

Minutes of the meeting of Senate held on November 14, 2012, at 2:30 p.m. in the Robert Vogel Council Room (Room 232, Leacock Building.)

Senate –

Vice-Principal Goldstein then went over what McGill would do going forward. She told Senate that the University had increased its translation and support services for Quebec-based grants and was working toward implementation of the McGill University Business Engagement Centre (MUBEC) and Quartier de l’Innovation incubation centre. Vice-Principal Goldstein ended her presentation by calling on researchers to do their part by always asking for maximum amounts of funding; getting to know funders and their needs; emphasizing quality and excellence and utilizing internal and external review processes and support services.

Senator Gillon said that it was important to monitor the balance between curiosity-based and goal-oriented research as McGill diversified its funding sources. Vice-Principal Goldstein agreed to look into this, but added that it could only be done in a quasi-precise way.

Senator Wolfson asked about researchers who straddle between the University and affiliated institutions like the MUHC or MNI. Vice-Principal Goldstein answered that her office was supporting all McGill researchers, but without duplicating services provided elsewhere.

Senator Grutter asked how the University was assessing the quality of its research. Vice-Principal Goldstein said that funding amounts somewhat reflected success.

Senator Zidel asked how McGill would ensure that its research collaborations with industry allowed researchers to remain independent, considering their dependence on funding. Senator Gutman asked whether the increased focus on industry would leave Arts research underfunded. Vice-Principal Goldstein replied that McGill was working to define its relationships with industry through MUBEC and that these would be based on McGill’s ethics and principles. She also said that Arts researchers had lower costs, but that all McGill initiatives applied to them as well, including aspects of the Quartier de l’Innovation.

2.2 Strategic Research Plan 2013-2017

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3. Report of the Ad Hoc Committee on the Recording and Transmission of Senate Meetings (D12-17)

Senator Madramootoo, Chair of the Ad Hoc Committee on the Recording and Transmission of Senate Meetings, delivered this report for Senate's approval. He began by explaining that the committee saw its recommendations as being in the interest of Senate and the University community and showing

6. Annual Report from the Senate Committee on Physical Development (D12-20)

Professor Jim Nicell, Associate Vice-Principal (University Services) presented this Report for Senate's information. Senators asked questions about the projects listed in the Report and Professor Nicell explained that the Committee focused its work on the most cross-cutting projects. Senator Mooney asked about work on the University entrances. Professor Nicell said that it presented complications as McGill tried to improve traffic flows while honouring the original architecture.

Senator Madramootoo thanked Professor Nicell for his many contributions in his time as Associate Vice-Principal (University Services) and as Chair of the Senate Committee on Physical Development. Senate applauded Professor Nicell.

7. Annual Report of the Committee on Student Services (D12-21)

Professor Morton Mendelson, Deputy Provost (Student Life and Learning) presented this Report for Senate's information. He described the Committee's work over the past year and informed Senate that the Committee would be looking to make changes to its terms of reference in the coming year.

8. Annual Report of the Committee on Enrolment and Student Affairs -13 0 Tw 5.22 0 Td ()34 0

9. Annual Report of the Committee on Student Discipline

(D12-23)

Dr. Linda Jacobs Starkey, Interim Dean of Students, delivered this report for Senate's information. She explained that the Report included matters carried out by disciplinary officers as well as the Committee itself.