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The report summarizes approvals made by the Executive Committee in the name of the Board at the Committee's meetings of February 26, and March 26, 2015. It also presents key informational items reviewed by the Executive Committee. It is presented to the Board for information.

I. APPROVED BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE IN THE NAME OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS

1. Nominating Committee Report

1.1 Appointments of Board of Governors Representatives to the Advisory Committee for the Selection of the Dean of Arts

The Executive Committee of the Board of Governors, on the recommendation of the Nominating, Governance and Ethics Committee, approved the appointments of Mr. Robert Rabinovitch and Ms. Sally McDougall as representatives of the Board of Governors on the Advisory Committee for the Selection of the Dean, Faculty of Arts, and the appointment of Mr. Arthur Lau as an alternate member.

1.2 Appointment of Member-at-Large to the Executive Committee

The Executive Committee of the Board of Governors, on the recommendation of the Nominating, Governance and Ethics Committee, approved the appointment of Mr. Samuel Minzberg as a member of the Executive Committee for a term effective from March 26, 2015 to December 31, 2015, to coincide with the end of his first five-year term on the Board of Governors.

1.3 Appointment of Student Member to the Executive Committee

The Executive Committee of the Board of Governors, on the recommendation of the Nominating, Governance and Ethics Committee, approved the appointment of Mr. Yony Bresler as a student member of the Executive Committee for a term effective from March 26, 2015 to May 31, 2015.

2. Contracts of Affiliation with the Jewish General Hospital and St. Mary's Hospital Centre

The Executive Committee of the Board of Governors, on the recommendation of the Vice-Principal, Health Affairs and Dean (Faculty of Medicine), approved the following Contracts of Affiliation, each valid for a period of 5 years with an automatic renewal of one year, effective upon approval by the Minister of Health and Social Services:

- i. between The Royal Institution for the Advancement of Learning/McGill University and Sir Mortimer B. Davis –Jewish General Hospital;
- ii. between The Royal Institution for the Advancement of Learning/McGill University and St. Mary's Hospital Center;

The Executive Committee of the Board of Governors also authorized the Vice-Principal (Health Affairs) and Dean, (Faculty of Medicine):

- a) to incorporate minor changes, additions or modifications as may be identified by the Minister of Health and Social Services, subject to review and agreement by the Provost and Legal Services, and to sign the Contract; or
- b) to refer a revised contract to the Board of Governors for approval in the event that substantive changes are required.

3. Health Canada Contribution Agreement (Official Languages Health Contribution Program)

The Executive Committee of the Board of Governors, on the recommendation of the Vice-Principal (Research & International Relations), approved the Health Contribution Agreement with Health Canada.

4. Grant Application to Canada First Research Excellence Fund (CFREF)

The Executive Committee of the Board of Governors, on the recommendation of the Vice-Principal (Research and International Relations), approved the submission of a grant application valued at \$110 million in support of the proposal entitled “Integrated Discovery and Innovation at McGill” and authorized the Principal or the Principal’s delegate to sign any related documents, provided that where necessary, they are reviewed by Legal Services.

5. Report of the Building and Property Committee

5.1 Macdonald Campus Energy Production and Distribution Infrastructure Renewal

The Executive Committee of the Board of Governors, on the recommendation of the Building and Property Committee approved the Macdonald Campus Energy Production and Distribution Infrastructure Renewal with a total budget of \$8,260,000.

5.2. Servitude for a Gas Line at Macdonald Campus

The Executive Committee of the Board of Governors, on the recommendation of the Building and Property Committee, approved a servitude on the Macdonald Campus in favour of Gaz Métro, for the purpose of extending the existing gas supply line;

5.3 Delegation of Authority to Vice-Principal, Administration and Finance for Project Development & Planning

The Executive Committee of the Board of Governors, on the recommendation of the Building and Property Committee delegated to the Vice-Principal, Administration and Finance, the responsibility and authority to approve project-specific funding in support of project development, planning and costing for proposed construction and renovation projects requiring approval by the Building and Property Committee and/or the Board of Governors between May 1, 2015 and April 30, 2017, subject to the reporting of all such approvals at the next available Committee meeting.

