



OKANAGAN SENATE

MINUTES OF 25 APRIL 2019

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Attendance

Present: S. Ono (Chair), K. Ross (Secretary), A. Alnaar, P. Arthur, P. Barker, H. Berringer, D. Buszard, J. Cioe, C. Comben, J. Corbett, T. Ebl, J. Eikenaar, B. Frank, J. Hossain, J. Jakobi, R. Lawrence, S. Lawrence, M Legault, Y. Lucet, B. Marcolin, S. McNeil, A. Mukherjee-Reed, F. Pena, M. Reekie, D. Roberts, B. Rutherford, D. Tannant, B. Traister, S. Chong, H. Kang, J. Lafontaine, J. Naqvi, G. Newry, S. Sandhu.

Regrets: A. Alam, G. Binsted, M. Campbell. R. Campbell, D. Cater, I. Cull, L. Gordon, J. Gustar, M Hoorfar, J Johnson, R. Lalonde, J. Loeppky (LOA), S. O’Leary, J Olson, R. Sadiq, R. Sugden, G. Wetterstrand (LOA), P. Wylie, K. DesRoches, D. Efreteui, G. Jaythilake, L. Muddle, A. Shields, G. Sidhu, V. Tamondong.

Clerk: C. Eaton

Call to Order

The Chair of Senate, Dr Santa J. Ono called the meeting to order at 3:32 pm.

Senate Membership

New Members

The Registrar welcomed the following new members to Senate:

Mr Abdul Alnaar, Representative of the Convocation, until 31 August 2020 and thereafter until replaced, to fill a vacancy.

Mr Venedict Tamondong, Representative of the Students of the Faculty of Applied Science (Continuing), until 31 March 2020 and thereafter until replaced

Mr Shao Yuan Chong, Representative of the Students of the Faculty of Arts and Sciences (Continuing), until 31 March 2020 and thereafter until replaced

Ms Simran Sandhu, Representative of the Students of the Faculty of Health and Social Development, until 31 March 2020 and thereafter until replaced



Ms Deborah Efretuei, Representative of the Students of the Faculty of Management, until 31 March 2020 and thereafter until replaced

Mr Hogun Kang, Graduate Student Representative, until 31 March 2020 and thereafter until replaced

Ms Laura Mudde, Graduate Student Representative, until 31 March 2020 and thereafter until replaced

Ms Kelsey Desroches, Representative of the Students At-large (Continuing), until 31 March 2020 and thereafter until replaced

Ms Geethma Jayathilake, Representative of the Students At-large, until 31 March 2020 and thereafter until replaced

Mr Jesse Lafontaine, Representative of the Students At-large, until 31 March 2020 and thereafter until replaced

Mr Jassim Naqvi, Representative of the Students At-large (Continuing), until 31 March 2020 and thereafter until replaced

Ms Abbey Shields, Representative of the Students At-large, until 31 March 2020 and thereafter until replaced

Ms Gurjot Sidhu, Representative of the Students At-large, until 31 March 2020 and thereafter until replaced

DECLARATION OF VACANCY

The Registrar informed Senate that Dr Peter Wylie had missed three consecutive regular meetings without leave of the Agenda Committee and therefor under Rule 12 of the *Rules and Procedures of Senate* his seat would be declared vacant with the adoption of this meeting's minutes.

Minutes of 28 March 2019

Jan Cioe
Dwayne Tannant

} *That the Minutes of the Meeting of 28 March 2019
be adopted as corrected.*

*Capitalization of "president" and "university"
when referencing UBC.
Replace "Considering" with "consideration" on
page 3.
Replace "faculty" with "factor" on page 6.*



Several missing hyphens.

Approved

Learning and Research Committee

MEMORIAL MINUTE FOR W. WESLEY PUE

W. Wesley Pue is widely recognized as one of Canada's leading legal historians; a renowned lawyer, academic and the Nemetz Professor of Legal History at the Peter. A. Allard School of Law.

