



REPORT OF THE VICE-PRESIDENT (UNIVERSITY AFFAIRS)

Submitted for: February 25, 2021

For the period of 2021/02/10, to 2021/02/23

University Affairs & Research

Senate and Committee Activity

- University Student Assessment Policy Work Group met on February 15, 2021
 - Discussed “must-pass” assessments and exam accommodations
 - Next meeting on March 8, 2021
- CSS Mandate Revision Working Group met on February 11 and 23, 2021
 - First draft of the revised Terms of Reference has been completed
 - Planned consultations with the Deputy Provost (Student Life and Learning), Executive Director of Student Services, and CSS Faculty Co-Chair
- Next Senate meeting on February 24, 2021
 - Planned reports from the Ombudsperson and Student Life and Learning
 - Open discussion on student experience with remote learning

Senate Caucus

- Senate Caucus met February 23, 2021, to review Senate agenda items and prepare for the Open Discussion on Student Experiences with COVID-19
 - Mental Health Team presented their Academic Wellness Proposal
- Senate Caucus Advisory Board (SCAB) on Revisions to the Internal Regulations of Representation and Advocacy met on February 18, 2021
 - Revised IR-02: Undergraduate University Representation
 - Part III: Senate Caucus (2.5 Membership & 2.6 Administration)
 - Part IV: Student Senators (2.7 Election - 2.9 Filling of Vacant Seats)

Research

- Indigenous Equity Researcher hiring is ongoing
- Student Rights Researcher and Advocacy Commissioner completed an Executive Summary of their Report on COVID-19 Student Experiences

Equity & Advocacy

Board Ad-hoc Committee on Naming (BACoN)

- Met on February 19, 2021 to discuss consultations made with the Deputy Provost (Student Life and Learning) and the Vice-Principal (University Advancement)
 - New opportunities and necessary setbacks were deliberated

Equity Infrastructure

- Began onboarding the Gender and Sexuality Commissioner on February 12, 2021
- Met with the new Student Services EDI Advisor on February 16, 2021
- Equity Policy revisions ongoing
 - Black Affairs Commissioner and Gender and Sexuality Commissioner were added to the Revision Working Group
 - Revised Definitions, the Equity Complaints Committee, Accountability and Reporting, and began revising Complaints Procedures on February 23, 2021
- Attended a Judicial Board Hearing on the 2018 Reference re: Applicability to Services
- Working with the Indigenous Affairs Commissioner to restructure the portfolio
 - Continuing work on a Master Plan to expand the portfolio
 - Finalizing a job description for an “Indigenous Affairs Secretary-General”

Academic Resources

Library Improvement

- Biweekly meeting with Library Administration on February 18, 2021
 - Reviewed Library Improvement Fund applications
 - Consulted on plans for Library communications and promotions

Submitted in solidarity,



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