VANCOUVER SENATE
MINUTES OF 14 DECEMBER 2022

Attendance


Clerk: A. Breen

Guests: A. Bradley, E. Tan, G. Kim, P. Colozzo, J. Steen

Call to Order

The Chair of Senate, Professor Deborah J. Buszard called the third regular meeting of the Senate for the 2022/2023 academic year to order at 6:10 pm.

Minutes of the Meeting of 18 November 2022

The Chair noted that a number of typographical corrections had been sent to the Clerk and thanked Dr Pelech for identifying them.

Gage Averill
Joanne Fox

}  That the Minutes of 18 November 2022 be adopted as corrected.
Remarks from the Chair and Related Questions

The President offered her congratulations to Dr. Gage Averill for his appointment as UBC’s next Provost and Vice-President, Academic, noting that he had served in the role pro tem since April 2022. The President recognized Dr Averill’s contributions to the University to date and commented that she looked forward to continuing to work with him.

The President also extended her congratulations to Dr Susan Parker on her re-appointment as University Librarian for a second five-year term, until August 2027.

The President recognized the Faculty of Medicine, highlighting that it had recently received a $33.8 million gift for multiple sclerosis research and care, the largest known donation for MS research worldwide.

The Board of Governors recently approved the 2023-2024 tuition and non-instructional fees, which include a 2% increase in tuition for new and continuing domestic undergraduate and graduate students and increases between 2 and 5 percent for international students. The President noted that by maintaining the 2% increase for domestic tuition, and a modest increase for international tuition, the base tuition rate upon which future increases will apply will enable the University to cover some inflationary pressures and allow continued investment in the core academic mission of the University, including the student learning experience, as well as implementation of recommendations from the Student Affordability Task Force and recommendations outlined in President’s Task Force on Anti-Racism and Inclusive Excellence Report.

The President noted that Premier Eby has appointed Selina Robinson as the Minister for Post-Secondary Education and Future Skills and that she is looking forward to collaborating with Minister Robinson to strengthen and enhance higher education in British Columbia.

As this was the last meeting of 2022, the President offered her best wishes for the holiday season, wishing everyone a joyous and restful break, and thanked members of Senate for their efforts and contributions.

Report from the Presidential Search Committee

As the elected Senate representative to the Presidential Search Committee, Dr Kozak was invited to provide an update to Senate on the search for the next UBC president. Dr Kozak noted that he
is to update to Senate on behalf of the search committee chair, Chancellor S. Point, on the progress of the presidential search. These reports will be a standing item for the duration of the search.

Dr Kozak noted that the committee held its first meeting on December 1st for members to familiarize themselves with processes and procedures. The search committee has discussed opportunities for stakeholder engagement in the search process and more information will be forthcoming as the committee maps out key milestones in the search process.

Dr Kozak noted that, in compliance with guiding principles and procedures for presidential searches as approved by the Senate and the Board of Governors, the Executive Committee of the Board recommended Boyden as the executive search firm to support the committee and that the search committee has accepted the recommendation.

Admissions Committee

The Chair of the Senate Admissions Committee, Professor Carol Jaeger, presented.

BACHELOR OF MEDICAL LABORATORY SCIENCE – ADMISSION
BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN NURSING – APPLICATION AND DOCUMENT SUBMISSION
MASTER OF SCIENCE IN SPEECH LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY – REVISED ENROLMENT TARGETS
INDIVIDUAL JOINT DOCTORAL PROGRAMS – SUSPENSION OF ADMISSION

Prof Jaeger moved an omnibus motion for Items a through d of the Committee’s reports.

Carol Jaeger
Steven Pelech

\{ That Senate approve changes to admission requirements for applicants to the Bachelor of Medical Laboratory Science, effective for the 2023 Winter Session and thereafter.

That Senate approve changes to the application process for admission to the Bachelor of Science in Nursing, effective for the 2022 Winter Session.

That the Senate approve an increase in enrolment targets for the Master of Science in Speech Language Pathology, from 36 to 38, for entry to the 2023 Winter Session only.\}
That Senate approve suspension of admission to Individual Joint Doctoral Programs, effective for Term 2 of the 2022 Winter Session and thereafter.

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING – UBC AND CURTIN UNIVERSITY

Prof Jaeger outlined the proposed affiliation between UBC and Curtin University to offer a micro-credential in mine decommissioning.

Carol Jaeger
Steven Pelech

That Senate approve and recommend to Senate for approval the terms of the affiliation between the UBC Faculty of Science (Department of Earth, Ocean and Atmospheric Sciences), Curtin University, Rio Tinto Services Limited, and Ernst & Young Services Pty Limited, as set out in the “Memorandum of Understanding Introduction to Mine Closure Course.”

Professor Jaeger noted that Professor John Steen was in attendance to also answer questions. It was acknowledged that this MOU is different in nature than those normally considered by Senate. The MOU presented for approval is a combination of two academic institutions and two industry leaders partnering to offer courses leading to a micro-credential.

