



MINUTES

A meeting of the Senate of the University of Victoria was held on October 2, 2009 at 3:30 p.m. in the Senate and Board Chambers, Room A180, University Centre.

Dr. Turpin welcomed members of Senate

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Motion

a. President's Report

i. United Way Presentation

- r. Bruce Kilpatrick, Director of UVic Communications and chair, leadership giving for the day campaign gave a presentation on the university's 2009 campaign

ii. Other matters

The results of the election that had just been held to elect a student representative from the Faculty of Engineering to Senate were reported. Dr. Turpin congratulated Ms. Manpreet Sall on

- r. Turpin provided an update on the provincial budget. He said there had not been any change in the budget and noted that the coming years would be challenging.

With regard to convocation matters, Dr. Turpin reminded members of Senate that Murray

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- Clay Holroyd and David Sinton were announced as new Canada Research Chairs, and Sadik Dost, Cornelis van Kooten and Jeremy Webber were renewed as Canada Research Chairs;
- Mark Flaherty and Steve Cross, Department of Geography, played lead roles in securing a \$6 million NSERC/DFO grant on aquaculture;
- Phil Dearden and Rosaline Canessa, Department of Geography, were the principals in a new \$2 million ICURA grant looking at the relationship between poverty and protected areas in Tanzania, Ghana and Canada;
- Brad Buckam, a UVic mechanical engineer, received funding from the federal government to lead research on assessing the energy-giving capacity of the ocean;
- Wolfgang Hofer, Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering, was elected a Fellow of the Canadian Academy of Engineering;
- Judy Fudge, Faculty of Law, was awarded the Bora Laskin National Fellowship on Human Rights;
- Jeremy Webber, Faculty of Law, was awarded the 2009 Trudeau Fellow;
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of the Royal Society of Canada;

Teaching

5. CORRESPONDENCE

atements. There were no questions. pond to

a. Senate Committee on Agenda and Procedures

i. Graduate Student Representation on Senate

r. Turpin reminded members of Senate that this item had been deferred at the last meeting. He had been discussion last year regarding graduate student representation brought to Senate regarding graduate student representation on the Planning and Priorities Committee and on Senate. The number of students present during the discussion.

Turpin said that at present one student member of Senate was elected from the Senate Committee on Agenda and Procedures that, given the shift in the make-up of the student body resulting in an increasing number of graduate students, it was appropriate to increase the number of students present during the discussion.

statement that:

to the Senate in accordance with

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b. Senate Committee on Awards

i. New and Revised Undergraduate Awards

r. Anthony asked how the university would determine eligibility for the Southern Vancouver admissions records.

Dr. Walker for specific departments, including the Alfred and
Adriana Po e committee
undertook nclusion in addition to
those noted by a donor. He thought his department was doing work very suited to the award
being considered; however, it was not included in the terms of reference. Dr. Lepp said the
committee did were feasible to
administer, alth ular departments.
Ms. Lori Nefnb

- Ray and Sheila Protti Music Scholarships (new)
- Alfred and Adriana Potvin Scholarship in Ocean Science*(revised)
- R.K. Stewart Scholarship in Hispanic and Italian Studies (new)
- Vikes Recreation Student Leadership Award (new)
- David Ritchie International Study Abroad Business Grants*(new)
- Vikes Men's Rowing Award*(new)
- Vikes Swimming Award*(new)
- Dr. Mowafa Househ Entrance Scholarship (new)
- Davison Undergraduate Scholarship in Germanic and Slavic Studies (new)
- Kenneth L. Avio Honours Medal (new)
- Steven A. Huesing Memorial Entrance Scholarship*(new)
- Southern Vancouver Island International Entrance Scholarships (new)
- University of Victoria Undergraduate Research Scholarships (new)

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c. Senate Committee on Continuing Studies

i. Annual Report

Motion: (M. MacDonald/V. Harrison)

That Senate receive the 2008-2009 annual report of the Senate Committee on Continuing Studies for information.

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d. Senate Committee on Libraries

i. Annual Report

Motion: (M. Swanson/G. Flitton)

That Senate receive the 2008-2009 annual report of the Senate Committee on Libraries for information.

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e. Senate Committee on Nominations and Committee Governance

i. Annual Report

Motion: (G. Van Gyn/A. Lepp)

Prof. Greschner spoke in favour of the motion. She said the motion had been discussed at Deans' Council and that she supported implementing a mechanism to address situations where it was not possible to uphold existing principles for decision making.

Dr. Turner spoke in favour of the motion, noting that the university had a responsibility to the wider community.

Dr. Anthony wondered if the university should consider whether this motion could have applicability in a larger context. He wondered if there were other situations where this sort of motion could be applicable.

In response to a question from Dr. Monahan, Dr. Turpin explained that any actions taken by the Provost would be reported at the next meeting of Senate. Dr. Webb wondered if it might be appropriate to amend the motion to state that the Provost's actions should be brought to Senate for approval at its next meeting. Prof. Greschner expressed concern with delegating provisional authority to the Provost. She thought the circumstance warranted giving him full power to take actions. Dr. Baggs agreed and thought that providing students with certainty about decisions being made was important.

Motion

Dr. Mateer noted that members of Senate had been provided with two recently published documents regarding research-inspired learning and sustainability.

9. ADJOURNMENT

There being no other business the meeting was adjourned at 5:00 p.m.