

**Report from Senate** GD15-12

Board of Governors meeting of October 8, 2015

Senate met on September 24, 2015. This report contains items which are presented to the Board of Governors for its consideration and information.

### I. FOR ACTION BY THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS

# 1.466<sup>th</sup> Report of the Academic Policy Committee[D15-01]

1.1 Senate reviewed the Academic Policy Committee's proposal to rename the McGill Centre for the Study of Reproduction to the McGill Centre for Research in Reproduction and Development/*Centre de recherche en reproduction et développement* and recommended that it be approved by the Board.

The proposed name better reflects the true scope of the research activities undertaken at the Centre.

Be it resolved that the Board of Governors, on the recommendation of Senate, approve the renaming of the McGill Centre for the Study of Reproduction to the McGill Centre for Research in Reproduction and Development/Centre de recherche en reproduction et développement.

1.2 Senate reviewed the Academic Policy Committee's proposal for the creation of the McGill Cystic Fibrosis Translational Research Centre/Centre de Recherche Translationnelle sur la Fibrose Kystique and recommended that it be approved by the Board.

This will enhance McGill's basic research activities in cystic fibrosis, and help respond to the growing need for translational research in the field.

Be it resolved that the Board of Governors, on the recommendation of Senate, approve the creation of the McGill Cystic Fibrosis Translational Research Centre/Centre de Recherche Translationnelle sur la Fibrose Kystique.

1.3 Senate reviewed the Academic Policy Committee's proposal for the creation of the McGill Space Institute/Institut Spatial de McGill.

The McGill Space Institute will bring together research communities doing space relevant work in the Faculty of Science and beyond, provide an intellectual home for researchers conducting space-related research, regardless of their home departments, and foster space-related instrumentation development.

Be it resolved that the Board of Governors, on the recommendation of Senate, approve the creation of the McGill Space Institute/Institut Spatial de McGill.

#### II. FOR THE INFORMATION OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS

#### 1. 466<sup>th</sup> Report of the Academic Policy Committee [D15-01]

On the recommendation of the Academic Policy Committee, Senate approved the Professional Development Certificate in Business Valuation. This certificate meets the educational requirements of the Canadian Institute of Chartered Business Valuators (CICBV) and aims at preparing individuals to write the CICBV membership qualification examination.

#### 2. Report of the Senate Nominating Committee [D15-02]

Senate approved this report, which contained a series of appointments to Senate Standing Committees, Committees Arising out of the University Regulations, the Ad Hoc Committee to Review the Charter of Students' Rights and Advisory Committees.

For the Board's information, the following individuals have been named by Senate to serve on Advisory Committees, as follows:

The Advisory Committee for the Selection of a Dean of Law: Professor Stéphane Laporte (Medicine, MEDICINE) Professor Pierre Dutilleul (Plant Science, FAES)

The Advisory Committee for the Selection of a Dean of Music: Professor Omar Toulan (MANAGEMENT) Professor Victor Muniz-Fraticelli (Political Science and Law) Ms. Geneviève Gore (LIBRARIES) Professor Sasha Omanovic (Chemical Engineering, ENGINEERING) Professor Jim Fyles (Natural Resource Sciences, FAES) [alternate] Professor Eric Lewis (Philosophy, ARTS) [alternate]

The Advisory Committee for the Possible Reappointment of the VP External Relations: Professor Céline Le Bourdais (Sociology, ARTS) Professor Tim Geary (Parasitology, FAES) Mr. Peter Enright (Farm Management and Technology, FAES) Professor Lindsay Duncan (Kinesiology and Physical Education, EDUCATION) Professor Catherine Potvin (Biology, SCIENCE) [alternate] Professor Dan Bernard (Pharmacology and Therapeutics, MEDICINE) [alternate]

The Advisory Committee for the Possible Reappointment of the Dean of Students: Professor Shahrokh Esfandiary (DENTISTRY) Professor Tracy Webb (Physics, SCIENCE) Professor Gillian Lane-Mercier (Associate Dean, Academic Admin. & Oversight, ARTS) [alternate]

## **3.** Annual Report on the Policy on Harassment, Sexual Harassment and [D15-03] Discrimination Prohibited by Law (2014-2015)

Senate received this annual report for information in accordance with the *Policy on Harassment, Sexual Harassment and Discrimination Prohibited by Law.* The report indicates fewer complaints filed in 2014-2015 than in the previous year. Senators discussed the tables included in the report and the role of the assessors.

### 4. Annual Report of the Joint Board-Senate Committee on Equity [D15-04] (2014-2015)

Senate received this report for information. The report provided an overview of the Committee's activities undertaken in 2014-2015 and will be presented to the Executive Committee of the Board of Governors on October 30, 2015.

## 5. Annual Report of the Committee on Student Services (2014-2015) [D15-05]

In accordance with the Committee's terms of reference, Senate received this annual report for information. The document provided an overview of the matters that the Committee addressed during the 2014-2015 academic year and its plans for 2015-2016.

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