

Ad Hoc Advisory Committee on COVID Academic Planning and Policies

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Meeting of April 1, 2022 at 8:45 a.m. TEAMS Conferencing Application

Present: Chris Buddle (Co-Chair) Angela Campbell (Co-Chair) Jennifer Chen Nancy Czemmel Rebecca Fuhrer Petra Rohrbach Daniel Weinstock Laura Winer Elyse Cragg (communications) Gillian Nycum (SME/resource person) Paola Colapelle (secretary)	Absent : Claire Downie
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Membership update

Prof. Campbell informed the committee that Claire Downie has stepped down as representative of the Student Society of McGill University (SSMU). Although there is a turnover in the student leadership during the summer, Prof. Buddle will contact the current SSMU president to verify if there is a replacement who will fill in the student representative position on this committee.

Next activities:

The focus of this meeting was on brainstorming and sharing ideas on how to bring forward recommendations from experience gathered during the past year, notably around the writing of the committee’s final report. The committee discussed and allocated areas of responsibility for members to begin drafting the ad-hoc committee’s final report to Senate that will be presented at its May meeting. The report will include language around the pedagogical approach by providing a framework that will detail terminology and definitions such as hybrid, online synchronous, remote, and blended learning. It will also include recommendations for the University to render its campuses more accessible and ready for accommodations directly linked to infectious diseases. The goal is to bring solutions that are forward-thinking in terms of classroom design and technology.

Prof. Buddle informed the committee they he will aim to organize the next Committee’s meeting to host members of the Recovery and Operations Resumptions (ROR) Committee members on Friday April 8th to discuss future responses to the pandemic when these touch upon academic program delivery and research.