

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. R. Kerr, Acting Chair
 Prof. W. Akinremi
 Mr. D. Ames
 Prof. J. Anderson
 Prof. T. Anna
 Prof. U. Annakkage
 Prof. R. Baydack
 Prof. T.G. Berry
 Prof. M. Birouk
 Very Rev. R. Bozyk
 Prof. M. Brabston
 Prof. R. Burleson
 Dean D. Care
 Prof. S. Cheng
 Prof. W. Christie
 Dean D. Collins
 Prof. K. Coombs
 Prof. J. Cooper
 Dean I. Diallo
 Prof. B. Dronzek
 Prof. H. Duckworth
 Prof. E. Etcheverry
 Prof. C. Eyland
 Prof. M. Gabbert
 Rectrice R. Gagné
 Ms. E. Goldie
 Dean C. Harvey
 Prof. G. Hatch
 Ms. J. Horner
 Dean D. Hrycaiko
 Prof. P. Hultin
 Ms. C. Humphreys
 Ms. T. Hunt
 Dean K. Jensen
 Dean L. King
 Ms. J. Koldingnes
 Prof. G. Krause
 Ms. M. Kuzmeniuk
 Ms. E. Lees
 Prof. K. MacKay
 Dr. B. Macpherson
 Ms. M. Maharaj
 Ms. D. McCallum
 Prof. A. McNicol

Mr. B. Miller
 Dr. D. Morphy
 Prof. C. Mossman
 Prof. B. O'Neill
 Prof. J. Page
 Ms. E. Peters
 Prof. Y. Pompana
 Prof. S. Prentice
 Ms. C. Presser
 Prof. G. Ramu
 Dean D. Ruth
 Ms. A. Sen
 Dean R. Sigurdson
 Ms. J. Simpson
 Prof. R. Sparling
 Rector J. Stapleton
 Ms. C. Steer
 Prof. A. Tate
 Prof. J. van Rees
 Prof. M. Vrontakis
 Prof. L. Wallace
 Dean M. Whitmore
 Dean D. Witt
 Prof. P. Zahradka
 Mr. J. Leclerc,
 University Secretary

Assessors Present

Dr. C. Blais
 Prof. T. Booth
 Mr. P. Dueck
 Dr. N. Hunter
 Dr. D. Jayas
 Dr. R. Lobdell
 Mr. N. Marnoch

Regrets

Prof. B. Austin-Smith
 Prof. B. Bacon
 Ms. J. Bevacqua
 Dr. P. Cattini
 Prof. H. Dean
 Dean J. de Vries
 Prof. B. Diehl-Jones
 Mr. V. Ezeogbulafur

Dean G. Feltham
 Prof. G. Geller
 Dr. K. Grant
 Prof. P. Hawranik
 Dr. J. Hoskins
 Prof. T. Ivanco
 Ms. R. Jaramilla
 Ms. H. Kang
 Dr. J. Keselman
 Prof. P. King
 Prof. B. Kops
 Prof. C. Kristjanson
 Prof. B. Law
 Prof. M. Libin
 Prof. J. Long
 Dr. D. Lonis
 Prof. S. Mai
 Prof. M. Morry
 Dean R. Mullaly
 Dr. W. Norrie
 Prof. J. Owens
 Prof. W. Palatnick
 Ms. T. Penner
 Dean A. Percival
 Prof. S. Pistorius
 Mr. S. Reddy
 Dean D. Sandham
 Dean H. Sector
 Dean G. Sevenhuysen
 Mr. D. Smith
 Prof. D. Smyth
 Prof. T. Sullivan
 Dr. E.J.E. Szathmáry
 Prof. R. van Acker
 Dean J. Wiens
 Prof. K. Wrogemann

Absent

Mr. M. Ahsan
 Ms. A. Atkinson
 Ms. A. Aziz
 Mr. J. Conlin
 Ms. O. Famuyide
 Prof. E. Forget
 Mr. M. Ganeshan
 Dr. G. Gerbrandt

