

**MINUTES
OF THE SECOND REGULAR MEETING OF THE 51st SENATE
HELD TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2018 @ 2:00 P.M.
LOUIS RIEL ROOM, MCMASTER CONCOURSE**

Present: Dr. Meir Serfaty, (Chair); Dr. Bernadette Ardelli; Dr. Chris Beeman;
Dr. Dean Care; Mr. Greg Gatien; Mr. Jon-Tomas Godin; Ms. Katie Gross;
Ms. Stacey Lee; Dr. Christophe LeMoine, Mr. Jack Lindsay;
Ms. Andrea McDaniel; Mr. Michael Malazdrewicz; Dr. James Naylor;
Dr. Burcu Ntelioglou; Ms. Kim Ryan; Dr. Linda Ross; Mr. Rainer Schira;
Dr. Gautam Srivastava; Dr. Demetres Tryphonopoulos; Mr. Manuel Colmenarez (BUSU);
Mr. Justin Shannon (BUSU); Ms. Emily Simon (BUSU);
Ms. Kim Fallis (Recording Secretary).

Regrets: Dr. Steven Robinson; Dr. Heather Duncan; Mr. Scott Lamont; Dr. Hamid Mumin;
Mr. Grant Prairie; Ms. Whitney Hodgins (BUSU); Ms. April Li (BUSU)

As a number of Senators were absent with regrets from the the first meeting of the 51st Senate, introductions were conducted again.

1. Approval of Agenda

MOTION 012.SEPT18 Malazdrewicz/Ardelli

THAT the agenda be approved as distributed.

CARRIED

2. Closed Session

MOTION 013.SEPT18 Ardelli/Lee

THAT the committee move into CLOSED session.

CARRIED

3. Open Session

3.1. Approval of Minutes of June 19, 2018 (Attached)

MOTION 017.SEPT18 Malazdrewicz/Gatien

THAT the minutes of June 19, 2018 be approved as distributed.

CARRIED

3.2. Appointments of Committees

3.2.1 Election of the 2018 – 2019 Senate Executive Committee
(Representatives from the Faculty of Health Studies and School of Music were not elected at the June 19, 2018 meeting)

Music – Senator Gatien nominated Senator Godin seconded by Senator Gross.

ELECTED BY ACCLAMATION

Health Studies – Senator Care nominated Senator Ryan seconded by Senator Gatien.

ELECTED BY ACCLAMATION

Student – Senator Simon nominated Senator Shannon seconded by Senator Lindsay.

ELECTED BY ACCLAMATION

- 3.2.2 Election of one Student Senator, for the Indigenous Education Subcommittee of Senate (to replace Ms. Sheree Blacksmith)

Senator Schira nominated Senator Colmenarez seconded by Senator Ardelli.

ELECTED BY ACCLAMATION

- 3.2.3 Bylaws Revision Committee

The committee shall consist of one representative from each Faculty/School **two of whom must be Senators; one Student Senator elected by Senate**, the President, who shall Chair and the Secretary of Senate who shall serve as Secretary. Where Faculty/School positions are not filled by Senators, the respective Faculty/School council shall elect their representatives.

Science – Senator Ardelli nominated Senator Lindsay seconded by Senator Ryan.

ELECTED BY ACCLAMATION

Health Studies – Senator Ryan nominated Senator Care seconded by Senator Gross.

ELECTED BY ACCLAMATION

Arts – Senator Tryphonopoulos nominated Senator Naylor seconded by Senator Lindsay.

ELECTED BY ACCLAMATION

Student – Senator Gross nominated Senator Shannon seconded by Senator Schira.

ELECTED BY ACCLAMATION

4. **Business Arising**

5. **New Business**

5.1. **Senate Scholarship Committee (Sen. Gatien)**

MOTION 018.SEPT18 SS Gatien/Srivastava

THAT Senate approve the new Terms of Reference for the Patricia Frith Chefurka Scholarship in Physics as follows:

To be awarded to the female student with the highest academic standing entering second year who has declared a major in Physics. Pending availability of funds, this award may be renewed twice provided the student maintains a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 and a minimum GPA in Physics courses of 3.5. Pending availability of funds, this scholarship may be renewed a third time with submission of

proof that the student has been accepted into a graduate program in Physics. This award may not be divided.

