

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

Members Present

Dr. E.J.E. Szathmáry,
Chair
Prof. W. Akinremi
Mr. D. Ames
Prof. J. Anderson
Prof. U. Annakkage
Ms. A. Aziz
Prof. B. Bacon
Prof. R. Baydack
Ms. J. Bevacqua
Prof. M. Birouk
Very Rev. R. Bozyk
Prof. R. Burleson
Dean D. Care
Prof. W. Christie
Prof. K. Coombs
Prof. J. Cooper
Dean J. de Vries
Prof. B. Dronzek
Prof. E. Etcheverry
Prof. C. Eyland
Dean G. Feltham
Prof. E. Forget
Prof. M. Gabbert
Rectrice R. Gagné
Prof. G. Geller
Ms. E. Goldie
Mr. D. Gregoire
Prof. G. Hatch
Prof. P. Hawranik
Ms. J. Horner
Dr. J. Hoskins
Dean D. Hrycaiko
Prof. P. Hultin
Ms. C. Humphreys
Prof. T. Ivanco
Ms. R. Jaramilla
Dr. R. Kerr
Dr. J. Keselman
Dean L. King
Prof. P. King
Ms. J. Koldingnes
Prof. G. Krause
Prof. C. Kristjanson
Ms. M. Kuzmeniuk

Ms. E. Lees
Prof. J. Long
Dr. D. Lonis
Prof. K. MacKay
Dr. B. Macpherson
Ms. M. Maharaj
Ms. D. McCallum
Prof. A. McNicol
Mr. B. Miller
Mr. A. Mohamed
Prof. C. Mossman
Dean R. Mulally
Dr. W. Norrie
Prof. B. O'Neill
Prof. J. Owens
Prof. J. Page
Dean A. Percival
Ms. E. Peters
Prof. S. Pistorius
Prof. Y. Pompana
Dean D. Sandham
Dean A. Secco
Dean H. Sector
Ms. A. Sen
Dean R. Sigurdson
Prof. K. Simons
Ms. J. Simpson
Prof. P. Singal
Mr. D. Smith
Prof. R. Sparling
Rector J. Stapleton
Ms. C. Steer
Prof. B. Stimpson
Prof. N. Subotincic
Prof. T. Sullivan
Prof. A. Tate
Prof. C. Taylor
Dean M. Trevan
Prof. C. Trott
Prof. J. van Rees
Prof. M. Vrontakis
Prof. L. Wallace
Prof. J. Welsh
Dean M. Whitmore
Dean D. Witty
Prof. K. Wrogemann
Prof. P. Zahradka

Mr. J. Leclerc,
Acting University
Secretary

Assessors Present

Dr. C. Blais
Prof. T. Booth
Dr. P. Cattini
Mr. P. Dueck
Dr. K. Grant
Dr. N. Hunter
Dr. D. Jayas
Dr. R. Lobdell
Mr. N. Marnoch
Ms. C. Van De
Kerckhove

Regrets

Prof. T. Anna
Prof. B. Austin-Smith
Prof. T.G. Berry
Prof. M. Brabston
Prof. S. Cheng
Dean D. Collins
Prof. H. Dean
Prof. H. Duckworth
Mr. V. Ezeogbulafur
Ms. T. Hunt
Ms. H. Kang
Prof. B. Kops
Mr. D. Kralt
Mr. C. Lai
Prof. B. Law
Prof. M. Libin
Dr. D. Morphy
Prof. W. Palatnick
Prof. S. Prentice
Ms. C. Presser
Prof. G. Ramu
Dean G. Sevenhuysen
Mr. G. Thompson
Dean J. Wiens

Mr. M. Ahsan
Dean I. Diallo
Prof. B. Diehl-Jones
Ms. O. Famuyide
Mr. M. Ganeshan
Dr. G. Gerbrandt
Prof. J. Irvine
Ms. R. Irving
Mr. S. Islam
Mr. G. Lane
Mr. R. Lemoine
Prof. S. Mai
Prof. S. McLachlan
Prof. J. Nagy
Ms. T. Penner
Dr. C. Rabinovitch
Dr. J. Raymond
Dean D. Ruth
Mr. J. Sabourin
Prof. D. Smyth
Mr. S. Snyder
Prof. R. van Acker

Also Present

Mr. D. Barbour
Ms. A. Dyck
Ms. J. Gripp
Mr. C. Kozier
Dr. L. Smith

Absent

Dr. Szathmáry advised Senate that Professor Kelly MacKay was the speaker for the Senate Executive Committee.

