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SENATE SUMMARY
MEETING OF APRIL 8, 2013

1. **Report of the Chair**
   The Chair welcomed a new faculty Senator, Alissa Antle from the Faculty of Communication, Art and Technology, and then provided an update on several items.

   The Chair reported that, as the provincial election approaches, he continued to meet with MLAs and candidates to press the Opportunity Agenda. The Chair spoke to the Boards of Trade in Surrey, Burnaby, and Vancouver and is encouraged by the level of support for the Opportunity Agenda and for more post-secondary spaces.

   The Chair reported on the federal budget, including the following items of note: funding support for Genome Canada; confirmation of funding for the Canada Foundation for Innovation (CFI); a $60 million fund for incubator and accelerator organizations; and new funding for internships for graduates of post-secondary institutions.

   The Chair reported that SFU researchers received NSERC Discovery Grants, Research, Tools and Instrumentation (RTI) equipment grants, and SSHRC partnership grants. Also, SFU retained all NSERC and SSHRC Chairs and added several new CIHR chairs, for a total of 47 Chairs.

   The Chair reported that the public announcement of the honorary degree recipients has been made.

   The Chair noted that Chancellor Carole Taylor's husband, Art Phillips, recently passed away and that the details for a celebration of his life would be circulated to Senate.

2. **Research Ethics Board (REB) Annual Report (S.13-49)**
   Senate received the Research Ethics Board annual report for 2012 for information.

3. **Senate Appeals Board (SAB) Annual Report (S.13-50)**
   Senate received the Senate Appeals Board annual report for 2011-2012 for information.

4. **Senate Committee on International Activities (SCIA) Annual Report (S.13-51)**
   Senate received the Senate Committee on International Activities annual report for 2012 for information.

5. **Suspension of Admission and Dissolution of the Joint Major and Joint Honours in Computing Science and Philosophy (S.13-52)**
Senate approved the suspension of admission to the Joint Major and Joint Honours in Computing Science and Philosophy in the School of Computing Science and Department of Philosophy within the Faculty of Applied Sciences and Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences, effective Fall 2013.

   Senate approved and recommended to the Board of Governors the dissolution of the Joint Major and Joint Honours in Computing Science and Philosophy in the School of Computing Science and Department of Philosophy within the Faculty of Applied Sciences and Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences effective, Fall 2014.

6. **Graduate Certificate in Curriculum and Instruction (S.13-53)**
Senate approved and recommended to the Board of Governors the Full Program Proposal for a Graduate Certificate in Curriculum and Instruction within the Faculty of Education, effective Fall 2013.

7. **Concurrent Bachelor's – Master's Program in the School for International Studies (S.13-54)**
Senate approved and recommended to the Board of Governors the Full Program Proposal for a Concurrent Bachelor's- Master's Program in the School for International Studies within the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences, effective Fall 2013.

8. **Revisions to Policy R20.01 – Ethics Review of Research Involving Human Participants (S.13-55)**
Senate approved and recommended to the Board of Governors the revisions to Section 15.1(e) and Section 15.2(e) of the Ethics Review of Research Involving Human Participants (R20.01).

9. **NWCCU Accreditation 2012 Progress Report (For Information) (S.13-56)**
Senate received the progress report concerning SFU's accreditation with the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities (NWCCU) for information.

10. **WQB Requirements for Second Degrees (S.13-57)**
Senate approved the permanent exemption of all second-degree students from WQB requirements, with the exception that the upper-division W course in the major and a three-credit Q course will still be required for a second degree.

11. **Course Withdrawal Notation Change (S.13-58)**
Senate approved that students withdrawing from courses during week 3 of the term will have a WD standing recorded for each withdrawn course on their academic record, effective Fall 2013.

12. **Undergraduate Curriculum Revisions – Applied Sciences (S.13-59)**
Senate received information that the Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies, acting under delegated authority, approved the following curriculum revisions effective Fall 2013:

a) Geographic Information Science (GIS) Program
  - Program: GIS Major and Honours

b) School of Computing Science
  - Program: Certificate in Computing Science
  - Program: Computing Science Major and Honours
  - Program: Software Systems Major
  - Program: Computing Science and Linguistics Joint Major
  - Courses (prerequisite): CMPT 102, CMPT 126, CMPT 379

c) School of Mechatronic Systems Engineering
  - Program: Mechatronic Systems Engineering Major and Honours
  - Courses (new): MSE 420, MSE 422, MSE 423, MSE 424, MSE 425
  - Courses (units): MSE 421, MSE 451, MSE 480

