Dr. Shafiqul Hai, Assistant Professor, Electrical Engineering
- Dr. Gary Pluim, Assistant Professor, Education
- Prof. Amanda Ruck, Lecturer, Nursing
- Dr. Deborah Scharf, Psychology

### 5. Calendar Change Reviews

The proposed Academic Calendar change referrals were circulated in advance of the meeting.

MOVED (X.Y. Lu) that the appropriate committees continue reviewing the proposed Academic Calendar changes.

CARRIED

# 6. Reports of Senate Standing Committees

| 6.1 | Senate Academic Committee (SAC) Report                   |
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|     | The SAC report was circulated in advance of the meeting. |
| 6.2 | Faculty of Graduate Studies Committee (FGSC) Report      |

The FGSC report was circulated in advance of the meeting.

## 6.3 Senate Nominations Committee (SNC)

MOVED (A. Guttman) that the following faculty appointments to Senate Standing Committees be approved as amended.

#### Senate Academic Appeals Committee

• Dr. Samim Al-Azad for the term commencing immediately to June 30, 2027

#### Senate Academic Committee

Dr. Liang Cui for the term commencing immediately to June 30, 2027

Senate Executive Committee (Chair/Director of Department/School)

 Dr. Chris Sanders, Chair, Sociology for the term commences immediately to June 30, 2025

Senate Executive Committee (Faculty Senator)

• Dr. Beatrice Vernier for the term commencing immediately to June 30, 2025

CARRIED, as amended

The amendment to this motion resulted in a vacancy for the position of Senate Executive Committee (Chair/Director of Department/School). The University Secretariat will conduct an Interest to Serve to fill the vacancy.

6.4 Senate Organization Committee (SOC) Report

The SOC report was circulated in advance of the meeting.

- a. STLC Terms of Reference Review
  - i. Proposed Amendments (with markup)

    SECRETARY'S NOTE LINE 18 UNDER THE COMPOSITION SECTION OF THE

    TERMS OF REFERENCE WAS INADVERTENTLY OMITTED FROM THE DOCUMENT

    THAT WAS CIRCULATED IN ADVANCE OF THE MEETING. LINE 18 HAS BEEN

    INCLUDED IN THE REVISED TERMS OF REFERENCE THAT WERE POSTED TO THE

    WEBSITE. THIS ATTACHMENT HAS ALSO BEEN UPDATED.

The proposed amendments to the Senate Teaching and Learning Committee Terms of Reference were circulated in advance of the meeting.

MOVED (S. Kurissery) that the proposed amendments to the STLC Terms of Reference be approved, as circulated.

CARRIED

b. Senate Bylaw Review

|    |   | The following resources were circulated in advance of the meeting:  i. Current Bylaws  ii. Proposed Amendments (with markup)  iii. Proposed Amendments (no markup)  MOVED (S. Kurissery) that the proposed amendments to the Senate Bylaws be approved as circulated, with the effective date of July 1, 2025.  CARRIED |
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|    | 6.5   | Senate Research Committee (SRC) Reports  The SRC reports were circulated in advance of the meeting.   |
|    |   | <ul><li>a. SRC Report (June 3, 2024)</li><li>b. SRC Annual Report 2023-24</li></ul>   |
|    | 6.6   | Senate Undergraduate Studies Committee (SUSC) Report  The SUSC report was circulated in advance of the meeting.   |
| 7. | Lakehe  | ead University Student Union (LUSU) Appointment Recommendations   |
|    | LUSU's recommendations for appointments to the Senate, Senate Academic Appeals Committee, Senate Academic Committee, Senate Executive Committee, Senate Honorary Degrees Committee, Senate Research Committee, Senate Teaching and Learning Committee, Senate Undergraduate Scholarships and Bursaries Committee and the Senate Undergraduate Studies Committee, were circulated in advance of the meeting. |   |
|    | MOVED (A. Boyina) that the attached LUSU appointment recommendations be approved. CARRIED   |   |

#### 8. Election Results

Faculty Senator on the Board of Governors

An interest to serve to fill the position of Faculty Senator on the Board of Governors for the term commencing at the close of the 2024 Board of Governors Annual Meeting through to the close of the 2027 Board of Governors Annual Meeting was conducted. A total of 3 eligible nominations were received. An election was held and the following individual was elected, in accordance with the Senate Bylaws, Appendix B.

• Dr. Leigh Potvin

This recommendation will go to the Board of Governors at the October 9, 2024 meeting.

9. Calendar Change Approvals

No calendar changes were brought forward at this meeting.

10. Adjunct Professor Recommendations

The list of Adjunct Professor appointment recommendations from the President and Vice-Chancellor was circulated in advance of the meeting.

MOVED (D. Barnett) that the attached Adjunct Professor recommendations be approved. CARRIED

#### 11. Informational Items

11.1 Late Additions to the List of Graduands

The Late Additions to the List of Graduands was circulated in advance of the meeting.

The Senate's "Enabling Motion Graduands on Record" empowers the Dean of the Faculty and Registrar to approve late additions to the graduands' list who had not appeared on the convocation list. No motion is necessary.

11.2 Adjunct Professor Renewals

A list of Adjunct Professor renewals, approved by the President and Vice-Chancellor

|     |      | was circulated in advance of the meeting.   |
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|     | 11.3 | Calendar Change Deadlines Reminder  |
|     |      | A link to the Calendar Change Deadlines Enduring Resolution on the Lakehead website was circulated in advance of the meeting. |
|     | 11.4 | Board of Governors Reports  |
|     |      | a. June 6, 2024   |
|     |      | b. June 26, 2024  |
|     |      | Reports of the June 6 and June 26, 2024 Board of Governors meetings were circulated in advance of the meeting.                |
|     | 11.5 | Council of Ontario Universities Academic Colleagues Report  |
|     |      | The Council of Ontario Universities Academic Colleague report was circulated in advance of the meeting.                       |
|     | 11.6 | a. President and Vice-Chancellor Report   |
|     |      | The President's report was circulated in advance of the meeting.  |
|     |      | The University Secretary gave an update on the Chancellor search.   |
|     |      | b. Report on Student Appeals 2023-2024  |
|     |      | The Senate Academic Appeals Committee Report 2023-2024 was circulated in advance of the meeting.                              |
|     | 11.7 | Provost and Vice-President, Academic Report   |
|     |      | The Provost's report was circulated in advance of the meeting.  |
|     |      | Some senators raised concerns about the sustainability framework and commented on possible efficiencies in the process.       |
| 12. | 12.1 | In Camera Session   |
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|                                 |         | MOVED (D. Barnett) that the Senate adjourns to an in camera session to discuss honorary degrees and that only Senators and those specifically invited by the Chair shall be present. |  |
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|                                 |         | At 5:19pm, the Senate adjourned to an in camera session. Jason Lisi, Marcie Morrison, Trudy McKinnon were invited to remain for the session.   |  |
|                                 |         | The Senate returned to the open meeting at 5:33pm.   |  |
|                                 | 12.2    | Business Arising from the In Camera Meeting  |  |
|                                 |         | There was no business arising from the In Camera Meeting.  |  |
| 13.                             | Other E | r Business   |  |
|                                 | There   | was no other business.   |  |
| The meeting adjourned at 5:36pm |         |  |  |
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| Dr. Gillian Siddall, Chair      |         | all, Chair Jason Lisi, Secretary of Senate   |  |