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This report summarizes approvals made by the Executive Committee in the name of the Board at the Committee's March 8 and March 30, 2017 meetings and electronic vote of February 28, 2017. It also presents key informational items reviewed by the Executive Committee. It is presented to the Board of Governors for information.

I. APPROVED BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE IN THE NAME OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS**1. Post-Secondary Institutions Strategic Investment Fund: Convention d'aide financière**

The Executive Committee of the Board of Governors approved a request from the *Ministère de l'Éducation et de l'Enseignement supérieur* (MEES) to designate the Vice-Principal (Administration and Finance) as the University's authorized signatory for two funding agreements (*conventions d'aide financière*) with the MEES in support of the Post-Secondary Institutions Strategic Investment Fund (SIF). The University will receive \$65 million from SIF, a federal government program which will provide funds to accelerate infrastructure projects at universities and colleges across Canada, as well as \$2.2 million from the provincial government in support of seven infrastructure projects.

2. PSRv2 Grant Application in Support of Pain Genetics CERC Initiative

The Executive Committee of the Board of Governors, on the recommendation of the Vice-Principal (Research and Innovation) and the Vice-Principal (Administration and Finance), approved a grant application of \$9.2 million and its submission to the *Programme de soutien à la recherche, volet 2: Soutien au financement d'infrastructures de recherche* (PSRv2) of the *Ministère de l'Économie, la Science et l'Innovation* (MESI) in support of renovations to the Lyman Duff Building for laboratory space associated with the Canada Excellence Research Chair (CERC) in Human Pain Genetics.

3. Report of the Finance Committee

The Executive Committee received the Report of the Finance Committee, arising from the Committee's meeting of February 16, 2017. The details of the approval are noted below.

3.1 University Contribution in Support of Pain Genetics CERC Initiative

The Executive Committee of the Board of Governors, on the recommendation of the Finance Committee, approved a financial contribution of \$5.8 million from the University in support of renovations to the Lyman Duff Building for laboratory space associated with the Canada Excellence Research Chair (CERC) in Human Pain Genetics, subject to the confirmation of the anticipated award of funding from the PSRv2 grant by the *Ministère de l'Économie, de la Science et de l'Innovation* (MESI).

4. Report of the Building and Property Committee

The Executive Committee received the Report of the Building and Property Committee, arising from the Committee's meetings of February 24 and March 15, 2017. The details of the approvals are noted below.

4.1 Fit-out of New Space: Renovation Project for the Ingram School of Nursing at 680 Sherbrooke

The Executive Committee of the Board of Governors, on the recommendation of the Building and Property Committee, approved a renovation project at 680 Sherbrooke Street West for laboratories, teaching and research space, student space, classrooms and office spaces for the Ingram School of Nursing. The School is relocating from Wilson Hall due to the planned growth of the School in order to meet its academic goals and to maintain its professional accreditation. The completion of the project is planned for August 2017.

4.2 Revised Budget for Fit-out of New Space: Project for Relocation of the Department of Psychology

The Executive Committee of the Board of Governors, on the recommendation of the Building and Property Committee, approved a revised budget for a renovation project at 2001 McGill College for the relocation of the Department of Psychology to ensure adequate space for the Department's academic needs. The Department is relocating from the Stewart Biology Building due to renovations associated with the SIF program. The completion of the project is planned for August 2017.

4.3 Montreal Neurological Institute Sprinkler Installations

The Executive Committee of the Board of Governors, on the recommendation of the Building and Property Committee, approved the second phase installation of sprinklers throughout the Montreal Neurological Institute (MNI) in order to comply with health and safety regulations of the *Régie du Bâtiment du Québec*. The second phase consists of a retrofit of the Rockefeller, Molson-BTRC and Penfield wings of the MNI. The completion of the project is planned for November 2017.

4.4 Wong Building High Temperature Labs

The Executive Committee of the Board of Governors, on the recommendation of the Building and Property Committee, approved a construction project for modifications to the high temperature metals laboratory in the M. H. Wong Building. The project's scope includes modifications to the overall layout, an exterior fire exit, the addition of specialized heating, ventilation and air conditioning (HVAC) equipment, and a pre-action fire suppression system appropriate for the types of materials normally used and stored in the space. The completion of the project is planned for December 2017.

4.5 Ferrier Building Air Handling Units

The Executive Committee of the Board of Governors, on the recommendation of the Building and Property Committee, approved a construction project to replace all existing ventilation systems in the Ferrier Building with a new single air handling unit, creating a centralized ventilation system. The project will improve the operation and maintenance of the building's HVAC system and reduce associated costs. The project also includes the partial renovation of the building's first and fourth floors for the use of the Faculty of Arts for the purposes of teaching and research. The completion of the project is planned for February 2018.

4.6 Macdonald Engineering Building Masonry Repair and Restoration

The Executive Committee of the Board of Governors, on the recommendation of the Building and Property Committee, approved the first phase of a construction project for the masonry restoration of the Macdonald Engineering Building complex and for the replacement of the roof on the Workman wing. The project consists of interventions intended to restore and preserve the exterior envelope of the building, including the full reconstruction of walls and gables, the reinstallation or stabilization of stones, the replacement of mortar joints, and the restoration and stabilization of projecting elements. The completion of the first phase of the project is planned for Fall 2017.

