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McGILL UNIVERSITY SENATE

Report of the
Nominating Committee

D12-19

Report on E-vote held November 5-7, 2012

Note to Senators:

- *The Nominating Committee meeting of October 30 was cancelled due to a lack of business to transact.*
- *For reasons stated in the memo attached to this report as Appendix A, the Nominating Committee made one recommendation via e-vote.*

1 FOR THE APPROVAL OF SENATE

1.1 APPOINTMENT TO A SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE

1.1.1 Academic Policy Committee

RECOMMENDATION

Approve the appointment of Nikhil Srinidhi to the Academic Policy Committee for a term ending August 31, 2013.

The Provost, Chair: Professor Anthony C. Masi

The Deputy Provost (Student Life and Learning), Vice Chair: Professor Morton J. Mendelson

The Vice-Principal (Research and International Relations) or delegate: Professor Rima Rozen

The Trenholme Dean of Libraries or delegate: Ms. Carole Urbain

The Associate Provost (Graduate Education) and Dean of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies: Professor Martin Kreiswirth

The Director, Teaching and Learning Services: Professor Cynthia Weston

Board of Governors Representative: Mrs. Sally McDougall – 2013

One member from each of the faculties (named by Senate Nominating Committee)

Professor Paola Perez-Aleman (Management) – 2013

Professor Ian Henderson (Religious Studies) – 2013

Professor Arun Misra (Mechanical Engineering, Engineering) – 2014

Professor Laurie Hendren (Computer Science, Science) – 2014

Professor Wendy Adams (Law) – 2014

Professor Craig Mandato (Anatomy and Cell Biology, Medicine) – 2014

Professor Laura Stone (Dentistry) – 2014

Professor William Hendershot (Natural Resource Sciences, FAES) – 2014

Professor Kimiz Dalkir (Information Studies, Education) – 2014

Professor John Galbraith (Economics, Arts) – 2015

Professor Steven Huebner (Music Research, Music) – 2015

Student members:

Undergraduate: Haley Hatch-Dinel

Undergraduate: Max Zidel

Undergraduate: Nikhil Srinidhi

Graduate: Avik (Jim) Ghoshdastidar

Macdonald Campus: Peter Tikasz

Continuing Studies: Eric Laverdiere

Secretary: Ms Helen Richard



Memorandum

To: Senate Nominating Committee
From: Haley Dinel, SSMU VP University Affairs
Date: October 31, 2012
Re: Appointment of Nikhil Srinidhi, Engineering Senator, to APC

To members of the Senate Nominating Committee,

I would like to give a brief explanation as to the context of Edward Chiang's (former Engineering Senator) resignation and the appointment of Nikhil Srinidhi as his replacement. I would also like to ask the Nominating Committee exceptionally to recommend the appointment of Mr. Srinidhi to the Academic Policy Committee by e-vote.

Over the summer, Mr. Chiang informed me that he had received an internship first semester at RIM in Ottawa. Normally in these cases, the SSMU regulations state that such a person would be unqualified to serve as a Senator. However, given that he would be back and able to serve full time in January, I decided to give Mr. Chiang a probationary period of one month (September). Through the end of the summer and into September, I consulted with both the Engineering Undergraduate Society (EUS) executive and council. After much discussion, both bodies determined that Mr. Chiang's performance and participation was sub-par and could not continue. This view was shared by my fellow student Senators. In my capacity as VP University Affairs, I asked Mr. Chiang to step down – which he did immediately. As per SSMU By-Laws, the EUS collected names of his possible replacements and provided viable candidates to the Senate Caucus, which subsequently elected Mr. Srinidhi.

Mr. Srinidhi is also interested in filling Mr. Chiang's vacancy on the Academic Policy Committee. I believe that Mr. Srinidhi is thoroughly qualified based on his resume and my interactions with him. He will be a very good addition to the student voice on APC. An e-vote would allow Senate to appoint Mr. Srinidhi to APC on November 14, which would allow him to fulfill his Senatorial duties as of that date.

Please take this into consideration as you cast your vote.

Sincerely,

Haley Dinel
Vice President (University Affairs)
Students' Society of McGill University