

Senate Minutes

September 25, 2015
Senate Chamber CE-339

Vice President Academic & Provost, D. Keefe called the meeting to order at 1:35.

1. Roll Call and Declaration of Quorum

The recording secretary took roll call and quorum was declared.

Present:

Stephen Augustine, Pat Bates, Brennan Boudreau, Tanya Brann-Barrett, Debbie Brennick, Allen Britten, Keith Brown, Sylvia Burrow, Kenzie Cameron, George Chen, Ed Davis, Godwin D'Cunha, Margaret Denchman, Brandon Ellis, Jane Farnsworth, Barb Glassey, Odette Gristci, Roy Karam, Dale Keefe, Carolin Kreber, Tanner Leudy, Catherine Levetin-Reid, Brittany MacAulay, Bernie MacLennan, Erna MacLeod, Elaine MacNeil, David McCorquodale, Mary Jane Morrison, Arlene Mullan, David Mullan, Elizabeth Quirk, Vielka Salazar, Liam Shannon, Laura Syms, Claudette Taylor, Arja Vainio-Mattila, Wendy Wadden, David Wheeler, Norm Smith, Eileen Smith-Piovesan, Shawn Bethke

Regrets:

Saleh Algamdi, Judy Bailey, Louis Guimond, Derrick Hayes, Patrick Howard, Gordon MacInnis, George Karaphillis, Richard Watuwa

Absent:

John Hudec, Wei Shang, Tuma Young

Following the roll call, D. Keefe welcomed the new members of Senate:

Sylvia Burrow, Jane Farnsworth, Patrick Howard, John Hudec, George Karaphillis, Carolin Kreber, Catherine Levetin-Reid, David Mullan, Vielka Salazar, Claudette Taylor, Wendy Wadden, Richard Watuwa and Board of Governors representative Pat Bates.

2. Election of Chair, Vice-Chair and Secretary

D. Keefe called for nominations for the Chair. G. d'Cunha nominated Debbie Brennick for Chair and with no further nominations Debbie Brennick was elected as Chair of Senate.

The duties of Chair were then passed to D. Brennick and she called for nominations for a Vice-Chair. M. Dechman nominated Godwin d'Cunha for the position of Vice-Chair and with no further nominations G. d'Cunha was elected at Vice-Chair.

Nominations for Secretary were then accepted. G. d'Cunha nominated Laura Syms for the position of Secretary and with no further nominations Laura Syms was elected Secretary.

3. Consent Agenda – N/A

4. Matters to be Considered in Closed Session

It was moved by W. Wadden, seconded by B. Ellis to move into Closed Session for the purpose of conducting confidential business. **Motion carried.**

It was moved by W. Wadden, seconded by B. Boudreau, to move back in to open session following a closed session discussion. **Motion Carried.**

5. Matters Forwarded for Information – N/A

6. Special Presentations/Updates – N/A

7. Report of the President and Vice-President Academic & Professional Studies (Provost)

7.1 Report of the President

President Wheeler congratulated all involved in the continued relationship with the CIC and noted the first honorary doctorate will be awarded during their October convocation. He also commented on the honour of having representatives from CBU in attendance. He gave recognition to all those involved in what has been a spectacular start to the new academic year with the many well-attended events and activities for new and returning students.

7.2 Vice-President Academic & Professional Studies (Provost)

Dale Keefe encouraged Senators to attend the Royal Society of Canada symposium being held on campus after the meeting. He then reported on the following:

- The Integrated planning process continues toward completing a fully developed plan and noted that Senate's Planning and Review committee has been engaged in the process.
- MPHEC has given extremely positive responses to the SPAL proposal.
- The Bachelor of Emergency Management program change has met with concerns from MPHEC. It was decided that the submission would be withdrawn until CBU can fully address and satisfy these issues.
- Steps are being taken to address the deficiencies in the reporting to MPHECs Quality Assurance Monitoring Committee and until this process is complete CBU has voluntarily suspended submissions of new programs to MPHEC for program assessment.

W. Wadden noted that the recently completed QA review for the SSOB revealed hesitancy by those involved due to the extreme time commitments required along with reluctance of the self-examination process. It was also noted that the QA committee feels it necessary for them to have access to the comments of the Employee Engagement Committee. D. Keefe replied that the magnitude of the reporting process was far more than CRA had realized. HR has received the comments and should any of the comments be relevant to the committee they will be forwarded to them.

8. Question Period – N/A

9. Approval of Minutes

9.1 It was moved by MJ Morrison, seconded by A. Mullan, the approval of the minutes from the June 12, 2015 meeting. **Motion carried.** Abstentions: 13

10. Business Arising from the Minutes – N/A

11. Report of the Executive Committee

D. Keefe reported that the Executive Committee met on September 18th to set the agenda for this meeting of Senate. The committee also discussed committee vacancies after identifying changes to the Terms of Reference for Senate committees had changed after the committee slate was approved in June. This task is now being the responsibility of the Executive Committee and will be completed in order for all committees to begin their work.

12. Students' Union Report

Students' Union President B. Ellis congratulated the newly elected Senate executive and introduced the student Senators in attendance. He reported on the following:

- In conjunction with Student Services the Asperia app and services have been implemented.
- All aspects of the impacts of the CFS lawsuit case have been explored and they have decided to appeal the Ontario court decision. A new law firm, one representing the University of Toronto for the same issue, has been chosen to represent the CBUSU.
- Partnerships with student services and others resulted in a very positive and successful Frosh week.
- The student members have committed to ensuring attendance during committees meetings.
- Senators are asked that if they are involved in symposiums such as the one being held today, the Students' Union would be more than delighted to participate.

13. Reports of Other Committees

- (i) **Research** – Chair, E. MacLeod, referred the report circulated with the meeting material with nothing further to add to the report.
- (ii) **P&R** – Chair, V. Salazar, referred the report circulated with the meeting material drawing particular attention to the observations.
- (iii) **QA** – No report
- (iv) **Academic** – No report
- (v) **TLEC** – No report

(vi) **Bylaws** – No Report

13. Board of Governors' Report

D. Keefe referred to J. Bailey's written report circulated with the meeting material.

14. Confidential Business – N/A

15. Adjournment

Prior to adjournment, the Chair announced that immediate following the conclusion of the meeting a brief faculty vote will be held to elect a Senate representative to the Board of Governors.

The next Senate meeting is scheduled for Thursday, October 22nd and with no further business, **it was moved** by B. Boudreau to adjourn the meeting at 12:25.



Laura Syms, Secretary