MCGILL UNIVERSITY SENATE

Report of the Senate Steering Committee 18-19:04

(November 27, 2018 meeting, in preparation for Senate meeting of December 5, 2018)

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF SENATE

The minutes of the Senate meeting of November 21, 2018 were circulated to the Steering Committee, and the Steering Committee provided feedback. It is recommended that they now be considered by Senate for approval.

2. APPROVAL OF CONFIDENTIAL MINUTES OF SENATE

The Steering Committee reports that it has reviewed the confidential minutes of the meeting of November 21, 2018 and has approved them on behalf of Senate. These minutes are not published or circulated but are available for perusal by Senators in the Secretariat.

3. SPEAKING RIGHTS

The Steering Committee requests speaking rights for:

- Ms. Cristiane Tinmouth, Associate Vice-Principal (Financial Services), for item IIB1 (Annual Report on the Financial State of the University);
- Mr. Bradley Tucker, Executive Director, Analysis, Planning and Budget, for item IIB2 (Budget Planning 2019-2020 Report I);
- Mr. François Miller, Director, McGill Office of Sustainability, for item IIB5 (Consolidation of Sustainability Policy and Environmental Policy); and
- Ms. Julie Lassonde, Senior Equity and Inclusion Officer and Chair of the Ad Hoc Senate Committee on Teaching Staff-Student Intimate Relationships for item IIB6 (Report of the Ad Hoc Senate Committee on Teaching Staff-Student Intimate Relationships).

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The Steering Committee has reviewed the Agenda for the present meeting and recommends it for approval.

5. REVIEW OF QUESTIONS AND MOTIONS

No questions or motions were submitted for review the December 5, 2018 Senate meeting.

6. DEBRIEF ON OPEN DISCUSSION

The Steering Committee discussed the November 2018 open discussion, which focused on the recommendations of the Principal's Task Force on Respect and Inclusion in Campus Life for the themes of Mission, Trust and Governance. It was noted that the discussion was well structured and the conversation was enriching. The Committee considered holding a second open discussion in winter 2019 on the two remaining themes identified by the Task Force, i.e. Communications and Space. Members indicated that while both themes warrant further discussion, the themes of Governance, Mission and Trust were more closely connected to Senate's mandate. It was suggested

that matters related to the theme of Space could be discussed in the context of developing the University's new Campus Master Plan. The Committee will continue its discussion on possible topics at its meeting in January 2019.

Present: Angela Campbell, Suzanne Fortier *(Chair)*, Erik Larson, Christopher Manfredi, Jim Nicell, Marc Richard, Edyta Rogowska (*Secretary*).

Regrets: Kenneth Hastings, Terry Hébert, Nate Quitoriano, Jacob Shapiro.