

MINUTES OF SENATE

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OFFICE OF THE UNIVERSITY SECRETARY

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Minutes of a meeting of Senate held on the above date at 1:30 p.m. in the Senate Chamber, Room 245 Engineering Building.

Those Present:

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Dr E.J.E. Szathmáry,
Chair
Ms M Alcock
Prof D Amundson
Prof J Anderson
Mr S Bajaj
Mr G Bhatt
Dean R Bird
Ms L Bissett
Dean H Bjarnason
Prof J Boyd
Prof B Bright
Mr N Chadha
Prof D Chow
Prof P Choy
Dean D Collins
Prof J Cooper
Prof G Crow
Dean F de Toro
Dean J de Vries
Mr A Dixon
Prof B Dronzek
Prof H Duckworth
Mr G Dureault
Prof M Feld
Mr D Foster
Prof H Friesen
Dean D Fuchs
Prof M Gabbert
Dean A Gerhard
Prof S Gessler
Prof G Giesbrecht
Prof L Graff
Prof L Grant
Prof L Guse
Ms J Henderson
Dean B Hennen
Dean T Hogan
Warden J Hoskins
Prof T Howorth
Dean D Hrycaiko
Prof L Kaminski
Mr A Kaushal
Mr S Kemp
Dr J Keselman
Prof E Kroeger
Mr J Kuffner
Prof J Long

Prof D Lonis
Mr N Louizos
Mr M McAdam
Dr K Markstrom
Ms Michaud-Oystryk
Ms K Munsamy
Ms P Nicholls
Dr W Norrie
Dean R O'Kell
Dr V Olender
Prof B Payne
Dean A Percival
Ms C Presser
Prof D Punter
Dean D Ruth
Dean A Secco
Dean H Secter
Prof G Sevenhuysen
Prof K Simons
Prof P Singal
Ms R Singh
Prof D Smyth
Prof R Sparling
Prof L Spearman
Rector J Stapleton
Prof M Stern
Prof B Stimpson
Prof D Strong
Prof G Tabisz
Prof A Tate
Prof L Taylor
Prof M Thomas
Prof J van Rees
Prof L Wallace
Prof E Walz
Ms M Welyki
Prof J Williams
Dean D Witty
Mr C Yeung
Prof A Young
Ms M Zirk
Ms B Sawicki,
University Secretary
Mr J Leclerc,
Academic Specialist

Assessors Present:

Prof B Cameron
Prof W Dahlgren

Mr S Gordiyenko
Prof N Halden
Mr J Kusie
Mr R Levin

Regrets:

Prof A Angel
Prof W Christie
Ms E Goldie
Dean J Gray
Dean D Gregory
Prof L Guse
Dean JC Jamieson
Prof A Louka
Dr D R Morphy
Prof C Mossman
Mr B Nurbakhsh
Mr J Raftis
Prof W Rennie
Prof J Svenne
Prof R Wiest
Prof K Wrogemann
Prof P Fortier
Prof W Kops

Absent:

~~Prof M Abrahams~~
Mr D Azuelos
Prof B Blakley
Prof D Bose
Prof J Gartner
Prof A Gole
Ms L Herzog
Prof J Irvine
Prof B Law
Ms A Lawson
Mr P Lomza
Mr S Macleod
Prof G McClarty
Mr V Mattheos
Rector P Ruest
Mr D Smith
Mr J Spark
Ms W Thiessen
Mr K Toyne
Prof R Van Acker
Ms C Vatamaniuck
Prof J Whiteley

Dean J Wiens
Prof P Zahradka
Mr P Dueck
Mr J Fiorino
Dr G Gerbrandt
Prof E Haque
Dr D Jayas
Ms A Jones
Dr R Lobdell
Mr M Niziol
Dr J Raymond
Dr R Théberge

Visitors Present:

Prof E.O. Anderson
Prof J Bond,
Family Studies
Prof R Chernomas
Mr S Greenberg,
Student Records
Ms Lynn Smith,
Student Advocacy
Ms Shelley Sweeney,
Archives/Special
Collections

I **MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED IN CLOSED SESSION** -None

II **MATTERS RECOMMENDED FOR CONCURRENCE WITHOUT DEBATE**

1. Report of the Faculty
Council of Graduate Studies
re New Courses and Course Changes Page 17

This report deals with minor graduate course changes in the following units: Botany, Foods and Nutrition, Animal Science, Education, Economics, Agribusiness and Agricultural Economics, Food Science, French, Spanish and Italian, History, Linguistics and Physiology.

