Minutes of a meeting of Senate held on the above date at 1:30 p.m. in the Senate Chamber, Room E3-262 Engineering and Information Technology Complex and Room A106 Chown Building

April 3, 2024

Members Present

Dr. M. Benarroch, Chair
Mr. E. Abanto
Dr. A. Abra
Dr. C. Adams
Mr. A. Aghajani
Prof. J. Anderson
Prof. M. Anderson
Ms. N. Andrew
Prof. J. Arino
Prof. D. Beach
Ducharme
Prof. R. Biscontri
Prof. W. Bonness
Very Rev. R. Bozyk
Ms. A. Bruce
Prof. A. Bunt
Prof. C. Charles
Prof. J. Chen
Prof. R. Chernomas
Prof. D. Churchill
Prof. N. Cicek
Prof. S. Clark
Prof. R. Coates
Prof. M. Docker
Ms. M. Dumontet
Dean N. Dyck
Prof. P. Eck
Prof. P. Ferguson
 Acting Dean A. Frederiksen
Dean M. Friesen
Prof. J. Gamble
Prof. M. Garcia-Holguaera
Prof. J.-E. Ghia
Prof. J. Ghomeshi
Prof. N. Greidanus
Prof. A. Halayko
Dr. D. Hiebert-Murphy
 Acting Dean R. Hoppa
Prof. M. Hudson
Dean R. Jochelson
Dean E. Jurkowski
Prof. E. Keating
Dean U. Kothe
Prof. M. Kramer
Prof. S. Kuss
Prof. T. Lakowski
Prof. F. Laurencelle
Prof. N. MacLeod
 Schroeder
Prof. K. McManus
Prof. P. Mai
Dean K. Main
Dean B. Mark
Mr. U. Nwankwo
Ms. L. O’Hara
Prof. D. Oliver
Prof. J. Peeler
Dr. M. Pinto
Prof. M. Rafay
Dean L. Raman-Wilms
Ms. H. Rezasoltani
Prof. K. Rochon
Ms. J. Rothney
Ms. L. Schnarr
Ms. C. Shaw
Prof. M. Shaw
Prof. J. Sinclair
Ms. R. Smith
Mr. G. Sobie
Prof. J. Sorensen
Dean J. Stewart
Prof. A. Stewart-Tufescu
Prof. S. Teetzel
Prof. J. Thorpe
Prof. BC Wang
Prof. S. Webber
Dean M. Yellow Bird
 Mr. J. Leclerc,
University Secretary
Dr. S. Coyston,
Recording Secretary

Assessors Present

Mr. J. Adams
Dr. T. Chen
Ms. C. Cyr
Prof. A. Farenhorst
Prof. K. Kumar
Prof. D. McNeill
Dr. T. Peter
Mr. L. Pittman
Dr. D. Radi
Dr. G. Smith
Dr. D. Stewart
Prof. E. Thomson
Dr. M. Torchia
Prof. H-J Wieden

Regrets

Prof. K. Anderson
Prof. T. Arnold
Ms. J. Biz
Rectrice S. Bouffard
Dean D. Brown
Prof. M. Campbell
Prof. S. Ciurysek
Prof. A. Clay
Prof. A. Doshi
Prof. S. Ferris
Prof. C. Figley
Ms. H. Garber
Ms. C. Granberg
Ms. A. Groeneveld
Prof. S. Herath
Mr. C. Ives
Ms. C. Kachulak
Dean A. Kelekis-Cholakis
Prof. S. Kirkland
Ms. V. Koldingnes
Prof. D. Lobb
Dean M. Locher
Chancellor A. Mahon
Prof. J. Mammei
Prof. D. Martin

Absent

Prof. L. Balneaves
Mr. B. Behboodie Nejad
Ms. Y. Cha
Mr. A. Diego
Mr. T. Dobrowney
Ms. C. Follows
Prof. M. Hart
Ms. T. Karuhogo
Ms. A. Laureano
Prof. K. Levasseur
Prof. H. Luo
Prof. L. MacDonald
Prof. M. McKenzie
Mr. C. McNab
Prof. H. Marzban
Ms. K. Mashru
Ms. E. Masresha
Prof. D. Medoro
Mr. M. Moore
Dean P. Nickerson
Dean B. Silvestre
Prof. R. Souleymanov
Prof. V. Sparks
Prof. S. Strachan
Dean R. Urbanowski
Ms. B. Usick

Also Present

Ms. C. Davidson
Ms. K. Evans
Prof. K. MacKendrick
Ms. J. Marchant
Ms. L. Orsak-Williams
The Chair informed Senate that the Speaker was Derek Oliver, Price Faculty of Engineering.

I MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED IN CLOSED SESSION – none

II MATTERS RECOMMENDED FOR CONCURRENCE WITHOUT DEBATE


2. Reports of the Faculty Council of the Faculty of Graduate Studies

   a) RE: Asper School of Business, Bona Fide Academic Requirements for M.B.A., M.Fin., and M.S.C.M. Programs
   
   b) RE: Department of Curriculum, Teaching and Learning
   
   c) RE: Faculty of Graduate Studies (Applied Health Sciences)
   
   d) RE: Department of Mathematics

3. Report of the Senate Committee on Honorary Degrees RE: Hoods for Bachelor of Midwifery and Master of Supply Chain Management and Logistics

Professor Oliver MOVED, on behalf of the Senate Executive Committee, THAT Senate approve the:

- Report of the Division Council of the Division of Extended Education concerning a proposal for a Micro-Certificate in EDIA;
- Reports of the Faculty Council of the Faculty of Graduate Studies concerning the following units, effective for the next available term:
  - Bona Fide Academic Requirements for the Master of Business Administration, Master of Finance, and Master of Supply Chain Management and Logistics programs, Asper School of Business;
  - Department of Curriculum, Teaching and Learning;
  - Faculty of Graduate Studies (Applied Health Sciences);
  - Department of Mathematics;
- Report of the Senate Committee on Honorary Degrees concerning hoods for the Bachelor of Midwifery and the Master of Supply Chain Management and Logistics, effective upon Senate approval.

CARRIED

III MATTERS FORWARDED FOR INFORMATION

1. Reports of the Senate Committee on Awards

   a) January 16, 2024
   
   b) February 20, 2024
2. **Transfer of Administration of Diploma in Labour Relations and Workplace Studies from Division of Extended Education to Faculty of Arts**

Dr. Torchia called attention to a clerical error in his memo to Acting Dean Hoppa, dated December 15, 2023. He noted, for the record, that his appointment as Acting Dean, Division of Extended Education, subsequently began on January 1, 2024.

3. **In Memoriam: Dr. Klaus K. Klostermaier**

Professor MacKendrick, Head, Department of Religion, Faculty of Arts, offered a memorial tribute to Dr. Klaus Klostermaier, who had joined the University of Manitoba in 1970 after completing two doctorate degrees, including a Ph.D. in Ancient Indian History and Culture from the University of Bombay, Mumbai, India. During his tenure as Head of the Department, from 1986 to 1997, he founded the Asian Studies Centre. He retired from the University in 1999. An internationally renowned scholar, Dr. Klostermaier published over twenty books on Hinduism, Hindu writings and history, wrote extensively on comparative religion, and was considered one of the foremost experts on science and religion. He was awarded the title Distinguished Professor in 1986 and was named a Fellow of the Royal Society of Canada in 1997.

**IV REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT**

President Benarroch said the University had been informed of its international student allocation for the 2024-2025 academic year. An attestation process had been implemented and the University was issuing offers of admission to international applicants once again. As it was not clear whether next year's international enrolment numbers would be as high as the current year, given recent changes to the federal government’s International Student Program and related processes, the University will budget for a lower number of first-year international students. Given that fewer offers of admission will be made, it will be important to identify strategies to increase the proportion of international applicants who accept their admission offers.

President Benarroch said the initial international student allocation made to the International College of Manitoba (ICM) was very small. This is a concern for the University, as about 50 percent of its international student population are admitted after completing the University Transition Program (UTP) at ICM. The University is working with ICM to understand the implications and has been in contact with the Ministry of Advanced Education and Training to determine if there is some resolution.

