

Present: J. Zabudsky (Chair); M. Preece (Vice-Chair); M. Khan (Deputy Speaker); S. Shaver (Secretary); P. Vivacqua (Recording Secretary); S. Arora; K. Austin; V. Badiani; C. Benak; L. Butler; J. Callaghan; K. Cameron; D. Cerri; A. Chernysh; K. Chorney; J. Condie; L. Dalton; R. Finch; M. Garbutt; R. Geddes; J. Goveas; L. Hamilton; J. Hardisty; K. Hayward; W. Holmes; J. Jones; Y. Katz; T. Kettanah; M. Khan; T. Kostiw; M. Kukhta; M. Lemon; S. Lowndes; A. Mahamoud; H. Malik; L. Mendez; L. Mununga; S. Murray; H. Overhill; ; D. Piedra; C. Ramraj; P. Salehi; S. Samboo; L. Sasaki; H. Simkins; H. Singh; M. Stoica; E. Sykes; C. Ter-Steege; T. Tracewicz; J. Urowitz; D. Wackerlin; C.A. Waite; P. Wheeler; S. Woods

Absent with Regrets: M. Rust (Speaker); L. Easton (Parliamentarian); K. Arena; P. Barnwell; C. Berge; A. Bodor; K. Cummins; L. De Jong; P. Grevstad; L. Grightmire; M. Hayward; A. Katzman; M. Lapointe-Melo; M. Lucido Bezely; A. Maknyik; T. McCormack; I. McNab; S. Parfeniuk; L. Piccolo; A. Plante; E. Rodrigues; R. Rosenberg; M. Rust; D. Shalimo; M. Spence-Ariemma; H. Stewart; A. Stukator; J. Sweeney Marsh

Absent: L. Bell; T. Calafati; M. Grewal; D. Lawless; M. Lysack; I. Marley; T. Rankin

Guests: D. Lorenz; M. Frazer

1.0 Call to Order 4:05 p.m.

The Deputy Speaker determined that quorum was met and called the meeting to order.

2.0 Approvals

2.1 Senate Agenda – February 27, 2014

Moved by C. A. Waite; seconded by S. Lowndes:
THAT Sheridan Senate approve the agenda for the February 27, 2014 meeting.
Carried.

2.2 Senate Minutes – January 23, 2014

Moved by D. Wackerlin; seconded by W. Holmes:
THAT Sheridan Senate approve the January 23, 2014 meeting minutes.
Carried.

3.0 Business Arising from the January 23, 2014 Meeting Minutes

3.1 Policy One Changes Based on Senate Feedback

Policy One document highlighting Senate suggestions that were incorporated into the final Policy was provided to Senate in advance of the meeting.

ACTION – The President advised that going forward it will be regular practice to report back to Senate highlighting Senate suggestions incorporated into the final document.

Additional questions were raised about Policy One. Senate was reminded that the policy has been approved by the Board of Governors.

3.2 PD Funding/Scholarships and Tuition Reimbursement as a Taxable Benefit

Tuition reimbursements from Sheridan are not taxable benefits since they are considered career professional development.

3.3 Professor Emeritus Designation Allowance Clarified

Professor Emeritus Policy declares that Sheridan is eligible to award up to 10% of full-time teaching faculty with the designation of Professor Emeritus. Deceased are excluded from the running total.

4.0 Report from the President

The President advised that Senate Executive will discuss a future Senate Agenda incorporating a guest to speak regarding their experiences with the college to university transformation. Guest suggestions to be provided to the Senate Secretary.

Peel Regional Council unanimously approved a motion to support Sheridan's pursuit of university status. The approved motion will be sent by Peel Region to the Premier and local MPPs.

5.0 New Business

5.1 Sheridan Undergraduate Certificate in Creativity/CPS

Yael Katz introduced a newly proposed model for a Sheridan Undergraduate Certificate focused on creativity and creative problem solving. This Undergraduate Certificate will be offered through the breadth area of degree programs and developed in collaboration with and endorsed by the International Centre for Studies in Creativity at Buffalo State.

A student Senator asked if there is industry demand for this Sheridan Undergraduate Certificate and if corporate employability mapping has been done. The Vice-Chair advised that the Conference Board of Canada's 21st Century Skill Set 2.0 has identified critical thinking/creative problem solving as a key piece of a key skill set for future employment. Also, the curriculum on Bloom's Taxonomy (now Anderson's Taxonomy) has been revamped to include creative thinking and critical problem solving at the top level. The Senator suggested obtaining chambers of commerce backing for this certificate so that students are assured of the worth and value of enrolling.

Moved by M. Lemon; seconded by W. Holmes

THAT Sheridan Senate recommend for approval the proposed *model* for a Sheridan Undergraduate Certificate in Creativity/CPS (endorsed by ICSC, Buffalo State).

Discussion ensued. It was clarified that after the Sheridan Undergraduate Certificate model is approved by the Board of Governors, the specific content and curriculum for any proposed certificate(s) will be discussed.

The original motion was amended by deleting “in Creativity/CPS (endorsed by ICSC, Buffalo State)”:

Moved by W. Holmes; seconded by K. Austen

THAT Sheridan Senate recommend for approval the proposed *model* for a Sheridan Undergraduate Certificate.

Failed.

Discussion returned to the original motion and further discussion ensued. The original motion was amended to strike the word “proposed” and “in Creativity/CPS (endorsed by ICSC, Buffalo State)” as well as insert the clause “to Senate on February 27th, 2014 in which a set of degree breadth elective courses that satisfy degree breadth elective policy requirements is formalized as a Sheridan Undergraduate Certificate to be awarded to students who elect to complete the given set of courses”.

Moved by M. Stoica; seconded by P. Salehi

THAT Sheridan Senate recommend for approval the *model* presented to Senate on February 27th, 2014 in which a set of degree breadth elective courses that satisfy degree breadth elective policy requirements is formalized as a Sheridan Undergraduate Certificate to be awarded to students who elect to complete the given set of courses.

Carried.

Moved by M. Khan; seconded by M. Stoica

THAT Sheridan Senate stop at 5.1 on the Agenda and resume New Business during the next Senate meeting.

Carried.

Moved by H. Simkins; seconded by C. A. Waite:

THAT the January 23, 2014 meeting of Sheridan Senate adjourn at 5:55 p.m.

Carried.