Professor Secco advised Senate that the Executive Committee endorses the report to Senate.

It was **MOVED** by Dean de Toro, seconded by Professor Stern *THAT the new course proposals and course changes approved by the Faculty Council of Graduate Studies on November 8, 2001 be approved by Senate.*

CARRIED

2. Report of the Senate Committee
on Curriculum and Course Changes Page 29

This report deals with curriculum revision in the Faculty of Human Ecology. A curriculum review was initiated in the fall of 1999, with the goal of responding to recent developments, better integrating the Family Studies curriculum with University 1, and anticipating the emerging needs of families. The course changes proposed stem from this curriculum review.

Professor Dronzek noted an addition on page 31 of the agenda under course 062.2CA, "Foundations of Childhood Developmental Health". At the end of the course description, the following notation should be added "Not to be held with 62.209 or 62.330".

Professor Secco advised Senate that the Executive Committee endorses the report to Senate.

It was **MOVED** by Professor Dronzek *THAT Senate approve the report of the Senate Committee on Curriculum and Course Changes dated November 23, 2001. [with the notation "Not to be held with 62.209 or 62.330" added after course 062.2CA]*

CARRIED

3. Report of the Senate Committee on Awards Page 39

At its meeting on November 22, 2001, the Senate Committee on Awards approved five new awards, eight award amendments and one award withdrawal [as set out in Appendix "A" of the report of the Senate Committee on Awards dated November 29, 2001]. These award decisions comply with the published guidelines of November 3, 1999, and are reported to Senate for information and recommended for approval by the Board of Governors.

Professor Stimpson noted that with respect to the Arthur J. Carlson Bursary, Professor Carlson was a Professor in the Department of Civil Engineering as opposed to the Department of Civil and Geological Engineering as noted on page 43 of the agenda.

In addition the Senate Committee on Awards noted that there is one award which does not meet the published guidelines: "Wiciwawin Aboriginal Alumni Emergency Bursary" (page 46), which would provide immediate emergency bursaries to Aboriginal students subject to certain conditions (page 46). This award does not meet the published guidelines because it appears to be discriminatory under policy 419 on "Non-Acceptance of Discriminatory Scholarships, Bursaries or Fellowships". A letter of support has been received from the Aboriginal Student Centre (page 37). No objections were raised by Senate regarding this bursary.

Professor Secco advised that the Senate Executive Committee endorses the report to Senate.

It was MOVED by Dean Dronzek, THAT Senate recommend the Board of Governors approve the Wiciwawin Aboriginal Alumni Emergency Bursary award as set out in Appendix "B" of the report of the Senate Committee on Awards dated November 29, 2001.

CARRIED

III MATTERS FORWARDED FOR INFORMATION

IV REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT

The President reported the passing of Dr. Baldur Stefansson, former professor in the Faculty of Agricultural and Food Sciences. She also paid tribute to his contributions to research, especially the transformation of the inedible rapeseed plant into its edible form, canola.

Dr. Szathmáry noted that budget meetings with Deans and Directors were currently underway and that the formal launch of the Asper School of Business Capital Campaign had recently taken place.

Dr. Keselman advised Senators that Professor George Bowden of the Department of Oral Biology in the Faculty of Dentistry was the recipient of the International Association of Dental Research's Annual Award for Outstanding Research in recognition of his contributions to research in the field of oral microbiology. She noted that he was the first Canadian to ever receive this honour. This was met with a round of applause.

The recent Federal Budget provided sizeable increases to the budgets of the granting councils. The new funds total \$121 million, or an 11% increase overall. (\$75 million to CIHR, \$36.5 million to NSERC and \$9.5 million to SSHRC)

The Budget also included a one-time allocation of defray indirect costs of conducting university research. Funds will be granted through the granting councils. More details on this program are being worked out at the present time.

Before calling on Professor Ogden, the President noted that Dr. Wendy Dahlgren's term as Acting Vice Provost (Academic Affairs) has been extended to June 30, 2002 and that Professor Karen Ogden has been appointed Acting Vice President (Academic) and Provost for a term ending June 30, 2002. Dr. Szathmáry also announced that the Board of Governors has approved the appointment of Dr. Robert Kerr as Vice President (Academic) and Provost effective July 1, 2002. The President summarized Dr. Kerr's academic background and administrative experience for those who may not have seen the notice on e-mail.

Professor Ogden advised that her office is currently putting together an Advisory Committee to facilitate the implementation of the Faculty of the Environment and that the Committee will be chaired by Dr. Wendy Dahlgren.

