

April 6, 2005

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

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**Members Present**

Dr. E.J.E. Szathmáry,  
Chair  
Mr. Kofi Adane  
Prof. T. Anna  
Prof. U. Annakkage  
Ms. A. Aziz  
Prof. B. Bacon  
Prof. R. Baydack  
Prof. T. G. Berry  
Very Rev. R. Bozyk  
Prof. M. Brabston  
Ms. J. Bunn  
Prof. S. Cheng  
Prof. W. Christie  
Dean D. Collins  
Prof. K. Coombs  
Prof. J. Cooper  
Prof. B. Dronzek  
Ms. A. Ducas  
Prof. H. Duckworth  
Prof. E. Etcheverry  
Prof. C. Eyland  
Ms. B. Famuyide  
Prof. M. Gabbert  
Rectrice R. Gagné  
Ms. E. Goldie  
Mr. D. Gordon  
Prof. G. Hatch  
Prof. P. Hawranik  
Dr. J. Hoskins  
Dean D. Hrycaiko  
Prof. P. Hultin  
Prof. T. Ivanco  
Mr. G. Jawanda  
Dr. R. Kerr  
Dean L. King  
Prof. P. King  
Prof. G. Krause  
Ms. M. Kuzmeniuk  
Mr. N. Lesage  
Prof. K. MacKay

Prof. B. Macpherson  
Ms. D. McCallum  
Prof. S. McLachlan  
Prof. A. McNicol  
Mr. B. Miller  
Dr. D. Morphy  
Prof. C. Mossman  
Dean R. Mullaly  
Prof. B. O'Neill  
Prof. J. Page  
Prof. S. Pistorius  
Prof. Y. Pompana  
Prof. M. Porter  
Prof. S. Prentice  
Ms. C. Presser  
Prof. G. Ramu  
Ms. L. Robson  
Dean D. Ruth  
Ms. A. Sen  
Dean R. Sigurdson  
Prof. K. Simons  
Mr. D. Smith  
Dean D. Smyth  
Prof. R. Sparling  
Rector J. Stapleton  
Ms. C. Steer  
Prof. B. Stimpson  
Prof. T. Sullivan  
Prof. C. Taylor  
Prof. R. van Acker  
Prof. J. Van Rees  
Prof. J. Welsh  
Dean M. Whitmore  
Dean D. Witty  
Prof. P. Zahradka  
Mr. J. Leclerc,  
University Secretary  
Ms. N. Schneider  
Recording Secretary

**Assessors Present**

Dr. C. Blais

Prof. T. Booth  
Dr. P. Cattini  
Dean I. Diallo  
Mr. P. Dueck  
Ms. M. Gallant  
Dr. K. Grant  
Dr. N. Hunter  
Dr. R. Lobdell  
Mr. N. Marnoch  
Ms. C. Van De  
Kerckhove

**Regrets**

Prof. W. Akinremi  
Dean D. Care  
Dean J. deVries  
Dean G. Feltham  
Prof. G. Geller  
Dr. D. Jayas  
Dr. J. Keselman  
Prof. B. Kops  
Prof. B. Law  
Prof. M. Libin  
Dean D. Lonis  
Dr. W. Norrie  
Prof. J. Owens  
Prof. W. Palatnick  
Dean A. Percival  
Dean D. Sandham  
Dean H. Secter  
Prof. P. Singal  
Prof. N. Subotincic  
Prof. A. Tate  
Dean M. Trevan  
Prof. L. Wallace  
Dean J. Wiens  
Prof. K. Wrogemann

**Absent**

Prof. J. Anderson  
Ms. A. Atkinson

Prof. B. Austin-Smith  
Prof. M. Birouk  
Prof. R. Burleson  
Prof. H. Dean  
Prof. B. Diehl-Jones  
Ms. A. Dufour  
Ms. H. Fernandes  
Prof. E. Forget  
Dr. G. Gerbrandt  
Ms. B. Hamilton  
Ms. J. Horner  
Prof. J. Irvine  
Mr. G. Kler  
Prof. C. Kristjanson  
Ms. C. Leach  
Prof. J. Long  
Ms. M. Maharaj  
Prof. S. Mai  
Ms. A. Meisner  
Prof. M. Morry  
Prof. J. Nagy  
Dr. C. Rabinovitch  
Dr. J. Raymond  
Mr. S. Reddy  
Ms. C. Schultz  
Dean G. Sevenhuysen  
Prof. M. Vrontakis  
Ms. C. Wallcraft  
Ms. M. Wayne  
Mr. S. Zamick

**Also Present**

Mr. J. Alho  
Mr. D. Ames  
Ms. J. Gripp  
Ms. D. Kaspersion  
Ms. S. Reimer  
Ms. L. Smith

Dr. Szathmáry noted that this is the first meeting for student senators whose terms began on March 31, 2005.

