

Minutes of the meeting of the **Academic Policy Committee** held virtually on Thursday, November 18<sup>th</sup> 2021 from 3:00 to 4:00 p.m.

**Present:** C. Manfredi (Chair), C. Buddle (Vice-Chair), S. Ballinger, I. Cossette, M. Fronda, F. Labeau, A. Mircescu, M. Murshed, J. Nalbantoglu, G. Nycum, T. Piper, D. Titone, C. Urbain, C. Weil, J. Whalen, L. Winer, M. Vennat, P. Colapelle (secretary).

**Regrets:** A. Ahsan, D. Dias, H. Durham, A. Hundemer, S. Huo, C. Moraes, A. Parsons, E. Sarigöllü

**Guests:** A. Campbell.

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**1. Agenda**

APC approved the agenda.

**2. Minutes**

APC approved the minutes of the meetings of October 21<sup>st</sup> and November 5<sup>th</sup>, 2021.

**3. New business**

**i. Academic Policy Committee**

• **Proposed nominations for the Working Group on Teaching Evaluations**

The members to serve on this workgroup were presented by its co-chairs, Prof. Buddle and Prof. Campbell. An effort was made to ensure that representation for this workgroup covers a range of faculties, disciplines, identity groups and seniority levels. The scope and mandate of this workgroup are expected to be completed within one year.

*APC approved the proposed membership for the Working Group on Teaching Evaluations.*

**ii. Subcommittee on Courses and Teaching Programs**

• **SCTP Report #3 on the meeting of November 4, 2021**

**Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies**

**Interfaculty Studies (Faculty of Engineering and Faculty of Medicine and Health Sciences)**

APC reviewed a proposal to create a new non-thesis option within the Master's in Biological and Biomedical Engineering. The program will provide hands-on training for students to acquire professional experience through an internship in a research laboratory. It was noted that undergraduate students in the Department of Bioengineering currently pursue graduate studies in non-thesis Master's elsewhere since this training is not as of today available at McGill. Academic staff will have industry partnerships to provide laboratory space which will secure internships for students. The support of a coordinator will be provided to assist students in finding internships.

*APC approved the creation of the proposed new Non-Thesis option under the M.Eng. in Biological and Biomedical Engineering (45 cr.). It will be submitted to Senate for information in APC's 508th*

*report to Senate for its meeting of December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021. External consultation will be required and approval will only be considered final upon hearing from the MES.*

*The meeting was adjourned at 3:25 p.m.*