

Report from Senate GD16-37

Board of Governors Meeting of February 2, 2017

Senate met on January 18, 2017. This report contains items which are presented to the Board of Governors for its information.

I. FOR THE INFORMATION OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS**1. 477th Report of the Academic Policy Committee** [D16-32]

On the recommendation of the Academic Policy Committee, Senate approved the creation of a Professional Development Certificate in Parliamentary Governance within the School of Continuing Studies and the creation of a new Bachelor of Engineering; Major in Mining Engineering, within the Faculty of Engineering.

2. Report and Response: Open Forum on the Recommendations of the 2016 CAMSR Report on Divestment [D16-31]

Senate received this item for information in accordance with the Terms of Reference of the Open Forum. The Report provided an overview of matters discussed at the three open meetings held in September 2016. The Provost and Vice-Principal (Academic) also issued a response to the report containing a series of objectives the Office of the Provost and Vice-Principal (Academic) would be pursuing. The Board of Governors will receive this Report and response on February 2, 2017.

3. Annual Report of the Ombudsperson for Students [D16-33]

Senate received this item for information, in accordance with the Terms of Reference of the Ombudsperson for Students. The Report provided an overview of activities undertaken by the Ombudsperson in 2015-2016. The Ombudsperson highlighted that the number of requests fluctuates from year-to-year and the majority of academic issues concern marks and grades and the majority of interpersonal issues concern research and thesis supervisors.

4. Annual Report on Research and Innovation [D16-34]

Senate received this item for information. The Report presented key indicators of McGill's research funding performance in 2016 as well as an update on areas of innovation related to both the commercialization of research and the exchange of knowledge between the University and external communities. The report will be presented to the Board of Governors on February 2, 2017.

5. Report from the Board of Governors to Senate

[D16-35]

Senate received this Report, which provided a summary of matters reviewed at the December 1, 2016 and January 12, 2017 Board of Governors meetings, the October 28 and December 13, 2016 Executive Committee of the Board of Governors meetings as well as the November 15, 2016 electronic vote of the Executive Committee.

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