Dr. Szathmáry advised Senate that the speaker of the Senate Executive was Professor Juliette Cooper.

**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**

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| a) | <u>Re: Course Deletions</u>     | Page 1 |
| b) | <u>Re: Course Introductions</u> | Page 5 |
| c) | <u>Re: Course Re-Numbering</u>  | Page 6 |

The Faculty of Graduate Studies, in three reports, is recommending a number of graduate course changes from various departments. The first report outlines course deletions proposed to clean up old courses on the system that have not been offered in many years in anticipation of the new Student Information System. The second report presents two new courses, one in Education and one in Environment and Geography. The third report involves the re-numbering of courses in Supply Chain Management and Women's Studies to their appropriate new subject codes.

In speaking to the reports, Dean Don Smyth noted that course 36.717 should be listed as 36.726.

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

**It was MOVED by Dean Smyth, seconded by Dean Hrycaiko , THAT Senate approve the Reports of the Faculty of Graduate Studies, as endorsed by the Faculty Council of Graduate Studies on February 28, 2005.**

**CARRIED**

**III   MATTERS FORWARDED FOR INFORMATION**

**1.    Election of Faculty Members to Senate**

Deans and Directors are reminded that where elections of faculty members are required, the results must be reported in writing to the Office of the University Secretary (312 Administration) by April 15<sup>th</sup>.

**2. Report of the Senate Committee on Awards - Part A Page 8**

At its meeting on March 7, 2005, the Senate Committee on Awards approved 12 new award offers and three award amendments [as set out in the report of the Senate Committee on Awards dated March 7, 2005]. All these award decisions comply with the published guidelines of November 3, 1999, and are reported to Senate for information.

**3. Statement of Intent: Bachelor of Social Work - Collège universitaire de Saint-Boniface Page 18**

Collège universitaire de Saint-Boniface submitted a Statement of Intent to the Council on Post-Secondary Education for the introduction of a Baccalaureate program in Social Work. The program is to be taught in French and administered by the Faculty of Arts, Science and Business Administration at Collège Universitaire de Saint-Boniface.

Rectrice Gagné noted that the Collège universitaire de Saint-Boniface has been working with the Faculty of Social Work on this program. The Collège is currently awaiting a response from Council on Post-Secondary Education (COPSE).

**IV REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT**

Dr. Szathmáry briefly reviewed her written report to Senate, which included a summary of the operating grant for 2005-06 from COPSE. She also reported that the Board has stated that until it approves the 2005-06 operating budget, Deans and Directors are authorized to spend 98% of their previous fiscal year baseline allocations. The budget should be brought to the Board in May.

Vice-President (External), Elaine Goldie, reported that alumni events will be hosted in Ottawa and Montreal on April the 19 and 20 respectively. While in Ottawa, the President will be meeting with members of the Liberal, Conservative, and NDP caucuses from Manitoba, as well as some benefactors.

In the Public Affairs portfolio, the Bulletin will be having a survey for readers next week. Mrs. Goldie encouraged members of Senate to complete and return the survey.

Vice-President (Administration), Deborah McCallum, reported that a \$75 million loan from Government, which the Board of Governors had approved for capital projects was received on March 1, 2005. Eleven buildings are scheduled to have networks upgraded this year. Completion of the work is dependent upon design and contractor availability. There are also seven teaching labs and classrooms scheduled to be upgraded with state-of-the-art technology. \$3.4 million will be spent on asbestos abatement, fire code upgrades and other infrastructure repairs such as roof and road repairs. \$10 million in total has been allocated for technology and infrastructure on campus.

Dr. Szathmáry reminded Senate that the Government had been persuaded based on the successful capital campaign that it was in The University's best interest to be allowed to receive this type of assistance. The money from the capital campaign will be received over a number of years from donors, and the funding from the loan will enable the University to meet its capital goals now.

Associate Vice-President (Research), Dr. Cattini, reported that tri-council funding is up with more results still to come. He also reported that three CIHR Open Competition Research Personnel Awards were awarded to Dr. Keith Fowke, Dr. Hope Anderson, and Dr. Jude Uzonna. The University's success rate in this competition was above the national average.

The University has received \$1.5 million from the National Cancer Institute of Canada. The funding was awarded to five individuals, two of whom were from the Faculty of Nursing.

Professor Gabbert noted that Merck Frost Canada has made a generous pledge to establish a research chair in pediatric asthma, and wondered whether this pledge was made without any conditions or if there were conditions set. The President took the question as notice.

