# **McGill**

#### MCGILL UNIVERSITY BOARD OF GOVERNORS

## **Report of the Executive Committee** GD15-53

Board of Governors meeting of April 21, 2016

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The report summarizes approvals made by the Executive Committee in the name of the Board at the Committee's meeting of March 22, 2016 and electronic votes of January 11, February 26 and April 5, 2016. 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. Report from Senate

[ED15-21]

The Executive Committee received the Report from Senate arising from the Senate meeting of February 17, 2016.

#### 1.1 Creation of the School of Public Policy within the Faculty of Arts

The Executive Committee, on the recommendation of Senate, approved the creation of the School of Public Policy within the Faculty of Arts. The School will provide an anchor for public policy at McGill and will include a new Master degree in Public Policy (MPP), which will form the core program and provide multi-disciplinary curriculum that will lead to a professional degree.

## 1.2 Revision to the Regulations Concerning Sabbatic Leaves for Tenure Track and Tenured Academic Staff

The Executive Committee, on the recommendation of Senate, approved a revision to the Regulations Concerning Sabbatic Leaves for Tenure Track and Tenured Academic Staff. The revision allows academic staff to count as credited service toward a sabbatical up to two years served at another institution prior to joining McGill in a position considered equivalent to a tenure track or tenured academic position. This amendment was warranted given that some members of the academic staff join McGill after holding positions elsewhere that, while not formally in the tenure stream, substantively mirror tenure track posts.

#### 2. Report of the Finance Committee

[ED15-13]

The Executive Committee of the Board of Governors, on the recommendation of the Finance Committee, approved a policy related to the short-term investment of funds resulting from the implementation of the deferred maintenance financing plan. Such a policy is required by the Ministry of Education, Higher Education and Research and the Ministry of Finance.

#### 3. Ad Hoc Consultation Committee on Naming Proposals

[ED15-22]

In accordance with the Policy Relating to the Naming of University Assets, the Executive Committee approved two honorific naming proposals concerning the School of Public Policy in the Faculty of Arts, and the Department of Oncology in the Faculty of Medicine. The naming proposals were presented to the Executive Committee on the Principal's recommendation, following a review conducted of each proposal by an Ad Hoc Consultation Committee on Naming. The honorific naming of each entity will be announced in due course.

#### 4. Call for Tenders for Lab Supplies with GACEQ

[ED15-19]

The University is currently in the third and final year of contracts for lab supplies, which were entered into following approval of a group CFT by the Executive Committee in November 2012. The contracts were executed following a group CFT with 8 other Quebec universities in 2013, and will expire on June 30, 2016.

The Executive Committee of the Board of Governors authorized the University to participate in a public call for tenders managed by Groupe d'approvisionnement en commun de l'Est-du-Québec (GACEQ) for the purchase of laboratory supplies, for a maximum term of 2 years, at an estimated value of \$4.5 million per year before taxes. The Committee also approved the selected contracts and authorized the Vice-Principal (Administration and Finance) to sign them, and any accessory documents, provided that they are reviewed by Legal Services, as appropriate.

#### 5. Grant Application to Canada First Research Excellence Fund (CFREF) [ED15-24]

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 \$120 million in support of the proposal entitled "Healthy Brains for Healthy Lives" to the Canada First Research Excellence Fund Program. Launched by the Government of Canada in December 2014, the objective of the program is to strategically advance the greatest strengths of Canadian universities on the global stage and build capacity for breakthrough discoveries and long-term economic benefits for society. Decisions are expected to be announced in July 2016.

#### 6. Revisions to Executive Committee Terms of Reference

[ED15-25]

The Executive Committee of the Board of Governors reviewed its terms of reference as part of the triennial review of Board Committees' terms of reference and recommended revisions to be considered by the Nominating, Governance and Ethics Committee.

#### 7. Report on Promotions and Tenure

[ED15-14,15,23]

The Executive Committee of the Board of Governors approved a series of academic promotions and appointments, a record of which is provided in Appendix A.