Professor Pue was educated in England at Gresham's School, Holt and then at Regent's Park College, University of Oxford, completing a Bachelor of Arts in Geography (1977), followed by a Bachelor of Arts in Jurisprudence (1979). Relocating to Canada shortly thereafter, he completed a Master of Laws at the University of Alberta in 1980. He taught at Osgoode Hall Law School, Oklahoma City University, and Carleton University. At the University of Manitoba, he was Johnson Professor of Legal History and the Director of the Canadian Legal History Project.

Professor Pue joined UBC's Faculty of Law in 1993, and was the first holder of the Nemetz Chair in Legal History. From 1996 to 1998, he was the director of UBC's graduate program in Law. He also served as Associate Dean for Graduate Studies and Research (2003-2007), acting Director of the Individual Interdisciplinary Studies Graduate Program, Vice-Provost (Vancouver Campus, 2007-2011), and Provost (Okanagan Campus, 2011-2013).

Called to the Bars of the Northwest Territories and Alberta and an honorary member of the Honourable Society of Inner Temple, Professor Pue held faculty positions or visiting professorships in Canada, the USA, England, and Australia and served as President of the Canadian Law and Society Association.

Professor Pue's research and publications focused primarily on legal history, law and society, law and colonialism, constitutionalism, policing, and national security. He served as the General Editor for Canada's "Law and Society" book series, published by UBC Press. His book *Law School: The Story of Legal Education in British Columbia* is widely recognized as an extraordinary contribution to the recorded history of the law school.

During his years at UBC, Professor Pue made many meaningful and lasting contributions, to his students, his Faculty and the University. He championed the Faculty's graduate research programs and was a mentor to two generations of legal historians and scholars of legal education and the legal profession. He was instrumental in the establishment of the LLM Common Law degree program.



To his family and friends, the Senate and the University of British Columbia offer their condolences and thanks.

Deborah Roberts	}	<i>That Senate approve the Memorial Minutes for</i>
Jannik Eikenaar		<i>Prof. W. Wesley Pue, that they be entered into the</i>
		<i>Minutes of Okanagan Senate, and a copy be sent</i>
		<i>to the family of the deceased and forwarded to the</i>
		<i>Vancouver Senate.</i>

To the prepared memorial, Senator Roberts added that Dr Pue was a strong supporter of the Okanagan campus, often describing Vancouver as its satellite.

Senator Eikenaar noted that as a new faculty member at the Okanagan campus he found then-Provost Pue to be approachable and someone who understood the value and the impact of undergraduate education.

Approved

Remarks from the Chair

The President announced that UBC ranked first in the world for taking urgent action to combat climate change and its impacts and ranked first in Canada for making cities inclusive, safe, resilient, and sustainable, according to Times Higher Education. He opined that UBC's achievements in these rankings is a clear reflection of the great work of our students, faculty, and staff who combine their expertise to ensure UBC is a leader in creating vibrant, sustainable, and connected communities and campuses.

Dr Ono noted that in the previous week the UBC Board of Governors endorsed the Okanagan 2040 Plan for UBC Okanagan. The plan envisions that, in 2040, the Okanagan campus will be a thriving UBC community of over 20,000 people, including 18,000 students and 500 faculty members. UBCO will be recognized for its historic partnership with the Okanagan Nation and be a leader in Canada in the proportion of indigenous faculty and students. A transformative UBC investment of \$100m will have enabled a successful \$200m+ capital campaign to establish endowments so that by 2040 funding per student and student financial support at UBCO will be close to the level on the Vancouver campus. He congratulated Dr Buszard and her team for their work on this plan.

President Ono advised that he and McGill Principal Suzanne Fortier had announced the creation of the Peterson-Wesbrook Scholars Program to support the reciprocal exchange of students between McGill and UBC. The program is named in honour of Sir William Peterson, Principal of McGill University from 1895 to 1919, and Frank Wesbrook, founding President of UBC. The



Peterson-Wesbrook Scholars Program will facilitate the exchange of students for scholarly work and will allow students to benefit from the special facilities and courses found at each university. Both UBC and McGill have provided seed funding for the program.

