



## Report of the Senate Executive Committee

### FOR INFORMATION

**Presented by:** Peter Stoicheff, Vice-Chair, Executive Committee

**Date of Meeting:** April 26, 2025

**Subject:** Executive Committee – Report on Activities

#### Summary of Activities:

The members of the Executive Committee are:

- Chancellor: Grit McCreath (chair)
- President or designate: Peter Stoicheff (vice-chair)
- Three appointed members: Keshia Caplette, Gail May-Melin, Vacant
- Three elected members: Barb Gustafson, Jordan Robertson, Rhonda Gough
- Two ex officio members: Brooke Milne, Angela Jaime
- One student member: Abhineet Goswami
- Chief Governance Officer: Julian Demkiw (non-voting member)

Since the time of the last Senate meeting, the Executive Committee met on April 11, and the following is an overview of the committee's work.

#### *Senate Agenda Approval*

One of the responsibilities of the Executive Committee is to approve the agenda for each Senate meeting. In keeping with previous feedback, the agenda puts the Senate committee reports earlier in the agenda and ensuring that the agenda is not over-programmed to ensure flexibility within the agenda items.

The main engagement/education session was created in trying to keep the Entrepreneurship and Innovation theme from the Senate reception at Opus. This session is aligned with the university's goals to "Enrich Disciplines" and "Embolden Partnerships" as articulated in the University Plan.

#### *Nominations to the Nomination Committee*

As per the Senate Executive terms of reference, the members of the Nominations Committee shall be nominated by the Executive Committee and elected annually by Senate. At its meeting of April 11, the Executive Committee nominated the following individuals to the Nominations Committee (a per agenda item 4.3.1):

Aaron Genest, Kyle Drever, Karen Mitzel, and Robert Henderson (Chair)

### ***Creation of New Engagement Committee***

The Executive Committee discussed amending the Senate Bylaws to establish the Engagement Committee, delete the Round Table on Outreach and Engagement, and revise the Education Committee's terms of reference (a per agenda item 4.3.2). This aligns with the Senate Engagement Plan adopted in April 2022. These changes would allow the Education Committee, which oversees admissions changes, to focus more on academic matters, advising on the creation of departments, enrollment plans, and academic priorities, while engagement sessions will be managed by the new Engagement Committee.

### ***Senate Picture***

The Executive Committee requested for a group picture of the Senate to be taken before Lunch time.