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VANCOUVER SENATE

MINUTES OF 31 AUGUST 2026

Attendance

Present: B.-A. Bacon (Chair), R. Ng (Secretary), S. Anandasabapathy, F. Andrew, G. Averill, E. Baniassad, B. Buraga, A. Chui, J. Cragg, C. Crowston, D. Dahl, C. Dai, D. Evans, D. Fontana, N. Ford, B. Forster, S. Forwell, L. Foster, J. Fox, S. Gopalakrishnan, J. Hare, P. Harrison, M. Hirst, E. Jenkins, S. Kamal, R. Kozak, F. Lalji, H. Larjava, K. Lo, M. MacLachlan, S. McElduff, S. McGillivray, J. Mitchell, L. Moss, Z. Nawar, P. Ng, W. Norman, J. Olson, J. Panchi, S. Pelech, J. Phelps, I. Price, M. Prost, S. Razia, J. Rogers, S. Singh, R. Spencer, P. Spilsbury, N. Viegas

Regrets: M. Adshade, B. Agafitei, P. Awasthi, S. Bates, B. Bhandar, S. Bredin, B. Britton, L. Burr, I. Chung, J. Cool, A. d'Entremont, K. Doering, A. Dulay, P. Englezos, A. Fisher, J. Gilbert, C. Godwin, S. W. Graham, A. Ivanov, R. Kim, D. Kitts, K. Li, C. Lim, J. Lorien, B. MacDougall, C. W. Marshall, C. Menzies, C. Overall, A. Pratap-Singh, L. Raman-Wilms, E. Ruggiero, J. Stewart, R. Topping, G. Tsiakos, G. Turcotte, A. Uzama, H. von Bergmann, D. Warburton, M. Wilson Sladkus

Clerk: C. Eaton

Call to Order and Territorial Acknowledgement

The President and Chair of Senate, Dr Benoit-Antoine Bacon, called the first special meeting of the Senate for the 2025/2026 academic year to order at 10:00 am and he provided an acknowledgement of the land.

Senate Membership

NEW MEMBERS

The Registrar and Secretary to Senate, Dr Rella Ng, announced the following new members of Senate:

- Dr Hannu Larjava, Dean *Pro Tem*. of the Faculty of Dentistry, to replace Dr Andrea Esteves (end of term);
- Dr Leonard Foster, Dean *Pro Tem*. of the Faculty of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies, to replace Dr Shannon Hagerman (end of term);

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- Prof. Bruce MacDougall, Dean *Pro Tem*. of the Peter A. Allard School of Law, to replace Prof. Ngai Pindell (end of term); and
- Julie Mitchell, University Librarian *Pro Tem*., to replace Dr Susan Parker (end of term).

Report from the Provost

MOTION TO MOVE *IN CAMERA*

Gage Averill Laura Moss	*That the Senate enter an* in camera *session pursuant to* Rule 20 (d) *of the* Rules and Procedures of the Vancouver Senate *to consider a proposal from the Provost.*

Approved

The Senate rose from *in camera* session at 10:46 am.

Adjournment

Seeing no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:46 am.