

December 1, 2010

Minutes of a meeting of Senate held on the above date at 1:30 p.m. in the Senate Chamber, Room E3-262 Engineering and Information Technology Complex

Members Present

Dr. J. Keselman,
Acting Chair
Prof. S. Alward
Prof. John Anderson
Prof. J. Asadoorian
Ms. C. Bone
Prof. T. Booth
Very Rev. R. Bozyk
Rector D. Bracken
A/Dean D. Buchanan
Ms. N. Chislett
Dean D. Crooks
Dean E. Dawe
Prof. M. Edwards
Dr. B. Elias
Prof. J. Embree
Dr. E. Etcheverry
Dean G. Feltham
Dean H. Frankel
Prof. M. Gabbert
Prof. J. Gilchrist
Ms. S. Gottheil
Mr. N. Grewal
Ms. J. Guise
Dean N. Halden
Prof. J. Hanesiak
Prof. R. Hechter
Dr. J. Hoskins
Dean A. Iacopino
Prof. J. Irvine
Dr. D. Jayas
Dr. A. Katz
Prof. W. Kinsner
Mr. B. Klassen
Ms. H. Laube
Prof. J. Linklater
Dr. J. Mactavish
Ms. K. Marcynuk

Mrs. D. McCallum
Dr. R. McIlwraith
Prof. D. McMillan
Prof. E. Milliken
Prof. J. Owens
Prof. S. Pistorius
Prof. M. Pritchard
Mr. S. Richardson
Ms. J. Rynar
Mr. M. Sadek
Prof. M. Scanlon
Ms. J. Sealey
Mr. H. Secter
Mr. N. Shamanski
Prof. W. Simpson
Dr. D. Smith
Dr. D. Smyth
Prof. H. Soliman
Dr. R. Tate
Dr. K. van Ineveld
Prof. C. Van Winkle
A/Dean L. Vercaigne
Dean J. Watkinson
Dean M. Whitmore
Dean J. Wiens
Prof. K. Wilson-Baptist
Dr. D. Wirtzfeld
Prof. E. Worobec
Dr. K. Wrogemann
Prof. A. Young
Mr. J. Leclerc,
University Secretary
Ms. M. Brolley,
Recording Secretary

Assessors Present

Dr. C. Butterill
Dr. D. Collins
M. G. Csepregi

Ms. A. Ducas
Mr. P. Dueck
Dr. K. Grant
Ms. M. Labine
Prof. K. Matheos
Mr. N. Marnoch
Prof. C. Morrill
Dr. L. Smith

Regrets

Prof. S. Abeysekera
Ms. K. Adams
Prof. Judy Anderson
Dr. D. Barnard
Prof. J. Bartlett
Prof. T. Berry
Prof. M. Brabston
Dr. A. Chiu
Prof. L. Coar
Prof. E. Comack
Prof. K. Coombs
Prof. R. Cossar
Dr. H. Dean
Dean J. Doering
Dr. M. Enns
Prof. M. Freund
Rectrice R. Gagné
Prof. Y. Gong
Prof. P. Hess
Prof. E. Judd
Mr. J. Kearsey
Dr. L. Kirshenbaum
Prof. S. Kouritzin
Dr. A. MacDiarmid
Dean B. Postl
Dean G. Sevenhuysen
Dean R. Sigurdson
Dr. L. Simard
Dean M. Trevan

A/Dean L. Turnbull
Prof. J. van Rees
Dr. M. Vrontakis
Dean L. Wallace

Absent

Mr. M. Ates
Mr. R. Chakraborty
Ms. A. Cipriano
Dr. E. Cowden
Prof. I. Davidson-Hunt
Prof. M. Eskin
Mr. E. Forte
Dr. G. Glavin
Mr. M. Gousseau
Mr. N. Ma
Mr. M. Matychuk
Prof. K. MacKendrick
Mr. J. Myskiw
Prof. K. Plaizier
Prof. D. Polyzois
Dr. I. Ripstein
Dr. J. Ristock
Ms. E. Romeo
Ms. C. Rose
Dr. R. Soni
Dean R. Stern
Mr. B. Weedmark

Also Present

Mr. J. Coates
Ms. S. Coyston
Mr. J. Danakas
M. S. Dorge
Ms. K. Kipper
Ms. L. Leonhardt
Ms. M. Matthews

The Chair informed Senate that the speaker of the Senate Executive Committee was Professor Mark Gabbert.

I MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED IN CLOSED SESSION

1. **Report of the Senate Committee on Honorary Degrees**

In keeping with past practice, the minutes of this agenda item are not included in the circulated minutes but appear in the original minutes which are available for inspection by members of Senate.

