

NSCAD Senate Agenda

Date & Time: 11 May 2026, 10AM

Present: A. Fish, A. Masterson, C. Allen, J. Warwick, J. Hollenbach, K. Mallett, L. Hamilton, M. Chung, N. Lee, N. Peach, R. MacDonald, S. Tracey, S. Nagler, R. Hannon, S. Fisher, L. Dowe, M. Bovey

Item	Agenda	Action
1.	1.1 - Territorial Acknowledgement - NSCAD University is located in Kijipuktuk, the district of Sipekne'katik, Mi'kma'ki, which since time immemorial has been the unceded traditional territory and ancestral homelands of the Mi'kmaq Nation. We pay respect to the historic and contemporary Mi'kmaw artists who have, over millennia, created unique artforms and designs, and through generations, passed down ways of being, knowing, and doing that are valued and respected. NSCAD University is committed to forging a relationship based on reciprocity as we move forward together in a good way, based on the foundational aspirations in our collective treaties, dating back to 1725.	1.1 by A. Fish.
1.	1.2 – Establish quorum. 1.3 - Motion: to approve the meeting agenda for the May 11 th meeting of Senate.	1.2 established. 1.3 moved by M. Bovey, 2 nd by S. Nagler, passes.
2.	2.1 – Declaration of conflict of interest.	N/A
3.	3.1 - Motion: to approve the minutes from the April 13th meeting of Senate.	3.1 moved by R. Hannon, 2 nd by K. Mallett, passes.
4.	Consent Agenda N/A	
5.	Committee Reports 5.1 - Undergraduate Committee Final Report 5.2 - Policy and Planning Committee Final Report 5.3 - Quality Assurance Committee Final Report 5.4 - Senate Research Committee Final Report 5.5 - Teaching and Learning Committee Final Report	All committee reports received and catalogued – thank you.
6.	Other Business 6.1 - Motion: to approve the May 2026 graduand list. 6.2 - Motion: to approve the Online Learning Policy and attached Framework.	6.1 moved by R. MacDonald, 2 nd by S. Nagler, passes. 6.2 moved by M. Bovey, 2 nd by J.

	6.3 - Motion: to approve the Quality Assurance Policy and Framework .	Warwick, notes below with amendment and passes. 6.3 moved by S. Nagler, 2 nd by M. Bovey, note below and passes.
7.	Reports 7.1 - Chair of Senate 7.2 - President 7.3 - VP Academic (Research) and Provost 7.4 - Dean, Academic 7.5 - Dean, Student Affairs and University Registrar 7.6 - SUNSCAD 7.7 - Board of Governors	Notes below.
	In Camera Session 8.1 - motion to go in camera (requires unanimous consent) 8.2 - motion to go out of camera 8.3 - motions from in camera discussion	N/A
9.	9.1 – Motion: to adjourn the meeting. Next meeting date: Fall 2026	9.1 moved by

6.2 - S. Fisher asked about this policy's relation to the University Closure Policy. N. Peach explained this policy does not overwrite or duplicate a separate policy's purpose, but only indicates which policy to reference when necessary.

R. MacDonald proposes an amendment to remove BrightSpace from the policy, in 4.2, 4.3.2, and 4.3.4. Amendment moved by R. MacDonald, 2nd by S. Fisher, passes.

In 2.4, R. MacDonald notes that Curriculum Committee will become responsible for deciding which delivery modes new courses can be run in, e.g. hyflex, online, in-person. This will require adjustments to the New Course and Course Change forms, and potential training for Curriculum Committee members.

6.3 - R. MacDonald questioned 5.9.2., "... supported by faculty", and the intention behind this line. N. Peach explained that this line is meant to indicate the grad students will not be largely left alone in the process, and that they can rely on faculty support for mechanical functions such as room booking or survey distribution, or for advice and drafting help.

7.1 - Thank you to J. Warwick, as this is her last Senate meeting as Dean, Academic. A. Fish will be working closely with all the committee chairs to edit and re-structure the overall Senate

committee structure, and each subcommittees' terms and mandates; please be on the lookout for meeting invites to discuss your relevant committees over the summer and in the upcoming Fall semester.

7.3 - SEM working group continuing with draft plan. The interim Dean, Academic, will be Kim Morgan, beginning June 1st – thank you Jacqueline, everyone at NSCAD will miss you. With convocation tomorrow, thank you everyone for their hard work.

7.4 - Summer timetable is unfolding well, and as enrolments become more concrete for Fall and Winter, discussions regarding cuts are incoming.

7.5 - Thank you to the OSE team for making convocation tomorrow happen, and to all for RSVP'ing in advance – a few extra faculty seats are available, please email registrar@nscad.ca if you have not filled out the form already. The stage and platform party should arrive no later than 1:15. For those in the audience, please arrive by 1:30. Articulation agreement conversations ongoing with Atlantic colleges, hoping to have further updates soon on collaborating in artistic education endeavors. M. Bovey inquired whether scholarship recipient lists are available, and S. Tracey noted that they tend not to broadcast winners' names, but sharing within the community can be discussed.