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To: Senate Electorate
From: Chabriol Colebatch
Secretary of Senate
Date: March 16, 2020
Re: **2020 Senate Election Update**

The purpose of this memo is to provide you with an update regarding the 2020 Senate Election.

The nomination period for the 2020 Senate Election closed at 4:30 p.m. on March 12, 2020 and resulted in 15 nominations for the available 17 seats.

The number of nominations received within the prescribed time was less than the number to be elected. Faculty Handbook Section 2: 3.4.5(b) provides that where this occurs, those nominated shall be declared elected to Senate by acclamation.

In accordance with FHB II: 3.4.5 (b), the following persons have been acclaimed to Senate serving three-, two-, and one-year terms, as available, consistent with the order in which their nominations were received:

For a Three-Year Term ending the last day of Spring Convocation 2023 (14 positions):

YOON, Jannelle (ESL Services)
PYO, Unyong (Howard) (Business)
McCARTHY, Francine (Math and Science)
BEZANSON, Kate (Social Sciences)
DANE, Drew (Social Sciences)
HAUCK, Nicholas (Humanities)
HUTCHISON, David (Education / Humanities)
CYR, Don (Business)
DUN, Tim (Social Sciences)
NICKEL, Roberto (Humanities)
MITCHELL, Richard (Social Sciences)
CONDILLAC, Rosemary (Social Sciences)
BIDOCHKA, Michael (Math and Science)
RITCHIE, Ian (Applied Health Sciences)

For a Two-Year Term ending the last day of Spring Convocation 2022 (1 position):

RIBARIC, Tim (Library - Digital Scholarship Lab)

Two seats remain to be filled on Senate. As a result, in accordance with Faculty Handbook Section 2: 3.4.5(c), the election date has been extended and another call for nominations will be issued for the remaining seats. The extended election timeline is as follows:

- March 16 - New call for nominations distributed
- March 23 - New call for nominations closes at 4.30 p.m.
- March 25 - Nominee List and Candidate Statements posted
- March 30 - Electronic Voting begins at 8:30 a.m.
- April 6 - Electronic Voting closes at 4:30 p.m.
- April 7 - Senate Election results reviewed by scrutineers and Secretary of Senate makes a public declaration of the results as the earliest convenient date

The results of the acclamation are available on the Senate website:

<https://brocku.ca/university-secretariat/2020-senate-election/>

When will the election be held?

Electronic voting will begin at **8:30 a.m. on Monday, March 30, 2020** and will close at **4:30 p.m. on Monday, April 6, 2020**. The full election timeline, including the deadline for nomination papers to be received by the University Secretariat, is set out on the Senate website at: <https://brocku.ca/university-secretariat/2020-senate-election/>

How many senators are to be elected and for what term?

Senators (2) are to be elected for the following terms:

- 2 senators to serve a one-year term (until the last day of Spring Convocation, 2021).

The 2 candidates with the most votes shall be elected to a one-year term.

Who is eligible to vote?

In accordance with the *Brock University Act* and the Senate Bylaws set out in the Faculty Handbook, any member of the full-time teaching staff and any professional librarian is eligible to vote in the Senate election, whether or not they are on leave at the time of election. The definition of full-time teaching staff includes all teaching faculty members: tenure-track, probationary, limited term, Department Chairs, Associate Deans, research associates and assistants and post-doctoral appointees, as well as any employee engaged full time in the work of teaching or research.

As required by the election procedures set out in the Faculty Handbook, I am distributing with this memo a list of the Senate electorate (as defined by FHB II: 3.3). The list was received from Human Resources in accordance with current job descriptions on file and compiled with the guidance of the Senate Election Sub-Committee in accordance with the recently approved Senate Electorate Guidelines.

Who is eligible to serve on Senate?

Any member of the full-time teaching staff and any professional librarian is eligible to serve on Senate provided they are not on a leave of 3 months or longer during the academic year. Senate meets regularly from September to May, normally on a Wednesday from 3:00 pm to approximately 5:00 pm.

How do you submit a nomination?

Nominations are now open, and the nomination form is attached. The nomination form is also available on the [Office of the University Secretariat website](#).

Nomination forms must be signed (electronic signatures accepted) by the nominee and at least four persons eligible to vote in the election and will be accepted by the Secretary of Senate in the Office of the University Secretariat up until 4:30 p.m. on Monday, March 23, 2020. You may return the nomination by email to universitysecretary@brocku.ca.

All nominations must indicate that the person nominated is willing to stand for election for service on Senate and Senate Committees.

Candidates have the option of submitting a candidate statement of a maximum of 200 words with no links. Candidate statements must be sent by email to universitysecretary@brocku.ca, Secretary of Senate, no later than 4:30 p.m. on Monday, March 23, 2020. Please note that the wording of a candidate statement will be posted on the Senate election website as received.

How do you vote?

Electronic voting will begin at 8:30 a.m. on Monday, March 30, 2020. All eligible voters will receive an email communication to their Brock email account with a link to a secure electronic ballot. Each voter may vote for as many candidates as there are vacant seats.

Electronic voting will close at 4:30 p.m. on Monday, April 6, 2020. Ballots will not be accepted after this deadline.

For further information about the Senate election, please contact universitysecretary@brocku.ca or visit <https://brocku.ca/university-secretariat/2020-senate-election/>