

Minutes of a meeting of the Board of Governors held on Thursday, February 15, 2018 at 4:00 p.m.
in room 301 of the James Administration Building, 845 Sherbrooke Street West, Montreal.

Present:

Barney, Darin

Chisholm, Victor

Critchley, Ronald

Desnoyers, Alan (*by phone*)

Fazel, Kathy

Fortier, Suzanne

Généreux, Claude

Halperin, Stephen

Harpp, David

Haynes, Bryan (*by phone*)

Hobday, Tina

Lefebvre, Alice (*Observer*)

Matuszewski, Pierre

11. Business Arising from Open Session Minutes

There was none.

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Professor Suzanne Fortier, Principal and Vice-Chancellor, opened her remarks with an update on the steps taken to ensure respect and inclusion on campus. She reported that she a message to the McGill community had been sent sharing the report of Dr. Spencer Boudreau, former Ombudsperson for Students, on his investigation into the events at the General Assembly of the Student

2017, which concluded that the evidence gathered did not substantiate the notion that a vote to not ratify three would-be members of the SSMU Board of Directors was motivated by anti-Semitism but rather by political views. The Principal clarified a distinction between intent and effect, noting that while Dr. Boudreau did not find evidence of intent, he did find

The Principal concluded her remarks with examples of external recognition of members of the community, including the appointments of Vice-Principal Cargo and Professor François Crépeau to the Order of Canada, the University being Top Employers for 2018 for the tenth year in a row by Employers at Mediacorp Canada Inc., three McGill researchers who contributed to three of ten discoveries of the year selected by

with one FTE representing 30 hours of course or program-based student activity, and weighted by discipline, but that the government recovered a portion of its operating grant through contributions to student aid, as well as the recovery of supplemental Canadian non-Quebec resident and international fees.

The Provost and Vice-Principal (Academic) then explained that the new methodology that had been implemented by Analysis, Planning and Budget provided for a complete reinvigoration in budget planning by inform

of its strategic priorities in academia, research, finance and administration as well as advancement. She highlighted the three new KPIs included for 2017, which included Greenhouse Gas Emissions, Sustainability Rating, and Sustainability Strategy Vision 2020.

In response to a question on the U15 as a benchmark for certain KPIs but not all, the Principal clarified that for certain KPIs, there was no data available from the U15 and no standardized nomenclature for certain targets across institutions. The Principal specified that KPIs had initially been set by the provincial government and had evolved since then. She welcomed input from members for additional targets. In response to a question on the target for undergraduate class size, the Provost and Vice-Principal (Academic) noted that a more efficient use of classroom space could be implemented. In addition, in response to a question raised regarding data contained in the Staffing Report within the Report of the Human Resources Committee [GD17-36], the Provost and Vice-Principal (Academic) clarified the distinction between Contract Academic Staff and course lecturers and indicated that approximately 15% of courses across the University were taught by course lecturers.

Secretary's Note: The proportion of courses taught by course lecturers varied across Faculties; for the 2016 – 2017 academic year, the proportion was 13.4% in the Faculty of Arts, 15.5% in the Faculty of Engineering, and 7.8% in the Faculty of Science.

16. Annual Report on Research and Innovation [GD17-41]

Professor Martha Crago, Vice-