Senator Singh asked whether there is a typographical error in the MOU where it shows Curtin University, Austria rather than Australia. In response, the Chair acknowledged that the error will be corrected, as a friendly amendment.

Senator Singh asked a follow-up question, as to the involvement that the two companies will have in developing curriculum. In response, Professor Steen noted that both companies will have representation on the proposed advisory board for the development and delivery of the proposed credential. The industry partners will also support recruitment of students for the credential, which is articulated in the MOU.

Senator Menzies asked how common it is for the University to form a relationship with companies in order to deliver a course and also how much effort has been given to isolate
the influence of the companies from the course, taking into account incidences that have been connected to Rio Tinto.

In response, Professor Steen explained that the development of curriculum will rest solely with the respective universities, whereas the advisory board, which will have representation from the companies, will offer general advice related to the courses. He went on to say that it is encouraging to have managers and representatives from the industry partners be committed to taking the courses, particularly because the course will include independent and Indigenous views of mine closure practices.

Senator Harrison noted that the MOU gives provision for an advisory board that is chaired by Rio Tinto, but there is no specific mention of the academic and intellectual components of the courses being under the purview of the respective universities. Senator Harrison asked whether such a provision can be added.

In response, Professor Steen noted that the MOU articulates the roles of the universities and the advisory board and that this was a point of discussion during negotiations. He further noted that the advisory board also includes representation from government regulators and Indigenous communities.

Senator Harrison noted that he did not note the separation of roles in the MOU that Professor Steen had described. In response, Professor Steen noted that Curtin University and its Cooperative Research Centre for Healing have reviewed the proposal and are comfortable with it.

Senator Zerriffi asked why the Senate is involved in the approval of this proposal, as Senate is not involved in the approval of non-credit micro-credentials. Professor Jaeger asked the Clerk to respond. The Clerk noted that the Senate is being asked to approve the affiliation per Council Policy C-2. It is typical that these agreements come through the Senate Admissions Committee, then are presented to the Senate. Following Senate approval, the agreement is forwarded to the Council of Senates for approval, followed by review and approval by the Board of Governors. The Senate is following the normal process; however, this one of the first affiliations where the agreement includes both academic and industry partners. The Clerk further noted that if the affiliation was only with a private company, and did not include another university, the agreement would not need to go through Senate and Board approval processes.

Senator Collier voiced her support for the proposal, noting that UBC currently engages with a number of corporations on cooperative education. She further stated that it is her opinion that personal, philosophical beliefs about specific corporate entities should not
impact whether an affiliation is approved. She further stated that the affiliation under consideration is with another university, therefore the connection to the companies is not germane to the discussion.

Senator Lo also noted concerns regarding clarity in the agreement with respect to the contributions and obligations of the involved parties. He further noted that the agreement is not structured in a way that clearly states that the academic partners are solely responsible for the academic content of the courses, and that the agreement does not reference academic freedom.

In response, Professor Steen noted that this is a MOU, with a contract to follow. This is a starting point and from here, UBC and Curtin University will align on the development of the courses.

Senator Singh noted that the MOU states that all four parties will work collaboratively in creating, delivering and marketing the micro-credential training courses. He noted that it appears that the companies are involved in creating the courses.

In response, Professor Steen noted that the topic for consideration is the relationship with Curtin University. Neither university will permit the involvement of the industry partners in the creation of the courses. Design and delivery of academic content will be done by faculty members at the respective universities.

Senator Singh responded that the MOU requires greater clarity on the respective roles and responsibilities of all parties to the agreement. Professor Steen noted that the Office of the University Counsel and the Senate have clearly indicate that involvement of the industry partners in the development and delivery of course content will not be tolerated, and that this should provide reassurance to senators. He further explained that in terms of marketing and promotion, it is intended that these courses will be marketed to the mining industry globally. Ernst & Young and Rio Tinto will be involved in marketing and promotion, but not the content design and delivery of the courses.

Senator Menzies noted that the discussion has been informative in showing that the Senate should look at agreements in greater detail. He asked that the appropriate committee should examine policies related to academic affiliations, whether they are to offer credit or non-credit programs, that involve partnerships between commercial entities and academic institutions particularly where the roles and responsibilities of respective parties are not explicitly stated in the agreement. Senator Menzies also added to an earlier comment that similar relationships are routine in some disciplines by stating
that if they are happening without regulation, that the Senate should have more oversight and control going-forward to ensure that UBC’s academic mission is maintained.

The Chair agreed that the committee charged with the review of affiliations should consider broader policy issues related to industry and academic partnerships but that the proposal before the Senate should be considered separately from any forthcoming reviews.

Senator Olson noted that it is common for companies to be involved in the development and delivery of courses in engineering at UBC, adding that industry partners offer required technical expertise and experience in the programming offered to students. Dean Olson provided the comparison of doctors training without the involvement of healthcare specialists, noting engineers similarly need the same level of instruction and support from professionals working in that discipline. Nearly all adjunct engineering professors are employed in industry and are intimately involved in the development of courses in the Faculty of Applied Science. He stated that it would be difficult to individually assess the involvement of industry of each of these relationships and then have that relationship evaluated by Senate.