II MATTERS RECOMMENDED FOR CONCURRENCE WITHOUT DEBATE

1. **Report of the Senate Committee on Curriculum and Course Changes [dated November 10, 2010]** Page 3
2. **Report of the Executive Committee of the Faculty of Graduate Studies on Course and Curriculum Changes [dated September 29, 2010] RE: Faculty of Kinesiology and Recreation Management, and Departments of Economics, Physiology and Curriculum, Teaching & Learning** Page 95
3. **Report of the Executive Committee of the Faculty of Graduate Studies on Course and Curriculum Changes [dated October 25, 2010] RE: Faculty of Graduate Studies and the Departments of Microbiology, Environment & Geography** Page 98
4. **Report of the Executive Committee of the Faculty of Graduate Studies on Course and Curriculum Changes [dated October 25, 2010] RE: Deletion of Courses not Offered in the Last Five Years** Page 101

Professor Gabbert MOVED, on behalf of the Senate Executive Committee, THAT Senate approve the four items in the Concurrence Without Debate category.

CARRIED

III MATTERS FORWARDED FOR INFORMATION

1. **Report of the Senate Committee on Awards** Page 10
2. **In Memoriam: Dr. Robert J. (Bob) Parker** Page 113

Professor Pritchard spoke of Dr. Parker's quick wit and sense of humour noting that Dr. Parker's thick Scottish accent made his jokes that much more entertaining. Professor Pritchard noted Dr. Parker's commitment to students which he showed by his mentorship, his teaching of problem solving skills and the time he committed to students, regularly meeting with graduate students for 1-2 hours every week to mentor and encourage them to push the boundaries of science. Professor Pritchard indicated that, in

the mid 1990s when the faculty was shifting to eliminate departmental boundaries, Dr. Parker was instrumental in the development of the new undergraduate curriculum which focused on learning outcomes. Dr. Parker was known for his consideration of the human element in his roles in teaching, mentorship and administration. He will be sadly missed, but dearly remembered by family, friends and colleagues for his sound advice, sense of humour, his warm laughter and his passion for life.

IV REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT

Professor Morrill asked for further information on the Outstanding Workplace Initiative referred to on page 127 of the agenda. Mrs. McCallum responded that Dr. Stan Amaladas has been appointed for a one year term and will investigate ways for the University to become an employer of choice and to implement an identification program to determine what is working and what is not. Dr. Amaladas will be working with Rosalyn Howard, Learning & Development Services, to develop a framework for the University to be an employer of choice. Mrs. McCallum reported that a committee had been established to steer this initiative. Professor Morrill asked if unions and employee groups would be consulted in this process. Dr. Grant, a member of the steering committee, indicated that the first meeting of the committee was held on November 30th and that there was discussion around various constituencies which will be consulted in the process and indicated that employee groups would be included.

Professor Owens, referring to page 125 of the agenda, expressed confusion over a garbled sentence in the final paragraph and questioned whether the project director referred to would be an in-house hire or from outside. Mrs. McCallum responded that the position will be posted so the successful applicant could be from inside or outside the University.

V QUESTION PERIOD

No questions were received.

VI CONSIDERATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF NOVEMBER 3, 2010

Professor Owens indicated that it was her recollection that Dr. Barnard, in reporting the matter to Senate Executive for further discussion, was alluding to the complexities of decanal jurisdiction, accommodation, and avenues of appeal for faculty but indicated that she felt that this does not quite get reflected in the minutes. Referring to the paragraph just before the motion (page 7 of the minutes), Professor Owens felt that this breadth of the referral was not encompassed. Mr. Leclerc confirmed that Senate Executive would be considering the fullness of the discussion at Senate in this matter. Professor Owens expressed concern that Dr. Barnard's referral to Senate Executive would not encompass the spirit of the discussion but rather that his referral to Senate Executive was for consideration of accommodations rather than the whole discussion. Mr. Leclerc confirmed that the referral to Senate Executive was from Senate not from the President and was in light of the whole discussion. Mr. Leclerc indicated that the motion would be clarified. The Chair noted that the President's comments on the recommendation brought forward by Dean Whitmore was specific to this issue but that

the entire report and all of the matters within the report are being referred back to Senate Executive. Mr. Leclerc confirmed that the issues raised during the Senate discussion were broader than those contained in the report and warranted broader discussion. Professor Owens confirmed that this was her recollection and that she recalled that the President asked that the motion be re-worded in such a way as to include this; she felt that the motion as it stands does not encompass this.

