



SENATE POLICY COMMITTEE ON SCHOLARSHIPS, AWARDS AND BURSARIES

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a. Black Student Scholarship Support – Follow up discussion

K. Verkerk began this discussion stating there are a number of moving parts and challenges in trying to move forward with this initiative. One challenge for SPCSAB will be obtaining undergraduate demographical data as we currently don't have a process in place. She added that she has yet to meet with the Provost but has confirmed with C. Dauvergne that if we do create specific undergraduate scholarships for certain student groups, we do align with the President's priorities.

K. Verkerk also added that this will be her last SPCSAB meeting but does plan to come back as a guest to provide updates to the group as she continues to work with Advancement and Alumni Engagement.

Discussion ensued with concerns regarding how the university will be able to obtain the demographic undergraduate student data in order to move ahead with this initiative and if the data should only be obtained for the students receiving the award or if the university should put in place a permanent process to obtain such data for all students.

It was noted that ongoing conversations with a provincial group is in progress to determine what is the best

All agreed further discussion is needed for a future SPCSAB meeting.

b. Graduate Fellowships – Terms of Reference (For discussion)

G. Agnes asked the SPCSAB members for feedback on a general description of a graduate fellowship and if the minimum CGPA was rergreAe