Senator Zerriffi spoke in support of Senator Olson’s comments. He noted that his Faculty similarly has industry professionals who are important partners the delivery of course content. He clarified his earlier comments, noting that he meant to say that Senate does not need to be involved in the development of non-credit courses offered as part of the micro-credential. He added that Faculties are likely doing a fine job of assessing the degree to which industry partners should be and are involved in the development of non-credit courses.

Senator Harrison spoke in support of the type of micro-credential and courses that are intended to be developed under the proposed affiliation. He noted that for future agreements, he would like to see better clarity in the documents specific to the academic aspects that are under Senate’s purview. Senator Harrison noted that diligence is still required on the part of Senate, even when assessing agreements that have been reviewed by University Counsel.

Senator Coughtrie spoke in the support of the comments made by Senators Olson and Zerrifi. Within his Faculty there is a need for practicing pharmacists to be involved in the development and delivery of courses, and that the experiential learning gained from partnering with industry is critical for students in his Faculty. He shared that it would be ill-advised for Senate to become involved in assessing each of those relationships and that relationships with industry partners in the delivery of academic programs should be managed by faculties.
Awards Committee

The Chair of the Senate Awards Committee, Dr Sally Thorne, presented.

NEW AND REVISED AWARDS

See Appendix A: Awards Report

Senator Thorne noted that the Committee’s report outlines four new endowed awards, seven new annual awards, four items with changes to previously approved awards.

See Appendix A: Awards Report

Sally Thorne
Lawrence Burr

{ That Senate accept the new and revised awards as listed, that they be forwarded to the Board of Governors for approval, and that letters of thanks be sent to the donors.

Approved

Curriculum Committee

The Chair of the Senate Curriculum Committee, Dr Claudia Krebs, presented.

CURRICULUM PROPOSALS FROM THE FACULTIES OF ARTS AND GRADUATE AND POSTDOCTORAL STUDIES

See Appendix B: Curriculum Report

Claudia Krebs
Joanne Fox

{ That the new courses, new course codes and revised programs brought forward by the Faculties of Arts, and Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies (Applied Science, Arts and Medicine) be approved.

Approved
Nominating Committee

The Chair of the Senate Nominating Committee, Dr Paul Harrison, presented.

APPOINTMENT OF SENATORS TO THE PRESIDENT’S ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR THE SELECTION OF THE VICE-PROVOST AND ASSOCIATE VICE-PRESIDENT, TEACHING AND LEARNING

Paul Harrison  
Romina Hajizadeh  

That Kamil Kanji, Jaclyn Stewart and Charles Menzies be appointed to a President’s Advisory Committee for the Selection of a Vice-Provost and Associate Vice-President, Teaching and Learning.

Dr Harrison thanked Senators Kanji, Stewart and Menzies for their willingness on this important selection committee.

Tributes committee

The Chair of the Senate Tributes Committee, Dr John Gilbert presented.

EMERITUS APPOINTMENTS

See Appendix C: Candidates for Emeritus Status

John Gilbert  
Sally Thorne  

That the attached list of individuals for emeritus status be approved and that pursuant to section 9(2) of the University Act, all persons with the ranks of Professor, Associate Professor, Assistant Professor, Professor of Teaching, Associate Professor of Teaching, or Administrative Librarian be added to the Roll of Convocation
Annual Report from the University Librarian

Dr Parker began the presentation of the Librarian’s Annual Report for 2021-2022 by thanking the Senate for the opportunity to present, and noting her gratitude to be reappointed as the University Librarian for another five-year term. She noted that the presentation will include highlights from the 2021/22 fiscal year, a report on the current state of the library, and upcoming and future plans.

Dr Parker offered her thanks to the Senate Library Committee for its support and recognized Committee Chair Dr Shigenori Matsui and Vice-Chair D. Lawrence Burr. A note of gratitude for the Provost and Vice-President, Academic Dr Gage Averill and the entire UBC Library system, including librarians, archivists, staff, and student employees was noted Dr Parker noted that the presentation will focus on the Vancouver campus as the Okanagan Library delivers a separate report to the Okanagan Senate.

The first part of the presentation focused on the Library’s role in the advancement of research, learning and scholarship at the University and the multiple ways in which it contributes to the University’s commitment to research excellence. During the reporting period, the library offered almost 1000 instructional workshops servicing almost 25000 participants. In addition, library staff also meet individually with students and faculty in classroom and individually, virtually and in-person.

Dr Parker shared that the library has recently launched an open access journal and text service to help UBC faculty, researchers, instructors, students and staff develop open access publications for scholarship and instruction. This free service advances open scholarship by providing the supports needed to make UBC information resources openly available.

Dr Parker noted that UBC has also become the first Canadian institution to join Dryad, a non-profit organization that brings together universities, research institutions and academic libraries to promote data publishing, curation, and preservation. With more than 600 UBC-authored datasets already available in Dryad, an institutional membership provides UBC-affiliated researchers with access through their Campus-Wide Login, which includes unlimited dataset submissions at no cost.

