#### MCGILL UNIVERSITY SENATE



## **Report of the Board of Governors to Senate**

Senate Meeting of May 8, 2024

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This report is presented to Senate for information.

Since last reporting to Senate on March 20, 2024, the Board of Governors met on April 25, 2024. The Executive Committee of the Board met on March 12, March 21 and April 29, 2024.

Appendix A contains a series of promotions approved by the Board of Governors.

Appendix B lists appointments and reappointments to Board Standing Committees, Advisory Committees, internal and external non-Board bodies and committees arising out of University regulations which have been approved by the Board of Governors or its Executive Committee.

The Board of Governors meeting documents are available at: <a href="https://www.mcgill.ca/boardofgovernors/meeting-documents">https://www.mcgill.ca/boardofgovernors/meeting-documents</a>

#### I. APPROVALS

#### 1. Appointments

#### 1.1 Appointment of the Vice-President (Administration and Finance) [GD23-51]

The Board of Governors approved the appointment of Professor Fabrice Labeau as Vice-President (Administration and Finance) of McGill University for a five-year term, renewable, commencing 1 June 2024 and ending 31 May 2029.

Professor Labeau currently serves as Deputy Provost, Student Life and Learning, a position he has held since 2019, following a one-year period as Interim. He is also a Full Professor in the Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering, which he joined in 2002. Over the last 15 years, he has held several academic administrative appointments both within his Faculty and centrally over the last 15 years, including Acting Department Chair, Associate Dean, Acting Dean, co-acting Provost and Deputy Provost.

## 1.2 Appointment of the Dean of the Faculty of Education [GD23-52]

The Board of Governors approved the appointment of Professor Vivek Venkatesh as Dean of the Faculty of Education of McGill University for a five-year term, renewable, commencing 1 June 2024 and ending 31 May 2029. The Board also approved his appointment to the rank of Full Professor with Tenure at the Faculty of Education, effective June 1, 2024.

Professor Venkatesh is an internationally recognized interdisciplinary researcher who holds the UNESCO Chair in Prevention of Radicalization and Violent Extremism. He is as an innovative educator, artist and applied learning scientist with nearly 20 years of service. He is currently a professor of Inclusive Practices in Visual Arts and Chair of the Department of Art Education at Concordia University, where he has also served as Associate Dean at its School of Graduate Studies. In addition, he is co-director of the Centre for the Study of Learning and Performance, a multi- and inter-disciplinary centre

made up of over 50 researchers, over a dozen professional staff, and several hundred students.

#### 1.3 Vice-Chair of the Board of Governors

[GD23-50]

The Board of Governors, on the recommendation of the Nominating, Governance, and Ethics Committee, approved the reappointment of Pierre Matuszewski as Vice-Chair of the Board of Governors of McGill University for a two-year term commencing July 1, 2024 and ending June 30, 2026, with the understanding that as Vice-Chair of the Board, Mr. Matuszewski will continue serving as a member and Vice-Chair (ex-officio) of the Executive Committee of the Board.

#### 1.4 Appointment of Chancellor Emeritus of McGill University

[GD23-50]

The Board of Governors, on the recommendation of the Nominating, Governance, and Ethics Committee, approved the appointment of John McCall MacBain to the rank of Chancellor Emeritus, effective July 1, 2024. Mr. McCall MacBain has shown exemplary service and contributions to McGill, from the time he was a student to being appointed as McGill University's 20th Chancellor. His dedication and commitment to philanthropy, education and to McGill University are exceptional. He has provided leadership, advice and support to the University and has represented McGill with integrity and passion. This honor was bestowed upon him in consideration of his dedication and service to the McGill community.

#### 1.5 Appointment to the Rank of Governor Emeritus

[GD23-50]

The Board of Governors, on the recommendation of the Nominating, Governance, and Ethics Committee, approved the appointment of Mr. Ram Panda to the rank of Governor Emeritus commencing July 1, 2024. Mr. Panda served as Chair of the Board from July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2022 and was appointed to the rank of Chair Emeritus on July 1, 2022. This honor is bestowed upon him in recognition of his exemplary service as a Governor.

