

JOINT SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC PLANNING AND PRIORITIES AND ON UNIVERSITY BUDGET

Minutes of Regular Meeting

Friday, March 5, 2021

9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

MS Teams Online

| SSCAPP Voting Member Quorum 6 members | | |
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| Allyson Rozell Andhra Goundrey Andre Iwanchuk Catherine Schwichtenberg Heather Clark (Chair) | Lilach Marom Michelle Molnar Pallav Sharma Sharmen Lee Simrat Gill | Alan Davis |
| | | Non-voting |
| | | David Burns Deepak Gupta Zena Mitchell Sandy Vanderburgh Steve Cardwell Rajiv Jhangiani Lori McElroy |
| Regrets | | |
| Kristan Ash | Tom Westgate | |
| SSCUB Voting Member Quorum 7 members | | |
| Alan Davis Caroline Daniels Diane Purvey Fergal Callaghan Reza Khakbaznejad | Seanna Takacs Sonu Bratch Stephanie Howes Sue Fairburn Waheed Taiwo | |
| | | Non-voting |
| | | David Burns Sandy Vanderburgh Tara Clowes Jeff Ho |
| Regrets | Senate Office | Guests |
| Barnabe Assogba Tom Westgate Sharanveer Singh Lyndsay Passmore | Rita Zamluk | |

1. Territorial Acknowledgement and Call to Order

The Chair provided a territorial acknowledgement to the Coast Salish peoples. Then she called the meeting to order at 9:06 a.m.

2. Approval of Agenda

Catherine Schwichtenberg moved the agenda be confirmed as circulated.

The motion carried.

3. Approval of Minutes

3.1. Joint Committee Minutes, November 13, 2020

Catherine Schwichtenberg moved the minutes be accepted as circulated.

The motion carried.

3.2. SSCAPP Minutes, February 5, 2021

Sharmen Lee moved the minutes be accepted as amended.

The motion carried.

4. Chair's Report

4.1. Election of SSCUB Chair

The term of office begins April 1, 2021 and ends on the last day of the chair's current term on the committee or Senate.

David Burns, Vice-Chair of Senate, conducted the election and called for nominations:

First call: Alan Davis nominated Caroline Daniels. Caroline Daniels declined the nomination.

Second call: no nominations

Third call: no nominations

David Burns will continue to chair the meetings until the end of his term.

5. Fiscal 2021–22 Budget Consultation

The Chair introduced Tara Clowes, Vice-President, Finance and Administration.

Tara Clowes updated the committee on the FY 20/21 Forecast highlighting the modest surplus this year. She reviewed the Budget Tenets and Philosophy for the FY 21/22, the approach used to develop the budget, key points of and responses to feedback received during consultations, the updated draft operating budget, general changes in portfolios since the last presentation, changes to the capital budget, and next steps. She answered questions regarding the terms “surplus” and “deficit” in preparing university budgets, expanded on the reasons and timeline for moving to a mobile work force, the risk of deferred maintenance and the prudence required to maintain student-facing equipment, the assumptions in the tuition forecast, tools being

developed to respond to changes in projected tuition, and accessing and use of investment returns from endowment funds.

She acknowledged the work of the financial services staff: Simran Kang, Kristine Kidd, Candice Gartry, and Jeff Ho.

Alan Davis, President, reminded the Committee members that the budget is the President's budget. He expressed his appreciation for the advice and endorsement of Senate. He expanded on ways that the University can manage the surplus funds that cannot be carried forward next year to cover the deficit, on the advantages of being mobile and flexible to employees and students while they work and learn, and the ways in which the University has stopped spending where not needed while taking advantage of the opportunity to upgrade facilities and teaching equipment.

Lori McElroy answered questions about the enrollment of international students, the difficulty students are encountering to acquire a study permit, and the summer enrollment projections.

The Committee asked for clarification regarding the budget surplus and the deficit, the ability to adjust during the pandemic recovery, the mobile work force transformation, concerns about current spending that may have been deferred to future years, and the impact of the stable enrollment number in preparing the budget.

The Committee thanked the teaching and learning and financial services staff.

The Chair thanked Tara Clowes for her presentation

Allyson Rozell moved that the Joint Committee on Academic Planning and Priorities and the University Budget recommend that Senate endorse the Final Draft Budget for Fiscal Year 2021-2022.

The motion carried.

6. Associate Vice-President, Teaching and Learning Report

Rajiv Jhangiani, Associate Vice-President, Teaching and Learning presented highlights of his report. He also reported on Open Education and KPU Complete activities.

Sandy Vanderburgh shared that the Sustainable Enrollment Planning Council supports the work.

7. Items for Discussion

No items for discussion.

8. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 10:17 a.m.