

University of Waterloo
SENATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
Minutes of the 2 March 2020 Meeting

Present: Michael Beauchemin, Jeff Casello, Paul Fieguth, Feridun Hamdullahpur (chair), Karen Jack (secretary), Bill Power, James Rush, Naima Samuel, Richard Staines, Bryan Tolson

Regrets: Kofi Campbell, Shannon Dea, Mark Giesbrecht, Robert Gorbet, Vivek Unnithan

1. MINUTES OF THE 3 FEBRUARY 2020 MEETING

Members heard a motion to approve the minutes of the 3 February 2020 meeting.

Tolson and Staines. Carried unanimously.

2. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

There was no business arising.

3. DRAFT 30 MARCH 2020 SENATE AGENDA

The chair and secretary spoke to revisions which will be made to the agenda: the report from the University Appointment Review Committee will be sent to the April meeting of Senate instead, and a report will be forthcoming from the Honorary Degrees Committee. Members understood that the chair, secretary, and Casello will identify a graduate student presenter.

In discussion: Casello advised that he did not sign the two-year progress report for the engineering undergraduate programs since the report does not cover graduate activities, but “NA” will be added for clarity; notice from Tolson of his intention to raise the response from Renison University College re: teaching load on page 38 of the agenda at the meeting, and a suggestion that another option Tolson might pursue is to raise the matter with David DeVidi and Renison directly; whether the course evaluation report will be brought to the April meeting (yes, intended) and concern whether student representatives will be in attendance; whether there are an unusually high number of sabbaticals in the arts report and observations that the Faculties manage these activities well, that they are planned for, and that they approve them with an eye to striking a balance to meet the Faculty’s teaching responsibilities while ensuring faculty receive their earned leave. Beauchemin advised that he will send the secretary a number of small typos for correction.

Members heard a motion to approve the agenda, subject to the changes as described.

Beauchemin and Tolson. Carried unanimously.

4. OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business.

7 March 2020

Karen Jack
University Secretary