#### 2. Renaming of University Asset

[ED23-26]

The Executive Committee, on the recommendation of the President and Vice-Chancellor, and pursuant to the advice of an ad hoc committee established under the *Policy Relating to the Naming of University Assets*, approved the proposal to rename the "Laidley Centre for Business Ethics / *Centre Laidley d'éthique des affaires*," an existing intangible asset located within the Desautels Faculty of Management, as the "Laidley Centre for Business Ethics and Equity / *Centre Laidley d'éthique et d'équité des affaires*."

#### 3. Research Grant Agreements

# 3.1 CFI Innovation Fund Interinstitutional Agreement – Neurology/Neurosurgery

[ED23-27]

The Executive Committee of the Board of Governors, on the recommendation of the Vice-President (Research and Innovation), approved the inter-institutional agreement between

The Royal Institution for the Advancement of Learning/McGill University and MUHC in support of the research award entitled "McGill Translational Platform in Autism Research (MTPAR)", and the subsequent Award Agreement, valued at up to \$30.3 million, between The Royal Institution for the Advancement of Learning/McGill University and the CFI for the same project.

# 3.2 CFI Innovation Fund Interinstitutional Agreement – Anatomy/Cell Biology

[ED23-28]

The Executive Committee of the Board of Governors, on the recommendation of the Vice-President (Research and Innovation), approved the inter-institutional agreement between The Royal Institution for the Advancement of Learning/McGill University and Université de Montréal, in support of the research award entitled "Multiscale 3D cryo-imaging: From organs to molecules" and the subsequent Award Agreement between The Royal Institution for the Advancement of Learning/McGill University and the CFI for the same project.

# 3.3 Funding Agreement in support of the Renewal of the National Platform for Advanced Research Computing (ARC)

[ED23-29]

The Executive Committee of the Board of Governors, on the recommendation of the Vice-President (Research and Innovation), approved the funding agreement between The Royal Institution for the Advancement of Learning/McGill University and the Digital Research Alliance of Canada (DRAC) in support of the Renewal of the National Platform for Advanced Research Computing (ARC) – McGill / Calcul Québec.

#### 4. Report of the Finance and Infrastructure Committee

[ED23-30]

#### 4.1 Downtown Campus: Reconstruction of Upper Main Road

The Executive Committee of the Board of Governors, on the recommendation of the Finance and Infrastructure Committee, approved the construction phase of the project: Downtown Campus, Reconstruction of upper main road.

#### 5. Report of the Investment Committee

[ED23-31]

# 5.1 CSSR SRI Commitments Implementation and revisions to the Statement of Investment Policy

The Executive Committee of the Board of Governors, on the recommendation of the Investment Committee, approved revisions to the Statement of Investment Policy, which were required for the divestment of direct holdings in CU200 listed companies in the Canadian Equity portfolio.

#### 6. Report of the Finance and Infrastructure Committee

[GD23-61]

## 6.1 Proposed Provisional McGill University Budget: 2024-2025

The Board of Governors, on the recommendation of the Finance and Infrastructure Committee, approved the proposed provisional FY2025 Budget, as presented. The approved budget will be presented to Senate for information at the May 8, 2024 meeting.

#### 6.2 Maximum Short-Term Borrowing Resolution for FY2025

The Board of Governors, on the recommendation of the Finance and Infrastructure Committee, approved a maximum borrowing of up to \$10 million, for the twelve-month period from June 1, 2024 to May 31, 2025.

#### 6.3 Project 18-156: McConnell Arena Upgrade

The Board of Governors, on the recommendation of the Finance and Infrastructure Committee, approved Lot 2B of Project 18-156: McConnell Arena Upgrade.

