

## **Senate report for Wednesday May 15, 2019**

2:30pm in the Robert Vogel Council Room (rm 232), Leacock Building

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### **SECTION I**

Senate adopted the minutes of the last Senate meeting (Apr. 17, 2019), the report of the Steering committee and the agenda

([https://mcgill.ca/senate/files/senate/02\\_report\\_of\\_the\\_senate\\_steering\\_committee\\_0.pdf](https://mcgill.ca/senate/files/senate/02_report_of_the_senate_steering_committee_0.pdf) ; [https://mcgill.ca/senate/files/senate/01\\_senate\\_agenda\\_may\\_15\\_2019.pdf](https://mcgill.ca/senate/files/senate/01_senate_agenda_may_15_2019.pdf))

#### **1. Principal's Remarks**

Principal Fortier presented her remarks and kudos. The following points were highlighted:

##### **i. Government Relations**

A commission in Quebec is now looking at Bill 21, but universities were not directly invited to the consultation. Individuals of McGill are still contributing to the debate. The administration is also looking closely to see if application of Bill 9 contains anything that may affect McGill.

##### **ii. Spring convocation**

Over 7000 students will receive their degree at the Spring Convocation, their age range from 18 to 66.

### **SECTION II PART A: Questions and Motions by Members**

No questions.

## SECTION II PART B: Motions and Reports from University Government

1. **493rd Report of the Academic Policy Committee):** *Professor Angela Campbell, Associate Provost (Equity and Academic Approval Policies).*  
Three questions were proposed to initiate the discussion.  
([https://mcgill.ca/senate/files/senate/04\\_d18-65\\_493rd\\_apc\\_report\\_with\\_appendices.pdf](https://mcgill.ca/senate/files/senate/04_d18-65_493rd_apc_report_with_appendices.pdf) ). All new programs were approved (none directly related to FAES).
2. **Report of the Senate Nominating Committee:** *Professor Angela Campbell, Associate Provost (Equity and Academic Approval Policies).*  
([https://mcgill.ca/senate/files/senate/05\\_d18-66\\_nominating\\_report.pdf](https://mcgill.ca/senate/files/senate/05_d18-66_nominating_report.pdf) ). In particular, Senate approved the appointment of Prof. Valérie Orsat to the Committee on Enrolment and Student Affairs, and of Prof. Ashraf Ismail to the Advisory Council on the Charter of Students' Rights.
3. **Appointment of Assessors under the Policy on Harassment and Discrimination Prohibited by Law** *Professor Angela Campbell, Associate Provost (Equity and Academic Policies)* ([https://mcgill.ca/senate/files/senate/06\\_d18-67\\_harassment\\_assessors.pdf](https://mcgill.ca/senate/files/senate/06_d18-67_harassment_assessors.pdf) ) In particular, Senate approved the appointment of Prof. Niladri Basu as Assessor under the Policy on Harassment & Discrimination Prohibited by Law.
4. **Calendar of Academic Dates for 2022-23 and Proposed Revisions to Dates for 2019-20, 2020-21, and 2021-22:** *Ms. Gillian Nycum, University Registrar and Executive Director, Enrolment Services* ([https://mcgill.ca/senate/files/senate/07\\_d18-68\\_key\\_academic\\_dates\\_2022-23.pdf](https://mcgill.ca/senate/files/senate/07_d18-68_key_academic_dates_2022-23.pdf) ). Senate approved the 2022-23 Calendar of Academic Dates and some revisions to the fall 2019, fall 2020, winter 2021, fall 2021, winter 2022 Calendar of Academic Dates .
5. **Faculty of Engineering: Faculty Council Terms of Reference** *Professor Jim Nicell, Dean, Faculty of Engineering.*  
([https://mcgill.ca/senate/files/senate/08\\_d18-69\\_engineering\\_faculty\\_council\\_terms\\_of\\_reference.pdf](https://mcgill.ca/senate/files/senate/08_d18-69_engineering_faculty_council_terms_of_reference.pdf)). Senate approved the Terms of Reference of the Faculty Council of the Faculty of Engineering.
6. **Biennial Report on Employment Equity** *Professor Angela Campbell, Associate Provost (Equity and Academic Policies)* ([https://mcgill.ca/senate/files/senate/09\\_d18-70\\_report\\_on\\_employment\\_equity\\_0.pdf](https://mcgill.ca/senate/files/senate/09_d18-70_report_on_employment_equity_0.pdf) ). The report was presented to Senate for information and contains data on employment equity, including proportion of designated equity groups among academic staff and ranked CAS, salaries, mean merit, mean years between start as Associate and Start as Full Professor, and presents recent employment equity initiatives.

7. **Annual Report of the Committee on Staff Grievances and Disciplinary Procedures:** *Professor Dan Bernard, Chair of the Committee on Staff Grievances and Disciplinary Procedures* ([https://mcgill.ca/senate/files/senate/10\\_d18-71\\_annual\\_report\\_committee\\_on\\_staff\\_grievances.pdf](https://mcgill.ca/senate/files/senate/10_d18-71_annual_report_committee_on_staff_grievances.pdf) ). This annual report was presented for information.

8. **Overview of Project Renaissance at the Faculty of Medicine:** *Dr. David Eidelman, Vice-Principal (Health Affairs) and Dean, Information Faculty of Medicine.* ([https://mcgill.ca/senate/files/senate/11\\_d18-72\\_project\\_renaissance\\_faculty\\_of\\_medicine.pdf](https://mcgill.ca/senate/files/senate/11_d18-72_project_renaissance_faculty_of_medicine.pdf) ) The major changes from the ongoing Project Renaissance strategic planning effort was presented for information. It includes among other a project of new School of Biomedical Sciences.

9. **Annual Report on the Policy on Safe Disclosure (“Whistle Blowing”):** *Ms. Edyta Rogowska, Secretary-General.* ([https://mcgill.ca/senate/files/senate/12\\_d18-73\\_annual\\_report\\_policy\\_safe\\_disclosure.pdf](https://mcgill.ca/senate/files/senate/12_d18-73_annual_report_policy_safe_disclosure.pdf) ) The Report was presented for information. From January 1, 2018 through December 31, 2018, five confidential disclosures were filed with the Secretary-General in accordance with the Policy.

**10. Report from the Board of Governors to Senate:** *Ms. Edyta Rogowska, Secretary-General* ([https://mcgill.ca/senate/files/senate/13\\_d18-74\\_board\\_report\\_to\\_senate.pdf](https://mcgill.ca/senate/files/senate/13_d18-74_board_report_to_senate.pdf)). The Report was presented for information.

**Senate then moved into Confidential Session.**

**Adjournment**

Respectfully Submitted,

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