

Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences Planning and Research Committee
Thursday, February 18, 2021 at 9:30 a.m., via WebEx.

A meeting of the Planning and Research Committee, Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, was held Thursday, February 18, 2021 at 9:30 a.m. via WebEx. Dr. J. Lokash occupied the Chair and the following members were in attendance:

Dr. Karine Abadie	Liam O'Neill (MUNSU)
Dr. Tana Allen	Dr. Suma Rajiva
Dr. Alex Marland	Ms. Heather O'Brien
Dr. Véronique Forbes	

1. Agenda

The agenda was approved as circulated.

2. Minutes

It was agreed that the minutes of January 21, 2021 meeting be approved.

3. Henrietta Harvey and George Story Lectureship competition

There were no nominations for the Henrietta Harvey Lectureship. One nomination was received for the George Story Lectureship. Dr. Sean McGrath, Department of Philosophy, nominated Professor Tanehisa Otabe of the University of Tokyo to deliver a lecture entitled "Aesthetic Disinterestedness: Kant, Schopenhauer, Heidegger, and Duchamp." It was agreed that the Committee recommend Professor Otabe as the Distinguished lecturer to Dr. Jennifer Simpson, Dean, HSS.

However, the Committee noted that the proposed budget be revised to include technical support for the lecture through CITL. It was also noted that there was not consensus around what would be an appropriate amount for an honorarium, as the requested \$1000 was a lot for the online lecture alone. The Committee would suggest to the nominator that the budget be updated and ask if Professor Otabe would consider hosting associated events as well as the lecture.

4. HSS Equity Survey Draft

J. Lokash noted that the survey hasn't been updated as of late, but would send to committee members within the coming days. It was suggested to have an open forum within the faculty to improve the quality and usefulness of the survey. Once the draft survey is reviewed by the committee, the date and time of the open forum will be established.

5. Budgetary Update by A. Marland

A. Marland shared a link to the "What we Heard" [document](#). It was noted that the Budget Committee were consulted for feedback by the Strategic Planning Committee. It was suggested that the Committee encourage HSS faculty to send feedback. J. Lokash will send C. Burke an email to distribute to faculty.

6. Other Business

Next scheduled meeting is Thursday, March 18, 2021 at 9:30 a.m.

Adjourned at 10:30 a.m.

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1. Agenda

The agenda was approved as circulated. Moved by V. Forbes, seconded by K. Abadie. Carried.

2. Minutes

It was agreed that the minutes of November 19, 2020 meeting be approved. Moved by A. Marland, seconded by L. O’Neill.

3. HSS Equity Survey Draft

J. Lokash noted that both she and A. Marland will be charged with updating the survey with the suggestions that the committee provided previously. Once updated, it will be distributed to committee members for a final review. The goal is to distribute the survey this term.

4. Henrietta Harvey and George Story Lectureship competition

The call for lectureships was distributed on November 27th, 2020 with a deadline of January 15th, 2021. There were no nominations received. The Committee decided to extend the deadline to February 5th, 2021. C. Burke will update the call for nominations and resend to faculty.

5. Other Business

H. O’Brien noted that the NSERC USRA competition is now updated for the 2021-22 competition with a deadline of March 8, 2021. HSS has one (1) position for the upcoming year. T. Allen and C. Burke will send the competition details to HSS heads and Faculty.

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