The UBC Library Digitization Centre also created web archives to preserve materials relating to the COVID-19 pandemic response in British Columbia for future research. These open collections document different facets of the pandemic response by capturing digital materials
such as media releases, local news articles, UBC communications, and BC provincial government websites.

The Library also provided access to the Data Advice and Inventory Extracts from BC Assessment, which include value assessments for over two million properties in British Columbia, thus providing new opportunities for collaborative community-university research projects. The Scholarly Communications and Copyright Department launched a new webinar series that focused on open publishing processes and practices in the humanities, social sciences and sciences, further supporting graduate students, post-doctoral students and faculty members to develop their academic profile.

Dr Parker noted that the Research Commons also released a major update to the open-source data discovery tool Geodisy, an open source discovery tool that allows users to find open data from Canadian repositories in a visual way. Through an integration with the Federated Research Data Repository Discovery Portal, the collection available for geospatial search has expanded to include more than 86,000 records from over 70 Canadian research data repositories. The Commons also partnered with the UBC Future Waters Research Excellence Cluster to develop a model to visualize research outputs.

Dr. Parker shared one final note with respect to the Library’s role in advancing research and scholarship, via the launch of a newly curated database of openly accessible teaching and learning materials. Developed in partnership with the UBC Centre for Teaching, Learning and Technology, UBC Okanagan Library and UBC Library, the UBC OER Collection showcases open educational resources in a searchable interface to support both UBC faculty and the general community in incorporating open educational resources and practices into their curriculums.

With respect to engagement with communities, the library continues to foster opportunities for meaningful engagement and knowledge exchange with campus and community partners. Dr Parker gave several examples, including the Generations Lost exhibits, which was presented in partnership with the Faculty of Education, Xwi7xwa Library, curating special collections material related to Canadian residential schools.

The Library also partnered with the Asian Canadian and Asian Migration Studies program in the Faculty of Arts to present an online public panel inspired by the Joan Gillis fonds, a collection of letters that recount the lives of a group of Japanese Canadian teenagers after their forced dispersal from the coastal region of British Columbia in 1942.

A series of workshops on how to collect data about marginalized and underrepresented populations was also an offering available to patrons of the library; noting that Indigenous Peoples, racialized groups and individuals who identify as LGBTQ+ are often underrepresented or hidden in the data sets relied on for research and planning, the workshops were intended to
help students and researchers identify potential data sources and explore the historical and social contexts that can make data on these groups harder to find.

The Library also used funding provided by a UBC Workplace Sustainability grant to offer free, online screenings of three films related to climate change and social justice.

Dr Parker’s presentation then outlined the Library’s digital and special collections, noting that the Library has a total of 3.7 million e-books and 5.6 million physical items in its collection, including books, manuscripts, print journals, maps and more.

A particularly noteworthy acquisition in early 2022 was a first edition of William Shakespeare’s Comedies, Histories and Tragedies. Published in 1623, seven years after his death, the First Folio includes 36 of Shakespeare’s 38 known plays. The texts, edited by actors and fellow writers, are considered the most authoritative of all early printings. Funding to secure this collection was provided by a consortium of donors from across North America, and with support from the federal Department of Canadian Heritage.

Dr Parker noted that the folio was made available for public viewing alongside three subsequent 17th century Folio editions of Shakespeare’s plays in For All Time: The Shakespeare First Folio, an exhibit presented in partnership with the Vancouver Art Gallery. Curated by experts from UBC, the exhibit attracted 45000 visitors between January and April 2022.

The University Archives received an extensive collection of materials from the department of Athletics and Recreation, totaling nearly 8,000 photographs along with textual records such as scrapbooks, posters, programs, team rosters, scoresheets, training schedules and other administrative documents. The records span a century from approximately 1915 to 2015, and reflect UBC’s rich sporting history.

With funds raised on Giving Day 2021, the Library was able to purchase three rare items to add to UBC’s Queer Collection at Rare Books and Special Collections: Messes Noires: Lord Lyllian by Jacques d’Adelsward Fersen, Ercole Tomei by Guido Hermann Eckardt, and The Classification of Crimes: being a seventeenth chapter of A History of Penal Methods by George Ives.

Dr Parker shared that the Library strives to plan and manage its resources effectively and is well positioned for sustained change and growth. It is working to align decisions and procedures with University’s vision and values and the University’s goals as outlined in the UBC Inclusion Action Plan and the Indigenous Strategic Plan.

Dr Parker shared that she was elected vice-president of the Association of Research Libraries for a one-year term and will begin her term as President on 1 January 2023.
Next, Dr Parker outlined the Library’s budget and fiscal year expenditures. In the past 15 years, the Library has seen a significant shift from print to electronic resources. In 2020-21, the collections budget devoted to electronic resources peaked at about 92%, which is a response to the particular needs of members of the university community teaching and learning remotely at the time. In the last fiscal year, the spending on print resources increased for the first time in several years, a one-time occurrence that reflects the successful fundraising efforts that allowed for the acquisition of the First Folio. It is expected that these percentages will likely return to previous numbers.