Professor Gabbert, speaking as a Senator rather than in his role as speaker of Senate Executive, said that one of the things that strikes him about this set of minutes is that, while it is more extensive than what he felt that Senate is usually provided, he felt that given the importance of this discussion perhaps the minutes are not quite extensive enough particularly since the motion to refer the report of the committee to Senate to Senate Executive refers to the discussion at Senate. Professor Gabbert noted that mostly the business of Senate is fairly routine and does not require a lot of minute taking, but he felt that there was a good hour of discussion on this matter at the last meeting and that he was not completely convinced that everything Senate needed to have in the minutes is actually in the minutes as they are currently constituted. He asked whether Senate could be sure, for example, that all the speakers who spoke are actually mentioned and that some reference is made to what they said; he thought that it's important for the record to know that this is a matter on which a number of Senators spoke. He asked whether Senate could be sure that all the issues that were raised were actually noted in the minutes, for example, one of the things that he noted had been raised by a couple of speakers was a reference to the University Act that, as far as he could see, did not appear in the minutes. He noted that he knew that there is no commitment and that the rules do not say that verbatim minutes of Senate meetings are required and he said that he would not want to wish that on the Senate Secretary who already has lots to do, but Professor Gabbert indicated that he felt that in situations like this, where he felt that there had been a serious debate about a fundamental matter, it seemed to him that Senate should be given much more extensive minutes and Professor Gabbert suggested that perhaps it would not be inappropriate for the Secretary to take another look at these minutes to be sure that everybody that did speak was noted with some comment about what was said and that issues like the raising of the University Act actually get into the record. Professor Gabbert stated that it is the only record there is, there will be a tape for two years and then whatever is in hard copy or whatever is on the website. Professor Gabbert thought that, under the circumstances and particularly since Senate Executive is depending on this account of things that the Secretary might take another look at the Senate minutes and bring it back next month for approval.

Mr. Leclerc expressed that he was happy to do that but noted that in his eight years of being Secretary of Senate that he has never seen it as his role to record every comment made by every person who speaks at Senate but rather to provide a summary of the discussion. Mr. Leclerc noted that, if points made during the discussion were missed, he would be happy to look at that, but he would rather have the minutes be a record of the decisions and discussion not a record of "he said, she said".

Professor Gabbert added that he wanted to remind Senators that when Senate approved the strategic plan some months ago he felt, that the minutes for that particular meeting were a bit formal and a bit superficial and actually those minutes were redrafted

because of the importance of the matter. He reiterated his thoughts that this matter is particularly important since he felt that Senate Executive was relying on what was done and what was discussed on November 3rd and that he felt that would be worth taking another look at the minutes without suggesting that Senate has to have verbatim minutes.

Mr. Leclerc indicated that was fine and that he wanted to inform Senators what the writers of the minutes were thinking when they drafted the minutes. He confirmed that he would take another look at the minutes bring it back to the January meeting.

The minutes were deferred.

VII BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

**VIII REPORTS OF THE SENATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
AND THE SENATE PLANNING AND PRIORITIES COMMITTEE**

1. **Report of the Senate Executive Committee** Page 131

2. **Report of the Senate
Planning and Priorities Committee**

a) **Site Approvals related to Stadium Development and the
Sport and Active Living Precinct** Page 132

Ms. Ducas MOVED, on behalf of the Committee, THAT Senate approve the report of the Senate Planning and Priorities Committee [dated October 25, 2010] regarding Site Approvals related to Stadium Development and the Sport and Active Living Precinct.

CARRIED

b) Ms. Ducas reported that the Committee was considering proposals from the Asper School of Business and the Collège universitaire de Saint-Boniface.

**IX REPORTS OF OTHER COMMITTEES OF SENATE,
FACULTY AND SCHOOL COUNCILS**

1. **Report of the Senate Committee on Admissions RE:
Respiratory Therapy Program, School of Medical Rehabilitation** Page 134

Ms. Gottheil reported that substantial changes are proposed which result from significant changes in the curriculum. She noted that, at 16 seats, this is a small program and further noted that there is currently a shortage of trained therapists in Manitoba. Ms. Gottheil indicated that the proposed changes would contribute to student success in the program and also would not limit the recruitment market.

Ms. Gottheil MOVED, on behalf of the Committee, THAT Senate approve the Report of the Senate Committee on Admissions regarding the Respiratory Therapy Program.

CARRIED

2. Reports of the Senate Committee on Instruction and Evaluation

a) Faculty of Engineering RE: New Regulation to Limit Time in the Preliminary Engineering Program Page 137

Dr. Grant reported that the Faculty has proposed a time limit of two years (three years for Access students) to remain in the Preliminary Engineering Program. It is proposed that students who have not moved into an Engineering department at that time will be asked to withdraw from the faculty. Students required to withdraw from Engineering would most likely move to the Faculty of Science to continue their studies.

Dr. Grant MOVED, on behalf of the Committee, THAT Senate approve the Report of the Senate Committee on Instruction and Evaluation regarding the Time Limit in the Preliminary Engineering Program.

