Okanagan Senate

THE SEVENTH REGULAR MEETING OF
THE OKANAGAN SENATE
FOR THE 2021/2022 ACADEMIC YEAR

THURSDAY, 31 MARCH 2022
3:30 P.M. | VIA ZOOM

1. Call to Order – Prof. Lesley Cormack

2. Minutes of the Meeting of 24 February 2022 - Prof. Lesley Cormack (approval) (docket pages 3-15)

3. Business Arising from the Minutes – Prof. Lesley Cormack

4. Remarks from the Deputy Vice-Chancellor - Prof. Lesley Cormack (information)

5. Remarks from the Provost – Dr Rehan Sadiq (information)

6. Expression of Thanks to 2021-2022 Student Senators – Prof. Lesley Cormack (information)

7. Academic Policy Committee – Dr Jan Cioe
   Academic Standings and Academic Achievement Designations (approval) (docket pages 16-26)

8. Curriculum Committees – Dr Yves Lucet

9. Learning & Research Committee – Dr Sally Stewart
   Referral regarding Emeritus Appointment (information) (docket page 67)

10. Nominating Committee – Dr Jannik Eikenaar
    a. Establishment of an Ad Hoc Committee on Class Scheduling (approval) (docket pages 68-69)
    b. Committee Adjustments (approval) (docket page 70)
11. Other Business

Motion from Senator Traister (approval)

Whereas the University of British Columbia has returned to a primarily face to face format for instructional delivery, thereby requiring faculty and students to undertake the business of the university “in-person” as of February 7, 2022; and

Whereas administrative staff continue to be expected to deliver in person service in “public-facing” roles, and to adhere to approved Remote Work plans that include no less than 30% of their work performance to be in person; and

Whereas the business of the Academic Senate is currently being performed entirely through online meeting formats; and, finally,

Whereas the university now has the technical capacity to provide online participation for those members of Senate unable to attend in person meetings of the same;

Be it resolved that that the Rules and Procedures of Senate be amended to strike Sections 20 and 21, insert a new Section 20 as follows, and to renumber all subsequent and referential sections accordingly:

“20. Senators and members of committees may attend and participate in Meetings of Senate or its committees in person or, if they so request and with permission of the relevant chair, via videoconference.”

Note from the Clerk: Sections 20 and 21, although suspended until September 2022 to allow the Senate to meet remotely, presently read as follows:

20. Senators may only attend and participate in debate at Meetings of Senate in person.

21. Section 20 notwithstanding, the chancellor or President may participate in debate via videoconference upon recognition of the chair, but shall not be considered in attendance while doing so; their participation in such a manner shall be minuted appropriately.