13. **Undergraduate Curriculum Revisions – Beedie School of Business (S.13-60)**
    Senate received information that the Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies, acting under delegated authority, approved the following curriculum revisions effective Fall 2013:

    - Program: Information Systems in Business and Computing Science Joint Major
    - Courses (new): BUS 301, BUS 396

14. **Undergraduate Curriculum Revisions – Faculty of Education (S.13-61)**
    Senate received information that the Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies, acting under delegated authority, approved the following curriculum revisions effective Fall 2013:

    - Program: Bachelor of General Studies
    - Course (new): EDUC 458
    - Courses (prerequisite): EDUC 327, 437, 484

15. **Undergraduate Curriculum Revisions – Faculty of Health Sciences (S.13-62)**
    Senate received information that the Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies, acting under delegated authority, approved the following curriculum revisions effective Fall 2013:

    - Program: Bachelor of Science, Population and Quantitative Health Sciences Concentration
    - Courses (prerequisite): HSCI 410, HSCI 484
    - Course (description): HSCI 490, HSCI 491
    - Course (description, prerequisite): HSCI 492

16. **Senate Graduate Studies Committee Annual Report 2011-12 (S.13-63)**
    Senate received the Senate Graduate Studies Committee annual report for 2011-2012 for information.

17. **Graduate Curriculum Revisions – Faculty of Applied Sciences (S.13-64)**
Senate received information that the Senate Graduate Studies Committee, acting under delegated authority, approved the following curriculum revisions effective Fall 2013:

a) School of Engineering Science
   - Program: Master of Engineering
   - Course (new): ENSC 870
   - Courses (units): ENSC 896, ENSC 897

b) School of Mechatronic Systems Engineering
   - Program: Master of Applied Sciences in Mechatronic Systems Engineering
   - Program: Doctor of Philosophy in Mechatronic Systems Engineering
   - Courses (new): MSE 711, MSE 720, MSE 721, MSE 722, MSE 725, MSE 726, MSE 727, MSE 750, MSE 780, MSE 782, MSE 801, MSE 811, MSE 821, MSE 822, MSE 881

18. **Graduate Curriculum Revisions – Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences (S.13-65)**
Senate received information that the Senate Graduate Studies Committee, acting under delegated authority, approved the following curriculum revisions effective Fall 2013:

a) French
   - Courses (reinstate): FREN 806, 812, 821, 824, 826

b) School of International Studies
   - Course (title, description): IS 800

c) Political Science
   - Program: Master of Arts in Political Science
   - Course (new): POL 854

d) Urban Studies Program
   - Course (new): URB 615
   - Courses (prerequisite): URB 696, URB 697

19. **Graduate Curriculum Revisions – Beedie School of Business (S.13-66)**
Senate received information that the Senate Graduate Studies Committee, acting under delegated authority, approved the following curriculum revisions effective Fall 2013:

   - Program: Master of Business Administration
   - Program: Graduate Diploma in Business Administration
   - Program: Special Cohort (GDBA) in Social Innovation & Entrepreneurship
   - Courses (new): BUS 563, BUS 564, BUS 565
   - Courses (description): BUS 703, BUS 708, BUS 709, BUS 727

- Course (title, description): BUS 704

20. Graduate Curriculum Revisions – Faculty of Communication, Art and Technology (S.13-67)
Senate received information that the Senate Graduate Studies Committee, acting under delegated authority, approved the following curriculum revisions effective Fall 2013:

a) School of Communication
- Program: Master of Arts in Communication
- Program: Master of Arts in Global Communications Double Degree
- Course (title, description): CMNS 860

21. Graduate Curriculum Revisions – Faculty of Environment (S.13-68)
Senate received information that the Senate Graduate Studies Committee, acting under delegated authority, approved the following curriculum revisions effective Fall 2013:

a) Geography
- Course (new): GEOG 618

22. Graduate Curriculum Revisions – Faculty of Science (S.13-69)
Senate received information that the Senate Graduate Studies Committee, acting under delegated authority, approved the following curriculum revisions effective Fall 2013:

a) Earth Sciences
- Course (prerequisite): EASC 898

b) Mathematics
- Course (reinstatement): MATH 882

23. Election Report to Senate (S.13-70)
Senate received the results of a faculty election to Senate and the Board of Governors for information.

The approved Senate minutes will be available online following the next Senate meeting. For more detailed information on each Senate item, please refer to the April Senate documents at https://docushare.sfu.ca/dsweb/View/Collection-20499.

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