

**AWARDS & HONOURS COMMITTEE**

Tuesday May 19, 2020

Minutes of the AWARDS & HONOURS COMMITTEE, held via Microsoft Teams, commencing at 1:00 pm

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**ATTENDANCE**

**Present: (Committee Members)** Michael Henry (Chair), Gordon Rudolph, Gordon Down, Michael Finch, Stan Miles, Brian Daly (non-voting) Wayne Hendry (non-voting); **(Guests)** Nadine Feather and Kaleena Carriere

**CALL TO ORDER**

*The Chair called the meeting to order at 1:05 pm*

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

The agenda was adopted with a correction to the date. Motion by Gordon Down, Seconded by Gordon Rudolph

**ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

**Meeting of November 15, 2019**

*The Meeting minutes from November 19, 2019 were tabled as the committee has new members that have not had time to review the minutes yet.*

**BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES**

*a. Review of proposed changes to ED 9-1, Reg.II.5. Lieutenant Governor*

Gordon Down explained the process and steps that are occurring with this proposed change. A motion was passed by Gordon Rudolph and Seconded by Stan Miles to accept the changes as distributed. All approved.

The new wording for the policy that was moved is as follows:

*Amend Ed 9.1, Reg 11.5 to read:*

*Adjudicated by Student Awards & Financial Aid in accordance with the directives of the Lieutenant Governor of BC, and in consultation with and as approved by the Senate Awards & Honours Committee.*

*Insert a new ED9-1, Reg 11.1 to read:*

**1. TRU Masters Medals**

- a. One medal will be awarded in each TRU master's degree program to the eligible graduating student who is considered to have achieved the highest academic accomplishment upon graduation.*
- b. The Graduate Studies Committee will seek nominations from each master's degree program and, based solely upon the student's cumulative GPA and the merits of their thesis or final project work, recommend a medalist to the Awards & Honours Committee.*
- c. The minimum grade point average for medal consideration will be 3.50 over the assessment period.*

**NEW BUSINESS**

*a. Adjudication of the 2020 TRU Baccalaureate Medals*

A motion was passed by Gordon Rudolph to accept the Medals list as presented. Seconded by Stan Miles.

*b. Adjudication of the 2020 Governor General's Bronze & Silver Medals*

Gordon Down presented the three candidates for the Silver Medal, as well as the one recommendation for the Bronze Medal. In the case of the Silver Medal, he recommended that Tara Salm receive this medal based on a number of criteria that was presented. Mike Finch made a motion to ratify these recommendations and all approved.

*c. Approval of the 2020 Governor General's Gold Medal selection*

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Information was presented by Gordon Down. Mike Finch made a motion to Ratify the presented information. All approved.

*d. Adjudication of the 2020 Lieutenant Governor's Medal [DEFERRED]*

Gordon Down to present this recommendation at a late meeting.

*e. Ratify 2020 Emeritus Committee recommendations*

Michael Henry presented the nomination packages from the Emeritus Sub-Committee as well as the resulting names from their meeting. The committee Unanimously agreed that they do not require the full package and would like to only receive the names recommended in the future. Gordon Rudolph moved to approve the recommendations made by the committee. All Approved. Action item: Mike Henry to submit the letter of approved recommendations to the Presidents office.

*f. Proposal for new graduate student medals*

Michael Henry explained that there is complete support from the Deans to move forward with these additional medals. Gordon Rudolph moved to approve the proposal. All approved.

**NEXT MEETING: TBD**

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 2:00 pm.