

Senate met on May 15, 2019. The following report is presented to the Board of Governors for its consideration and information.

The Senate meeting documents are available at:

<https://mcgill.ca/senate/senate-2018-2019/senate-meeting-documents-2018-2019>

I. FOR THE APPROVAL OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS

1. Report of the Senate Nominating Committee: Committee on Staff Grievances [D18-66]

Senate's recommendations concerning appointments to the Committee on Staff Grievances and Disciplinary Procedures is submitted for approval to the Board of Governors in accordance with the *Regulations on Appeals of Tenure Decisions and the Regulations Relating to the Employment of Academic Staff*.

Be it resolved that the Board of Governors, on the recommendation of Senate, approve the designation of Professor Dan Bernard (Department of Pharmacology and Therapeutics, Faculty of Medicine) as Chair of the Committee on Staff Grievances and Disciplinary Procedures for a term beginning September 1, 2019 and ending August 31, 2022.

Be it further resolved that the Board of Governors, on the recommendation of Senate, approve the designation of Professor Roe-Min Kok (Department of Music Research, Schulich School of Music) as Vice-Chair of the Committee on Staff Grievances and Disciplinary Procedures for a term beginning September 1, 2019 and ending August 31, 2021.

II. FOR THE INFORMATION OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS

1. 493rd Report of the Academic Policy Committee [D18-65]

On the recommendation of the Academic Policy Committee, Senate approved the following new teaching programs and change in degree designation:

- Graduate Certificate in Educational Leadership (15 CEUs) within the Faculty of Education;
- B.A.; Major Concentration in Statistics (36 cr.) within the Faculty of Arts;
- Certificate in Accounting and Finance (30 cr.) within the School of Continuing Studies;
- Change in degree designation in the Faculty of Law from Bachelor of Laws (LL.B.) to Juris Doctor (J.D.).

2. Report of the Senate Nominating Committee [D18-60]

On the recommendation of the Senate Nominating Committee, Senate approved appointments to Senate standing committees, committees arising from University regulations and the Advisory Committee for the Possible Extension of Term of the Trenholme Dean of Libraries. Notably, Professor Gigi Luk (Department of Educational and Counseling Psychology, Faculty of Education) and Professor David Stephens (Department of Mathematics and Statistics, Faculty of Science) will serve as Senate representatives on the advisory committee.

3. Appointment of Harassment Assessors under the Policy on Harassment and Discrimination Prohibited by Law [D18-67]

Senate approved the appointments of Dr. Niladri Basu, Associate Professor in the Faculty of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences, and Dr. Alexander Liepens, Skills Development Officer, Teaching and Learning Services, as assessors under the *Policy on Harassment and Discrimination Prohibited by Law*, for three-year terms beginning June 1, 2019 and ending May 31, 2022.

4. Calendar of Academic Dates for 2022-23 and Proposed Revisions to Dates for 2019-20, 2020-21, and 2021-22 [D18-68]

Senate approved the calendar of academic dates for 2022-23 and the proposed revisions for the fall 2019, fall 2020, winter 2021, fall 2021, and winter 2022 terms. The Calendar of Academic Dates reflects the start and end dates of the academic terms, the final examination period, and study breaks.

5. Faculty of Engineering: Faculty Council Terms of Reference [D18-69]

Senate approved the Faculty Council Terms of Reference for the Faculty of Engineering. The Faculty Council was established in 1968 and only minor revisions were made in 2006 and 2007. The Faculty Council provides a collegial setting for discussion of the governance, strategic direction and general management of the Faculty, and advises or makes decisions, where required, on matters tending to enhance the academic work of the Faculty with respect to teaching, research and service.

6. Report on Employment Equity [D18-70]

In accordance with McGill's *Employment Equity Policy*, Senate received a report on the status of employment equity in the various sectors of the workforce at McGill. The report also highlighted employment equity initiatives implemented since 2017.

7. Annual Report of the Committee on Staff Grievances and Disciplinary Procedures [D18-71]

Senate received this report for information in accordance with the *Regulations Relating to the Employment of Academic Staff*. The Board of Governors will receive this report on May 23, 2019.

8. Annual on the Policy on Safe Disclosure (“Whistle Blowing”) [D18-73]

Senate received the annual Report on the *Policy on Safe Disclosure (“Whistle Blowing”)* for information. The Board of Governors received this report on April 25, 2019.

9. Report of the Honorary Degrees and Convocations Committee [D18-75]

Senate approved the Report of the Honorary Degrees and Convocations Committee in confidential session. The report contained recommendations for honorary degree recipients.

10. Report from the Board of Governors to Senate [D18-74]

Senate received this report, which provided a summary of matters reviewed at the March 28 and May 6, 2019 Executive Committee meetings and the April 11 and 25, 2019 Board of Governors meetings, for information.

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