

University of Waterloo
SENATE UNDERGRADUATE COUNCIL
Minutes of the 20 June 2023 Meeting
[in agenda order]

Present: Katherine Acheson, Janice Aurini, Veronica Austen, Monica Barra, Victoria Chu, Cecilia Cotton, Vivian Dayeh, David DeVidi (chair) Leeann Ferries, Jason Grove, Fatma Gzara, Anson Huang, Carol Ann MacGregor, Kristiina Montero, Catherine Newell Kelly, Isaac Ocampo, Theodore Thompson, Ryan Trelford, Chris Vigna, Johanna Wandel, Tim Weber-Kraljevski (secretary), Mike Wood

Resources/Guests: Angela Christelis, Jennifer Coglin, Danielle Jeanneault, Carrie MacKinnon, Maysah Eid

Organization of Meeting: David DeVidi 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.

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: The title of item 2 be corrected to “Approval of the 11 April 2023 Minutes and Business Arising”; for Item 3, under Software Engineering, add “page 120” to the third sentence so it reads “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 and page 120 under Science Course Electives, it should be it should be “four of”, instead of “three of.”; and correction of the spelling of Anton Huang’s name. The minutes were approved with the revisions without formal motion.

Members were informed of the results of the E-vote that occurred during 19 May 2023 to 26 May 2023 for the Motion to recommend that Senate approve the proposed academic regulation for Admissions Fraud, as revised to be effective 1 September 2023. Acheson and Newell Kelly. Carried.

3. CURRICULAR ITEMS FOR APPROVAL & INFORMATION

Arts. Acheson spoke to the new courses: DAC 402, FR 220, HIST 112, HIST 208, HIST 233, HIST 238, HIST 246, HIST 319, HIST 324, HIST 327, HIST 328, HIST 330, HIST 342, HIST 349, HIST 357, HIST 423, PHIL 125, PHIL 246, PSYCH 310, PSYCH 487, SOC 385, SOC 462, SOC 465, HRTS 398, INDENT 302, INDG 390, INNOV 200, INNOV 201, INNOV 300, INNOV 302, INNOV 311, and INNOV 411. Acheson also spoke to course changes for the School of Accounting and Finance, the Dean of Arts, Classical Studies, Communications Arts, English Language & Literature, Fine Arts, Germanic & Slavic Studies, History, Philosophy, Political Science, Renison University College, Religious Studies, Sociology and Legal Studies, Spanish & Latin American Studies, St Jerome’s University, and United College, and course inactivations for History, Philosophy, Religious Studies, and Sociology and Legal Studies. A motion was heard to approve the new courses, course changes, and inactivations on behalf of Senate, as presented. Acheson and Vigna. Carried. Acheson presented an overview of the following new academic plans: Diploma in Restorative Justice and Restorative Justice Specialization for Conrad Grebel University College; and Social Innovation and Impact Minor for United College. A motion was heard to recommend Senate approve the new academic plans, as presented. Acheson and Montero. Carried. Acheson presented the major modification for Diploma in Studies in Islam for Renison University College. A motion was heard to recommend Senate approve the major modification, as presented. Acheson and Montero. Carried. Acheson presented the minor academic plan change for Honours English – Creative and Professional Writing. A motion was heard to approve the minor academic plan change on behalf of Senate, as presented. Acheson and Austen. Carried. Discussion: Intensive English is part of the boiler plate. Acheson also presented on the following minor academic plan changes for: Honours Communication Arts and Design Practice; the Digital Arts Communication Minor; Three-Year General Peace and Conflict Studies; Four-Year General Peace and Conflict Studies; Honours Peace and Conflict Studies; Peace and Conflict Studies Minor; Three-Year General

English - Literature and Rhetoric; Four-Year General English - Literature and Rhetoric; Honours English - Literature and Rhetoric; Three-Year General English - Language and Literature; Four-Year General English - Literature and Rhetoric; Honours English - Literature and Rhetoric; Four-Year General English – Literature; Honours English – Literature; Three-Year General English - Literature and Rhetoric; Four-Year General English - Creative and Professional Writing; Four-Year General English - Rhetoric, Media, and Professional Communication; Honours English - Creative and Professional Writing; Honours English - Rhetoric, Media, and Professional Communication; Three-Year General Gender and Social Justice; Four-Year General Gender and Social Justice; Honours Gender and Social Justice; East Asian Studies Minor; Indigenous Entrepreneurship Minor; and Indigenous Studies Minor. Members discussed: ERS 275 under the Indigenous Studies Minor should be corrected to ERS 200. A motion was heard to approve the minor academic plan change on behalf of Senate, with the noted revision. Acheson and Montero. Carried.

4. REGISTRAR'S OFFICE

Course Delivery Modes: Coghlin provided an overview of the material provided, highlighting the changes approved by Senate Graduate & Research Council (SGRC) at their previous meeting. Members discussed: the changes made by SGRC; the purposes of the definitions; and concerns that definition of Online includes both asynchronous and synchronous which does not serve students in course selection prior to scheduling. A motion was heard to recommend Senate approve the Course Delivery Modes, as presented. Newell Kelly and Ferries. Carried.

5. OTHER BUSINESS

Effective Dates, 2023-24: Jeanneault proved an updated effective date chart to match for information.

Ad-hoc IQAP Processes: Christelis informed members of updates to IQAP processes including that: the stand-alone minors are pausing review for now, while work is being done on a template tailored to minors; changes to the shelf-study deadline, timeline changes with progress reports and site visits, and site visits will be moving to in person for programs where the space is necessary.

The chair recognized that it was Monica Barra's last meeting and thanked her for her service to the Council.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned.

6. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is Tuesday 19 September, 2023, 12:30 to 2:30 p.m. in NH 3318

29 August 2023

Tim Weber-Kraljevski
Governance Officer