1. Approval of the Agenda
   • Approved as submitted.

2. Approval of the Minutes of February 5, 2020
   • Approved as submitted.

3. Business Arising from the Minutes of February 5, 2020
   Items forwarded to Senate (March 2, 2020):
   • SCUP 20-06 Full Program Proposal for the Professional Kinesiology Certificate
   • SCUP 20-07 External Review Mid-Cycle Report for the School for International Studies (For Information)
   • SCUP 20-08 External Review Mid-Cycle Report for the Department of Linguistics (For Information)

Closed Session

4. Budget Information Session
   Guests: A. Blair, J. Kennedy, M. Pochurko

M. Pochurko and J. Driver presented the Budget per supporting documents
The budget was prepared and considered “status quo”. However it was noted that the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on the current economic situation is not known at this time but will be closely monitored.

A committee member asked about data regarding the breakdown of faculty by sessional/lecturer vs. tenure track professors and another committee member further asked about the cost of each faculty type teaching a course per FTE and per unit. J. Driver stated that IRP has additional information on faculty type. Z. Naqvi asked committee members to contact her via email with their specific data requests.

A committee member noted that the budget does a good job addressing student affordability as a comprehensive problem that goes beyond tuition fees. Discussion of student affordability initiatives ensued.

In response to a question regarding maintaining international student enrolment numbers J. Driver stated that while the expectation is SFU will continue to meet enrolment targets we may see a slight increase in Summer 2020 enrolment as international students choose not to return to their country of origin due to
COVID-a9 travel restrictions and health concerns. It was also noted, that depending on the span of this pandemic SFU and other Canadian universities may not be able to send recruiters internationally and thus may see lower international enrolment in the 2020/2021 academic year.

5. **Naming Consultation for a Professorship**  
   **Guest: D. Vuchinich**

A committee member asked why the Professorship Title uses the initials of one individual and the full name of the other. D. Vuchinich commented that this was in line with the academic authorship of each individual and is donor preference. This item was received by SCUP for information and will be forwarded to Senate for information. SCUP was consulted on the naming of the Dr. A.H. Somjee and Dr. Geeta Somjee Professorship in Indian Political Development. This proposal will be forwarded to Senate for consultation on the proposed name.

**Open Session**

6. **Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences: Establishment of the SFU Africa Research Centre**  
   **Guest: S. Erikson**

A committee member commented that the African Studies Working Group did a good job in putting together the proposal. No questions were asked.

Motion:

“That SCUP approve and recommend to Senate the establishment of the SFU Africa Research Centre as a research centre for a five-year term."

Moved: P. Tingling  
Seconded: L. Shapiro

The question was called and the motion **Carried**

7. **External Reviews for 2020-2021**  
   **Guest: S. Erikson**

J. Driver outlined the change to the external review process, which aims to align external reviews with current accreditation processes for units that are accredited by external bodies. This change in process may delay some units’ external reviews that were scheduled for the next year or two. This item was received by SCUP for information and will be forwarded to Senate for information.