Mr. D. Gregoire
 Prof. J. Irvine
 Ms. R. Irving
 Mr. S. Islam
 Mr. G. Kilbrai
 Mr. D. Kralt
 Mr. C. Lai
 Mr. R. Lemoine
 Prof. S. McLachlan
 Mr. A. Mohamed
 Prof. J. Nagy
 Dr. C. Rabinovitch
 Dr. J. Raymond
 Prof. K. Simons
 Prof. P. Singal
 Prof. B. Stimpson
 Prof. N. Subotincic
 Prof. C. Taylor
 Mr. G. Thompson
 Dean M. Trevan
 Ms. C. Van De Kerckhove
 Ms. M. Wayne
 Prof. J. Welsh
 Mr. S. Zamick

Also Present

Prof. R. Berry
 Ms. N. Callaghan
 Dr. W. Chernomas
 Mr. Dale Barbour
 Ms. J. Gripp
 Mr. C. Kozier
 Ms. M. Martin-Strong
 Dr. L. Smith

Dr. Kerr advised Senate that Professor Sparling was the speaker for the Senate Executive Committee.

I MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED IN CLOSED SESSION - NONE

**II CANDIDATES FOR DEGREES,
DIPLOMAS AND CERTIFICATES - FEBRUARY 2005**

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It was MOVED by Professor Sparling, on behalf of the Senate Executive Committee, that the list of graduates 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 February 4, 2005.

CARRIED

III MATTERS RECOMMENDED FOR CONCURRENCE WITHOUT DEBATE - NONE

IV MATTERS FORWARDED FOR INFORMATION

**1. Annual Report of the University Discipline Committee
For the period September 1, 2003 to August 31, 2004**

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Dr. Kerr noted that the Board of Governors have jurisdiction over student discipline, however this item is brought to Senate for information. Dr. Ruth Berry, Chair of the University Discipline Committee commented that the percentage level of infractions is fairly low when one does not count spreading computer viruses (both purposefully and inadvertently). She commented that in reviewing the report, the Senate Executive Committee asked how many of the incidents involve the Faculty of Graduate Studies, she reported that 13 infractions apply to students in the Faculty of Graduate Studies, all were in the area of plagiarism/academic fraud/applications fraud. Professor Berry thanked the Office of the University Secretary and the administrators involved in compiling the report.

2. Course/Program Change Summary

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The report outlines the number of course/program changes in 2004 and in previous years. Dr. Lobdell reported that the annual report is provided as a result of the Board of Governors request several years ago to know how many courses were being added and deleted and what new programs are being introduced and withdrawn. The report demonstrates that a tremendous amount of program revision occurs each year and that a great deal of program revision occurs when one course is canceled and one is substituted in its place. The report also displays how many new programs have been introduced so that over time it is easier to recognize. Dr. Lobdell commented that the numbers, while not perfectly accurate, are as close as possible given the cost in preparing the report. Professor Anderson suggested that calculating the turn-over time of an entire program would be valuable for information and promotional purposes.

V REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT

1. President's Report, February 2, 2005

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VI QUESTION PERIOD

No questions were received by 10:00 a.m. on the day preceding the Senate meeting, nor were any raised from the floor of Senate.

**VII CONSIDERATION OF THE MINUTES
OF THE MEETING OF January 5, 2005**

It was MOVED by Professor Duckworth, seconded by Professor Coombs, THAT the minutes of the Senate meeting held on January 5, 2005 be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

VIII BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Professor Duckworth asked when the traffic light would be completed at the end of Sifton Road. Mrs. McCallum replied that the lights were to be installed by February 11th.

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

1. Report of the Senate Executive Committee

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Mr. Marnoch reported that there is not enough time between the close of the regular session exam period and the May 11, 2005 Senate meeting to produce a graduate list for approval. Accordingly, he requests that the Senate meeting be moved ahead one week in May.

It was MOVED by Professor Sparling on behalf of the Committee, THAT Senate approve the recommendation of the Senate Executive Committee that the May 11, 2005 meeting of Senate be re-scheduled to May 18, 2005.

CARRIED

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

Professor Hunter reported that SPPC has met twice since the last meeting of Senate. The Committee has considered proposals for a General Major and Advanced Major in Italian Studies and a Master of Science in Environment and Geography, both will come before Senate at a later date. The Committee is meeting on Monday, February 7, 2005 to review a proposal for a Ph.D. in Peace

and Conflict Studies. Several members of the Committee also sit on the Budget Advisory Committee which will be meeting within the next week.

