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**TO:**

Senate

**FROM**

Joy Johnson

Chair – Senate Committee on Agenda and Rules (SCAR)

**DATE:**

May 9, 2025

**SUBJECT:**

Membership Changes to Senate Committee on International Activities

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**Motion:**

That Senate approve membership changes to the Senate Committee on International Activities (SCIA).

**MEMORANDUM****TO:** Senate Committee on Agenda and Rules**FROM:** Jen Jackson, Director Operations & Administration, SFUI & SCIA Secretary**DATE:** May 1, 2025**RE: Revisions to Senate Committee on International Activities (SCIA) Standing Committee****Rationale for Committee Membership Changes**

The proposed changes to the composition of SCIA reflect recent organizational and structural realignments within the university's senior leadership and administrative functions.

**Chair Appointment:**

The role of Chair has been reassigned from the Vice-President, Research and International to the Provost and Vice-President, Academic, to align with SFU International's portfolio shift from VPRI to Provost and VPA.

**Vice-Chair Appointment and Title Update:**

The former Chair, previously titled Vice-President, Research and International, will now serve as Vice-Chair under the revised title Vice-President, Research and Innovation. This reflects an institutional renaming of the VPRI portfolio.

**Replacement of Associate Vice-President, Students and International:**

The position of Associate Vice-President, Students and International has been replaced with the newly established role of Executive Lead, International Strategy. This change represents a strategic shift in the university's internationalization efforts, focusing on a more targeted and coordinated international strategy.

**Replacement of Executive Director, SFU International:**

The Executive Director, SFU International has been succeeded by the Senior Director, SFU International, to reflect internal restructuring and a revised leadership hierarchy.

These updates ensure that committee membership accurately reflects the current leadership structure and supports the university's strategic objectives.

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| <b>Vice-President, Research and International<br/>Provost and Vice-President Academic (or designate)</b>                               | Chair, Ex-officio      | <b>Rummana Khan Hemani<br/>Vinita Gengatharan</b> |
| <b>Vice-President, Academic (or designate)<br/>Vice-President, Research and Innovation (or designate)</b>                              | Vice-Chair, Ex-officio | -   |
| <b>Associate Vice-President, Students &amp; International (or designate)<br/>Executive Lead, International Strategy (or designate)</b> | Ex-officio             | <b>Carolyn Hanna<br/>Carol Zachs</b>              |
| <b>Executive Director, SFU International<br/>Senior Director, SFU International (or designate)</b>                                     | Ex-officio             | <b>Carol Zachs<br/>Carolyn Hanna</b>              |