

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. D. Barnard, Chair
Prof. S. Abeyssekera
Prof. S. Alward
Prof. John Anderson
Prof. Judy Anderson
Prof. J. Bartlett
Ms. C. Bone
Prof. T. Booth
Very Rev. R. Bozyk
Rev. D. Bracken
Ms. N. Chislett
Dr. A. Chiu
Prof. L. Coar
Ms. J. Coates
Prof. E. Comack
Prof. R. Cossar
Dr. E. Cowden
Dean D. Crooks
Dean E. Dawe
Dr. H. Dean
Dean J. Doering
Prof. M. Edwards
Dr. B. Elias
Prof. J. Embree
Dr. M. Enns
Prof. M. Eskin
Dr. E. Etcheverry
Dean G. Feltham
A/Dean T. Feltham
Mr. E. Forte
Dean H. Frankel
Prof. M. Freund
Prof. M. Gabbert
Prof. J. Gilchrist
Prof. Y. Gong
Ms. S. Gottheil
Mr. N. Grewal
Ms. J. Guise
Dean N. Halden
Prof. J. Hanesiak

Dr. J. Hoskins
Dean A. Iacopino
Prof. E. Judd
Dr. A. Katz
Dr. J. Keselman
Prof. W. Kinsner
Prof. S. Kouritzin
Ms. H. Laube
Prof. J. Linklater
Ms. K. Marcynuk
Mrs. D. McCallum
Dr. R. McIlwraith
Prof. D. McMillan
Prof. E. Milliken
Mr. J. Myskiw
Prof. J. Owens
Prof. S. Pistorius
Prof. K. Plaizier
Prof. D. Polyzois
Prof. M. Pritchard
Mr. S. Richardson
Ms. C. Rose
Ms. J. Rynar
Prof. M. Scanlon
Ms. J. Sealey
Mr. N. Shamanski
Dean R. Sigurdson
Dr. L. Simard
Prof. W. Simpson
Prof. H. Soliman
Dean R. Stern
Dr. R. Tate
Dr. K. van Ineveld
Prof. J. van Rees
Dr. M. Vrontakis
Dean L. Wallace
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

Mr. M. Ates
Prof. J. Blatz
Dr. C. Butterill
Dr. D. Collins
M. G. Csepregi
Mr. P. Dueck
Mr. N. Marnoch
Prof. K. Matheos
Prof. C. Morrill
Dr. J. Ristock
Dr. L. Smith

Regrets

Ms. K. Adams
Prof. J. Asadoorian
Prof. T. Berry
Prof. M. Brabston
Dean D. Buchanan
Prof. K. Coombs
Rectrice R. Gagné
Dr. K. Grant
Prof. R. Hechter
Dr. D. Jayas
Mr. J. Kearsey
Ms. M. Labine
Dr. J. Mactavish
Dr. A. MacDiarmid
Mr. H. Sector
Dr. D. Smith
Dr. D. Smyth
Dean M. Trevan
Prof. C. Van Winkle

A/Dean L. Vercaigne

Absent

Mr. R. Chakraborty
Ms. A. Cipriano
Prof. I. Davidson-Hunt
Prof. J. Irvine
Dr. G. Glavin
Mr. M. Gousseau
Prof. P. Hess
Dr. L. Kirshenbaum
Mr. N. Ma
Mr. M. Matychuk
Dean B. Postl
Dr. I. Ripstein
Ms. E. Romeo
Mr. M. Sadek
Dr. R. Soni
A/Dean L. Turnbull
Mr. B. Weedmark

Also Present

Mr. J. Adams
Mr. J. Danakas
Ms. M. Elliott
Mr. F. Fandard
Ms. S. Foster
Ms. P. Laurin
Mr. B. Klassen
Ms. K. Kipper
Ms. L. Leonhardt
Ms. M. Mays-Wiebe
Ms. J. McConnell
Mr. M. McDermid
Ms. I. Reece Tougas

The Chair informed Senate that the speaker of the Senate Executive Committee was Dr. Emily Etcheverry.

PRESENTATIONS

Dean Jay Doering co-Chair of the 2010 United Way Campaign introduced Louise Simbandumwe, Director of Asset Building Programs at SEED Winnipeg. Dean Doering noted that Ms. Simbandumwe has a Bachelor of Commerce degree from the University of Saskatchewan and has completed a Masters in Comparative Social Research at Oxford University. Ms. Simbandumwe's volunteer commitments have included Amnesty International, the Winnipeg Poverty Reduction Council, the Manitoba Cooperative Promotion Board, the Manitoba Cooperative Association, Empowering Women of Burma, and the Connection Communities Coalition.

Ms. Simbandumwe expressed her thanks to members of the University community for their support of United Way. She noted that she was fortunate to work for SEED Winnipeg (Supporting Employment and Economic Development), an organization that is about creating opportunities whose focus is on Winnipeg's inner city. Ms. Simbandumwe related a story about a bus ride one day wherein a young Aboriginal boy was smiling and running up and down the bus and how this put smiles on the faces of the bus riders that day, including her own. And then she started to feel sad after a while regarding his future, will he finish school she wondered, will he enter gang life, what are his chances, will he reach his full potential? She felt that his chances could be dictated by his circumstances and compared it to herself as a refugee in Kenya.