Award Value: 1 x \$5,000.00

CARRIED

MOTION 019.SEPT18 SS Gatién/Gross

THAT Senate approve the revised name for the Paterson Patterson Wyman & Abel Scholarship to: the Patersons Scholarship.

CARRIED

5.2. Senate Research Committee (Sen. Duncan)

MOTION 020.SEPT18 SR Ryan/Ross

THAT Senate approve the revised Senate Award for Excellence in Research Policy be revised as follows:

C. Eligibility

Nominations for Tier I awards must:

- have completed a minimum of 3 years' employment at Brandon University;
- hold the rank of associate professor, full professor, PA III or PA IV;
- shall be considered for the award normally no earlier than 10 years after the completion of the terminal degree.

The following was the rationale given for the change to the policy;

The Senate Research Committee received two Tier II nominations for the 2018 Senate Award for Excellence in Research. As only one researcher can receive the award, the Committee agreed that the other nomination be held for consideration for the 2019 award. However, it was subsequently brought to the attention of the Committee that this nominee (for consideration in 2019) no longer meets the criteria of the Tier I or the Tier II award, being a full professor who completed the terminal degree less than 10 years ago. This minor revision will allow this nominee to be considered for the Tier I award in 2019.

There was discussion regarding the rationale and whether it was reasonable for the policy to change so that a particular professor would be eligible to receive the Senate Award for Excellence in Research. After some discussion, the following motion was proposed and carried;

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MOTION 000SEPT.18 SR Ross/Naylor

THAT the motion be referred back to the Senate Research Committee for consideration and revision of the rationale and that, once revised, the motion be forwarded to Senate for a future meeting.

CARRIED

5.3. Board of Governors Report (Sen. Malazdrewicz)

Senator Malazdrewicz reported on the following:

- The June 23, 2018 of the Board was a transitional meeting with a number of new members attending.
- The Board re-affirmed the appointment of Dr. David Docherty as the President.

- They renewed the appointment of Dr. Heather Duncan as Associate Vice-President (Research) until the end of December 2019.
- Dr. Serfaty's term as Acting Vice-President (Academic & Provost) has been extended until May 1, 2019 when Dr. Docherty will begin his term.

5.4 Brandon University Students' Union report (BUSU) President (Sen. Shannon)

Senators Shannon and Simon reported on the following:

- The student union has hired a new general manager.
- They partnered with Student Services in a number of Orientation events.
- Even though it was raining, approximately 200 – 250 students attended their outside social.

5.5 Deans', University Librarian, and Registrar's Reports (Dr. Serfaty will call on these individuals for verbal reports)

5.6 Vice-President Report (Academic & Provost) (Sen. Serfaty)

Senator Serfaty reported on the following:

- Brandon University currently has three Canada Research Chairs and potentially one more. The Vice-President (Academic & Provost) Office will be issuing a call for letters of intent from all Faculties/School in the next week.
- He also reported on the document that was circulated to the University community regarding the reduction in Senior Management positions. Specifically, he discussed the process for beginning the search for the Chief Information Officer (CIO), a position that will replace the University Librarian, the Director of Institutional Data and Analysis, and the Director of IT Services. The position of Vice-President (Teaching and Learning) has been eliminated with the Director of the Center for Teaching and Learning Technologies now reporting directly to the Vice-President (Academic & Provost). Dr. Heather Duncan who has been filling the role of Associate Vice-President (Research) will continue in this role until September 30, 2019. The Vice-President (A&P), in consultation with the Faculty Deans, graduate program coordinators, and the Registrar's Office, will conduct an internal administrative assessment of the Faculty of Graduate Studies over the next year.

6 Other Business

7. Correspondence

8. Adjournment

MOTION 021.SEPT18 Ardelli/Ross

THAT the Senate adjourn at 3:25pm.

CARRIED