

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SENATE

December 8, 2017

The meeting was held at 1:30 p.m. in Room 1R40, Arts and Humanities Building.

SENATORS: 71

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| R. Andersen | Y. Hassan | D. Moser |
| W. Avusuglo | J. Hatch | S. Mumm |
| T. Baerg | H. Hill | K. Myers |
| G. Belfry | A. Hrymak | V. Nielsen |
| M. Blackwood | C. Jones | C. Olivier |
| A. Bowlus | P. Jones | G. Parraga |
| J. Capone | D. Jorgensen | I. Paul |
| T. Carmichael | A. Katz | W. Pearson |
| A. Chakma | J. Kim | C. Roulston |
| E. Chamberlain | J. Knowles | D.R. Sainani |
| C.L. Chambers | G. Kopp | P. Schmidt |
| A. Chant | D. Kotsopoulos | Z. Sinel |
| L. Charland | D. Laird | J. Siou |
| K. Cole | K. Lawless | W. Siqueira |
| R. Collins | L. Logan | V. Staroverov |
| M. Crossan | E. Macpherson | C. Steeves |
| R. Damji | J. Matthews | T. Straatman |
| R. Datta | M. McDayter | M. Strong |
| J. Deakin | A. Meyer | M. Vandenbosch |
| I. Decoito | J. Michalski | E. Walsh |
| P. Doyle | M. Milde | J. Wihlidal |
| O. Enbar | K. Miller | B.A. Younker |
| J. Garland | L. Miller | K. Zhou |
| C. Hardy | J. Mitchell | |

S.17-239

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT [Exhibit I]

S.17-248 **Faculty of Social Science and Faculty of Arts and Humanities: Introduction of Politics, Philosophy and Economics (PPE) as a New Subject Area**

It was moved by A. Chant, seconded by M. Milde,

That the new subject area of Politics, Philosophy and Economics (PPE) be introduced into the undergraduate offerings of the Faculty of Social Science and the Faculty of Arts and Humanities, and included in Category A for Breadth Requirements for Graduation, effective September 1, 2018, detailed in Exhibit V, item 2.

CARRIED (By Unanimous Consent)

S.17-249 **Brescia University College: Withdrawal of the Minor in Canadian Studies and Major in Canadian Social and Environmental History**

It was moved by A. Chant, seconded by M. Milde,

That effective September 1, 2017, the Minor in Canadian Studies and the Major in Canadian Social and Environmental Studies be discontinued.

CARRIED (By Unanimous Consent)

S.17-250 **Brescia University College: Withdrawal of French Modules and Introduction of an Honors Specialization in French Studies**

S.17-250a. **Withdrawal of French Modules**

It was moved by A. Chant, seconded by M. Milde,

That effective September 1, 2018, admissions to the Honors Specialization in French Linguistics and Literature
Honors Specialization in French Language and Literature
Honors Specialization in French Language and Linguistics
be discontinued, and

That students currently enrolled in these modules be allowed to graduate until August 31, 2021 upon fulfillments of the module requirements, and

That effective September 1, 2021 the modules be discontinued.

CARRIED (By Unanimous Consent)

S.17-250b. **Introduction of an Honors Specialization in French Studies**

It was moved by A. Chant, seconded by M. Milde,

That effective September 1, 2018, the Honors Specialization in French Studies be introduced, as detailed in Exhibit V, item 4b.

CARRIED (By Unanimous Consent)

S.17-251

Huron University College: Introduction of the Specialization in Global Gender Studies

In response to a question regarding the elimination of professional and staff librarian positions, C. Steeves, Vice-Provost and Chief Librarian, clarified that the new organization model released to staff in June 2017 did not propose the elimination of any positions, and has a place for every incumbent, both professional and support staff.

J. Deakin informed Senators that the reorganization of the libraries has been an inclusive library-driven undertaking over the past 18 months. The process has been driven by working groups and a steering team comprised of librarians, archivists and staff and informed by input from users of the library. The library has also worked closely with UWOFA-LA to determine appropriate processes to support the reorganization.

A Senator indicated that some library staff are concerned that they might be assigned other functions, and will not be able to continue performing the teaching duties they currently perform. C. Steeves clarified that the law librarians will still have the opportunity to provide instruction. She explained that one element of the reorganization is that professional staff are being organized into teams to focus on supporting the teaching, learning and research outcomes of faculties.

A Senator noted his appreciation that the question concerning staff positions was brought forward by a faculty member. He expressed concern that with the growth in enrolment the number of full-time staff positions has fallen, and that many staff members are part-time or on contract. He encouraged Senators to engage with the staff in their units, to find out who is on contract, and he hoped that this would change how staff are viewed.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 1:55 p.m.