

SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON RESEARCH AND GRADUATE STUDIES

Minutes of Regular Meeting

Tuesday, February 28, 2023

2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

MS Teams Online

Voting Member Quorum: 7		
Daniel Bernstein, Chair	Leeann Waddington Mandeep Pannu Patrick Lui Sue Fairburn	
		Non-voting
		Amy Jeon
Regrets	Senate Office	Guests
Alan Davis Brett Favaro, Vice-Chair Deborah Henderson Deepak Gupta Karen Meijer-Kline Mark Vardy Paul Adams Shelley Boyd Zena Mitchell	Sonia Banwait Michelle Molnar	Mariana Gatzeva Melissa Cuthill Stephanie Phillips

1. Call to Order and Territorial Acknowledgement

The Chair, Daniel Bernstein, called the meeting to order at 2:03 p.m.

2. Approval of Agenda

Daniel Bernstein moved the agenda be confirmed as circulated.

The motion carried.

3. Approval of Minutes, January 31, 2023

Daniel Bernstein moved the minutes be accepted as circulated.

The motion carried.

4. Chair's Report

The Chair welcomed the guests joining today's meeting and reminded members the last committee meeting of the year will be held in-person at the Surrey campus.

He also restated the two priorities as Chair for this committee, which include developing departmental responses to white paper in research and scholarship and to continue working group mandates.

5. Regular Reports

5.1. Associate Vice-President, Research, Innovation and Graduate Studies

Report presented as attached.

5.2. Working Groups

5.2.1. SSCRGs Mandate Review

No report.

5.2.2. Curating Research Presentations

Daniel Bernstein introduced Stephanie Phillips, Sherman Jen Research Chair in Next Generation Design, Wilson School of Design, to present her research on the Role of Design in Interdisciplinary Sustainable Material Development in biodegradable polymers in textiles.

Stephanie Phillips gave her presentation and shared her background and her design research practices.

5.2.3. Generating KPU Definition of Research

No report.

6. New Business

6.1. Research Data Management (RDM) Strategy

Melissa Cuthill shared that over the last 6 months, the RDM Strategy Working Group co-sponsored by the AVPRIGS and the Library has worked to prepare KPU's strategy, which is now ready for publication.

An electronic vote was sent to voting committee members since the meeting did not meet quorum.

As per Senate bylaw 2.15.5, a 75% response rate is required from voting members for electronic votes. After the electronic voting window closed, it was determined that not enough votes were received to carry the motion.

Daniel Bernstein moved THAT the Senate Standing Committee on Research and Graduate Studies endorse the KPU Research Data Management Strategy, effective March 01, 2023.

The motion failed.

7. Items for Discussion

7.1. Graduate Studies Listening Tour Consultation

Mariana Gatzeva informed the committee that the Graduate Studies Policy Working Group (GSPWG) is working on a report and recommendations pertaining to creating an academic framework for graduate studies at KPU. The process involves consultation from different university areas and groups through a Listening Tour, which consists of series of visits to Faculty Council meetings. As such, the working group is requesting this item be included as part of the Listening Tour for consultation.

The committee suggested the proponent consult with KFA and the learning advisory committee for further insight. There were also questions around who is overseeing this consultation and if it is part of the mandate that needs to be addressed. Mariana Gatzeva advised that the Research Office is guiding the consultation and although it is not included in the mandate, doing so will allow for the university to be more competitive.

7.2. Research Plan Template

Daniel Bernstein requested to skip this item and bring it forward as a standing item for next month.

8. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 3:20 p.m.