

**SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON RESEARCH AND
GRADUATE STUDIES
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
Tuesday, February 1, 2022
2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.
MS Teams Online**

Voting Member Quorum 7 members		
Daniel Bernstein – Chair Deepak Gupta Lilach Marom Paul Adams Elizabeth Worobec	Karen Meijer-Kline Mark Vardy Greg Millard Deborah Henderson	Non-voting
		Amy Jeon
Regrets	Senate Office	Guests
Marcelina Piotrowski Sundeep Varaich Mandeep Pannu	Nikki Pursani Darya Kostromitina	Tara Lyons Amit Shukla

1. Call to Order

The Chair opened the meeting with a Territorial Acknowledgement called the meeting to order at 2:01 p.m.

2. Approval of Agenda

Agenda item 7.3 was added to the agenda under New Business - SSHRC Institutional Grant (SIG)

The agenda was approved as circulated by unanimous consent.

3. Approval of Minutes, January 11, 2022

The minutes of January 11, 2022 were approved as circulated by unanimous consent.

4. Chair’s Report

Daniel Bernstein informed the committee that two working groups will be created to review the SSCRGs Mandate and to curate research presentations.

The Chair also reminded the committee members of the two action items this committee had taken forward from the White Paper.

- 1B Request that all Departments develop a formalized plan for integrating opportunities for undergraduate research. Research must be regarded as integral to learning objectives and be included, for instance, as a required part of a major.

- 1E Recognize research as essential to the classroom and to the scholarship of teaching and learning. KPU faculty members need to be proactive in their disciplines to ensure the continued relevance and quality of educational programs.

5. Associate Vice-President, Research, Innovation and Graduate Studies Report

Deepak Gupta congratulated Paul Adams on his appointment as the first Sherman Jen Research Chair at KPU. Details of the announcement can be found on SharePoint under University News.

The committee received the written report. Deepak Gupta highlighted matters arising from the Animal Care Committee and Tri-Council Policy Statement 2. He shared that KPU has joined the International Alliance, a collaborative opportunity for academics.

The committee discussed the need for a permanent Coordinator position for KPU Animal Care.

6. Chair, Research Ethics Board Report

The committee received the written report. Tara Lyons gave a brief update of the highlights from the review of research ethics applications and noted that the new [TCPS 2: CORE-2022](#) is now available. The Research Ethics Board is not requiring researchers to complete the tutorial immediately, but highly recommends completion of the tutorial in the next 6-12 months as well as engaging with Indigenous communities to complete the tutorial sooner.

6.1. KPU Research Ethics Board 2021-21 Annual Report

The committee received the Research Ethics Board 2020/21 Annual Report. Tara Lyons highlighted a total of 63 ethics applications reviewed (46 on ROMEO, 17 harmonized files), and shared the numerous outreach, communication, and professional developmental activities the Board had engaged in through the year. The committee acknowledged the tragic loss of REB member Katie Warfield.

The committee discussed the creation of a year-to-year comparison with regards to number of files reviewed and breakdown of principal investigators (e.g., faculty, student, external);

7. New Business

7.1. Working Group to Review SSCRGs Mandate

The Chair described the request of the working group and asked for volunteers to meet and review the committee's mandate.

Action: Deepak Gupta, Deborah Henderson, and Lilach Marom will meet to discuss and bring recommendations back to the committee before the June meeting.

7.2. Working Group to Curate Research Presentations

The Chair described the request of the working group and asked for volunteers to meet and review / curate research presentations.

Action: Paul Adams, Mark Vardy, and Greg Millard will meet to discuss how to approach this work and will report to the committee with recommendations at the next meeting.

7.3. SSHRC Institutional Grant (SIG)

Amit Shukla provided the committee with an overview of the suggested application deadlines, (April 1, Aug 1 and Dec 1), allocation of budget per term, and determining a salary rate paid to student applicants. The committee provided feedback.

8. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 3:17 p.m.