#### 6.4 Proposed Policy for the Management of Moveable Assets

The Board of Governors, on the recommendation of the Finance and Infrastructure Committee, approved the proposed <u>Policy for the Management of Moveable Assets</u>, as presented.

The proposed Policy is related to the recently approved *Sustainable Procurement Policy*, which was approved by the Board of Governors at its meeting of December 14, 2023. The *Sustainable Procurement Policy* is a revision of the former *Procurement Policy*, in which information about asset management was removed for the purpose of establishing new and distinct policies for the management of the University's physical assets.

The *Policy for the Management of Moveable Assets* establishes a framework for the University to manage, maintain, and track its moveable assets for the lifecycle of the asset. The Policy will distribute responsibility for moveable assets to "Asset Stewards", which will be delegated accordingly, to persons, units, and faculty involved in the acquisition, use, maintenance, transfer, and/or end-of-life management of the assets.

## 7. Report from Senate

[GD23-57]

#### 7.1 Appointments to the Committee on Staff Grievances and Disciplinary Procedures

The Board of Governors, on the recommendation of Senate, approved the following:

- The appointment of Svetlana Kochkina as Vice-Chair of the Committee on Staff Grievances and Disciplinary Procedures, for a term beginning September 1, 2024, and ending August 31, 2025.
- The appointments of Eran Shor and Gil Bub to the Committee on Staff Grievances and Disciplinary Procedures, each for a term beginning September 1, 2024, and ending August 31, 2027.

#### 7.2 University Appeals Committee

The Board of Governors, on the recommendation of Senate, approved the appointments of Marta Cerruti, Robert Hasegawa, and Brian Lewis to the University Appeals Committee, each for a term beginning September 1, 2024, and ending August 31, 2027.

#### II. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

#### 1. Communications and Stakeholder Engagement Strategy

[GD23-49]

The Board of Governors received, for information, a presentation outlining McGill's communications objectives and proposed initiatives for advancing key organizational goals for the University.

#### 2. Report of the Investment Committee

[GD23-56]

The Investment Committee, on the recommendation of the Interim Vice-President (Administration and Finance), approved the submission of the 2023 Investment Committee Report on Socially Responsible Investing to the Board of Governors.

#### 3. Board Committee Reports

The Board and its Executive Committee received the following Committee Reports:

- Report of the Executive Committee (meetings of March 12 and March 21, 2024)
- Report of the Finance and Infrastructure Committee (meeting of March 11 and April 19, 2024)
- Report of the Investment Committee (meeting of March 13, 2024)
- Report of the Human Resources Committee (meeting of March 19, 2024)
- Report of the Nominating, Governance, and Ethics Committee (meeting of March 14, 2024)
- Report of the Committee on Sustainability and Social Responsibility (meeting of April 3, 2024)
- Report of the Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion Committee (meeting of April 16, 2024)
- Report of the Investment Committee (meeting of March 13, 2024)

## 4. Other Reports

-	Report from Senate	[ED23-22, GD23-57]
-	2022-23 Report of the Advisory Council on Human Research Eth	ics [ED23-23]
-	Annual Report on Naming	[ED23-24]
-	2024-2025 Executive Committee Meeting Dates	[ED23-25]
-	Annual Report on Student Life and Learning (2022-2023)	[ED23-33]
-	Report of the Board of Governors Retreat of February 22, 2024	[GD23-48]
-	Report of the Joint Executive-Steering Meeting	[GD23-58]
-	Annual Report on Strategic Enrolment Management	[GD23-59]
-	Annual Report on Research and Innovation 2023	[GD23-60]

## APPENDIX A

## 1. Promotion to the Rank of Full Professor

[ED23-21, GD23-46]

<u>Name</u>	<b>Department</b>	<b>Faculty</b>	<b>Effective Date</b>
Jean-Sébastien Vallée	Performance	Music	April 1, 2024
Jennifer Bartz	Psychology	Science	April 1, 2024
Gigi Luk	Educational & Counselling Psychology	Education	May 1, 2024