For FY 2020/21 82% of the Library’s collections budget was utilized for purchases of materials invoiced in US dollars. Due to the exchange rate, the library lost roughly 12% of its USD buying power, which is a slight improvement over the last reporting period. To mitigate this loss of buying power, the Library works closely with central finance to strategize more effectively around collections needs.

As in past years, the Library received extra financial support from the Provost’s Office. Due to the impact of inflation and the exchange rate on the Library’s purchasing power, the Provost’s Office and the Library work closely to consider the Library’s long-term budgetary needs and develop a financially sustainable position. Dr Parker noted that a gradual expansion of the base budget of the Library is outlined in the Accelerate phase of the President’s Academic Excellence Initiative.

Dr Parker shared that the Library underwent an external review in March 2022 and is now in the process of implementing many of the recommendations outlined in the review report, which includes a strategic review of the Library’s organizational structure.

The Library’s Indigenous Strategic Plan Implementation Group is currently hosting live reading sessions of the Truth and Reconciliation Calls to Action and the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples for faculty and staff across the library system.

The Library will continue the recently launched Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion (EDI) Scholars-in-Residence Program which is open to scholars from any discipline. The residency takes place over two academic terms, and includes full access to the scholarly resources of UBC Library, space in the Peña Room and an honorarium. The three selected scholars will offer at least one public lecture during their time on campus, and will be available for one-on-one consultations with UBC faculty, staff, and students.

Dr Parker highlighted the upcoming celebration of the first winners of the Undergraduate Prize in Library Research in 2023, which will showcase students’ effective and innovative use of library services, information experts and resources provided by the UBC Library. Any student
enrolled in a first year UBC undergraduate program at either at the Okanagan or Vancouver campuses is eligible, and online applications will open on 3 January 2023.

The President thanked Dr Parker for her presentation, and invited questions and comments from Senators. Dr Pelech noted the purchase of the Shakespeare folio, and asked for clarification on the increase in budget and spending from previous years, particularly for print materials. He also asked for confirmation of the full purchase price of the Shakespeare folio.

Dr Parker responded that without the purchase of the Shakespeare folio, the funds used for print acquisitions for the 2001-2022 reporting period are consistent with previous years. Dr Parker stated that the purchase price of the first folio is approximately $7M, with all funds being secured through fundraising and donations to the UBC Library.

Dr Pelech thanked Dr Parker for her presentation and asked why photographs in the report showed people wearing protective masks, and that faces of individual should be visible in the photographs. Dr Parker responded that the photographs included in the report were those available from that year.

Reports from the Provost

ANNUAL REPORT TO SENATE ON EXTERNAL REVIEWS 2021-22

The Provost, Dr. Averill, presented the annual report on external reviews for 2021-2022. There were 13 academic and administrative unit reviews undertaken in the reporting period, with 11 reviews completed and 2 that have been delayed and will shared with the Senate as part of next year’s annual report.

Units reviewed include the Faculty of Dentistry, the University Library and three schools, including nursing and biomedical engineering. UBC IT Services has also undergone a review, along with the Learning Exchange. Departmental reviews conducted include Microbiology and Immunology and the department of Anesthesiology, Pharmacology and Therapeutics.

Dr Averill stated that the process of external review of units is time-consuming and costly, but necessary to improve quality and enhance delivery of programs. He outlined the process for unit reviews, starting with a unit self-study which is shared with external reviewers. The reviewers produce a report, to which the unit and the executive provide a response. This compendium is then shared with the Senate. Senator Averill noted that there is normally a follow-up review two years after the external review is completed to ensure that recommendations for improvement are being implemented.
Dr Averill noted there have been many laudatory comments on the units reviewed and the rise in rank and reputation of units, and equally important is insight into those areas where the University can improve. Several of these include how the University can better meet its goals for indigenization and Indigenous engagement, equity, diversity and inclusion, and graduate funding. Other areas for improvement include communication with key constituents and communities and the University’s budgeting and resourcing processes.

Senator Averill noted that a number of the reviews included in the report are for units within the Faculty of Medicine or affiliated with the Faculty of Medicine. Dean Kelleher was unable to attend the Senate meeting but welcomes any questions or feedback senators may have.

**PETER WALL LEGACY AGREEMENT**

Senator Averill noted that during Senate’s consideration of the proposed Peter Wall research awards and fellowships at the October meeting, it was noted that the newly negotiated Peter Wall Legacy Agreement would be shared with the Senate once finalized. The agreement will provide roughly $4M annually for fellowships and awards for faculty and students across the University. He noted that the terms of reference and membership are being developed and will be shared with the Senate in due course.

**Report from the Registrar**

**2023-2026 TRIENNIAL ELECTION RESULTS**

The Registrar shared the results of the first set of election results for the 2023-2026 triennium, including faculty and staff representation to the Board of Governors. In response to two calls for nominations for twelve (12) positions for representatives of the Joint Faculties, ten (10) nominations were received and acclaimed as elected. A third call for nominations for the remaining two (2) positions will be issued in January 2023.