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

**1. Report of the Senate Committee on Admissions Page 74
 re: Proposal from the Faculty of Nursing**

Dr. Morphy, Chair of the Senate Committee on Admissions, reported that the Senate Committee on Admissions reviewed a proposal of the Faculty of Nursing to revise the admissions requirements for Option 1 applicants to be increased from 24 credit hours to 30 credit hours and Option 2 applicants be required to complete 30 credit hours in courses specifically required for admission.

It was MOVED by Dr. Morphy, on behalf of the Senate Committee on Admissions, THAT Senate approve the Report of the Senate Committee on Admissions regarding the Faculty of Nursing.

CARRIED

XI ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

1. Notice of Motion Page 76

On January 5, 2005, Professor Harry Duckworth made the following notice of Motion, seconded by Professor Van Rees:

“THAT Senate establish a policy that would guide future discussions on the naming of academic units after individuals, families, organizations or corporations”.

Professor Duckworth commented that procedurally Senate Executive could determine a policy through an *ad hoc* committee, the Senate Committee on Academic Freedom or the Senate Committee on Honourary Degrees. While Professor Duckworth favors an *ad hoc* committee, he recognizes that Senate Executive should make the final recommendation. He feels that student membership on the committee is essential. Professor Duckworth stated that he is not in favor of attaching names of individuals, families, organizations or corporations to academic units, but makes the motion so that Senate may contribute to a general policy rather than react to specific cases as they arise.

Mrs. Goldie, Vice-President (External), stated that she shares the desire to have a policy in guiding the University while considering naming academic units. Her office and the Office of the University Secretary have been researching the naming of units elsewhere in Canada and a policy has been drafted. The President will forward the draft policy to the Senate Committee on Honorary Degrees for discussion and consideration, thus the President is of the view that a motion is not required at this time.

Professor Duckworth was pleased to hear such a process has already begun, but feels that naming an academic unit is very much a matter for Senate, and Senate must have the final decision on naming academic units. He felt that if his motion being passed by Senate would have a symbolic value and that Senate Executive could acquiesce with the President's plans.

Dean Ruth asked if the motion was meant to establish a policy for the naming of academic units or rules of engagement for how the names would be discussed at Senate. He stated the motion could be read as a policy concerning what could or could not be presented at Senate, or as guidelines as to what names could or could not be used. Professor Duckworth replied that his motion intends to allow both, the policy would not forbid anything, such as the case with discriminatory scholarships, but that specific cases must be made where such naming would take place, and that there must be clear guidelines as to what the case would have to be. Currently there is no guidance as to what process naming an academic unit should follow.

Professor Cooper asked what the next step in the process is after the Senate Committee on Honourary Degrees makes its recommendation on a new policy. The University Secretary replied that the recommendation would be forwarded for any necessary approvals by way of the Senate Executive Committee and Senate in open session.

Dean Whitmore stated that his understanding of the motion is to create a policy whereby a committee reviews proposals so that they coincide with an agreed upon policy, and recommends to Senate. Professor Anderson asked if Professor Duckworth would be willing to table his motion until the recommendation is made from the Committee on Honourary Degrees. Professor Duckworth replied that it is important Senate vote on the matter so that the initiative remains one of Senate's. It was observed that the Senate Committee on Honourary Degrees has student representatives.

CARRIED

ELECTION OF SENATE REPRESENTATIVES

1. Election of a Student Member to the Senate Executive Committee

Addendum

The composition of the Senate Executive Committee provides for "a member elected by the students to be a member of Senate". On January 18, 2005, Dana Gregoire tendered his resignation from the Committee, necessitating an election at Senate to fill the vacancy.

It was MOVED by Ms. Simpson, seconded by Ms. Hunt, THAT David Ames be elected to the Senate Executive Committee as the student member.

CARRIED

Ms. Simpson informed Senate that the Senate Student Caucus has appointed Ms. Hunt as the student assessor to fill the vacancy left by Mr. Ames.

XII ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 2:04 p.m.

These minutes, pages 1 to 6, combined with the agenda, pages 17 to 76, distributed earlier, and the materials distributed at the door, comprise the minutes of the meeting of Senate held on February 2, 2005.

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