Further, the President said that last week he participated in the first ever UBC Emeritus College Symposium, moderating a panel on scholarship in the age of populism and fake news.

Dr Ono noted that UBC Okanagan has achieved a 90% increase in research funding since 2014/2015, and a 239% increase in MITACs funding. UBCO also has high success rates for Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council and Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council grants exceeding national averages. He also noted UBC's recent success in research rankings.

The President announced that the Board of Governors had agreed to the recommendation made by the Senate for the split in the role of Deputy Vice-Chancellor from Academic Vice-President, and the conferral of the academic vice-president role upon the Okanagan Provost position.

The President noted that Mr Ainsley Carry was on campus today as he has now started his term as Vice-President, Students.

Finally, the president advised with sadness that Barbara Means-Thistle our Vice-President Human Resources has elected to move to semi-retirement and leave UBC to return to Nova Scotia. He thanked her for all her work for UBC over the past 18 months. The president also advised that we are approaching the end of Deputy Vice-Chancellor Deborah Buzzard's second term. He noted that there would be many opportunities over the next year to thank The Principal for her work for UBC

Senator Cioe asked what would be covered by the Peterson/Wesbrook Scholars program.

Dr Ono said students would just pay their home university tuition. There is a differential. The money is meant to support hard to meet costs around travel and housing.

In response to further questions from the floor, The President confirmed that the Peterson/Wesbrook Scholars program would be open to students from both campuses and that the timeline for implementation was still under development.

Senator Cioe said that rankings almost always emphasized research. Do we know where we stand with more difficult assessment of teaching?

Dr Ono answered, yes we do, and overall we do very well overall in teaching rankings. We do best in research, and lag most in reputation.

Remarks from the Deputy Vice-Chancellor



Council Budget Committee

Senator R Lawrence introduced the budget presentation and asked Senate to recognize Ms Valerie Nichol, Senior Manager, Finance Strategies, to present.

Senator Chong asked if any of the international funding was needs-based.

Ms Nichols replied it was for entrance awards.

Senator Cioe asked why the human resources staff budget was going from \$1.8m to \$2.6m

Deputy Vice-Chancellor Buszard said that this was largely due to new staff to address sexual violence prevention and response.

Senator Ebl asked if the financial aid pool was increasing.

The Provost, Dr Mukherjee-Reed said yes, it happens automatically as it is a set percentage of tuition.

The Registrar, Dr Ross, added that changes in government policy has increased demand for bursaries.

Senator Tannant said there was essentially zero growth in financial aid for graduate students while graduate student growth was around 30%.

Ms Nichol advised that the budgeted number was only for needs-based funding.

Dean Traister noted that of the \$10.4m increase in campus operations, \$3.9m was going towards faculties. \$6.5m was going towards administrative support services.

Ms Nichol said that a lot of those support services are for students. Another aspect is for IT support.

Dean Traister said that this was not a criticism but merely an observation on the visibility of such expenditures.

Dr Buszard said that it was unfortunately how this data was presented. We present on the administrative but not the faculty details. We could gather data differently. She noted that the excellence fund was almost entirely directed towards faculty, research, and student support.

Senator Alnaar asked for examples of what is being funded through the excellence fund.



Dr Barker said Aspire, matching startup funds, and the eminence fund to support research clusters.

The Provost added learning and teaching funds, cooperative education, and experiential learning funding

Senator Roberts said that investment in faculty is important but service support is important too.

Senator Naqvi asked why international enrolment was a financial risk.

Dr Buszard said global uncertainly. As an example she cited political issues with the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia and the People's Republic of China. She advised that as a result we budget to be cautious.

Senator Cioe asked if we were adjusting our international enrolment down.