President Benarroch said the institutional safety officer program would begin now that the officers had completed their training.

President Benarroch said the new strategic plan, *MOMENTUM: Leading Change Together 2024-2029*, would be launched the next day.

President Benarroch informed Senate of a plan to develop and bring to Senate, for discussion, an institutional statement on freedom of expression, to provide some guidance on what it means and what the institutional view is on the matter.
President Benarroch informed Senate that the provincial budget released the previous day includes a maximum 2.75 percent increase to tuition. He anticipated the University will bring forward a recommendation to increase domestic tuition by the full amount. The budget includes a 6 percent increase in funding for postsecondary institutions, including an additional 2 percent for operating budgets. The remaining 4 percent will be distributed across institutions, primarily to support increased training of healthcare professions. A significant portion of the additional funds allocated for healthcare programs will be allocated to the University of Manitoba, in response to requests from the University for additional funding to support enrolment increases in the various healthcare programs, including the Doctor of Medicine (Undergraduate Medical Education), Master of Occupational Therapy, Master of Physical Therapy, Bachelor of Respiratory, Master of Physician Assistant Studies, Master of Nursing – Nurse Practitioner, and the Master of Arts and Doctorate in Psychology, Clinical Psychology programs.

President Benarroch said the province was providing funding to increase the number of residency spaces in the Post-graduate Medical Education Program. This is important given that many individuals who complete their residency training in the province remain to practice here.

In response to a question, President Benarroch said the province had not indicated it would provide funds to offset a decline in international tuition revenue should international student enrolment decline. The province is optimistic that the federal government might increase the province’s international student allocation.

In response to a question, President Benarroch said the federal government is not limiting the number of international study permits that would be issued to applicants to graduate programs.

Responding to a question, President Benarroch said a decision was made to allocate the available attestations for undergraduate students to academic units with direct entry programs. Data from previous years show that a higher proportion of applicants offered admission to direct entry programs register at the University versus applicants who receive a general entry offer of admission to University 1.

V QUESTION PERIOD

Senators are reminded that questions related to matters not on the agenda shall normally be submitted in writing to the University Secretary no later than 10:00 a.m. of the Monday preceding the meeting.

The following question was submitted by Professor Sinclair, Faculty of Environment, Earth, and Resources:

2023 set records for every single climate indicator and it is certain now that the winter we just experienced in Manitoba will be the warmest on record, by a significant amount. There can be no doubt the climate crisis, and our students are rightfully demanding action.

Can Senate please be updated on the % reduction in absolute GHG emissions from the 2019 baseline set for the University. In precise, quantitative terms, what
is our actual progress to date toward meeting the target of absolute reduction of GHG emissions by 50% by 2030 - a deadline only 6 years from now?

Is there a vehicle for Senate to receive quarterly updates so we can monitor progress and understand the actions we need to take in terms of academic programming and administration, and clearly communicate those actions to the people we work with and our students?

Ms. Andrew said the University launched its Climate Action Plan in 2023. The Plan outlines the University’s path to reducing greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions to 50 percent by 2030 and reaching net zero emissions by 2050. The Sustainability Committee, Academic Subcommittee, and Green Fund Subcommittee were established in 2023 to provide a governance structure composed of faculty, staff and students, to guide and advise on the initiatives of the Climate Action Plan.

Ms. Andrew said the Plan includes reducing emissions from Scope 1, 2 and 3 sources. The current focus is reducing Scope 1 and 2 emissions by 50 percent by 2030 and to achieve net zero GHG emissions across all scopes by 2050. The baseline GHG data for Scope 1 and 2 emissions is 42.856 tonnes. Natural gas consumption at the Fort Garry Campus Central Energy Plant (CEP) is the largest contributor to the University’s GHG emissions. In 2021, the University received funding from the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program to make upgrades to the CEP to improve energy efficiency and decrease natural gas consumption. These upgrades are being implemented and are expected to reduce GHG emissions at the Fort Garry Campus by 4.35 kilotonnes annually. These upgrades alone will decrease annual GHG emissions by an estimated 15.65 kilotonnes resulting in a 50 percent reduction in Scope 1 emissions by 2050 and 37 percent reduction in Scope 1 and 2 emissions before 2030.