**V**

**QUESTION PERIOD**

**The following questions were received from Cathy Van De Kerckhove, on behalf of the Student Senate Caucus:**

1. In a recent editorial submitted by the University President to the Winnipeg Free Press, concern over the lack of funding for post-secondary education was raised. Under the guise of a discussion about investing in universities, the usual call to lift the tuition fee freeze was made. However thin the guise, the idea of promoting federal investment in post-secondary education is important. With the possibility of a federal election coming soon, will the University add substance to the idea of promoting federal investment in post-secondary education, instead of focusing on lifting the tuition fee freeze? Is the University planning to take action for the interests of the institution in the next federal election, highlighting the need for an increase in federal cash transfers, a dedicated post-secondary education fund, and generally making funding for post-secondary education an issue in the minds of voters?

Dr. Szathmáry responded that the University is a member of the Association of University and Colleges of Canada (AUCC) and they deal with lobbying in the federal sector. The University of Manitoba will be working in concert with AUCC should there be a federal election.

2. We have been concerned by statements attributed to University officials that suggest the continuation of the tuition freeze might lead to a deficit or program cutbacks. Will the VP (Admin) provide us with data for the past 5 years showing the amounts

reimbursed for administrative travel (i.e. airfares, hotels, per diems) from the University's operating accounts for all individuals at the level of Associate Dean and above? We would like the data sorted by individual and by office please.

Dr. Szathmáry responded this question was not in order, as per section 6.10, 5 (c) of the Senate Handbook which states, "The Chair shall determine whether or not such questions concern matters within the jurisdiction of Senate". As the matters raised in the question is outside of the jurisdiction of Senate.

Dr. Szathmáry provided data from the Canadian Association of University Business Officers (CAUBO), general operating expenses data for the last three years available. The data indicate that The University of Manitoba is the second lowest in terms of proportion of expenditure on administration, as a percentage of total operating costs. Queen's University is the only one lower than the University of Manitoba. The University of Manitoba's percentages have been 6.9%, 7.1%, and 6.9% respectively over the last three years recorded. The average for medical doctoral universities was 10%, 10.2%, and 10.1% respectively, whilst the average for all universities was 16.7%, 16.8%, and 16.6% respectively, over the same time periods..

3. Has the Senate ever considered looking at a Fall Reading Week?

Dr. Szathmáry responded the University has not considered this. There are usually 13 weeks of instruction, so classes would need to start in August to accommodate a reading week in the fall term.

4. What areas of the world is the University of Manitoba currently doing recruitment for international students and are we focusing some of our efforts on Sub-Saharan African countries, which were outlined as priority areas for recruitment with the increase in differential fees and creation of scholarships and awards?

Dr. Morphy responded that international recruitment markets where the University has attended since 1998 include Hong Kong and China, South-East Asia, Singapore, Malaysia, Indonesia, United Arab Emirates, and Mexico. In the past year, experimental markets have included India, Russia, and Japan. Dr. Morphy is currently assessing whether or not to continue with these markets and whether to extend recruitment efforts.

The University of Manitoba primarily recruits through fairs organized by the Canadian Education Centre Network and the Council for International Schools. Recently the University has been looking at two-plus-two agreements or three-plus-one agreements where cohorts of students come to the University. Such students are currently from Malaysia and China. There is an International Recruitment Committee and one of its mandates is to establish criteria to determine what markets are viable for the University of Manitoba to be in. Some criteria include: historical data; strength/similarity of high school curriculum; English speaking vs. non-English speaking and what the University can handle in its English as a Second Language programs; capability of students to attain visas, and faculty needs.

5. As the University is likely doing much recruiting overseas for international students at this time, what sort of promotion/awareness campaign is taking place to inform potential international students about the scholarships and awards available to them that were created by the recent increase in their fees?

Mr. Dueck noted that the terms of reference for International Student bursaries and Scholarships were approved by the Senate Committee on Awards on October 27, 2004 and forwarded to Senate for information on November 3, 2004.

At education fairs, prospective students tend to ask first about programs, second about housing and third about awards. There are six awards in the program, three at the graduate level and three at the undergraduate level. Each award has its own promotion and selection cycle. The approval of awards occurred after or in the middle of the promotion and selection cycle. They are now being incorporated in the promotional materials and are available on the web.

Dr. Jim Gardner and Mr. Dueck are drafting terms of reference for the International Student Award that will be available to Sub-Saharan African students. Part of the drafting involves considering how many awards will be offered, as they must cover costs of tuition, supplies, books, and living costs. The expected cost is about \$20,000 per year, per award, renewable for three years. One award per year could cost \$80,000 per year once program is fully running.

