

University of Waterloo
SENATE UNDERGRADUATE COUNCIL
Minutes of the 9 May 2023 Meeting
[in agenda order]

Present: Katherine Acheson, Janice Aurini, Veronica Austen, Monica Barra, Benoit Charbonneau, Martin Cooke (acting chair), Vivian Dayeh, Leeann Ferries, Jason Grove, Anton Huang, Carol Ann MacGregor, Kristiina Montero, Catherine Newell Kelly, Rory Norris, Isaac Ocampo, Ryan Trelford, Chris Vigna, Johanna Wandel, Tim Weber-Kraljevski (secretary), Richard Wikkerink, Mike Wood

Regrets: Victoria Chu, David DeVidi

Resources/Guests: Angela Christelis, Jennifer Coghlin, Danielle Jeanneault, Carrie MacKinnon

Organization of Meeting: Martin Cooke took the chair, and Tim Weber-Kraljevski acted as secretary. The secretary advised that a quorum was present. The agenda was approved without formal motion.

The chair welcomed new members Rory Norris, Anton Huang, and Isaac Ocampo.

1. DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

No conflicts of interest were declared.

2. APPROVAL OF THE 9 MAY 2023 MINUTES AND BUSINESS ARISING

The following revisions were requested: correcting the spelling of Dayeh; under item 3, replace KIN 387 with KIN 397; and under item 5, the addition of ‘motion to’ to the sentence “There was a endorse the recommendation to Senate for the new Subcommittee of Council, Curriculum and New Program Approvals, as presented.” The minutes were approved with the revisions without formal motion. There was no business arising from the minutes.

3. CURRICULAR ITEMS FOR APPROVAL & INFORMATION

Engineering. Grove presented an overview of new course MSCI 232 and course changes for Management Engineering. Members discussed the anti-requisites for MSCI 232 and if they should match the anti-requisites for MSCI 331, Grove will investigate and report back to the Committee. A motion was heard to approve the new course and course changes on behalf of Senate, as presented. Grove and Ferries. Carried. Grove present course inactivations for the School of Architecture. A motion was heard to approve the course inactivations on behalf of Senate, as presented. Grove and Barra. Carried. Grove presented the minor academic plan changes for Examination and Promotions, and Rules. Members discussed the impact on the co-op sequence. A motion was heard to the academic plan changes on behalf of Senate, as presented. Grove and MacGregor. Carried. Grove presented the remaining minor academic plan changes for the School of Architecture, Chemical Engineering, Geological Engineering, Management Engineering, Computing Option, Computer Engineering Option, Management Sciences Option, Software Engineering Option, and the Complementary Studies Electives. A motion was heard to the academic plan changes on behalf of Senate, as presented. Grove and Acheson. Carried. Grove presented the regulation changes for Engineering Admission. A motion was heard to recommend Senate approve the regulation changes, as presented. Grove and Barra. Carried. Grove also presented for information temporary calendar deviations due to the Pandemic, and calendar descriptions of the courses proposed to be added to the CSE lists.

Mathematics. Charbonneau provide an overview of the following: new courses CS 453 and CS 459; and course inactivation and course changes for Computer Science. A motion was heard to approve the new courses, course inactivation, and course changes on behalf of Senate, as presented. Charbonneau and Vigna. Carried. Charbonneau presented the minor academic plan change for BMATH Data Science Plan. A motion was heard to approve the minor academic plan change on behalf of Senate, as presented. Charbonneau and Ferries. Carried.

Charbonneau presented the remaining minor academic plan changes for Combinatorics and Optimization Joint Honours; Human Computer Interaction Specialization; Software Engineering Specialization; Joint Pure Mathematics; Finance Specialization; Business Administration and Mathematics Double Degree; Mathematics/Information Technology Management; and Mathematics/Business Administration. Member highlighted a typo of the spelling of Wilfred Laurier University under the Business Administration and Mathematics Double Degree change in the material provided. A motion was heard to approve the minor academic plan changes on behalf of Senate, as presented. Charbonneau and Grove. Carried.

Renison. Montero presented new courses, highlighting two changes in the material provided: EMLS 191 be changed to UCR 191E; and EMIL 192 be changed to UCR 192E. Members discussed: the URC code; the use of suffixes in course codes; and deactivating GENE 191. A motion was heard to approve the new courses on behalf of Senate, as revised. Montero and Grove. Carried.

Software Engineering. Grove presented courses changes for Software Engineering. A motion to approve the course changes on behalf of Senate, as presented. Grove and Charbonneau. Carried. Grove provided an overview of the minor academic plan changes for Software Engineering and Software Engineering Sequence Change, highlight a typo in the material: on page 112 under Science Course Electives, it should be it should be “four of”, instead of “three of”. A motion was heard to approve the minor academic plan changes on behalf of Senate, as revised. Grove and Charbonneau. Carried.

4. REGISTRAR’S OFFICE

Jeanneault presented course changes for Repeat Rules for Topic Courses. A motion was heard to approve the course changes on behalf of Senate, as presented. Charbonneau and Trelford. Carried. Jeanneault presented course changes Consent to Add or Drop a Course. A motion was heard to approve the course changes on behalf of Senate, as presented. Barra and Ferries. Carried.

Coghlin presented new academic regulation for admission fraud. Members discussed changing the effective date for the 2023-24 calendar and the rationale for adding these regulations to the calendar. A motion was heard to recommend Senate approve the academic regulation, as presented. Charbonneau and Acheson. Carried. Coghlin presented regulation changes for Admission Requirements – Duolingo Component Scores, and members provided clarification on what the Duolingo Component Scores are. A motion was heard to recommend Senate approve the regulation changes, as presented. Grove and Wandel. Carried. Coghlin presented regulation changes for Jurisdiction – Calendar Contents, and highlighted the following change in the material provided: under the rationale, “These scheduling-related details, which change more frequently than the USAC, will be more appropriately decided by instructors when designing their course offerings”, “by instructor” should be replaced with “by offering units”. A motion was heard to recommend Senate approve the regulation changes, as revised. Ferries and Grove. Carried. Coghlin presented regulation changes for Jurisdiction – Cancelling Scheduled Offerings, and members requested that the effective date be changed to September 1, 2023. A motion was heard to recommend Senate approve the regulation changes, as revised. Charbonneau and Austen. Carried.

5. OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business.

6. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is Tuesday 20 June 2023, 12:30 to 2:30 p.m. in NH 3318