Ms. Andrew said plans are also being developed to reduce emissions from transportation and waste sources. One initiative is an analysis of fleet vehicle use, to develop a plan to right-size and decarbonize the fleet. A second initiative is a waste audit initiated in March 2024, to provide a better understanding of the composition of waste and common contamination issues and to inform a Zero Waste Plan.

Ms. Andrew said the Green Investment Fund was created in 2023 to spark community involvement in achieving climate action goals and promote collaboration across the University. Faculty, staff, and students were invited to put forward projects that would have a financial payback and would help the University achieve its Climate Action Plan goals. Twenty-two projects were received from across the University, covering many topics. Projects are being review and those that receive funding will be announced in May. Additional information and regular updates on new initiatives and projects related to sustainability and the Climate Action Plan are available on the Sustainability website.

VI CONSIDERATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF MARCH 6, 2024

Professor Biscontri MOVED, seconded by Dean Jurkowski, THAT the minutes of the Senate meeting held on March 6, 2024, be approved as circulated.

CARRIED
VII BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

1. Report of the Senate Committee on University Research
   RE: Strategic Research Plan 2024-2029, University of Manitoba:
   Change through Research (revised)

The Chair recalled that Senate considered and provided feedback on a previous draft of the Strategic Research Plan, 2024-2029, at its meeting on January 10, 2024. It had referred the proposal to the Vice-President (Research and International) for further consideration and to confer with the Strategic Research Planning Committee.

Dr. Pinto thanked Senators for the feedback provided at the January meeting and through written submissions following that meeting. Their useful input had contributed to a continuous optimization of the document, which had resulted in a more balanced Strategic Research Plan (SRP) for the University. A representative of the Faculty of Education was added to the membership of the Strategic Research Planning Committee (SRPC). The SRPC was consulted on a revised draft of the SRP, which incorporated Senators’ feedback. The SRPC suggested further changes that informed the final draft forwarded to the Senate Committee on University Research (SCUR) for its meeting on February 8th. Dr. Pinto said SCUR endorsed the revised SRP subject to further modifications. The Senate Executive Committee also recommended some changes, which were addressed in the document provided to Senate for its consideration.

Dr. Pinto briefly reviewed the major revisions made to the Strategic Research Plan, 2024-2029, following the January Senate meeting, including to:

- provide greater balance throughout with respect to fundamental, creative, and applied research;
- rettle thematic area 1 from “Origins” to “Foundations;”
- reorganize the “Moving Forward” and “Thematic Areas” sections for greater clarity;
- enhance thematic area 2 Social Justice and Human Rights;
- clarify and reorganize the thematic area “Water and Food Security” and add food sovereignty;
- incorporate focus on patients and caregivers in the thematic area “Health and Well-Being;”
- separate the former thematic area Climate Action, Sustainability, and Central and Arctic Sustainability into two thematic areas, thematic area 6 Climate Action and Sustainability and thematic area 7 Manitoba, Hudson Bay, Arctic, and the World;
- modify and reorganize the final section, “Supporting Research through the 4Ps – People, Partnerships, Platforms, and Processes.”

Dr. Pinto explained, with respect to the new thematic area 7 Manitoba, Hudson Bay, Arctic, and the World, that, over the previous year, UM researchers had been approached by Cree, Inuit, and Dene communities in the Western Hudson Bay region, to assist communities with economic development of their land and waterways, by joining traditional knowledges and science and engineering research and technologies, to identify strategies to preserve the ecosystem and the biosphere of the region. The view of the SRPC was that this merited its own theme, given bold objectives to provide access to and from Northern Manitoba, for Indigenous communities, and to the
Northwest Passage, the high Arctic, and global shipping routes via Hudson Bay and the port of Churchill, which will have far-reaching consequences.

Dr. Pinto reviewed the seven thematic research areas in the SRP, including: Foundations, to capture independent scholarship as a valued exercise; Social Justice and Human Rights; Research by, for, and with Indigenous Peoples; Water and Food Security; Health and Well-Being; Climate Action and Sustainability; and Manitoba, Hudson Bay, Arctic, and the World. He emphasized that the thematic areas are intended to connect, rather than stand alone.