Ms. Simbandumwe noted that the United Way is a network of agencies concerned with changing the opportunities for children and their parents. She spoke about working with microenterprises to help start small businesses and asset building programs which match participants' savings for expenditures such as education in order to build resilience. She told the story of a phone call she had received yesterday from a woman who had received matching funds from this program. This woman had used this money towards tuition and had called to tell Ms. Simbandumwe that she would be graduating this month with her Bachelor of Social Work degree. Ms. Simbandumwe concluded that programs of this type cannot be done without the support received from the University community.

The Chair thanked Ms. Simbandumwe for her comments and reiterated the sense of engagement and pleasure that goes with giving to a good cause. He noted that last year the federal government beat out the University for the largest number of leadership givers (gifts of \$1200 or more per year) and encouraged Senators to reassert the University's leadership in this category this year.

AGENDA

I CANDIDATES FOR DEGREES, DIPLOMAS AND CERTIFICATES - OCTOBER 2010

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A copy of the list of graduands was available at the Senate meeting for examination by members of Senate.

Dr. Etcheverry **MOVED**, on behalf of the Senate Executive Committee, that the list of graduands provided to the University Secretary by the Registrar be approved, subject to the right of Deans and Directors to initiate late changes with the Registrar up to October 8, 2010.

CARRIED

**II REPORT ON MEDALS AND PRIZES
TO BE AWARDED AT THE OCTOBER CONVOCATION**

This report was available at the front table in the Senate Chamber for examination by members of Senate.

Dr. Etcheverry **MOVED**, on behalf of the Senate Executive Committee **THAT**: the report on medals and prizes provided to the University Secretary be approved by Senate.

CARRIED

III MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED IN CLOSED SESSION - none

IV MATTERS RECOMMENDED FOR CONCURRENCE WITHOUT DEBATE - none

V MATTERS FORWARDED FOR INFORMATION

1. Report of the Senate Committee on Awards [dated August 25, 2010] Page 4

VI REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT Page 13

The President that the recent homecoming events created a rich and full experience as so many groups came back to the University. He noted that it was very uplifting to meet with those alumni who had enjoyed their time here. It was impressed on him through this event the impact that faculty members have made on their students as alumni spoke fondly of professors from many years ago.

The President also reported on a lunch reception that day with *Academic All Canadians*, a group of students involved in varsity sports who maintain a GPA of 3.5 or more. He further noted that 24% of the student athletes maintain such a GPA. He further noted that there would be a dinner event that evening to recognize entrance scholarship winners, another important group of students.

The President reported on a recent joint retreat with the Provost's Council and the Executive Team. They had two very productive days and developments would be coming forward in the future related to these discussions.

VII QUESTION PERIOD

No questions were received prior to 10:00 a.m. of the day preceding the meeting.

**VIII CONSIDERATION OF THE MINUTES
OF THE MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 8, 2010**

Dean Doering **MOVED**, seconded by Professor Judy Anderson, **THAT** the minutes of the Senate meeting held on September 8, 2010 be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

IX BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

The Chair reminded Senate that a question had come forward at the last meeting about the Dean of Graduate Studies' jurisdiction to waive academic requirements. He had hoped for a report from the Senate Committee on Rules and Procedures (SCRIP) for this meeting; however, he reported that SCRIP had met on this matter and that a report would be submitted for the November meeting of Senate.

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

1. Report of the Senate Executive Committee Page 27

Dr. Etcheverry **MOVED** on behalf of the Senate Executive Committee: **THAT** the following nominations to the Senate Committee on Nominations be approved by Senate for terms ending on October 14, 2011:

Ms. Kaitlynn Porath (Arts) and Mr. Andrew McGregor (Science)

CARRIED

2. Report of the Senate
Planning and Priorities Committee

- a) Program Proposal Budget Form Page 28

Professor Blatz reported that this form was developed for proponents of new programs to identify the real cost of programs. He noted that this form could be used going forward for consistency with the realization the form will be modified over time as the committee works with it.

Professor Blatz MOVED, on behalf of the Senate Planning and Priorities Committee, **THAT** Senate approve the Report of the Senate Planning and Priorities Committee on the introduction of a Program Proposal Budget Form [dated August 30, 2010].

CARRIED

- b) Professor Blatz noted that a new Chair would be elected at the next SPPC meeting and a report would be forthcoming at that point.

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

1. **Reports of the Senate Committee on Admissions**

a) **Blended Entry for applicants from high school and University 1** Page 30

Ms. Gottheil reported that the review of University 1 led to several recommendations, one of which was to extend to all Faculties the possibility of blended entry. In response to this, the Senate Committee on Admissions (SCADM) developed a template based on the current Faculty of Engineering format for the fifteen faculties who might consider the option for blended entry.

