

MOUNT ALLISON UNIVERSITY
MEETING OF THE UNIVERSITY SENATE

November 5, 2019, 4:00 p.m.
Windsor Grand Room

Present: P. Berry, A. Beverley, B. Blakney, JP. Boudreau (Chair),

Motion (A. Cockshutt/S. Unger): that Senate move *ex camera*.

Motion Carried

09.11.05 Calendar of Events

Motion (S. Garrett/N. Farooqi): that Senate approve the Calendar of Events for 2020-2021 as circulated.

Motion Carried

The proposed Calendar of Events is appended to these minutes.

A. Cockshutt asked why the Fall Break is much later in the term than is the Winter Break and whether students have views on where to position the Fall Break.

S. Unger noted that the MASU Executive has discussed the issue, but have not arrived at a consensus. Attaching the break to Thanksgiving seems too early, while attaching it to Remembrance Day seems too late.

E. Titarenko said that she thinks that the current placement of the Fall Break, coinciding with Remembrance Day, is too late in the term for it to serve its original purpose as a mental health break. She questioned whether it had to be attached to a long weekend.

S. Garrett noted that attaching the break to a long weekend minimizes the number of make-up days or other adjustments needed in the timetable.

J. Dryden noted that many other Canadian universities have breaks that do not coincide with long weekends. She remarked that Remembrance Day is not always on the same day of the week, so it will not always be MWF classes, for example, that are disrupted.

K. Meade noted that it would not be possible to change the timing of the Fall Break for 2020 because other elements of the Fall schedule, notably the University Open House, are already set and publicized.

S. Runge noted that an ad hoc Senate committee on the Fall Break had reported on the issue in recent years. C. Brett undertook to find the report of the ad hoc committee and to share it with the Registrar and MASU.

10.11.05 Reports for Information

Senate received the Report on Employment Equity (appended to these minutes). There were no questions or comments.

11.11.05 Discover Mount Allison

A. Cockshutt announced that the MPHEC has approved Mount Allison's BA in Cognitive Science program. She thanked Drs. R. Moser and G. Desmarais for preparing the submission.

N. Farooqi announced the finalization of an agreement with Moncton Flight College to launch the BComm Aviation program. He also announced partnership agreement with PSB Academy, Singapore. In addition, he informed Senate of Canada's Outstanding CEO of the Year® Futures Fund Scholarship award that Mount Allison Commerce students have won three of the last then years.

E. Edson noted that the Handmade Assembly presentation of the Department of Fine Arts, the Owens Art Gallery, the Faucet Media Arts Centre, and Struts Gallery take place November 20-23. He invited everyone to attend the associated exhibits, workshops, and talks.

JP. Boudreau thanked P. Berry for attending the Up For Debate competition at Bishop's University and for coaching a business case competition the same weekend.

12.11.05 Other Business

There was no other business.

16.11.05 Adjournment

There being no further business or announcements, the meeting adjourned at 4:50 pm (J. Devine)

Respectfully submitted,

Craig Brett
Secretary