4.7 Disposition of Properties

The Executive Committee of the Board of Governors considered a property disposition proposal and agreed that the University will undertake further to determine the possibility of the disposition.

4.8 Renewal of Delegation of Authority to Vice-Principal (Administration and Finance)

The Executive Committee of the Board of Governors approved a renewal of a delegation of authority to the Vice-Principal (Administration and Finance) to approve project-specific funding of up to \$1 million in support of project development, planning and costing for construction and renovation projects from May 1, 2017 to April 30, 2020.

5. Report of the Investment Committee

The Executive Committee received the Report of the Investment Committee, arising from the Committee's meeting of March 16, 2017. The details of the approval are noted below.

5.1 Investment in Enhanced US Equity Strategy

The Executive Committee of the Board of Governors, on the recommendation of the Investment Committee, approved an investment in an enhanced US equity strategy as a way of enhancing the performance of the McGill Investment Portfolio (MIP).

6. Report of the Nominating, Governance and Ethics Committee

The Executive Committee received the Report of the Nominating, Governance and Ethics Committee, arising from the Committee's meeting of March 28, 2017. The details of the approvals are noted below.

6.1 Appointments to the Information Technology (IT) Subcommittee

The Executive Committee of the Board of Governors, on the recommendation of the Nominating, Governance and Ethics Committee, approved the appointment of Mr. Ram Panda as a member and Chair of the IT Subcommittee of the Building and Property Committee for a three-year term beginning immediately and ending June 30, 2020.

The Executive Committee of the Board of Governors, on the recommendation of the Nominating, Governance and Ethics Committee, also approved the appointments of Ms. Martine Turcotte, Mr. Pierre Turcotte, Mr. Howard Stotland, Dr. Laura Winer and Professor Muthucumaru Maheswaran as members of the IT Subcommittee of the Building and Property Committee for three-year terms beginning immediately and ending June 30, 2020 as well as the appointment of Mr. Louis Bernardi as a student member for a one-year term beginning immediately and ending June 30, 2018.

6.2 Appointment to the Board of Trustees of the McGill Institute for the Study of Canada

The Executive Committee of the Board of Governors, on the recommendation of the Nominating, Governance and Ethics Committee, approved the appointment of Ms. Carol Anne Hilton as a trustee nominated by McGill University to the McGill Institute for the Study of Canada for a four-year term beginning immediately and ending August 31, 2021.

II. FOR THE INFORMATION OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS

1. Board Committee Reports

1.1 Report of the Committee to Advise on Matters of Social Responsibility

The Executive Committee, on behalf 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 March 7, 2017. The Report contained informational items, including a review of progress made in advancing sustainability at the University through Sustainability Open Forums, the establishment of an Advisory Council of Sustainability, the Joint Board-Senate meeting on McGill's Sustainability Plan and Initiatives as well as the Investment Committee's Socially Responsible Investment (SRI) strategy.

1.2 Report of the Investment Committee

The Executive Committee, on behalf of the Board of Governors, received the Report of the Investment Committee, arising from the Committee's meeting of March 16, 2017. The Report contained informational items, including the Committee's approval to allocate \$5 million in Hexavest's ACWI Fossil Free Pooled Fund, an SRI global equity mandate. Furthermore, the Committee received an update on the Environmental, Social, and Governance (ESG) policies and the United Nations Principles for Responsible Investment (UNPRI) status of managers, noting that progress is underway to achieve the Committee's target of increasing to 80% the percentage of MIP assets managed by managers that have an ESG policy and/or are signatories of the UNPRI.

1.3 Report of the Human Resource Committee

The Executive Committee, on behalf of the Board of Governors, received the Report of the Human Resources Committee, arising from the Committee's meeting of March 23, 2017. The Report contained informational items regarding human resources matters discussed by the Committee.

1.4 Report of the Finance Committee

The Executive Committee, on behalf of the Board of Governors, received the Report of the Finance Committee, arising from the Committee's meeting of February 16, 2017. The Report contained the second overview of the University's budget planning exercise for 2017 – 2018, the Annual Report on External Borrowing as well as an update on the University's financing plan for deferred maintenance and IT initiatives.

2. Report from Senate

The Executive Committee, on behalf of the Board of Governors, received two Reports from Senate, arising from Senate's meetings of February 15, 2017 and March 22, 2017. The Reports contained informational items, which included Senate's formal recognition and promotion of February as Black History Month and an open discussion on McGill's University Strategic Academic Plan 2017 – 2022.

3. Report on New Appointments, Promotions and Tenure

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

4. Annual Reports

The Executive Committee received the following annual reports for information:

- Report of the Advisory Council on Human Research Ethics (ACHRE)
- Report on Enrolment and Strategic Enrolment Management

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April 2017

Appendix A

1. Promotion to the Rank of Full Professor

<u>Name</u>	<u>Department</u>	<u>Faculty</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Tran, Simon	--	Dentistry	April 1, 2017

Campbell, Angela	--	Law	April 1, 2017
Nilson, Laura	Biology	Science	April 1, 2017
Oberman, Adam	Mathematics & Statistics	Science	April 1, 2017
Hartman, Michelle	Institute of Islamic Studies	Arts	April 1, 2017
Pouliot, Vincent	Political Science	Arts	April 1, 2017
Stroud, Sarah	Philosophy	Arts	April 1, 2017