Dr Buszard said we were holding our percentage increase at 2%.

Senator Chong asked why international tuition was increasing by 4% for new students but 3% for domestic.

Dr Buszard said the province mandated no more than 2% increases for domestic students. In the past we have had much larger increases for international. This year the decision was made to hold the international increases to 4% and 3%.

Senator Cioe said that this was a matter of inflation.

Senator Chong asked if there would be increased funding for international awards for continuing students.

The Registrar said that a percentage of tuition was put towards international student financial assistant. She further added that the Deputy Vice-Chancellor award was available for continuing international students.

Senator Cioe said if we draw in students with good entrance scholarships we had to keep in mind their financial needs throughout their programs.

Joint Report on New Programs



NEW DEGREE PROGRAMS

Peter Arthur	}	<i>That Senate approve the Ph.D. in Computer Science program and related new courses brought forward from the Faculty of Arts and Sciences and the Ph.D. in Nursing program and related new courses brought forward by the Faculty of Health and Social Development.</i>
Dwayne Tannat		

Senator Cioe said that the number of faculty in nursing was small for supporting a PhD program. We need to be cognizant that initially students may have difficulty as a result.

Senator Jakobi said Nursing currently takes out Ph.D. students as interdisciplinary students.. The lack of Ph.D. trained nurses is an international crisis.

Approved

Admission and awards

Chair *Pro Tem*. of the Admissions & Awards Committee, Ms Tamara Ebl, presented

POLICY 0-200: STUDENT AWARDS

Tamara Ebl	}	<i>That Senate approve Senate Policy O-200: Student Awards, effective 1 September 2019.</i>
Bryce Traister		

Senator Cioe said he had several major issues with this policy. He recognized that this was a codification of what we already do but this gives us an opportunity to consider things we have done historically. He raised a concern with with Section 13 (summer session marks) and noted that many of our policies were established based on historical situations that may not now exist. This rule came from a time when people had to be full time students and likely did not work. This does not work for students with financial or family challenges, or honors students.

Dean Traister asked why we made this policy.

Ms Ebl said this was a codification of current practice. The real push was to reduce the credit requirement from 27 to 24 credits and to give consideration for special circumstances for students. Our concern would be that holding this back would cause difficulty.

Senator Jakobi spoke in concern of the summer credits as well.



Senator S. Lawrence said that it much harder to calculate using summer credits.

Senator Cioe said that Vancouver's Senate passed a motion at its previous meeting calling for a review of the possibility of using summer marks in award assessment.

Senator Cioe said section 28 did not properly support our best students.

Senator S. Lawrence disagreed, saying that graduate students are badly underfunded and we cannot afford to have people double dipping from an overstretched system. We do not want a winner takes all system; we cannot identify our best students with that kind of precision.

Senator Jakobi said all graduate students need more funding. We have no control over external awards and we have some students who are making over 70K a year on awards.

Senator Tannant said individual awards often had language imbedded to do the same thing. We saw greater utility in spreading funding around.

Senator Cioe said it was a matter of where and how we did it. People are not applying for Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada awards because they know they cannot get them.

Senator Ebl said that this was a permissive policy that left the discretion to graduate studies.

Approved

By genreal consent, a motion was added from the floor

USE OF SUMMER GRADES IN AWARDS ADJUDICATION

Jan Cioe
Abdul Alnaar

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That the question of whether and how summer session courses can be included in awards adjudication, in particular with respect to comparability of students, be referred to the Senate Admissions & Awards Committee, and that the Committee be required to submit a report to Senate by the October 2019 Senate meeting.

Approved

NEW AWARDS



See Appendix A: Awards Report

Tamara Ebl Jannik Eikenaar	}	<i>That Senate accept the new awards as listed and forward them to the Board of Governors for approval; and that a letter of thanks be sent to the donors.</i>
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Senator Chong asked if the Blue and Gold Scholarship was available to international students.