CARRIED

b) Faculty of Pharmacy RE: Dean's Honour List Page 138

Dr. Grant reported that currently fourth year pharmacy students are not eligible for the Dean's Honour List due to the distribution of credit hours in the fourth year program. This proposal will allow student recognition for exemplary performance.

Dr. Grant MOVED, on behalf of the Committee, THAT Senate approve the Report of the Senate Committee on Instruction and Evaluation regarding the Dean's Honour List, Faculty of Pharmacy.

CARRIED

c) Faculty of Arts RE: Dean's Honour List and Degree with Distinction, B.A. Integrated Studies Program Page 139

Dr. Grant reminded Senate of the recent approval and implementation of the B.A. Integrated Studies Program and noted that this proposal would allow for the recognition of these students on the Dean's Honour List and with a 'degree with distinction' designation.

Dr. Grant MOVED, on behalf of the Committee, THAT Senate approve the Report of the Senate Committee on Instruction and Evaluation regarding the Dean's Honour List and Degree with Distinction, B.A. Integrated Studies Program.

CARRIED

3. **Correspondence from Vice-President (Research)** Page 140
RE: Proposal to Establish a Professorship in
in Neurobiology Research

Dr. Jayas reported that this proposal is recommended by the Provost and the Senate Committee on University Research. He noted that the professorship would be funded by a \$1 million in the Faculty of Medicine and that the proposal follows the policy on Chairs and Professorships.

Dr. Jayas MOVED, seconded by Dean Wiens, THAT Senate approve and recommend the Board of Governors approve the Establishment of a Professorship in Neurobiology Research.

CARRIED

4. **Correspondence from Vice-President (Research)** Page 146
RE: Periodic Review of Research Centres and Institutes
Manitoba Centre for Hellenic Civilization

Dr. Jayas reported that the Manitoba Centre for Hellenic Civilization was scheduled for review by the Senate Committee on University Research. The Committee received a recommendation from the Centre's Director, Professor Rory Egan, that the Centre not be continued due to limited funding. Professor Owens, referred to the letter of September 14, 2010, from Professor Egan asked whether there was any information on why funding support has been removed. Dr. Jayas responded that this information had not been presented at SCUR.

Dr. Jayas MOVED, on behalf of the Senate Committee on University Research, THAT Senate approve the recommendation that the Manitoba Centre for Hellenic Civilization cease operations as a Research Centre effective immediately.

CARRIED

5. **Report of the Senate Committee on the Calendar** Page 149
RE: Final Print Version of the Calendar

Mr. Leclerc reported that a year ago, Senate had approved the online version of the General Calendar to be effective one year from now. He reported that the new software management system for the calendar is ahead of schedule and requested that Senate move the date for the online calendar up one year to 2011-2012.

Mr. Leclerc MOVED, on behalf of the Committee, THAT Senate approve the Report of the Senate Committee on the Calendar recommending an online only version of the calendar commencing the 2011-2012 academic session; and that the web Calendar remain concrete from July 1 – March 31 every year as the 'official version' and remain flexible for the period April 1 – June 30 as 'subject to change without notice'.

CARRIED

6. **Course Changes in Excess of 9 Credit Hours RE: Clayton H. Riddell Faculty of Environment, Earth and Resources**

a) **Report of the Senate Committee on Curriculum and Course Changes**

Page 150

Dean Frankel noted that the Committee had met five times this fall and most of the items were reported in the report earlier in the agenda. He indicated that this report deals with a large number of course deletions.

b) **Report of the Senate Planning and Priorities Committee**

Page 155

Ms. Ada Ducas noted that the faculty had conducted extensive consultation at departmental and faculty levels and that the Committee commended the faculty on their efforts to streamline course offerings.

Dean Halden indicated that when the faculty was created, one of the things it was charged with was to investigate synergies and take care of issues which might be regarded as duplication. Dean Halden noted with the CRC, the recognition of a strong research synergy, he also reported that there are many new and exciting outreach collaborations underway. A couple of years ago, Dean Halden indicated he had approached departments to ensure that the faculty was not teaching what they were not doing research in, and not doing research where they were not teaching and so a discussion on curriculum occurred. Dean Halden reported that this review not only tidied up course offerings but strove to take advantage of opportunities where there is potential for the future noting that this is likely just the first of a several ongoing collaborative views of where the faculty is going.

Dean Frankel MOVED on behalf of the Committee that Senate approve the course changes from the Clayton H. Riddell Faculty of the Environment, Earth and Resources as recommended by the Senate Committee on Curriculum and Course Changes and the Senate Planning and Priorities.

CARRIED

X **ADDITIONAL BUSINESS** - none

XI **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 2:15 p.m.

These minutes, pages 1 to 8 combined with the agenda, pages 1 to 156, comprise the minutes of the meeting of Senate held on December 1, 2010.