



The following report is presented to Senate for information.

Since last reporting to Senate, the Board of Governors met on February 2, 2017. The Executive Committee of the Board of Governors met on March 8, 2017 and held an electronic vote on February 28, 2017.

Appendix A contains a series of promotions and grants of tenure, which were approved by the Board of Governors or the Executive Committee of the Board of Governors.

**A. APPROVALS MADE BY THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS OR THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS**

**I. APPOINTMENTS**

**1. Appointment of a Member-at-Large of the Board of Governors**

The Board of Governors, on the recommendation of the Nominating, Governance and Ethics Committee, approved the appointment of Ms. Cynthia Price Verreault as a member-at-large for a five-year term starting July 1, 2017 and ending June 30, 2022.

Ms. Price Verreault received her commerce degree in marketing from McGill University. She currently serves as a member and Chair of the Board's Human Resources Committee and a Board representative on Senate and the McGill Sports Hall of Fame. She also served as a McGill Alumni Association representative on the Board of Governors from 2012 to 2016.

**II. OTHER APPROVALS**

**1. Grant Agreements**

**1.1 Canada First Research Excellence Fund: Healthy Brains for Healthy Lives**

The Board of Governors, on the recommendation of the Vice-Principal (Research and Innovation), approved the Canada First Research Excellence Fund Grant Agreement between McGill University and the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC), the Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council (NSERC) and the Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR), in support of the Healthy Brains for Healthy Lives project for research and innovation in the area of neuroscience.

## **1.2 International Progressive Multiple Sclerosis Alliance**

The Board of Governors, on the recommendation of the Vice-Principal (Research and Innovation), approved a Grant Agreement between McGill University and the National Multiple Sclerosis Society, on behalf of the International Progressive Multiple Sclerosis Alliance, for a project entitled “An MRI biomarker for disability progression for use in clinical trials”, aimed to develop new MRI outcome measures that could result in more efficient preliminary assessment of drug efficacy.

## **2. Report from the Building and Property Committee**

### **2.1 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 for the Ingram School of Nursing at 680 Sherbrooke Street West. The School is relocating from Wilson Hall due to the planned growth of the School in order to meet its academic goals and maintain its professional accreditation.

### **2.2 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 the 2001 McGill College renovation project for the relocation of the Department of Psychology. The Department is relocating due to planned renovations of the Stewart Biology Building, funding for which will be allocated through the Post-Secondary Strategic Infrastructure Fund (SIF).

## **3. Proposal for University Contribution in Support of Pain Genetics Canada Excellence Research Chair (CERC) Initiative**

The Executive Committee of the Board of Governors, on the recommendation of the Finance Committee, approved a financial contribution from the University in support of the CERC Human Pain Genetics renovation project for research laboratory space in the Lyman Duff Building, subject to confirmation of the anticipated award of funding from the *Programme de soutien à la recherche, volet 2: Soutien au financement d'infrastructures de recherche* (PSRv2) grant by the Ministère de l'Économie, de la Science et de l'Innovation (MESI).

## **4. 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 and its submission to the PSRv2 grant program of the Ministère de l'Économie, la Science et l'Innovation (MESI) in support of the CERC Human Pain Genetics renovation project.

### **III. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

#### **1. Budget Planning 2017 - 2018 Report II**

The Executive Committee of the Board of Governors received the second of three presentations concerning the FY2018 University budget.

#### **2. Campus Public Safety Presentation**

The Board of Governors received a presentation from Campus Public Safety, a unit reporting to Facilities Management and Ancillary Services under the purview of the Office of the Vice-Principal (Administration and Finance), regarding security and safety on campus.

#### **3. Board Committee Reports**

The Board received:

- Report of the Audit Committee (meeting of January 31, 2017)
- Report of the Committee to Advise on Matters of Social Responsibility (meeting of March 7, 2017)
- Report of the Finance Committee (meeting of February 16, 2017)
- Report of the Human Resources Committee (meeting of January 12, 2017)
- Report from Senate (meetings of January 18 and February 15, 2017)

#### **4. Other Items**

The Board received:

- Report and Response: Open Forum on the Recommendations of the 2016 CAMSR Report on Divestment
- Notice of Motion Concerning the 2016 CAMSR Report
- Annual Report on Research and Innovation
- Annual Report of the Committee on Student Discipline
- Annual Report on Naming

#### **5. Board Retreat**

The Board of Governors held its annual Retreat on March 8, 2017. The topic of this year's Retreat was entitled *Future Ready or Job Ready? The Challenge of a 21<sup>st</sup> Century University Education*, which included a keynote address from Professor Christopher Ragan, Chair of Canada's Ecofiscal Commission.

## 6. Board-Student Forum

The Board of Governors held the fourth edition of the Board-Student Forum on March 8, 2017, which provided an opportunity for members of the Board to learn about initiatives led by student associations and groups on campus, and for students to have a chance to further learn about the work of the Board and its Committees.

### APPENDIX A: New Appointments, Promotions and Tenure

The following appointments and promotions were approved by the Board of Governors or the Executive Committee of the Board of Governors:

#### 1. Appointments to the Rank of Full Professor with Tenure

<u>Name</u>	<u>Department</u>	<u>Faculty</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Castro, Rui	Economics	Arts	August 1, 2017
Gonçalves, Silvia	Economics	Arts	August 1, 2017
Ravenscroft, Brenda	Music Research	Music	July 1, 2017

#### 2. 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