PRESENTATIONS

Dean Anne Percival, United Way Campaign Co-Chair, made a presentation on the United Way Campaign at the University of Manitoba and introduced Agnes Dyck from Hospice and Palliative Care Manitoba who spoke of the value that United Way contributions have in the community and encouraged members of the University to contribute to the campaign. The presentation was met with a round of applause.

Dr. Szathmáry advised that this was the first Senate meeting for Dr. Dean Sandham, Dean of the Faculty of Medicine.

I MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED IN CLOSED SESSION

1. Report of the Senate Committee on Honorary Degrees

Senate was advised that this item would be considered at the end of the meeting.

II CANDIDATES FOR DEGREES, DIPLOMAS AND CERTIFICATES - OCTOBER 2004

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It was **MOVED** by Professor MacKay, on behalf of the Executive Committee, that the list of graduands provided to the University Secretary by the Director of Student Records be approved, subject to the right of Deans and Directors to initiate late changes with the Director of Student Records up to October 8, 2004.

CARRIED

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

It was **MOVED** by Professor MacKay, on behalf of the Executive Committee, that the report on medals and prizes provided to the University Secretary be approved by Senate.

CARRIED

IV MATTERS RECOMMENDED FOR CONCURRENCE WITHOUT DEBATE -None

V MATTERS FORWARDED FOR INFORMATION

1. In Memoriam - Professor L. Doris Baker

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2. Report of the Senate Committee on Awards

a) Report dated September 3, 2004

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At its meeting on September 3, 2004, the Senate Committee on Awards approved 19 new awards, 24 award amendments, and 4 award withdrawals (as set out in the report of the Senate Committee on Awards dated September 3, 2004). All these award decisions comply with the published guidelines of November 3, 1999, and are reported to Senate for information.

Mr. Dueck advised that on page 25 of the agenda the phrase “in the case of students in Medicine II or III” should be added to the second point under the MMSA Awards.

b) Report dated September 27, 2004

Addendum

Professor Baydack advised Senate that a sub-committee had developed the terms of reference for this award over the summer.

Ms. Aziz asked if the international graduate student bursary was only available to students who are currently at the university and enrolling in their second year of studies, and not available to those entering university. She also asked for clarification concerning the maximum value of the bursary being equivalent to the increase in the differential fee assessed. She asked if the increase referred to the recent 25% increase or the 100% relative to other students.

Mr. Dueck replied that he understands the maximum to refer to the surcharge that graduate students pay, which is 100% of the differential fee.

Professor Page stated that he felt there are serious difficulties with the criteria used to assess students as they transfer from international schools. He noted that many brilliant and capable scholars do not have GPA's at the level required by the award's terms, as it is difficult to convert international grade to the university system. He expressed concern that this will have a negative impact on many department's number of graduate students as well as the research funding available in departments which provide financial support to students without scholarships.

Dr. Szathmáry stated that the conversion of marks from international universities is a separate issue that must be addressed. She noted that the Board of Governors tabled the international graduate resolution in January, 2004 until it could be assured that research productivity would not be impaired, and the level of funds that graduate students would receive was clear. The Associate Vice-President (Research) conducted a very detailed analysis that determined that with the exception of a minor amount of money for the cost of administrating the program, the bulk of the money would be put toward graduate student awards and thus, research productivity would not be impaired. Concerning the assessment of grades received abroad, the University of Manitoba subscribes to a standard that is used by general agreement of all Canadian universities. There is some flexibility in applying these standards. Dr. Szathmáry proposed that the report of the Senate Committee on Awards be forwarded to the Board of Governors at the November meeting and that in the interim a Working Group be established that will report back