Professor Judy Anderson asked how much flexibility there would be for faculties to change some of the details within the template. Ms. Gottheil responded that page 32, item 8, of the agenda, indicated that if a faculty proposed an admission format that complied with the template, the item could be taken to SCADM and Senate as informational items. If the faculty's proposal deviates from the template, for instance in regard to required admission average, the proposal would be submitted with rationale for the consideration and approval of SCADM and Senate.

On the question of where a student admitted as direct entry would fit, Ms. Gottheil confirmed that the student would be considered a student of the admitting faculty, i.e. not a University 1 student.

Professor Anderson also asked what the anticipated changes would be regarding the faculty units engaged in advising services. Would there be resources provided to the direct entry students by the University 1 office? Would the students be able to access other University 1 resources? Ms. Gottheil responded that it was her intention to pull together a working group on academic advising in the near future. This group would discuss appropriate structures with a view to enhancing academic advising. She further indicated that there would be an increased focus on training, communication and the vision of academic advising. Ms. Gottheil indicated the need to engage in discussion on this matter and noted that students transitioning into year one have specific needs which must be addressed regardless of which faculty they enter.

Professor Anderson asked whether, in the context of ROSE and OARs, this working group would liaise with SPPC and the budget advisory process on any anticipated changes to academic advising. Ms. Gottheil confirmed that the work of the group would include recommendations regarding resources.

Ms. Gottheil MOVED, on behalf of the Committee, THAT Senate approve the Report of the Senate Committee on Admissions regarding the establishment of a blended entry system of admission [dated September 3, 2010].

CARRIED

- b) **Proposal from the Asper School of Business to Establish a Blended Entry System of Admission from high school and University 1 applicants to the Bachelor of Commerce (Honours)** Page 37

Ms. Gottheil noted that, having passed the previous motion, this proposal is the first from a faculty regarding blended entry which follows the template approved.

Ms. Gottheil MOVED, on behalf of the Committee, THAT Senate approve the Report of the Senate Committee on Admissions regarding the proposal from the Asper School of Business on a blended entry system [dated September 3, 2010].

CARRIED

2. Proposal for a M.Sc. and Ph.D. in Biomedical Engineering

- a) **Report of the Senate Planning & Priorities Committee** Page 40
- b) **Re-submission of Program Proposal** Page 42

Dean Doering noted that this proposal is five years in the making and is a joint effort of the Faculties of Medicine and Engineering. He further noted that there are similar programs across the country. He applauded the proposal for noting an expected time to completion of 2½ years for the Master's degree and 4½ years for the doctoral program. A steady state enrolment of 100 students is expected and, Dean Doering noted, many of those students are already in place enrolled in more traditional degree programs while studying in the biomedical engineering field.

Professor Blatz spoke to the SPPC report noting that the funds allocated by the Faculties of Medicine and Engineering were closely examined by the committee and that all funding would be provided by existing budget envelopes. He noted that the proposal was withdrawn from Senate earlier due to human resource issues which have been resolved.

Professor Morrill noted that page 66 of the agenda refers to a balance sheet that was not included. Professor Blatz apologized for the oversight and indicated that the balance sheet was present in the Senate agenda of June 23, 2010, when the original proposal was distributed.

Dean Doering MOVED, seconded by Dr. Keselman, THAT Senate approve and recommend to the Board of Governors, the proposal to establish an MSc and PhD in Biomedical Engineering.

CARRIED

3. Report of the Senate Committee on Nominations

Dr. Etcheverry noted that the committee normally reports on student membership on committees at the October Senate meeting. She noted that there are a number of TBA's present on the list distributed to Senate that still require nominations and hoped that

students will work hard to bring forward a further slate of candidates at the November Senate meeting.

Dr. Etcheverry MOVED, on behalf of the Committee, THAT Senate approve the Report of the Senate Committee on Nominations [dated October 6, 2010].

CARRIED

**4. Report of the Senate Committee on Rules and Procedures Page 87
RE: Distribution of Faculty/School Representation on Senate**

Dean Doering noted that this report had been sent back to the committee after consideration at Senate on May 19, 2010, for further consultation between the committee and the Faculty of Medicine. Dean Doering drew the attention of Senate to two revisions to the report (pages 96 and 98 of the agenda) made to increase the clarity of the proposal. He noted that the revised report comes forward to Senate with the approval of the Dean of Medicine and the Committee. He further noted that these revisions are not an attempt to return to the 1975 levels of representation but rather to ensure a broad representation on Senate from all areas of the University.

Dean Doering MOVED, on behalf of the Committee, THAT Senate approve the Report of the Senate Committee on Rules and Procedures regarding the distribution of Faculty/School representation on Senate [dated September 21, 2010].

CARRIED

XII ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

XIII ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 2:10 p.m.

These minutes, pages 1 to 7 combined with the agenda, pages 1 to 99, and the Report of the Senate Committee on Nominations [dated October 6, 2010], comprise the minutes of the meeting of Senate held on October 6, 2010.

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