**Dr. Pinto MOVED, on behalf of the Committee, THAT Senate approve the Report of the Senate Committee on University Research concerning the Strategic Research Plan 2024 - 2029.**

Professor Hudson agreed that revisions made to the *Strategic Research Plan* since the January Senate meeting had improved the document. He was concerned, however, that the SRPC was not given an opportunity to review the final draft provided to Senate.

Professor Hudson suggested the new thematic area, Manitoba, Hudson Bay, Arctic, and the World, did not fit well with the rest of the document, as it was narrowly focused on transportation and transportation infrastructure whereas other thematic areas were defined more broadly.

Dr. Pinto said the new thematic area arose from revisions made by the SRPC. Subsequent revisions recommended by SCUR and the Senate Executive Committee were minor ones that did not fundamentally change the document or impact on revisions recommended by the SRPC. Dr. Farenhorst briefly described the involvement and the timeline for the SRPC’s review of the revised *Strategic Research Plan*. She confirmed the document included with the Senate agenda reflects the consensus of members of the SRPC.

Dr. Pinto said transportation is one aspect of thematic area 7, which also involves social justice and human rights, Indigenous health, and engineering and science technologies, and providing access to and from Indigenous communities in the north. Referencing a recent announcement for federal and provincial government funding, including up to $60 million for the Arctic Gateway Group to complete the Hudson Bay Railway and redevelop the Port of Churchill, and $4 million in funding for the Indigenous Economic Development Fund in the provincial budget, Dr. Pinto contended the thematic area is the broadest of the seven thematic areas, if one considers the future situation that will be history-changing.

Professor Hudson raised a concern about the content and style of what will be a public-facing document and how it might reflect on the institution. First, he observed that the second sentence of the final paragraph in the section “Moving Forward” implies that the University has been operating under a singularity of thought up to this point. Second, he suggested the discussion that co-op and internship opportunities will prepare students for the workforce, in the section “Research-Teaching Nexus,” did not relate to research.

Dr. Pinto agreed to review the language in the document to clarify that the University is not operating under a singularity of thought, which was not the intent.
In response to a question, Dr. Pinto confirmed that the former Vice-President (Indigenous), Dr. Cook, and other Indigenous faculty were consulted on an earlier draft of the SRP. Ms. Bruce indicated she had also provided comments when the SRP had been shared with the Board of Governors, for consultation.

VIII REPORTS OF THE SENATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
AND THE SENATE PLANNING AND PRIORITIES COMMITTEE

1. Report of the Senate Executive Committee

Professor Oliver said the Senate Executive Committee met on March 20, 2024. He reported that the Committee had endorsed a framework for a review of the Summer Term Academic Schedule, as set out in the attachment to the Report. Other comments of the Committee accompany the Report on which they are made.

2. Report of the Senate Planning and Priorities Committee

Professor Oliver reported that the Senate Planning and Priorities Committee had participated in an electronic poll to approve a Report of the Committee concerning a matter that would be brought forward to a future Senate meeting.

IX REPORTS OF OTHER COMMITTEES OF SENATE,
FACULTY AND SCHOOL COUNCILS

1. Reports of the Faculty Council of the Faculty of Graduate Studies

a) RE: Department of Biosystems Engineering, Proposal for a Graduate Specialization in Engineering

Dean Main said the Department of Biosystems Engineering is proposing a modification to the M.Sc. in Biosystems Engineering, introduce Graduate Specialization in Engineering Education. The Specialization will require students to complete 12 credit hours of coursework, as outlined in the attachment to the Report, and a research-thesis related to engineering education. Dean Main noted that the Department already offers a Graduate Specialization in Engineering Education for students registered in the Ph.D. in Biosystems Engineering. Several students have registered for the program, which is evidence of student demand for programming in this area. Three academic staff members in the Department work in this area and can support the delivery of the two Specializations.