**VI      CONSIDERATION OF THE MINUTES  
OF THE MEETING OF MARCH 2, 2005**

The University Secretary noted that Professor Prentice was incorrectly listed as Ms. Prentice.

**It was MOVED by Professor Duckworth, seconded by Prof. Etcheverry, THAT the minutes of the Senate meeting held on March 2, 2005 be approved as amended.**

**CARRIED**

**VII     BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

Ms. Aziz responded to last month's minutes, noting concern over the lack of funding for the University, but that she felt that debating the tuition freeze does not assist the University or the students. She indicated that while she appreciates the position the University is in, she does not believe the approach the University is taking, that is, lobbying to lift the freeze is useful.

Ms. Aziz stated that UMSU believes the recently announced tax-cuts of \$5 million should be redirected to post-secondary education. She does not believe students should pay

the entire costs for operating the University.

Ms. Aziz suggested that instead of the University working to remove the tuition freeze that the University work with UMSU to secure increased federal funding for post-secondary education.

Ms. Aziz added that the issue is one of a lack of funding, it is not personal. Ms. Aziz would like to see UMSU and the University work co-operatively, not at cross-purposes. Ms. Aziz indicated she was pleased to hear AUCC would have a more active role lobbying the federal government with the University of Manitoba.

Dr. Szathmáry corrected the above comment, noting that the University of Manitoba does not direct the plans at AUCC, rather the University works in concert with AUCC.

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

1.     **Report of the Senate Executive Committee** **Page 65**
  
2.     **Report of the Senate  
Planning and Priorities Committee**

Professor Hunter reported that SPPC has dealt with items that will be coming forward to Senate at upcoming meetings. One item is a program modification in the Ph.D. in Social Work. The second item is the preliminary investigation of a Ph.D. proposal in Planning and Design and the final item is four 4 siting issues regarding proposed building developments that will be approved at a later date.

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

1.     **Proposal for a Major in International Studies -  
Collège Universitaire de Saint-Boniface** **Page 66**
  - a)     **Report of the Senate  
Planning and Priorities Committee** **Page 144**
  
  - b)     **Report of the Senate Committee  
on Curriculum and Course Changes** **Page 146**

Le Collège universitaire de Saint-Boniface proposes the introduction of a B.A. Major in International Studies, to be offered in French at the Collège. The proposed program has been reviewed and endorsed by the Faculty of Arts Council, the Senate Committee on Curriculum and Course Changes and the

Senate Planning and Priorities Committee.

Professor Hawranik was asked why the program was a three year rather than four year undergraduate program, which would allow students to carry on to graduate studies. Dean Diallo of the Collège, responded that the Collège had the resources in place for the three year program. The Collège wants to see the response to the program prior to seeking resources to offer a four year program. It is not ruling out a four year program in the future.

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

**It was MOVED by Retrice Gagné, seconded by Dean Sigurdson, THAT Senate approve the proposal of the Collège universitaire de Saint-Boniface to introduce a B.A. Major in International Studies [as endorsed and recommended by the report of the Senate Planning and Priorities Committee dated February 28, 2005, and the report of the Senate Committee on Curriculum and Course Changes dated March 9, 2005].**

**CARRIED**

**2. Report of the Senate Committee on Instruction and Evaluation re: the Report of the Sub-Committee to Investigate the Use of Software to Detect Plagiarism**

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On March 25, 2003, the Senate Committee on Instruction and Evaluation created a sub- committee, chaired by Dr. Lynn Smith, to investigate the use of software to detect plagiarism and related issues.

of Dr. Grant noted that the report was very comprehensive. The recommendation

the sub-committee, which was endorsed by the Senate Committee on Instruction and Evaluation, was that the University of Manitoba should not adopt the use of Turnitin or other software like Turnitin. She noted that Turnitin places a presumption of guilt on students, that there are legal issues around putting students papers into a third party database, that there are alternatives available and that the approach currently used is pro-active and educational, and should continue.

The question was asked if the Committee would be providing guidelines to professors if they use this type of software themselves, particularly outlining the legal and ethical ramifications, Dr. Gant responded that if an individual or department wanted to use this type of software, it should be reported to the Committee and the Committee would work with them.

Professor Cooper advised Senate that the Senate Executive Committee



endorses the report to Senate.

**It was MOVED by Dr. Grant on behalf of the Committee, THAT Senate approve the Report of the Senate Committee on Instruction and Evaluation regarding the Report of the sub-committee to Investigate the Use of Software to Detect Plagiarism (dated February 16, 2005).**

X **ADDITIONAL BUSINESS** - None

XI **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

These minutes, pages 1 to 9, combined with the agenda, pages 17 to 215, distributed earlier, comprise the minutes of the meeting of Senate held on April 6, 2005.

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