to Senate after analyzing the information relevant to issues that have emerged on the floor of Senate and transmitted to her via e-mail, including the convertibility of international grades. If circumstances warrant, recommendations for consideration could be made to the Senate Committee on Awards, or the Faculty of Graduate Studies. The composition of the Working Group could include, but not be limited to, Associate Deans (Research), representatives from the Faculty of Graduate Studies, the President of the Graduate Students' Association, and Chaired jointly by the Vice-President (Research) and Vice-President (Academic). A report of the Working Group's deliberations would be brought before Senate prior to the November Board of Governors meeting.

Dean Whitmore supported the President's proposal as the best option. Professor Ivanco asked if the scholarships for international students had any restrictions as to the number of awards the students could hold. Mr. Dueck replied that the awards terms of reference contained no such restriction. Mr. Ames asked if there would be entrance scholarships and bursaries available for undergraduate students. Mr. Dueck replied that those terms of reference are currently being drafted.

VI REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT

1. President's Report October 6, 2004

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There were no questions concerning the President's written report to Senate. The Vice-Presidents were asked to update Senate on matters in their portfolios.

Dr. Kerr reported that preliminary enrollment numbers indicate a total of over 28,000 students. Two search committees for new deans in the faculties of Human Ecology and Nursing are meeting. This fall there will also be a reappointment review committee put in place for the Dean of Engineering.

One of the Provost's advisory committees has recommended the creation of a Strategic Development Fund that would give individual faculty members or groups access to seed funds that would get new initiatives off the ground relative to the strategic priorities and recommendations that have come from the advisory committees. Dr. Kerr noted that more information concerning these funds is available on the Vice-President (Academic) and Provost website.

Mrs. McCallum reported that the Board of Governors approved the University's annual estimates document that has been submitted to the Council on Post-Secondary Education. There is a follow-up meeting with the Council on October 20, and Deans' and Directors' annual budget submissions due date is December 10. The President and Vice-Presidents will be meeting with unit heads in January and February to determine budget requirements.

Mrs. McCallum advised Senate that N-lot access will continue to be limited to permit holders until the end of October because of pedestrian traffic and construction. The decision will be re-evaluated at that time.

Dr. Keselman reported that her office has been meeting with the new academic

staff. During September, a number of workshops were hosted for new and existing staff. Workshops included access and application to the Canadian Institutes of Health Research and grant writing, and an NSERC information session. A dinner was held on September 28th in honour of the University of Manitoba's 30 Canada Research Chairs. Dr. Keselman advised that October 8 will be the official start of construction ceremony for the Richardson Centre for Functional Foods and Nutraceuticals.

Mrs. Goldie reported that the Alumni Association coordinated an outstanding Homecoming Weekend from September 30th to October 3rd. There were reunions from 33 classes that represented 13 faculties and schools. The dinner was attended by over 500 alumni and guests. There was a special breakfast and tour at the Bannatyne campus, with over 240 guests in attendance. Public Affairs coordinated the production of the new Annual Report that was distributed at the AGM on the Bannatyne Campus. She noted that the publication will be used nationally and internationally, and are available from Public Affairs. Private Funding has raised \$12.3-million since April, 2004. They are well on track to reach their \$30-million goal by March 2005. Government Relations has organized meetings and campus tours over the month of September, including the Aboriginal Coordinator from the Winnipeg Chamber of Commerce, Minister Ujjal Dosanjh and Minister Pierre Pettigrew.

VII QUESTION PERIOD

A question was received from Professor Philip Hultin of the Faculty of Science:

“Now that the City of Winnipeg has decided not to pursue the rapid transit link down Pembina Highway to the University, are there any plans to lobby the Mayor and Council to present an alternative? I note that morning and afternoon traffic from the core to South Winnipeg along Pembina is reaching saturation, and existing bus routes at those times are frequently standing room only.”