The Registrar agreed to report back.

Approved

Curriculum Committee

The Chair of the Senate Curriculum Committee, Dr Peter Arthur, presented.

MARCH CURRICULUM PROPOSALS

See Appendix B: Curriculum Report

Peter Arthur Barbara Marcolin	}	<i>That Senate approve and recommend to the Board of Governors for approval the new options and courses brought forward from the Faculty of Applied Science, the new courses brought forward from the Faculty of Arts and Sciences, the new course brought forward from the Faculty of Management, the new combined major and new courses brought forward from the Faculty of Creative & Critical Studies and the new courses brought forward from the Faculty of Education.</i>
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Approved

Nominating Committee

The Chair of the Senate Nominating Committee, Dr Jannik Eikenaar, presented.

COUNCIL OF SENATES



Jannik Eikenaar
Barbara Rutherford

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*That Dean Bryce Traister be appointed to Council
of Senates Okanagan Representative Committee
Four to replace Dean Wisdom Tettey (resigned).*

Approved

**CALL FOR NOMINATIONS FOR PRESIDENT'S ADVISORY COMMITTEES FOR THE SELECTION
OF A DEPUTY VICE-CHANCELLOR AND A VICE-PRESIDENT HUMAN RESOURCES.**

Dr Eikenaar noted that the Nominating Committee has received notification from the President's Office of his intent to strike a Search Committee pursuant to Joint Board/Senate Policy 18 (Appointment of Designated Senior Academic Administrators) and Board Policy 34 (Appointment and Extension of Appointment of Administrative Vice-Presidents) for the next Deputy Vice-Chancellor and Vice-President Human Resources. He asked for any nominations to be sent to the Committee's secretary and advised that the Nominating Committee will then make recommendations for appointments to the Search Committee at the May meeting of Senate.

Adjournment

Seeing no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:09 p.m.



Appendix A: Awards Report

NEW AWARDS:

Charles E. Fipke Foundation Earth and Environmental Sciences Award

Awards totalling \$40,000 have been made available through an endowment established by the Charles E. Fipke Foundation for undergraduate or graduate students pursuing degrees in Earth and Environmental Sciences with preference given to students interested in geology. Awards will be given to students who demonstrate significant financial need, an exceptional work ethic, as well as academic strength. Subject to maintaining continued scholarship standing, undergraduate recipients may have their award renewed. Awards will be made on the recommendation of the Department of Earth, Environmental and Geographic Sciences in the Irving K. Barber School of Arts and Sciences and with respect to graduate awards, in consultation with the College of Graduate Studies. (First award available for the 2020/21 Winter Session)

UBC Students' Union Blue and Gold Scholarship

A \$1,200 scholarship has been made available through an endowment established by the Student Union of UBC Okanagan for undergraduate students in even-numbered years and graduate students in odd-numbered years at the University of British Columbia, Okanagan campus. The award is adjudicated by Enrolment Services and in consultation with the College of Graduate Studies in odd-numbered years. (First award available for the 2019/20 Winter Session)



Appendix B: Curriculum Report

FACULTY OF APPLIED SCIENCE

Resilient Infrastructure Management Option (RIM)

Biomedical Engineering Option

APSC 193

ENGR 423

ENGR 450

ENGR 420

ENGR 422

ENGR 439

ENGR 469

ENGR 513

ENGR 545

ENGR 547

ENGR 563

FACULTY OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

BIOL 426

FROM THE FACULTY OF ARTS AND SCIENCES AND THE FACULTY OF MANAGEMENT

BIOL 424

MGMT 470

FACULTY OF ARTS AND SCIENCES AND THE FACULTY OF CREATIVE AND CRITICAL STUDIES

SUST 104

SUST 204

THTR 204

FACULTY OF CREATIVE AND CRITICAL STUDIES

Combined Major with French

FREN 101

FREN 102

FACULTY OF EDUCATION

EDUC 300

EDUC 400