



SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON RESEARCH

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

Thursday, October 17, 2019

2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Surrey Campus Boardroom, Cedar 2110

Voting members present	Ex-officio members present
Daniel Bernstein Deepak Gupta Diane Purvey Elizabeth Worobec Mandeep Pannu Philomena Kaan Victor Martinez Sundeep Varaich	David Burns Stephanie Chu
Regrets	Guests
Deborah Henderson Karen Meijer-Kline	Karissa Wall Foluso Fagbimye Josephine Chan Steve Cardwell

1. Call to Order

The Chair called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

2. Approval of Agenda

Addition of 5.8 Budget priorities by the Chair

Victor Martinez moved the agenda be confirmed with the addition of item 5.8 Budget Priorities.

The motion carried.

3. Approval of Minutes, September 12, 2019

Daniel Bernstein moved the minutes be accepted as circulated.

The motion carried.

4. Items Arising from the Minutes

4.1. Chair's Report

Deferred given absence of chair.

4.2 AVPR's Report

The AVP Research submitted his report. He highlighted information on major grants received, information on the KPU Foundation's role in securing grants, and templates for legal agreements; these are all items that the committee has requested in past meetings.

Action item: Chair to bring information forward to Senate on successful grants

5. Items for Discussion

5.1 Graduate Studies at KPU

Deepak Gupta provided background and context on the graduate studies task force. Steve Cardwell reviewed the report of Graduate Studies for the group, highlighting the recommendation to expand mandate of SSCR to include Graduate Studies.

5.2 SSCR Mandate Revision to include graduate studies

Following debate and amendment, **Diane Purvey moved that the *Senate Standing Committee on Research* recommends that Senate approves:**

- A. expansion of the *Senate Standing Committee on Research* to include graduate studies with representation from all Faculties;**
- B. change to the name of the *Senate Standing Committee on Research* to *Senate Standing Committee on Research and Graduate Studies*; and**
- C. insertion of the following sentences to the Mandate of the *Senate Standing Committee on Research and Graduate Studies*:**
 - 1. Advise Senate on the governance of, and curriculum for, graduate studies.**
 - 2. Set curriculum standards for new graduate programs and courses for use by the Senate Standing Committee on Curriculum, and other Senate Committees that may be involved.**
 - 3. Advise the Senate on university-wide standards for faculty instruction and student supervision in graduate programs, which will guide the vetting of faculty to teach at the graduate level.**
- D. expansion of the *Senate Standing Committee on Research* membership to include the Vice Provost, Teaching & Learning as a voting member, and an ex-officio position for an Educational Developer. The position for “Representative, Research Support Staff” to become an ex-officio position.**

The motion carried

5.3 SSCR Mandate Revision

The Chair provided background and context on parallel language proposed to be added to both SSCR and SSCAPP mandates.

Elizabeth Worobec moved that the Senate Standing Committee on Research revise its mandate to include: “(7) In consultation with the SSC Academic Planning and Priorities, advise Senate on the establishment, revision or discontinuance of research centres and institutes.”

The motion carried

5.4 Senate Standing Committee mandate and membership review

The Chair provided background and context on the annual review of Senate Standing Committee membership and mandate.

No changes proposed to the mandate.

Deepak Gupta moved to revise the committee membership to include an ex-officio position for the University Librarian (or designate).

The motion carried

5.5 REB Annual Report

Foluso Fagbamiye (Research Ethics Board Coordinator) presented the Research Ethics Board's Annual Report to the committee, highlighting the ongoing process of developing a new Research Ethics Policy (RS1), the streamlining of amendment processes, and the breakdown of research ethics applications by faculty for 2018/19. The report has been shared with the Provost and is posted online.

Action item: The Chair to inquire with President if he shares the REB Report with the Board of Governors.

5.6 Overview of TLSR survey instrument and results

Karissa Wall (Manager, Institutional Research) provided background and context on the Teaching, Learning, Scholarship & Research survey that was administered to the KPU community in Spring 2019. She highlighted key findings and the breakdown of responses by faculty. The committee will discuss how to action these findings at the next meeting of SSCR.

Action item: Discussion of the findings & how to action them to be included as an agenda item for November's SSCR meeting.

5.7 Questions for Provost

The Provost discussed his vision for Research at KPU, his plans to consult with researchers and expressed his support of the work of this committee.

Action item: Chair to extend further invitation to Provost to attend the November meeting of SSCR.

5.8 Budget priorities

Mandeep Pannu moved that the committee resolves that KPU has not has a comprehensive funding approach for research, and needs one.

The motion carried.

Action item: AVP, Research to carry message on SSCR's behalf to the SSC Budget meeting on October 18th.

6.0 Other Business

None.

7.0 Adjournment

Mandeep Pannu moved that the meeting be adjourned.

The motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 4:00pm