

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SENATE

October 19, 2018

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

SENATORS: 77

R. Andersen
S. Barghi
S. Basu
G. Belfry
L. Beres
A. Borchert
A. Bowlus
D. Brou
S. Burke
J. Capone
A. Chakma
E. Chamberlain
A. Chant
D. Cheng
K. Cole
R. Collins
J. Cuciurean
V. Dalal
S. Datars Bere
M. Davison
C. Dick
L. Federking
J. Garland
R. Garno
L. Ghattas
A. Grzyb

Y. Hassan
J. Hatch
A. Hearn
A. Hrymak
L. Jiang
P. Jones
J. Kim
S. Knabe
R. Konrad
K. Kontogiannis
G. Kopp
K. Kwan
K. Lawless
A. Leguard
L. Logan
D. Macpherson
J. Matthews
M. McDayter
A. Meyer
J. Michalski
M. Milde
K. Miller
S. Mumm
O. Nadler
M. Novello
D. Olteanu

I. Paul
W. Pearson
P. Peddle
A. Pero
M. Perruzza
V. Radcliffe
A. Ray
G. Read
G. Rezai-Rashti
C. Roulston
P. Schmidt
V. Schwean
K. Shuey

S.18-157 **Information Items Reported by the Senate Operations/Agenda Committee**

Exhibit III, Report of the Senate Operations/Agenda Committee, contained the following items that were received for information by unanimous consent:

Candidates for Degrees and Diplomas – Autumn Convocation 2018
2019 Convocation Dates

REPORT OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC POLICY AND AWARDS [Exhibit IV]

S.18-158 **Faculty of Engineering: Introduction of the Biomedical Engineering Concurrent Degree Programs**

It was moved by J. Hatch, seconded by G. Kopp,

That the Biomedical Engineering Concurrent Degree Programs be introduced in the Faculty of Engineering effective September 1, 2018, as shown in Exhibit IV, Appendix 1:
Chemical Engineering and Biomedical Engineering
Electrical Engineering and Biomedical Engineering
Mechanical Engineering and Biomedical Engineering
Mechatronic Systems Engineering and Biomedical Engineering

CARRIED

S.18-159 **Faculty of Engineering: Policy Revision Registration and Progression in Three-Year, Four-Year and Honors Degrees Concurrent Degrees**

It was moved by J. Hatch, seconded by G. Kopp,

That the revisions to the Concurrent Degrees policy be revised as shown in Exhibit IV, Appendix 2.

CARRIED

S.18-160 **Don Wright Faculty of Music: Discontinuation of the Certificate in Piano Technology**

It was moved by M. Milde, seconded by R. Konrad,

That, effective September 1, 2018, the Certificate in Piano Technology be discontinued in the Don Wright Faculty of Music as shown in Exhibit IV.

CARRIED (By Unanimous Consent)

S.18-161 **Report of Scholastic Offences**

J. Doerksen, Vice-Provost (Academic Programs) spoke to the Report of Scholastic Offences for the period of July 1, 2017 - June 30, 2018, acknowledging that the document likely underreports scholastic offences at the University. He explained that instructors often opt to deal with minor violations informally, rather than report them as a scholastic offence.

J. Doerksen and J. Hatch (Chair, SCAPA) indicated that an ad hoc committee of SCAPA would be formed to examine the process of reporting scholastic offences, with the goal of revising policy to allow for instructors to exercise judgement in determining whether a particular incident warrants a formal reporting of a scholastic offence.

An Official Observer expressed concern regarding stipulations within the government

L. Logan indicated that significant work is underway to develop concrete next steps to address the concerns regarding this street party
Western tries to engage students with official Homecoming programming (e.g., free tickets to the football game).
A Senator made a suggestion that Faculties consider how to engage students in their Homecoming events (e.g., giving tours of buildings).

S.18-166

Notice of Motion Senate Approval of the UWO Freedom of Expression Policy

Senator A. Grzyb presented the following Notice of Motion:

Whereas in response to a mandate from the Province, The University of Western Ontario, through a special task force appointed by the President and Provost, is currently drafting a Freedom of Expression policy, a draft copy of which has been forwarded to the University Senate; and

Whereas Section 29 of the *University of Western Ontario Act* (the "Act") provides "The Senate is responsible for the academic policy of the University" and

Whereas Section 30(e) of the Act provides that the Senate may "inquire into and publish