



The reading of oral questions simply to ensure they are heard and recorded is not a valuable use of Senators' time. Senate meetings require the attendance of a great many faculty, administrators, students, staff, and guests, and their time is an important public resource.

**Recommendation**

Members of the Senate Governance and Nominating Committee agreed that the opportunities already available for Senators to ask questions are sufficient, and that the institution of an oral question period would not enhance the functioning of Senate. Members requested that this report be available via a link from the University Secretariat webpage in a location that is easily accessible for those seeking more information on Senate's Question Period.

Respectfully submitted,  
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