

Present: J. Zabudsky (Chair); M. Preece (Vice-Chair); M. Rust (Speaker); M. Khan (Deputy Speaker); L. Easton (Parliamentarian); S. Shaver (Secretary); P. Vivacqua (Recording Secretary); K. Arena; S. Arora; V. Badiani; P. Barnwell; L. Bell; C. Benak; C. Berge; A. Bodor; L. Butler; J. Callaghan; D. Cerri; J. Condie; K. Cummins; L. Dalton; L. De Jong; R. Finch; M. Garbutt; R. Geddes; P. Grevstad; L. Hamilton; J. Hardisty; K. Hayward; W. Holmes; J. Jones; Y. Katz; A. Katzman; T. Kettanah; T. Kostiw; M. Kukhta; D. Lawless; M. Lemon; S. Lowndes; M. Lucido Bezely; M. Lysack; A. Maknyik; H. Malik; I. Marley; T. McCormack; L. Mendez; L. Mununga; S. Murray; S. Parfeniuk; L. Piccolo; D. Piedra; T. Rankin; R. Rosenberg; P. Salehi; S. Samboo; D. Shalimo; H. Simkins; H. Stewart; M. Stoica; A. Stukator; J. Sweeney Marsh; E. Sykes; T. Tracewicz; S. Woods

Absent with Regrets: K. Austin; K. Cameron; K. Chorney; J. Goveas; L. Grightmire; M. Hayward; M. Lapointe-Melo; I. McNab; H. Overhill; A. Plante; E. Rodrigues; L. Sasaki; M. Spence-Ariemma; J. Urowitz

Absent: T. Calafati; A. Chernysh; M. Grewal; A. Mahamoud; C. Ramraj; H. Singh; C. Ter-Steege; D. Wackerlin; C.A. Waite; P. Wheeler

Guests: A. Abiscott; E. Dickson; S. Dimech; J. Ferguson; D. Lindner; A. Reid; J. Shuh; S. Sinclair

1.0 Call to Order 4:05 p.m.

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

2.0 Approvals

2.1 Senate Agenda – March 27, 2014

Moved by R. Finch; seconded by B. Holmes:

THAT Sheridan Senate approve the agenda for the March 27, 2014 meeting.

Carried.

2.2 Senate Minutes – February 27, 2014

Moved by M. Stoica; seconded by L. Hamilton:

THAT Sheridan Senate approve the February 27, 2014 meeting minutes.

Carried.

3.0 Unfinished Business from the February 27, 2014 Meeting Minutes

5.2 Research Centres & the Institute of Creativity – Bill Holmes

Bill Holmes presented a Sheridan model for Research Centres & the Institute of Creativity. Each Centre would overlap with the Creativity Institute. This model will help provide the community with an idea of what Sheridan is doing. This hub has been designed to foster and facilitate cooperation, collaboration

and communication among, across and between all of the Centres and Faculties. The model will provide organizational cohesion and facilitate consistent and streamlined processes through the Office of Undergraduate Research.

5.3 Senate Membership Renewal – Mark Rust

The Senate Speaker informed Senators that Senate membership renewal needs to be discussed. Senate Executive proposed that Senate membership be extended to 3 years for those that would like to continue to be a Senator. For continuity about half of Senators would need to remain on Senate and Senate would not be able to lose all of the members of the same Faculty. Fall Standard Workload Forms would need to capture this information.

ACTION – LAC Chairs to discuss the above issue in an upcoming meeting and report back to the Senate Secretary prior to the April 24th, 2014 Senate meeting with a list of those members remaining on Senate and those leaving.

5.4 Program Suspension and Cancellations Policy (Board Policy)

The Program Suspension and Cancellation Policy was approved by the Board of Governors.

5.5 Program Suspensions

The following programs have been suspended: Emergency Management Graduate Certificate, Bachelor of Business Administration (Global Business Management) Degree, Media Arts Diploma and Advanced Diplomas in Ceramics, Fabrics, Furniture, and Glass. These suspensions have been approved by the Board of Governors.

A Senator asked why Senate is not currently involved in program suspensions and cancellations. The Vice-Chair advised that this topic is on a future Agenda of the Governance Committee of the Board of Governors. In response to a follow-up question it was determined that program closures should be posted online (in the 2020 Program Mix document). The Vice-Chair advised that they are currently working on a plan for the most expedient way to update the 2020 Program Mix with new information.

