



Senate After Meeting Report

Date: April 9, 2026

From: University Secretary, Gina Kennedy

Subject: After Meeting Report – June 2026 – Senate

NOSM University respectfully acknowledges that the entirety of the University's wider campus of Northern Ontario is on the homelands of First Nations and Métis Peoples. The University buildings in Thunder Bay and Sudbury are located on the territory of the Anishinabek Nation, specifically Atikameksheng and Wahnapiatae First Nations and Fort William First Nation.

The report summarizes the important work of our highest academic governing body following each meeting. This aims to highlight key decisions and reporting within our Senate. For a more in-depth look at the Open Senate Meetings, please refer to [Meeting Dates and Agendas](#) or the [Senate Portal](#). Previous Minutes are located in the Senate Portal – [Previous Minutes](#) [NOSMU access is required]

The Senate membership can be found online see link to [Membership](#).

Speaker – Dr. David MacLean

Regular Agenda

***Noted Amendments at Meeting, for specific comments or amendments, or final versions of the documentation, please liaise with the submitting Portfolio or Unit or the [University Secretary](#).*

Senate Business – Action Items

The Senate approved the following:

- Immunization Policy (Senator Larivière/Senator Cain) - **Approved as presented**
- Non-Academic Learner Code of Conduct & Procedure (Senator Cain) - **Approved as presented**
- Arcand Centre Renewal - **Approved as presented**

Senate Business – First Reading

Items below are for first reading, with the second reading and approval at a future meeting. Please provide any comments and feedback to the appropriate Senator by the dates indicated to collate any changes for the next version. If you would like to present any item at your respective committee or unit, please contact the Presenter identified below. [Visit the 2025/2026 Senate Policies - Feedback and Engagement](#)

- Senate Executive Committee Terms of Reference – **Feedback by June 30, 2026. Email any comments to governance@nosm.ca**
- AQAC Terms of Reference **Feedback by July 31, 2026. Email any comments to provost@nosm.ca**

- Faculty Appointment and Reappointment Policy **Feedback by July 2, 2026. Email any comments to aarella@nosm.ca**

Senate Business – Second Reading

- No items.

Senate Business – Committee Highlight

Academic Indigenous Health Education Committee – Senator LeBlanc’s presentation offered a relational narrative tracing the evolution from the Indigenous Reference Group to the Academic Indigenous Health Education Committee, grounding this journey in shared purpose, respect, and relationship-building. The story unfolded in a holistic way honouring past wisdom, recognizing the present moment of transition, and pointing toward a future rooted in Indigenous-led guidance and accountability. It emphasized that this work is not linear, but cyclical and living, shaped by our Elders, community voices, trust, and ongoing learning. There is a strong sense of momentum and collective responsibility, with anticipation for continued growth, deepening partnerships, and meaningful change.

Rural Generalist Pathway (RGP) Presentation with Senator Erin Cameron and guest Dr. Sarah Newbery. The RGP-U pathway presentation was exceptionally well received, offering a compelling and evidence-informed overview of the program’s evolution, impact, and future potential. It clearly demonstrated how a values-driven, community-embedded approach to medical education is strengthening the rural physician workforce pipeline in Northern Ontario. The presenters effectively connected strategic vision with measurable outcomes, highlighting both learner success and persistent workforce gaps. Overall, it was an engaging, presentation that generated strong confidence in the pathway’s importance and continued growth.

The presentation is linked and in the meeting folder. More information can be found on the webpage [Physician Workforce Strategy](#). Additionally, mentioned is the Graduate Practice Location Infographics are available on the DSO site: <https://nosm.sharepoint.com/sites/dso/general/SitePages/Graduate-Practice-Locations.aspx>

Senate Business – Information / Discussion Items

Report of the President (President Green)

- [Presidents Report February - May 2026](#)
- [Northern Routes - Rooted in the North](#)
- [Inaugural NOSM University Honorary Degrees](#)
- [May 13, 2026 - Board of Governors After Meeting Report](#)

[Report of the Vice President, Academic and Provost](#) (Senator Larivière)

- Highlighting the additional [Supplement to the Report](#) uploaded to the folder [Report of the Vice President Clinical Partnerships and Hospital Relations](#) (Senator Prowse)
[Report of the Vice President Research and Graduate Studies](#) (Senator Marsh)

- Annual Research Report ([English](#) / [French](#))
- [Dr. Gilles Arcand Centre Annual Report \(2025\)](#)
- [PAHO WHO Designation](#)

Consent Agenda

Items for Approval/Information * *Changes or edits made.*

Duly Moved and Seconded the Consent agenda was approved as presented*.

The Senate received the following for approval and for information as noted below:

Minutes – Previous Minutes from the [April 2026 Meeting](#)

- [Graduands Motion](#) – May 7, 2026 Carried
- [Senate Schedule and After Meeting Reports](#)

[Academic Calendar 2026-2027](#)

[Academic Fee Schedule](#)

[Senate Membership Recommendations, Report and 2026-2027 Slate of Senators](#)

Senate Standing, Business or Working Committees

[Academic Francophone Health Education Committee/Comité universitaire de formation sur la santé des francophones](#)

[Academic Indigenous Health Education Committee \(Senator Michael/ Senator LeBlanc\)](#)

[Academic Quality Assurance Committee \(Senator Larivière\)](#)

[Honorary Degrees Committee \(Senator Larivière\) \(Ad hoc\)](#)

[Senate Appeal Committee \(Senator Wallenius\)](#)

[Senate Executive Committee \(Senator Larivière\)](#)

Program Committee and Portfolio Reports

[Admissions and Learner Recruitment \(Senator Miron\)](#)

[Continuing Professional Development \(Senator Baron\)](#)

Faculty Affairs (Senator Zelek and Senator MacLean)

- [Clinical Sciences](#)
- [Human Sciences & Medical Sciences](#)

[Postgraduate Medical Education \(Senator Anderson\)](#)

[Registrar \(Senator Cain\)](#)

[Undergraduate Medical Education \(Senator Toner\)](#)

Meeting Schedule – [Meeting Schedule Online](#)

Next Regular Meeting date: October 8, 2026

Questions regarding this report can be directed to governance@nosm.ca

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