b) RE: Department of Computer Science

Dean Main reviewed a proposal from the Department of Computer Science to reduce the course requirements for the M.Sc. in Computer Science degree from 15 credit hours to 12 credit hours at the 7000 level. The Department was proposing to modify the curriculum for both the M.Sc. and Ph.D. in Computer Science programs, to no longer require students to complete courses from at least two of three different areas; theory,
applications, and systems. Finally, the Department is proposing changes to the requirements for direct admission to the Ph.D. program for applicants who do not hold an M.Sc. in Computer Science and for transferring from the M.Sc. to the Ph.D. in Computer Science.

c) **RE: Department of Psychology**  
Dean Main said the Department of Psychology was proposing revisions to its supplementary regulations concerning candidacy examinations for students in the Ph.D. in Psychology, to permit members of the Candidacy Examination Committee who do not have clinical training, to abstain from grading questions designed to evaluate students’ clinical skills.

Dean Main MOVED, seconded by Professor J. Anderson, THAT Senate approve the Reports of the Faculty Council of the Faculty of Graduate Studies concerning course, program, and regulation changes for the following units, effective for the next available term:

- Department of Biosystems Engineering
- Department of Computer Science
- Department of Psychology

**CARRIED**

2. **Reports of the Senate Committee on Admissions**

a) **RE: Revised Admission Regulations for all School of Art Undergraduate Programs**  
Ms. Schnarr said the Senate Committee on Admissions (SCADM) met on February 27th. The Committee endorsed proposals from the School of Art to clarify admission regulations for transfer students and to establish admission categories and regulations for second degree students and students returning to study. Regarding transfer students, the School is proposing, first, that a maximum of 24 credit hours of coursework completed at another institution can be used toward the requirements for the Diploma in Art and, second, external transfer credit would be applied toward the Diploma or a degree only for courses completed within ten years of the date of application.

Ms. Schnarr said the School is proposing that students pursuing a second degree be permitted to apply up to 60 credit hours from the first degree. She observed that, under the University’s *General Academic Regulations*, the minimum residence requirement for a three-year program normally is one year (i.e., 30 credit hours for a 90 credit hour program). The School is proposing an exception for second degree students who have completed their first degree at another institution and who are pursuing one of the School’s General degree programs.

Ms. Schnarr said the School is proposing to permit students previously registered in the School of Art to request a reactivation of their student account after a period of non-registration provided they did not attend another postsecondary institution during that time. The maximum time limit to request reactivation will be ten years.
Ms. Schnarr MOVED, on behalf of the Committee, THAT Senate approve the Report of the Senate Committee on Admissions concerning revised admission regulations for all School of Art undergraduate programs, effective for the Fall 2025 intake.

CARRIED

b) RE: Revised Admission Requirements, Bachelor of Education, Faculty of Education

Ms. Schnarr reviewed a proposal from the Faculty of Education to revise the admission requirements for the Bachelor of Education (Early and Middle Years Streams), to remove a requirement that the courses completed toward a teachable major or a teachable minor in Geography or History must include 6 credit hours of courses in Canadian and/or North American Geography or History, respectively. The reasons for the revision are, first, that the content is not required for teacher certification and, second, that the requirements present barriers to admission for applicants who have not completed courses with this content.

Mr. Schnarr MOVED, on behalf of the Committee, THAT Senate approve the Report of the Senate Committee on Admissions concerning revised admission requirements for the Bachelor of Education, Faculty of Education, effective for the Fall 2025 intake.

CARRIED

c) RE: Revised Admission Requirements, Bachelor of Science in Engineering, Price Faculty of Engineering: Admission as a Second Degree Student

Ms. Schnarr reviewed a proposal from the Price Faculty of Engineering to introduce a regulation on Admission as a Second Degree Student, for applicants who have previously completed a bachelor’s level degree in Engineering who wish to pursue a second degree in a different engineering discipline. The proposed regulation will apply to all Bachelor of Science in Engineering programs and will supersede the existing regulation, Second Degree in Electrical or Computer Engineering, which applies only to the programs offered by the Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering. Consistent with accreditation requirements, students admitted as second degree students would be eligible to receive transfer credit for up to 50 percent of the courses completed toward the first degree.

Ms. Schnarr MOVED, on behalf of the Committee, THAT Senate approve the Report of the Senate Committee on Admissions concerning a proposed regulation on Admission as a Second Degree Student for the Bachelor of Science in Engineering, Price Faculty of Engineering, effective for the Fall 2025 intake.

