
(April 10, 2012 meeting, in preparation for Senate meeting, April 18, 2012)

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF SENATE

The minutes of the meeting of March 21, 2012 were circulated and the Steering Committee provided feedback. It is recommended that they now be considered for approval.

2. APPROVAL OF CONFIDENTIAL MINUTES OF SENATE

The Steering Committee reports that it has scrutinized the confidential minutes of the meeting of March 21, 2012 and has approved them on behalf of Senate. These minutes are not published or circulated but are available for perusal by Senators in the office of the Secretary of Senate.

3. CONFIDENTIAL SESSION FOR MOTION TO RECONSIDER

The Steering Committee recommends that Senate enter into Confidential Session for discussion of item IIA2, Motion to Reconsider D11-54: Report of the Honorary Degrees and Convocations Committee.

4. SPEAKING RIGHTS

The Senate Steering Committee requests speaking rights for:

- Mr. Jeffrey Ives, Director of the Office of the Budget and Professor Jan Jorgensen, Associate Provost of Faculty Affairs and Resource Allocation for item IIB1 (McGill University Budget 2012-2013); and
- Ms Cassandra Zawilski, SSMU Equity Commissioner and Ms Sara Houshmand, PGSS Equity Commissioner, for Item IIB4 (McGill University Award for Equity and Community Building).

5. TOPIC FOR 2012 JOINT BOARD/SENATE MEETING

At a joint meeting of the Executive Committee of the Board of Governors and the Senate Steering Committee, it was decided that the 2012 Joint Board/Senate Meeting would have the topic of Universal Design.

6. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

At the March meeting, Senate was informed that Dr. Fuhrer had completed her review in the Faculty of Medicine, but that Senator Eidelman had not fully reviewed her work. The Steering Committee requests an update from Senator Eidelman on the status of the review.

7. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

Present: Professor Heather Munroe-Blum (Chair); Ms Emily Yee Clare; Professor David Covo; Professor John Galaty; Ms Lily Han; Professor David Harpp; Professor Richard Janda; Professor Morton Mendelson; Mr. Stephen Strople (Secretary).

Regrets: Gregg Blachford.