

University of Waterloo
SENATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
Minutes of the 6 September 2022 Meeting
[in agenda order]

Present: Michael Beauchemin, Jeff Casello, Joan Coutu, Lori Curtis, Catherine Dong, George Freeman, Vivek Goel (chair), Mike Grivicic (secretary), Carol Ann MacGregor, Graham Murphy, James Rush, Clarence Woudsma

Regrets: Christiane Lemieux, Luke Potwarka, Julian Surdi,

Guests: Jenny Flagler-George, Diana Gonçalves, Karen Jack, Andrea Kelman

1. MINUTES OF THE 6 JUNE 2022 MEETING

Members heard a motion to approve the minutes of the 6 June 2022 meeting. Coutu and Murphy. Carried.

2. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

There was no business arising.

3. SENATE GOVERNANCE REVIEW FOLLOW UPS

Grivicic discussed the draft memo included with the agenda package and noted the various changes made to the Senate agenda format/structure as well as the new report template. Members discussed: numbering system for motions is not intuitive; should apply a watermark to the report template so as to clearly designate it as such; Senate will proceed with in-person meetings starting in September with provision for joining by phone, and the electronics system in NH 3407 will require upgrading (estimate to occur over 8-12 months) before improvements in the experience of remote participation could be expected.

4. DRAFT 19 SEPTEMBER 2022 SENATE AGENDA

Goel indicated: Rush will provide an update on campus housing as part of his leadership update; there will be specific reporting on Canada First Research Excellence Fund as part of the leadership update from the Vice-President, Research and International; an update on international student visas will also be provided. Rush indicated that he would provide minor amendments to the wording of one work plan item as well as in the preamble of the T&P report. Members noted a minor error in numbering for the consent motion. A motion was heard to approve the Senate agenda, as amended. Casello and Dong. Carried.

5. OTHER BUSINESS

Casello advised of activity at SGRC where the council is considering a split in its combined responsibility for both graduate studies and research. The committee expressed its support for SGRC to commence these discussions, without prejudice to the outcome.

With no other business, the meeting was adjourned.

22 September 2022

Mike Grivicic
Associate University Secretary