MOUNT ALLISON UNIVERSITY MEETING OF THE UNIVERSITY SENATE

February 8, 2022, 4:00pm via Microsoft Teams

Present via remote connection: N. Anthonisen, K. Bell, A. Beverley, B. Blakney, J-P. Boudreau (Chair), C. Burke, B. Clayton, A. Comfort, H. Crouse, G. Desmarais, T-A. Dixon, B. Evans, A. Fancy, S. Fanning, N. Farooqi, D. Fleming, D. Hamilton, L-D. Hamilton, J. Hennessy (Vice-Chair), R. Inglis, C. Ionescu, K. Johnston, J. Kalyn, S. Keller, L. Kern, A. Koval, A. Kreuger, L. Landon, R. Lapp, A. Lepage, M. Levesque, D. Lieske, M. Litvak, C. Lovekin, G. MacLean-de Stecher, R. Majithia, C. Major, V. Meli, M-E. Messinger, N. Milliea, R. Minocha-McKenney, R. Moser (Secretary), J. Mullen, C. Pringle-Carver, B. Robertson, S. Runge, E. Steuter, V. St. Pierre, K. Stentaford, J. Tomes, N. Vogan, W. Wilson

Observers: L. Dillman, L. Hawthorne, R. Hiscock, A. Jardine, M. Maston, N. Nauss, E. Penton, A. Robben, G. Sandala, A. Wilson, X. Yao

Regrets: L. Garnett

01.02.08 Land Acknowledgement

J-P. Boudreau welcomed everyone to the sixth Senate meeting of the academic year. He said Mount Allison stands proud with all First Nations communities of this province and this territory, and he knows we all strive, in the 23rd month of this pandemic, to embody Indigenous principles of knowing and doing.

Motion carried

03.02.08 Approval of the minutes (11 January, 2022)

Motion (J. Hennessy / N. Farooqi): that Senate adopt the minutes of the meeting of 11 January, 2022 as presented.

Motion carried

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Motion (N. Farooqi / V. St. Pierre): That Senate approve for the 2022-23 Academic Calendar the proposed new certificate in Music Education.

Motion carried

The Chair and N. Farooqi each thanked members of the Music department for their work on these changes. N. Vogan commented that the certificate in music education looks excellent.

07.02.08 Report from University Planning Committee

J. Hennessy indicated that the report consists of the motion on the new Strategic Academic Plan. He noted a couple of

A. Krueger endorses the motion as a MASU Senator and not uniquely as a member of Divest MtA. She noted that Divest MtA has strengthened with a growing alumni network which believes that divestment is in the best interests of future students. The need to divest is especially evident these days.

B. Evans indicated that he is completely sympathetic to the spirit of the motion: climate change is an urgent matter we need to address. He cannot support the motion as written. It would make

disassembled from specific investments in specific fossil fuel companies as per the language of the motion. The language is so specific as to be a mistake — if it were

H. Crouse asked what an acceptably amended motion would look like.

Climate change is the problem, fossil fuels are the biggest contributor to the problem, so we move to make our investments ethical. The lhe

10.02.08 Other business

There was no other business.

11.02.08 Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 5:45pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Robbie Moser Secretary