## 2. Appointment to the Rank of Full Professor with Tenure

[GD23-46]

<u>Name</u>	<b>Departments</b>	<b>Faculty</b>	<b>Effective Date</b>
Dominique Bérubé	Materials Engineering/	Engineering	July 1, 2024
	Chemical Engineering		

## 3. **Granting of Tenure**

[GD23-46]

<u>Name</u>	<u>Department</u>	<u>Faculty</u>	Effective Date
Ira Coleman	Music Performance	Music	May 1, 2024
	Psychology		

# <u>APPENDIX B</u>: Appointments and Reappointments to Board Standing Committees and Internal and External non-Board Bodies

The following appointments and reappointments were approved by the Board of Governors or the Executive Committee of the Board of Governors.

#### 1. Appointments to Advisory Committees

[GD23-53]

The Board of Governors, on the recommendation of the Nominating, Governance, and Ethics, approved the following:

- The appointments of Mr. Ram Panda and Ms. Loretta Del Bosco as representatives of the Board of Governors on the Advisory Committee for the Selection of the Dean of the Faculty of Science and the appointment of Mr. Mathieu Bouchard an alternate representative.

#### 2. Board Standing Committees [NG23-13]

The Board of Governors, on the recommendation of the Nominating, Governance and Ethics Committee, approved the following:

[With respect to the Finance and Infrastructure Committee]:

- The reappointment of Mr. Ram Panda as a member of the Finance and Infrastructure for a term commencing July 1, 2024 and ending June 30, 2027.

[With respect to the Human Resources Committee]:

- The reappointment of Ms. Inez Jabalpurwala as a member of the Human Resources Committee for a term commencing July 1, 2024 and ending June 30, 2027.

[With respect to the Investment Committee]:

- The reappointment of Mr. Don Lewtas as a member and Chair of the Investment Committee with a term commencing July 1, 2024 and ending June 30, 2027.
- The appointment of Mr. Martin Laguerre as a member of the Investment Committee with a term commencing July 1, 2024 and ending June 30, 2027.

[With respect to the Nominating, Governance and Ethics Committee]:

- The reappointment of Mr. Stephen Halperin as a member of the Nominating, Governance and Ethics Committee with a term commencing July 1, 2024 and ending June 30, 2027.

[With respect to the Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Committee]:

- The reappointment of Ms. Inez Jabalpurwala as co-chair of the Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Committee for a term commencing July 1, 2024 and ending and ending June 30, 2027.
- The reappointment of Ms. Diletta Prando as a member of the Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Committee for a term commencing July 1, 2024 and ending and ending June 30, 2026.
- The Committee was informed of the reappointment of Dean Leckey as Chair for a further two-year term, until June 30, 2024.

## 3. Appointments to Internal & External Non-Board Bodies Committees

The Board of Governors, on the recommendation of the Nominating, Governance and Ethics Committee, approved:

- The reappointment of Mr. Stephen Halperin as a member of the McGill Sports Hall of Fame Committee for a term commencing October 1, 2024 and ending September 30, 2026.
- The appointment of Ms. Diletta Prando as a member of the Ad hoc Committee for the Composition of Senate.

#### 4. Appointments to Health Care Bodies

[GD23-38]

The Board of Governors, on the recommendation of the Nominating, Governance and Ethics Committee, approved:

- The reappointment of Dr. Annette Majnemer and the appointment of Dr. Farhan Bhanji as members named by the President of McGill University to the Council for Services to Children and Adolescents for a three-year term commencing April 1, 2024, and ending March 31, 2027.
- To delegate to the Nominating, Governance and Ethics Committee, approval of the appointment, reappointment and removal of members to the Research Ethics Boards, on the understanding that the Board will receive an annual report on the status of appointments to these bodies.