

University of Waterloo
SENATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
Minutes of the 20 February 2024 Meeting
[in agenda order]

Present: Jeff Casello, Joan Coutu, Laura Deakin, Jack deGooyer, Catherine Dong, Mike Grivicic (secretary), Christiane Lemieux, Carol Ann MacGregor, Rory Norris, David Porreca, Luke Potwarka, Mary Robinson, James Rush (acting chair), Sharon Tucker

Guests: David DeVidi, Jenny Flagler-George, Genevieve Gauthier-Chalifour, Diana Goncalves, Tim Weber-Kraljevski

Regrets: Vivek Goel, Clarence Woudsma

1. MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 15, 2024 MEETING AND BUSINESS ARISING

A motion was heard to approve the minutes as distributed. MacGregor and Dong. Carried. There was no business arising.

2. 2024 SELF EVALUATION SURVEY, SENATE AND SENATE COMMITTEES/COUNCILS

The chair invited the University Secretary to speak to the matter. G. Gauthier-Chalifour noted that Senate's first evaluation survey was conducted one year ago and in repeating the survey we may begin to assess any trends in the responses/themes. New for this year, there will be a separate survey for members of Senate committees and councils. The surveys will be administered electronically and the reporting coming out of the surveys will be aggregated to the governance body; a summative report will be prepared for Senate. Members discussed: certain questions are quite similar and strongly correlated so as to appear repetitive, staff will adjust the number of questions appropriately; potential to foster completion of the survey by providing paper copies; once the survey is ready, SEC members would like one more chance to review the draft before it is issued.

3. DRAFT MARCH 4, 2024 SENATE AGENDA

Rush spoke to the agenda and highlighted: presentations will be forthcoming on the budget update, as well as from the association presidents and from the Dean of Arts for the update on her Faculty; the draft report from Senate Finance Committee may reasonably remove the attachments; agenda includes recommendations for three major modifications of academic plans, as well as the inactivation of two option plans; the item pertaining to Policy 3/43 was deferred after the January meeting of this committee, but has been revised and refined for recommendation to Senate this cycle.

A motion was heard to approve the March 4, 2024 Senate agenda. Porreca and Deakin. Carried.

4. OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business.

February 20, 2024

Mike Grivicic
Associate University Secretary