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

The Executive Committee of the Board of Governors, received, on behalf of the Board of Governors, the following reports:

#### 1. Annual Report from Advisory Council on Human Research Ethics (2014-15) [ED15-16]

The Executive Committee received the Annual Report of the Advisory Council on Human Research Ethics for information, which was received by the Committee in compliance with the Secretariat of the Tri-Council Panel on Research Ethics.

#### 2. Preliminary Discussion of CAMSR Report to the Board

[ED15-17]

The Executive Committee received the Report of the Committee to Advise on Matters of Social Responsibility on Divest McGill Submission of February 2015.

#### 3. Report of the Investment Committee

[ED15-18]

The Executive Committee received the report the Investment Committee arising from the Investment Committee meeting of February 18, 2016, for information.

The report contained the following informational items:

- Market Value of the Investment Portfolio and Preliminary Results of the Investment Portfolio at December 31, 2015
- Recommendation on Strategy Relating to USD Currency Hedging
- Proposed Revisions to Investment Committee Terms of Reference
- Update on Managers
- Update on the Statement of Investment Policy
- Quarterly Endowment Performance Report
- Outlook on the Economy and Markets
- Review of Asset Allocation

#### 4. Annual Report on Enrolment and Strategic Enrolment Management

[ED15-20]

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

The Executive Committee received the report from Senate arising from the meeting of February 17, 2016.

The report contained the following items for information:

- Open Discussion "Employment Equity at McGill"
- Budget Planning 2016-17 Report II
- 470th Report of the Academic Policy Committee (APC)
- Report of the Senate Nominating Committee
- Annual Report of the Ombudsperson for Students (2014-15)
- Annual Report of the Advisory Council on the Charter of Students' Rights (2014-15)
- Report of the Honorary Degrees and Convocations Committee

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#### Appendix A

#### 1. Promotion to the Rank of Full Professor

The Executive Committee of the Board of Governors approved the promotion of the following academic staff the rank of Full Professor:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Department</u>	Faculty	<b>Effective Date</b>
Carlos Fraenkel	Jewish Studies and Philosophy	Arts	January 1, 2016
John Galaty	Anthropology	Arts	January 1, 2016
Warren Gross	Electrical and Computer Engineering	Engineering	January 1, 2016
Damiano Pasini	Mechanical Engineering	Engineering	January 1, 2016
Nathalie Tufenkji	Chemical Engineering	Engineering	January 1, 2016
Oscar Kasner	Ophthalmology (Clinical)	Medicine	January 1, 2016

#### 2. Promotion with Tenure to the Rank of Associate Professor

The Executive Committee of the Board of Governors approved that the following candidate be granted tenure and promoted to the rank of Associate Professor (with tenure).

<u>Name</u>	<u>Department</u>	<b>Faculty</b>	Effective Date
Sven-Oliver Proksch	Political Science	Arts	March 1, 2016

#### 3. Appointment to the Rank of Full Professor with Tenure

The Executive Committee of the Board of Governors approved that the following candidate be appointed to the Rank of Full Professor with Tenure.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Faculty</u>	Effective Date
Ma, Yu	Desautels Faculty of Management	July 1, 2016

#### 4. Promotion to the Rank of Full Professor

The Executive Committee of the Board of Governors approved that the following academics be promoted to the rank of Full Professor.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Department</u>	<b>Faculty</b>	<b>Effective Date</b>
Jean-François Cloutier	Neurology & Neurosurgery	Medicine	April 1, 2016
Edward Ruthazer	Neurology & Neurosurgery	Medicine	April 1, 2016
Keith Murai	Neurology & Neurosurgery and Medicine	Medicine	April 1, 2016
Peter Chan	Surgery	Medicine	April 1, 2016
Baerbel Knauper	Psychology	Science	April 1, 2016
Msoud Asharian	Mathematics & Statistics	Science	April 1, 2016
Joann Whalen	Natural Resource Science	Agricultural & Environmental Sciences	April 1, 2016
Lyle Whyte	Natural Resources Sciences	Agricultural & Environmental Sciences	April 1, 2016
Jamshid Beheshti	School of Information Studies	Arts	April 1, 2016
David Brackett	Music Research	Music	April 1, 2016
Charmaine Nelson	Art History & Communication Studies	Arts	April 1, 2016