Professor Ogden also noted that while official figures are not yet available, it would appear that the five percent increase in enrolment from the first term is holding in term two.

V QUESTION PERIOD

VI CONSIDERATION OF THE MINUTES
OF THE MEETING OF DECEMBER 5, 2001

Professor Punter noted that the word "memorium" had still been spelled "memoriam" in the heading despite his suggestion to the contrary at the December meeting of Senate.

It was MOVED by Dr Anderson, seconded by Professor Cooper, *THAT the minutes of the Senate meeting held on December 5, 2001 be approved as amended.*

CARRIED

VII BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES - none

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

1. Report of the Senate Executive Committee Page 48
2. Report of the Senate
Planning and Priorities Committee

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

1. Report of the Senate
Committee on Rules and Procedures
re Senate Committee on Animal Care Page 49

The Senate Committee on Rules and Procedures (SCRП) received a proposal from the Senate Committee on Animal Care to amend its terms of reference by adding the veterinarian at the St. Boniface General Hospital Research Centre as an ex officio member. SCRП is recommending approval of that request.

Professor Secco advised Senate that the Executive Committee endorses the report to Senate.

It was MOVED by Dean Hennen, seconded by Dr. Keselman, THAT Senate amend the terms of reference of the Senate Committee on Animal Care by simply adding the veterinarian from the St. Boniface General Hospital Research Centre to the Committee as a non-voting ex-officio member as set out in the report of the Senate Committee on Rules and Procedures dated November 22, 2001.

CARRIED

2. Report of the Senate
Committee on Instruction and Evaluation Page 50

The Senate Committee on Instruction and Evaluation met on December 10th, 2001 to consider a number of proposals regarding academic regulations from the following units: the Continuing Education Division, the Student Records Office, the Faculty of Engineering, and the Faculty of Nursing.

Professor Secco advised Senate that the Executive Committee endorses the report to Senate.

Several Senators expressed concerns with the changes recommended in recommendation 2 with regard to the discontinuance of posting of grades by departments. Concerns were also expressed about the delay in making final marks available to students either by phone or by the Internet. Another concern raised was how term work would be treated should this recommendation be approved. Various options for making the posting of grades anonymous were also raised.

Concern was also raised with regard to recommendation 4 regarding the Faculty of Nursing and the Academic Probation Policy for the Nursing Summer term.

It was MOVED by Professor Dahlgren *THAT recommendations 1, 3 and 4 of the report of the Senate Committee on Instruction and Evaluation dated December 10, 2001 be approved by Senate and further that recommendation 2 be referred back to the Senate Committee on Instruction and Evaluation for reconsideration.*

CARRIED

X **ADDITIONAL BUSINESS**

1. Joint Senate and Board Review to Determine
the Continuation of a Single University Secretariat Page 56

A Joint Board-Senate Committee reviewed the effectiveness with which the Office of the University Secretary supports the work of the Senate and the Board of Governors. This was a condition of the merger of the former Senate and Board Secretariats. The two members elected by Senate October 3, 2001 were Professor Judy Anderson and Professor Juliette Cooper. The two members elected by the Board of Governors on September 25, 2001 were Mr Ron Black and Mr Paul Soubry.

Following a review of documentation as well as solicited input from various committee chairs and members, the Joint Board-Senate Committee is recommending the continuation of a single Office of the University Secretary, as well as continuation of the unit's work to establish an effective institutional memory.

One Senator raised a concern about potential conflict of interest. Both the President and Professor Anderson noted that there had been no concerns of conflict of interest presented to the review committee, nor did either of them feel it was an issue.

Another Senator indicated that he was opposed to the motion as he felt that there was an advantage to having a separate Senate Secretariat to defend academic issues.

A third Senator thought that there should be a means in place by which conflict, if present, could be monitored. The President agreed to raise the issue with Professor Anderson and if they felt there was a concern, she would undertake to consult other universities with merged Secretariats to see what policies existed to deal with potential conflict of interest and to report back to Senate if necessary.

Professor Secco advised Senate that the Executive Committee endorses the report to Senate.

It was MOVED by Professor Anderson, *THAT the report of the Joint Senate and Board review committee to determine the continuation of a single University Secretariat dated December 5, 2001 be approved by Senate.*

CARRIED

XI ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 2:45 p.m.

These minutes, pp 1 to 8 , together with the material handed out at the door as well as the agenda, pp 17 to 80, distributed earlier, comprise the minutes of the meeting of Senate held on January 9, 2002.

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