CARRIED

3. Report of the Senate Committee on Instruction and Evaluation
   RE: Revised Regulation on Decisions Concerning Academic Promotions, Dr. Gerald Niznick College of Dentistry

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Dr. Torchia reviewed a proposal from the Dr. Gerald Niznick College of Dentistry, to revise a regulation on Decisions concerning Academic Promotions, for students in the Doctor of Dental Medicine program. A statement has been added to clarify that, in circumstances where a student fails one or more clinical or preclinical courses due to an ongoing disciplinary matter, the need for remediation, or a patient-safety concern that prevents them from completing the course, the same promotion rules established for other types of failure will apply.

Dr. Torchia MOVED, on behalf of the Committee, THAT Senate approve the Report of the Senate Committee on Instruction and Evaluation concerning the modification of the regulation on Decisions Concerning Academic Promotions, Dr. Gerald Niznick College of Dentistry, effective for the Fall 2024.

CARRIED

4. Reports of the Senate Committee on Rules and Procedures

a) RE: Revised Terms of Reference for the Committee

Dr. Taylor said proposed revisions to the terms of reference for the Senate Committee on Rules and Procedures (SCRP) arise from the ongoing Senate Committee and Process Review. The revised terms of reference provide greater focus and clarity on the mandate of the Committee. The membership of the Committee is expanded, to provide more opportunities for discussion and participation and the expanded membership will increase alignment with the University’s commitment to diversity in all its forms.

Dr. Taylor MOVED, on behalf of the Committee, THAT Senate approve the Report of the Senate Committee on Rules and Procedures concerning revised terms of reference for the Committee, effective June 1, 2024.

CARRIED

b) RE: Addition of a Senate Assessor for the Interdisciplinary Health Program Students’ Association

Dr. Taylor said the Committee considered a request from the Interdisciplinary Health Program Students’ Association (IHPSA) and the University of Manitoba Students’ Union (UMSU), to create an Assessor position on Senate for a representative of the IHPSA. There is a precedent. Senate has created a seat for an Assessor to represent University 1 students. The IHPSA represents students whose academic home is the Rady Faculty of Health Sciences. While students registered in programs offered by the Faculty’s constituent Colleges are represented by student Senators, students in the IHP do not currently have a voice at Senate.

Dr. Taylor MOVED, on behalf of the Committee, THAT Senate approve the Report of the Senate Committee on Rules and Procedures concerning the addition of a Senate Assessor for the Interdisciplinary Health Program Students’ Association, effective May 1, 2024.

CARRIED
c) **RE: Revisions to Faculty Council Bylaws**

   (i) **Rady Faculty of Health Sciences**

Dr. Taylor said SCRP had reviewed revisions to the *Rady Faculty of Health Sciences Bylaw* at its meeting on February 29, 2024. The revisions are primarily editorial ones, to increase clarity and consistency in language. They entail changes to the meeting rules and the membership of the Faculty Council and the Faculty Executive Council and the addition of a provision for a regular review of the *Bylaw*.

Dr. Taylor MOVED, on behalf of the Committee, THAT Senate approve the Report of the Senate Committee on Rules and Procedures concerning revisions to the Rady Faculty of Health Sciences Bylaw, effective upon Senate approval.

   CARRIED

(ii) **Faculty of Law**

Dr. Taylor said SCRP had reviewed revisions to the *Bylaw for Law Faculty Council* at the same meeting. The Faculty is updating the *Bylaw*, which has not been reviewed in recent years. Amendments include changes to the membership and meeting rules, the removal of obsolete provisions, and editorial changes intended to increase clarity.

Dr. Taylor MOVED, on behalf of the Committee, THAT Senate approve the Report of the Senate Committee on Rules and Procedures concerning revisions to the By-law for Law Faculty Council, effective upon Senate approval.

   CARRIED

**X ADDITIONAL BUSINESS** - none

**XI ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 2:34 p.m.

These minutes pages 1 to 13, together with the agenda, pages 1 to 208, comprise the minutes of the meeting of Senate held on April 3, 2024.