The following individuals were acclaimed as elected:

- Elisa Baniassad, Associate Professor of Teaching, Faculty of Science
- Ben Britton, Associate Professor, Faculty of Applied Science
- Peter Englezos, Professor, Faculty of Applied Science
- Susan Forwell, Professor, Faculty of Medicine
- Joanne Fox, Professor of Teaching, Faculty of Science
- Emily Jenkins, Associate Professor, Faculty of Applied Science
- Suzie Lavallee, Professor of Teaching, Faculty of Forestry
- Charles Menzies, Professor, Faculty of Arts
Santokh Singh, Professor of Teaching, Faculty of Science
Jackie Stewart, Professor of Teaching, Faculty of Science

Other Business

IN CAMERA – Tributes Committee

CANDIDATES FOR HONORARY DEGREES

Adjournment

Seeing no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:14 pm
NEW AWARDS – ENDOWED

Dr. Richard J. Kerekes Award in Chemical and Biological Engineering
Awards totalling $1,750 have been made available through an endowment established by Dr. Joe R. Zhao in honour of Dr. Richard Kerekes (B.A.Sc., M.A.Sc., Ph.D.) for Bachelor of Applied Science students majoring in Chemical and Biological Engineering who have good academic standing and an interest in the forest products and related industries. Dr. Kerekes was the founding director of the UBC Pulp and Paper Centre and served as the director for twenty-two years. He taught many students and made significant research contributions to the science and technology of the pulp and paper industry. The awards are made on the recommendation of the Department of Chemical and Biological Engineering. (First award available for the 2023/2024 winter session).

Dr. Siavash Jafari Memorial Award in Medicine
Awards totalling $1,750 have been made available through an endowment established by family, friends and colleagues in memory of Dr. Siavash Jafari (1969–2021) for first-generation Canadian M.D. undergraduate students. Dr. Jafari graduated from Shiraz Medical School in Iran in 1999, and went on to obtain his specialty training in public health and preventive medicine, and a fellowship in mental health and addiction in the Faculty of Medicine at UBC. He also held the positions of associate chief medical information officer and clinical assistant professor in the Faculty of Medicine. Dr. Jafari’s expertise was in the treatment and research of addiction medicine, mental health, preventative medicine, and chronic pain, which led him to serve on the Royal College Regional Advisory Committee from 2016–2020. Dr. Jafari was also a board-certified physician and member of the American Board of Addiction Medicine. The awards are made on the recommendation of the Faculty of Medicine. (First award available for the 2023/2024 winter session.)

Dr. Philip S. Vassar Pathology Prize
A prize totalling $8,750 has been made available through an endowment established by the estate of Theodora Elinor Vassar (1930–2020), in memory of Dr. Philip S. Vassar (1924–1976), for a medical resident in their final year of training who has demonstrated clinical excellence in research, innovation, and quality improvement in pathology. Originally from the United Kingdom, Phillip (M.B., B.S.) received his medical degree from the University of London. In 1956, he moved to Vancouver and worked as a surgical pathologist at the Vancouver General Hospital. At this time, Phillip also joined UBC’s Department of Medicine as a clinical instructor and in 1965, he was appointed as a professor. Phillip was internationally renowned for his
research in cancer pathology and was a well-respected member of the UBC Department of Medicine. The award is made on the recommendation of the Department of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine. (First award available for the 2023/2024 winter session).

**Anna Isabelle Allen Scholarship in Social Work**
Scholarships totalling $5,300 have been made available through an endowment established by the estate of Anna “Ann” Isabelle Allen (1926–2020) for outstanding graduate students studying Social Work. Ann (B.A. 1947, B.S.W. 1950, M.S.W. 1951) received the 125th Anniversary of the Confederation of Canada Medal in 1992 and the Queen’s Diamond Jubilee Medal in 2012 in recognition of her devotion to improving the Child Welfare Program in British Columbia. During a wide-ranging career, Ann worked in roles related to social work for the Province of British Columbia over a period of nearly 30 years. The awards are made on the recommendation of the School of Social Work, in consultation with the Faculty of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies. (First award available for the 2022/2023 winter session.)

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**NEW AWARDS – ANNUAL**

**Jim and Virginia Houghton Bursary in Education**
Bursaries totalling $3,000 have been made available annually through an estate gift from Jim Houghton (1933–2021) and Virginia Ann “Ginger” Houghton (1937–2012) for Bachelor of Education students. Jim was an avid sports enthusiast; he played lacrosse and soccer during some of his formative years and he later enjoyed the challenge of a game of billiards played with friends. Virginia (B.Ed. 1971, M.Ed. 1980), or Mrs. Houghton as she was known by many of her students, started teaching in 1958 at the age of 21 and retired many years later in the 1980s. She mainly taught at elementary schools such as Queen Elizabeth Annex and Tecumseh Elementary School in Vancouver, BC. However, she also took her knowledge of early childhood education to UBC, where she taught the next generation of teachers. She influenced many of her students lives through her grace and strength. The bursaries are adjudicated by Enrolment Services. (First award available for the 2023/2024 winter session.)

