MCGILL UNIVERSITY BOARD OF GOVERNORS



Report from Senate GD

GD22-65

Board of Governors Meeting of April 20, 2023

This report contains items which are presented to the Board of Governors for its consideration and information. It is presented subject to Senate's consideration at its April 19, 2023 meeting.

I. FOR THE CONSIDERATION OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS

1. Report of the Senate Nominating Committee

[D22-58]

1.1 Appointments to the Committee on Staff Grievances and Disciplinary Procedures

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

Be it resolved that the Board of Governors, on the recommendation of Senate, approve the appointments of the following tenured staff member to the Committee on Staff Grievances and Disciplinary Procedures for a term beginning September 1, 2023, and ending August 31, 2026:

Professor Svetlana Komarova (Faculty of Dental Medicine and Oral Health Sciences)*

*subject to willingness to serve

Be it resolved that the Board of Governors, on the recommendation of Senate, approve the reappointments of the following tenured staff members to the Committee on Staff Grievances and Disciplinary Procedures for terms beginning September 1, 2023, and ending August 31, 2024:

- Professor Rob Wisnovsky (Institute of Islamic Studies, ARTS)
- Professor Warren Gross (Electrical and Computer Engineering, ENGINEERING)

1.2 Appointments to the University Appeals Committee

Senate's recommendation concerning an appointment to the University Appeals Committee is submitted for approval to the Board of Governors in accordance with the <u>Regulations on Appeals of Tenure Decisions</u> and the <u>Regulations Relating to the Employment of Academic Staff.</u>

Be it resolved that the Board of Governors, on the recommendation of Senate, approve the appointments of the following members of the academic staff to the University Appeals Committee for terms beginning September 1, 2023, and ending August 31, 2026:

- Professor Marc Pell (Microbiology and Immunology, FMHS)*
- Professor Sonia Laszlo (Economics, ARTS)

^{*}subject to willingness to serve

Be it resolved that the Board of Governors, on the recommendation of Senate, approve the reappointments of the following members of the academic staff to the University Appeals Committee for terms beginning September 1, 2023, and ending August 31, 2026:

- Professor Peter Grutter (Physics, SCIENCE)
- Professor Timothy Kennedy (Anatomy and Cell Biology/Neurology and Neurosurgery, FMHS)
- Professor Stephane Laporte (Endocrinology/Experimental Medicine, FMHS)
- Professor Steven Jordan (Integrated Studies in Education, EDUCATION)

II. FOR THE INFORMATION OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS

1. Report of the Senate Nominating Committee

[D22-58]

On the recommendation of the Senate Nominating Committee, Senate approved appointments to the Committee on Student Services, and the Advisory Committee for the possible Reappointment of the Deputy Provost (Student Life and Learning), arising from the Senate Nominating Committee's meeting of March 29, 2023.

MEMBERSHIP OF THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR THE POSSIBLE REAPPOINTMENT OF THE DEPUTY PROVOST (STUDENT LIFE AND LEARNING):

Primary Members:

- Manuel Balan (Political Science, ARTS)
- Valerie Orsat (Bioresource Engineering, AES)
- Chantal Grignon ((Student Affairs Office, Pharmacology and Therapeutics, FMHS)
- David Labbé (Experimental Medicine, FMHS)

Alternate Members:

- Alanna Watt (Biology, SCIENCE)
- David Stephens (Mathematics and Statistics, SCIENCE)

2. Report of the Academic Policy Committee

[D22-59]

Senate received this report for consideration. It provided an overview of matters considered by the Committee at its meeting of March 16, 2023, and electronic vote of March 20, 2023. On the recommendation of the Committee, Senate approved the creation of the proposed B.Sc.(Nutr.Sc.); Honours in Nutrition (90 cr.), and the proposed terminology relating to online/blending learning, the proposed approval and notification pathways relating to blended/hybrid courses, the proposed definitions of program types, and the definition of experiential learning.

3. Proposed Policy on Academic Freedom

[D22-60]

Senate received this item for information and discussion. The proposed policy meets the requirements of Bill 32, *An Act respecting academic Freedom in the university sector*, while also adhering to McGill's Mission and Principles. It also recommits to its Statement of Academic Freedom, adopted by Senate at its meeting of March 23, 2016. It is expected to be presented for consideration at the Senate meeting of May 10, 2023.

4. Proposed Revisions to the Policy on Safe Disclosure ("Whistle Blowing") [D22-61]

Senate received this item for information and discussion. The Policy on Safe Disclosure (the "Policy") was approved by Senate and the Board of Governors in 2007, establishing an impartial channel for the disclosure of improper activities at McGill without fear of reprisal. Since then, the Policy was twice amended, first in 2010 and most recently in 2015. The current review of the Policy focused on further aligning the Policy with the *Act to facilitate the disclosure of wrongdoings relating to public bodies* (the "Act"). It is expected to be presented for consideration at the Senate meeting of May 10, 2023.

5. Proposed University Budget (2023-2024)

[D22-62]

Senate received this item for information. It was the third of three presentations relating to the planning of the University Budget for the upcoming fiscal year (2023-2024).

6. 2023 University Staffing Report

[D22-63]

Senate received this report for information. It provided an overview of staffing trends in 2023.

7. Report on the Biennial Results of the Student Census

[D22-64]

Senate received this report for information. It provided an overview of the biennial collection, analysis, and reporting on student demographic data.

8. Report of the Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion Committee (EDIC)

[D22-65]

Senate received this report for information. It provided an overview of matters considered by the Committee at its meeting of April 17, 2023.

9. Report of the Joint Board Executive and Senate Steering Committees Meeting [D22-66]

Senate received this report for information. It provided an overview of matters considered at the annual joint meeting of the Board Executive Committee, and the Senate Steering Committee, held on March 23, 2023.

10. Annual Report on Research and Innovation (2021-2022)

[D22-67]

Senate received this annual report for information. It provided an overview of research funding performance, as well as performance in areas related to innovation and partnership-building between the University and external communities.