



(November 30, 2011 meeting, in preparation for Senate meeting, December 7, 2011)

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF SENATE

The minutes of the meeting of November 16, 2011 have been circulated. It is recommended that they now be considered for approval. The “Report of the Committee of the Whole” has been provided as Appendix A.

2. APPROVAL OF CONFIDENTIAL MINUTES OF SENATE

The Steering Committee reports that it has scrutinized the confidential minutes of the meeting of November 16, 2011 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. ACADEMIC ISSUES FOR DISCUSSION AT A FUTURE MEETING

The Steering Committee reviewed issues of academic import that are not part of the regular business of Senate with a view to placing them on future Senate agendas for discussion. The issues were: variations in student assessment practices across faculties; achieving and assessing teaching excellence at the disciplinary and interdisciplinary levels; and mentorship across the university.

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

Regrets: None.