Dr. Szathmáry replied that there is no plan to lobby because the University was never consulted in any organized fashion about a rapid transit corridor. The City Councillor representing the ward in which the Fort Garry Campus is located had asked if the University would support a rapid transit corridor. A letter was sent to his office, he replied that the letter was so good it should also be sent to the Mayor's Office. A letter was sent last May stating the context in which the University would support a rapid transit system. Factors that contributed to the University's support were: growth in student population, lack of parking space on campus, our energy reduction and recycling program and our commitment to community service and access to our facilities. The University of Manitoba has 24,000 regular session students, 9,000 summer session students, 6,000 staff members and 11,000 Continuing Education students. There are many programs that rely on access to the campus downtown. The recreation programs and facilities used by the public around the University have a monthly estimate of 15,000 using gym, swimming and fitness programs, 12,400 using the Max Bell and Investors Group Athletic Centre, 3,500 spectators at sporting events (30,900 in total). There are 6,000 children enrolled in the summer programs. In 2002 the University hosted special functions for 585,000 attendees. This information was

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

Professor Hunter reported that the committee has completed its review of two new programs: a Master of Arts in School Psychology and a Bachelor of Science (Textile Science) in the Faculty of Human Ecology. The committee's reports will be forthcoming to Senate.

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

1. **Proposal from the Faculty of Law for a
Chair in Private Enterprise and the Law**

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Dean Secter stated that this proposal is part of the continuing evolution of the Centre for Private Enterprise and the Law that began last year. The naming of the Centre involves a commitment by one of the faculty's alumni to fund a new centre integrating the disciplines of law, business and the humanities, in pursuit of the study and programmatic development in family owned and privately controlled businesses. The progress continues and the faculty is in the process collecting the contributions to develop the human, physical and programmatic components of the centre. In the recruitment of staff for the Centre, the faculty recognizes the importance of maintaining a significant research and academic component to the Centre, and that it not be mistaken for Centres affiliated with other schools, particularly business schools which may be seen as more service orientated than academically orientated. Faculty Council felt that it would be important that the head of the new Centre be a Chair.

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

It was MOVED by Dean Secter, seconded by Dean Feltham THAT the proposal of the Faculty of Law to establish a Chair in Private Enterprise and the Law [dated September 8, 2004] be approved by Senate.

CARRIED

2. **Report of the Senate Committee on Appeals**

Dr. Hoskins reported that since the last report to Senate, the Senate Committee on Appeals has considered 3 appeals.

The first appeal, held on may 6, 2004, was an appeal against the Faculty of Medicine decision terminating the appellant's residency for a failure of probation. The grounds cited were failure to accommodate the appellant's medical condition. This appeal was denied.

The second appeal, held on June 8, 2004, was an appeal against the Faculty of Arts decision not to grant a retroactive authorized withdrawal from courses taken in the

second term of summer session 2002 and the first term of the 2002-2003 regular session. Compassionate grounds were cited. This appeal was denied.

The third appeal, held on June 10, 2004, was an appeal against the Faculty of Arts decision not to grant a retroactive voluntary withdrawal from a course taken in the 2002-2003 regular session. The grounds cited were that the appellant was allegedly given misleading information about his grade in the course. This appeal was denied.

**3. Report of the Senate Committee on Nominations
re: Student Vacancies on Senate Committees**

Professor Dronzek reported that the committee was forwarding the names of students who will serve on Senate committees for one year terms commencing October 14, 2004. There are some vacancies remaining that will be filled at the November meeting of Senate.

It was MOVED by Professor Dronzek, on behalf of the Committee, THAT the Report of the Senate Committee Nominations [dated October 6, 2004] be approved by Senate.

CARRIED

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. They appear in the original minutes which are available for inspection by members of Senate.

XII ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

XII ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 3:04 p.m.

These minutes, pages 1 to 8, combined with the agenda, pages 17 to 55, distributed earlier, and the materials distributed at the door, comprise the minutes of the meeting of Senate held on October 6, 2004.

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