5.4. Sale of Property

The Executive Committee of the Board of Governors, on the recommendation of the Building and Property Committee, approved the sale of an off campus property that is not used for University purposes.

6. Finance Committee Report

The Executive Committee of the Board of Governors, on the recommendation of the Finance Committee, approved for McGill University to borrow or issue in support of deferred maintenance needs, subject to the approval of the Vice-Principal, Administration and Finance and the Principal of the financing mechanism, the whole subject to approval of the appropriate regulatory authorities at the Quebec Government.

7. Project to Replace the Human Resources Information System

The Executive Committee of the Board of Governors, on the recommendation of the Vice-Principal, Administration and Finance, approved that McGill University procure a Software as a Service solution to replace the Human Resources Information System, at an initial cost of \$8 million plus taxes, plus an annual subscription cost of \$1.9 million plus taxes to \$2.5 million plus taxes for 10 years, subject to the approval of a financial plan to address deferred maintenance.

8. Project to Update the Current Network and Telephony Infrastructure

The Executive Committee of the Board of Governors, on the recommendation of the Vice-Principal, Administration and Finance, approved that McGill University proceed with a project to update the current Network and Telephony Infrastructure, at an initial cost of \$32.2 million plus taxes, plus an annual operating cost of \$18.4 million plus taxes over a period of 8 years, subject to the approval of a financial plan to address deferred maintenance;

9. Naming Proposals Arising from Policy Related to Naming of University Assets

The Executive Committee of the Board of Governors, on the recommendation of the Principal, approved the proposal to name the “Trottier Institute for Science and Public Policy”.

10. Report on Promotions and Tenure

The Executive Committee of the Board of Governors approved three recommendations contained in the Report on Promotions and Tenure.

11. Report from Senate

11.1 University Regulations

The Executive Committee of the Board of Governors, on the recommendation of Senate approved:

- i. The Regulations on Appeals of Tenure Decisions and;
- ii. Changes to the Regulations Relating to the Employment of Tenure Track and Tenured Academic Staff (sections 7.29.2 – 7.29.4) and the Regulations Relating to the Employment of Librarian Staff (sections 3.50.2 – 3.50.6), as presented in Appendices B and C, respectively.

11.2. 462nd Report of the Academic Policy Committee: Trottier Institute for Science and Public Policy

The Executive Committee of the Board of Governors, on the recommendation of Senate, approved the creation and naming of the Trottier Institute for Science and Public Policy.

11.3 Appointment to University Appeals Committee

The Executive Committee received a Report from Senate, which contained a summary of informational items reviewed by Senate at its meeting of March 28, 2015.

The Executive Committee of the Board of Governors, on the recommendation of Senate, approved the appointment of Professor John Silvius to the University Appeals Committee for a three-year term beginning September 1, 2015.

II. FOR THE INFORMATION OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS

1. Report of the Finance Committee

The Executive Committee was informed that the financing of the deferred maintenance initiative would require an allocation of funds from the University's operating budget. Given this need and the provincial government's funding reductions, the FY2016 budget forecasts a deficit of up to \$14 million.

2. Committee to Advise on Matters of Social Responsibility

The Executive Committee of the Board of Governors received the report of the Committee to Advise on Matters of Social Responsibility, arising from the Committee's meeting of February 19. The Committee was informed of a recent submission received from Divest McGill, which contained arguments for divestment from fossil fuel companies on the basis of the social injury that they cause.

3. Annual Report on Enrolment and Strategic Enrolment Management

The Executive Committee received the Annual Report on Enrolment and Strategic Enrolment Management.

4. Annual Report of the Advisory Council on Human Research Ethics ACHRE 2013-14

The Executive Committee received the Annual Report of the Advisory Council on Human Research Ethics for information.

5. Report on New Promotions and Tenure

The Executive Committee of the Board of Governors approved six recommendations contained in the Report on New Appointments, Promotions and Tenure.

END OF REPORT
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