SENATE ACADEMIC BUILDING NEEDS COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday 19 April 2022 2-3:30 p.m. via Zoom

Attendance: Laia Shpeller (Chair), Alex Scott

Regrets: Adlai Fisher, Ben Fischer, Andre Ivanov, Shaktiraj Kandola, Kate Ross, Anisha Sandhu (Vice-Chair), Jaclyn Stewart, Richard Topping, Austin Uzama

Senate Staff: Michael Jud

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of the Senate Academic Building Needs Committee (the “Committee”) was called to order at 2:05 p.m. by Laia Shpeller, Chair.

ITEM 1: AGENDA

The meeting agenda was adopted by general consent.

ITEM 2: MEETING MINUTES OF MARCH 15, 2022

The meeting minutes of March 15, 2022 were approved by general consent.

ITEM 3: ANNUAL REPORT

A draft of the Committee’s Annual Report to Senate was circulated in advance for comment by members of the Committee. The Report will be submitted for inclusion in Senate’s May 18 agenda. Given low attendance at this meeting it was agreed that the draft would be sent out to Committee members once again with a request for comments to be submitted no later than April 29.

ITEM 4: UPDATES FORM THE CHAIR

The Chair provided an update arising from the Committee’s previous discussion of needs for an expanded Indigenous student collegium on campus. The First Nations House of Learning team has expressed a desire to avoid making any conclusions about unmet need based on the experience of the last few years. Recent years have been exceptional due to the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic. An assessment of needs and deficiencies will take place at a later date once campus conditions have returned to a more normal state.

ITEM 5: MEETING SCHEDULE AND FORMAT FOR 2022-23
The Committee will likely need to determine whether to continue meeting in a virtual format going into the fall. Committee members will be asked to express their preferences via a poll and a final decision made later in the summer.

The next meeting of the Committee is tentatively scheduled for September 20th, 2022. Committee members can expect to receive an updated tentative schedule once course/teaching schedules are finalized later in the summer.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 2:16 pm.