

## SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON TEACHING AND LEARNING

**Minutes of Regular Meeting**  
**Thursday, September 8, 2022**  
**2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.**  
**MS Teams Online**

Voting Member Quorum 5 members		
Rajmale Kaur Connie Klimek Leeann Waddington Sharmen Lee Andhra Goundrey	Fiona Whittington-Walsh Christina Page Lyndsay Passmore	
		<b>Non-voting</b>
		Amy Jeon Carole St. Laurent Gillian Sudlow Wallapak Polasub
<b>Regrets</b>	<b>Senate Office</b>	<b>Guests</b>
Alan Davis Karen Meijer-Kline	Rita Zamluk	Peter Siermacheski Jovita Vytasek

### 1. Call to Order

The Chair, Christina Page, called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. She read the 62<sup>nd</sup> call to action of the Truth and Recommendation Commission and asked members to reflect on ways to better integrate Indigenous knowledge and teaching methods in courses.

Members shared their ideas and practices: taking courses to learn more about incorporating Indigenous knowledge, engaging students in acknowledging place and making land acknowledgments, and hiring Indigenous faculty members.

### 2. Approval of Agenda

**Sharmen Lee moved the agenda be confirmed as circulated.**

**The motion carried.**

### 3. Approval of Minutes, May 5, 2022

**Leeann Waddington moved the minutes be accepted as circulated.**

**The motion carried.**

### 4. Chair's Report

The Chair announced that more new members will be coming next month. She welcomed Peter Siermacheski to the committee.

She then reviewed the regular work of the committee as well new items coming forward. She thanked members for their attendance and commitment.

#### **4.1. Introduction to Committee Mandate and Membership**

The Chair reviewed the committee mandate and membership. The Committee reviewed current vacancies.

### **5. AVP, Teaching and Learning and Learning Report**

Leeann Waddington, Associate Vice-President, Teaching and Learning, pro tem introduced Nishan Perera, who is currently nominated to be a member of the committee.

She then overviewed upcoming events, plans underway to support Faculty Council Chairs, and e-portfolio developments.

### **6. Learning Centres Report**

The Chair introduced Jovita Vytasek, Learning Strategist, from the Learning Centres.

Jovita Vytasek presented her report. She updated the Committee on program offerings, embedding learning strategies into programs, writing supports, and new resources created by the staff and faculty team. She then answered questions from the Committee.

Christina Page and Leeann Waddington engaged in the discussion and provided additional information to answer questions.

The Committee discussed the number of international students taking the onboarding courses, academic integrity offerings and practices currently being developed, ways to roll out and evaluate the work done with the BUSI Integration Program, and the advantages to students of Faculties collaborating with the Learning Centre.

#### **6.1. Report on DESN 100**

Andhra Goundrey, Dean, Wilson School of Design, overviewed the development and future steps of the DESN 100 project in helping students and setting them up for success.

### **7. New Business**

#### **7.1. Notice of Election of SSC Vice-Chair**

Amy Jeon, Vice-Chair of Senate, provided a notice of election for the committee vice-chair. She overviewed the process of nomination and suggested that members interested in sitting as vice-chair to advise the Chair.

### **8. Items for discussion**

No further items for discussion

### **9. Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 2:56 p.m.