Sheridan is currently looking into where and how to keep a list of suspended programs on the website for employers looking up programs that students have taken.

6.0 Question Period

4.0 Business Arising from the February 27, 2014 Senate Meeting

There was no business arising from the February 27th, 2014 Senate meeting.

5.0 President's Report

The President advised that Senate will be represented in the Administration and Governance portion of Sheridan's website in future.

Sheridan is officially opening the Aboriginal Centre in the B Wing at the Trafalgar campus today.

The Minister of Science and Technology chose the Davis campus to announce a national program called the Business Innovation Accelerator Program. This program will support applied research.

The Strategic Mandate Agreement discussion to try to define strategic priorities across all colleges and universities has been picked up by the current Minister and staff at the MTCU. Sheridan would like to ensure that there is nothing in the Strategic Mandate Agreement that will be a barrier to Sheridan's Strategic Plan. The Province has an interest in taking a greater authority for managing curriculum and programs across institutions. Colleges and universities are resisting since the government is not in touch with what is appropriate for each community. Senate may be asked to consider sending a letter of objection to the Province.

ACTION – The President will provide status updates in future Senate meetings.

6.0 New Business

6.1 Electrical Engineering Technician Diploma

Joan Condie and Alan Reid presented the highlights of the Electrical Engineering Technician Diploma program.

Moved by M. Kukhta; seconded by M. Stoica:

THAT Senate recommends for approval to the Board of Governors the proposed Electrical Engineering Technician Diploma program.

Carried.

6.2 Plumbing Technician Diploma

Joan Condie and Alan Reid presented the highlights of the Plumbing Technician Diploma program.

Moved by H. Malik; seconded by A. Makynik:

THAT Senate recommends for approval to the Board of Governors the proposed Plumbing Technician Diploma program.

Carried.

6.3 Posthumous Award Credential Policy

Linda Dalton presented the Posthumous Award Credential Policy which sets out the terms and conditions for awarding a credential posthumously where the student did not complete academic requirements prior to his/her death.

Moved by L. Dalton; seconded by W. Holmes:

THAT Senate recommends for approval to the Board of Governors the proposed Posthumous Award Credentials Policy.

Carried.

The Academic Policy Committee requires all Stakeholder feedback for the General Education Policy and the Student Assessment and Evaluation Policy by May 2nd, 2014. Please include all feedback including dissenting opinions.

6.4 General Education Policy

Janet Shuh, John Ferguson and Sarah Sinclair presented the General Education Policy.

Moved by T. Kettanah; seconded by A. Maknyik:

THAT the draft policy presented today – General Education Policy (and Procedure) – be referred to the Local Academic Councils, and other Stakeholders for review and report back to the Academic Policy Standing Committee.

Carried.

6.5 Student Assessment and Evaluation Policy

Stephanie Dimech presented the Student Assessment and Evaluation Policy.

Moved by P. Barnwell; seconded by J. Callaghan:

THAT the draft policy presented today – Student Assessment and Evaluation Policy (and Procedure) – be referred to the Local Academic Councils, and other Stakeholders for review and report back to the Academic Policy Standing Committee.

Carried.

7.0 Question Period

A Senator asked if using iClickers to vote goes against the beliefs of the Senate since votes are not anonymous in other Senate bodies.

ACTION – The use of iClickers will be discussed at the next Senate Executive meeting.

The Senate Speaker asked that any person who is not a Senator leave the room before entering *in camera*.

Moved by M. Stoica; seconded by R. Geddes:

THAT Sheridan Senate move to an *in camera* session to approve the minutes of the January 23, 2014 *in camera* session.

Carried.

8.0 In Camera – Approval of January 23, 2014 In Camera – Minutes - 5:59pm [Closed Session]

The *in camera* minutes from the January 23rd, 2014 Senate meeting were reviewed for approval.

The *in camera* session concluded at 6:01pm.

Moved by M. Stoica; seconded by S. Lowndes:

THAT Sheridan Senate approves the January 23, 2014 *in camera* minutes as presented.

Carried.

9.0 Adjournment

Moved by H. Simkins; seconded by W. Holmes:

THAT the March 27, 2014 meeting of Sheridan Senate adjourn at 6:02 p.m.

Carried.