**Mel Beaton Memorial Award in Law**
A $2,000 award has been made available annually through a gift from Hammerco Lawyers LLP in memory of Mel Beaton (1961–2022), for a second- or third-year student in the J.D. program who has good academic standing. Students must demonstrate an interest in business law or corporate and commercial transactions, and a commitment to access to justice or community service. Preference will be given to students who are the first in their immediate family to attend law school. Mel (B.Com. 1985, LL.B. 1986) was one of the founding partners of Hammerco Lawyers LLP and provided leadership in the practices of business law and corporate and commercial transactions for thirty-five years. He was passionate about community service and provided pro bono services to non-profit organizations. Mel dedicated his time to Education without Borders, a charity organization that provides education support and programs to disadvantaged individuals who have been historically or systemically marginalized. The award is made on the recommendation of the Peter A. Allard School of Law. (First award available for the 2023/2024 winter session.)
Dr. Yosef Wosk Award in Nursing for Indigenous Students
Awards totalling $2,000 have been made available annually through a gift from Dr. Yosef Wosk, O.C., O.B.C., for undergraduate or graduate First Nations, Inuit or Métis students of Canada in the School of Nursing. Financial need may be considered. Dr. Wosk (B.A. 1971) earned seven university degrees and received two honorary doctorates. Dr. Wosk was awarded the Freedom of the City award by the City of Vancouver, and is an Officer of the Order of Canada, a Member of the Order of British Columbia, a Fellow of the Royal Canadian Geographical Society, and a recipient of both the Queen’s Golden and Diamond Jubilee Medals. The awards are made on the recommendation of the School of Nursing, and in the case of a graduate student, in consultation with the Faculty of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies. (First award available for the 2022/2023 winter session).

Dr. Yosef Wosk Entrance Award in ArtsONE
A $5,000 award has been made available annually through a gift from Dr. Yosef Wosk, O.C., O.B.C., for a student entering the ArtsONE program. Dr. Wosk (B.A. 1971) was one of the first students enrolled in the newly developed ArtsONE program in 1967. He subsequently earned seven university degrees and received two honorary doctorates. Dr. Wosk was awarded the Freedom of the City award by the City of Vancouver, and is an Officer of the Order of Canada, a Member of the Order of British Columbia, a Fellow of the Royal Canadian Geographical Society, and a recipient of both the Queen’s Golden and Diamond Jubilee Medals. The awards are made on the recommendation of the Faculty of Arts. (First award available for the 2023/2024 winter session).

Fortinet Award in Computer Engineering
Awards totalling $3,500 have been made available annually through a gift from Fortinet for outstanding third-year undergraduate students in Computer Engineering who have demonstrated an interest in cyber security, networking, or software security. Preference will be given to students who are from communities that have been historically, persistently, and systemically marginalized. Founded in 2000 and based in Sunnyvale, California, Fortinet is a network security company that specializes in developing and building security processing unit technology, and uses artificial intelligence and machine learning systems to counter security threats to customers. The awards are made on the recommendation of the Faculty of Applied Science. (First award available for the 2022/2023 winter session.)

GHD Award for Diversity in Engineering
Awards totalling $2,500 have been made available annually through a gift from GHD Civil Engineering for third-year Bachelor of Applied Science students who have a major in Engineering, are in need of financial assistance and are from communities that have been historically, persistently, and systemically marginalized. Established in 1928, GHD is a global network of multi-disciplinary professionals providing clients with integrated solutions through engineering, environmental, design, and construction expertise. The awards are made on the recommendation of the Faculty of Applied Science. (First award available for the 2022/2023 winter session).

Learning from Liveable Cities: The Joyce Drohan Travel Award
A $10,000 travel award has been made available annually through a gift from family and friends in memory of Joyce Drohan (1954–2022) for a student enrolled in a graduate program at the School of Architecture and Landscape Architecture. Students must be in their second or graduating year of an eligible program and undertaking travel to expand their knowledge of sustainable architecture or sustainable urban design. Joyce Drohan was an award-winning architect and urban designer of public sector projects and sustainable communities. She was especially interested in shaping meaningful places that expressed the historic, cultural, and social aspects of a community, underpinned by sustainable design. The award is made on the recommendation of the School of Architecture and Landscape Architecture, in consultation with the Faculty of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies. (First award available for the 2022/2023 winter session).

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**PREVIOUSLY APPROVED AWARDS WITH CHANGES IN TERMS OR FUNDING SOURCE**

**Endowed Awards**

**4852 - Catalyst Paper Corporation Fellowship**

**Rationale for Proposed Changes**

Paper Excellence has become the parent company of Catalyst Paper and have requested an update to the endowment and associated award description. Variation of terms was approved at the September Board of Governors meeting.

**Current Award Title:** Catalyst Paper Corporation Fellowship  
**Current Award Description**
Fellowships totalling $33,350 have been endowed by Catalyst Paper Corporation. The awards are offered to students from Catalyst Paper Corporation operating communities and surrounding areas. Preference will be given to students from communities outside the lower mainland. The awards are made on the recommendation of the Faculty of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies.

**Proposed Award Title:** Paper Excellence Bright Futures Fellowship  
**Proposed Award Description**
Fellowships totalling $33,350 have been endowed by Catalyst Paper Corporation, a Paper Excellence company. The awards are offered to students from Catalyst Paper Corporation operating communities and surrounding areas. Preference will be given to students from communities outside the lower mainland. The awards are made on the recommendation of the Faculty of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies.

**2357 - Catalyst Paper Corporation Scholarship**

**Rationale for Proposed Changes**
Paper Excellence has become the parent company of Catalyst Paper and have requested an update to the endowment and associated award description. Variation of terms was approved at the September Board of Governors meeting.

Current Award Title: Catalyst Paper Corporation Scholarship
Current Award Description
Scholarships totalling $30,850 have been endowed by Catalyst Paper Corporation. The awards are offered to undergraduate students from Catalyst Paper Corporation operating communities and surrounding areas. Preference will be given to students from communities outside the lower mainland. The awards are made on the recommendation of Enrolment Services.

Proposed Award Title: Paper Excellence Bright Futures Scholarship
Proposed Award Description
Scholarships totalling $30,850 have been endowed by Catalyst Paper Corporation, a Paper Excellence company. The awards are offered to undergraduate students from Catalyst Paper Corporation operating communities and surrounding areas. Preference will be given to students from communities outside the lower mainland. The awards are made on the recommendation of Enrolment Services.

3136 – H. Rocke Robertson Prize in Surgery

Rationale for Proposed Changes
Colleagues in the Department of Surgery requested that only third-year students should be eligible for the prize in order to reduce the candidate pool and ensure equity for third year students enrolled in the M.D. Undergraduate Program.

Current Award Description
A $950 prize has been endowed by family, friends and colleagues in recognition of the contribution made to the Faculty of Medicine and the Department of Surgery by Dr. Rocke Robertson, as first Professor and Head of Surgery. The award is made on the recommendation of the Faculty to a third or fourth year student showing outstanding ability in the field of surgical studies.

Proposed Award Description
A $950 prize has been made available through an endowment established endowed by family, friends and colleagues in honour recognition of the contribution made to the Faculty of Medicine and the Department of Surgery by Dr. Rocke Robertson (1912–1988), for first Professor and Head of Surgery. The award is made on the recommendation of the Faculty to a third—or fourth-year medical student showing outstanding ability in the field of surgical studies. Dr. Robertson (B.Sc., M.D.C.M.) was the first Professor and Head of the Department of Surgery at UBC. This prize was established to recognize the contributions that he made to the Faculty of Medicine and the Department of Surgery. The awards are made on the recommendation of the Department of Surgery.
4815 – Malcolm F. McGregor Memorial Scholarship

Rationale for Proposed Changes
The department has changed their name, and the award description has been revised to reflect this. Changes have also been made to bring the award description in line with our current writing practices and biographical information has been added.

Current Award Description
Scholarships to a total of $2,550 have been endowed by friends and colleagues in memory of Malcolm F. McGregor, head of the Department of Classics between 1954 and 1975. The awards are offered to a graduate student in Classics and are made on the recommendation of the Department in consultation with the Faculty of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies.

Proposed Award Description
Scholarships totalling to a total of $2,550 have been made available through an endowment established endowed by friends and colleagues in memory of Malcolm F. McGregor (1910–1989), for outstanding graduate students in the Department of Ancient Mediterranean and Near Eastern Studies focusing on Classics. Dr. McGregor (B.A. 1930, M.A. 1931, Ph.D., LL.D. 1983) was born in London, England, and moved with his family to Vancouver, British Columbia, as a teenager. After receiving his B.A. and M.A. from UBC, he earned his Ph.D. from the University of Cincinnati. He won the American Philological Association’s Charles J. Goodwin Medal for his contribution to The Athenian Tribute Lists in 1954. Dr. McGregor returned to UBC in 1954, where he was a Professor in and Head of what was then known as the Department of Classics from 1954 to 1975. During his tenure as Head of the Department, he awarded its first doctoral degrees and increased the variety and number of classical studies courses offered. The awards are offered to a graduate student in Classics and The awards are made on the recommendation of the Department of Ancient Mediterranean and Near Eastern Studies, in consultation with the Faculty of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies.
Appendix C: Curriculum Report

FACULTY OF ARTS

New courses
ASIA 419 (3) Economic History of India; ASIA 429 (3) Rebels, Martyrs, and Outlaws in Early Modern Japan; ASIX 220 (3) Indigeneities in Asia and Asian Diaspora; ASIX 320 (3) Global Hong Kong; ECON 408 (3) Computational Methods in Macroeconomics; GEOG 342 (3) Post- and Anti-colonial Geographies

Revised programs
Major in Latin American Studies; Minor in Latin American Studies

FACULTY OF GRADUATE AND POSTDOCTORAL STUDIES

Arts

New courses
ASIA 518 (3) New Media and Asia; ARST 535 (3) Personal and Community Archives; ARST 586 (3) Progressive and Radical Information Work
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