

April 5, 2006

Minutes of a Meeting of Senate held on the above date at 1:30 p.m. in the Senate Chamber, Room E3-262 Engineering Building

Members Present

Prof. T. Anna
Ms. A. Aziz
Ms. C. Baker
Prof. R. Baydack
Mr. T. Bzura
Prof. T. G. Berry
Prof. M. Birouk
Prof. T. Booth
Very Rev. R. Bozyk
Prof. K. Clare
Mr. D. Collister
Prof. L. Connor
Prof. K. Coombs
Dean J. Cooper
Dean J. Doering
Prof. B. Dronzek
Ms. E. Dyck
Prof. J. Embree
Prof. E. Epp
Prof. E. Etcheverry
Prof. M. Gabbert
Rectrice R. Gagné
Prof. G. Geller
Ms. E. Goldie
Prof. P. Hawranik
Dr. J. Hoskins
Dean D. Hrycaiko
Prof. P. Hultin
Prof. T. Ivanco
Dr. R. Kerr
Dean L. King
Prof. P. King
Prof. L. Kirshenbaum
Prof. G. Krause
Ms. M. Kuzmeniuk
Prof. K. MacKay
Prof. R. Mazurat
Ms. D. McCallum
Prof. M. McKay

Prof. A. McNicol
Dr. W. Norrie
Prof. J. Page
Prof. S. Prentice
Ms. C. Presser
Dean D. Ruth
Dean D. Sandham
Dean H. Secter
Dean G. Sevenhuysen
Rector J. Stapleton
Prof. C. Taylor
Dean M. Trevan
Ms. V. Unrau
Prof. J. Van Rees
Mr. D. Vincent
Prof. M. Vrontakis
Prof. L. Wallace
Prof. J. Welsh
Dean M. Whitmore
Prof. K. Wrogemann
Prof. A. Young
Prof. P. Zahradka
Mr. R. Zegalski
Dean S. Zelenitsky
Mr. J. Leclerc,
University Secretary
Ms. N. Schneider,
Recording Secretary

Assessors Present

Prof. C. Blais
Dean I. Diallo
Mr. P. Dueck
Ms. M. Gallant
Dr. K. Grant
Prof. N. Hunter
Dr. D. Jayas
Prof. S. Kouritzin
Dr. R. Lobdell
Mr. N. Marnoch

Prof. K. Matheos
Prof. D. Smyth
Ms. C. Van De Kerckhove

Regrets

Prof. J. Anderson
Prof. M. Brabston
Dean Care
Dr. P. Cattini
Dean J. de Vries
Ms. T. Dickson
Ms. A. Dufour
Prof. C. Eyland
Dean G. Feltham
Prof. J. Ghomeshi
Prof. G. Hatch
Ms. J. Horner
Dr. J. Keselman
Prof. C. Kristjanson
Prof. J. Long
Mr. B. Miller
Dr. D. Morphy
Prof. P. Nickerson
Dean A. Percival
Prof. S. Pistorius
Dr. C. Rabinovitch
Mr. S. Reddy
Mr. T. Sargeant
Dean R. Sigurdson
Mr. D. Smith
Ms. C. Steer
Prof. T. Sullivan
Dr. E.J.E. Szathmáry
Mr. G. Thompson
Dean J. Wiens
Dean D. Witty

Absent

Prof. S. Abeysekera

Ms. J. Acheson
Prof. W. Akinremi
Prof. U. Annakkage
Ms. N. Bhullar
Prof. E. Forget
Dr. G. Gerbrandt
Prof. Y. Gong
Ms. A. Huminicki
Prof. J. Irvine
Mr. N. Joseph
Prof. E. Judd
Prof. S. Kirby
Prof. B. Law
Prof. S. Mai
Prof. S. McLachlan
Dean R. Mullaly
Prof. J. Nagy
Prof. D. Polyzois
Dr. J. Raymond
Prof. P. Singal
Prof. S. Taylor-Henley
Prof. C. Trott

Also Present

Prof. C. Ateah
Ms. J. Bailey
Mr. D. Barbour
Prof. C. Briggs
Prof. B. Bright
Mr. S. Dorge
Ms. J. Gripp
Mr. L. Hildebrand
Ms. D. Kaspersion
Ms. J. Nadeau
Prof. A. Sloane-Sleale

Dr. Lobdell chaired the meeting. He noted that this is the first meeting for new student Senators whose terms began on April 1, 2006

Dr. Lobdell advised Senate that the speaker of the Senate Executive was Professor Kevin Coombs.

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

II **MATTERS RECOMMENDED FOR CONCURRENCE WITHOUT DEBATE**

1. **Proposal for a Post Baccalaureate Certificate in Manufacturing Engineering.**

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Extended Education is proposing a Post Baccalaureate Certificate in Manufacturing Engineering. This program will provide theoretical, technical, hands-on engineering and management development knowledge to graduate engineers working in the field of manufacturing.

The program was developed in partnership with the University of Manitoba's Faculty of Engineering, Extended Education and Red River College. Both the University of Manitoba and Red River College will offer the courses for the certificate.

According to the Taxonomy on Non-Degree Programs the proposal is being brought to Senate for Concurrence without debate.

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

It was MOVED by Professor Wallace, seconded by Dean Ruth, THAT Senate approve the proposal for a Post Baccalaureate Certificate in Manufacturing Engineering [as endorsed by the Extended Education Council on January 18, 2006].

CARRIED

2. **Report of the Senate Committee on Medical Qualifications**
Re: Dr. Elizabeth Cowden

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The Committee is charged by provincial legislation to determine, by examination or otherwise, whether eligible applicants are by way of medical education proper persons to be members of the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Manitoba.

The Committee met and unanimously approved recommendation for Dr. Cowden's registration and licensure under Section 64 of the Medical Act.

Professor Coombs advised 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 Medical Qualifications regarding Dr. Elizabeth Cowden [dated February 20, 2006].

CARRIED

3. Report of the Faculty of Graduate Studies on course proposals/ modifications/deletions Page 39

The Faculty of Graduate Studies is proposing a variety of course deletions, modifications and introductions. This includes deletions and introductions of courses in the Faculties of Arts, Agricultural and Food Sciences, Science, and Engineering, as well as a course modification in the Faculty of Science.

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

It was **MOVED** by Dean Doering, seconded by Dean Whitmore, **THAT** Senate approve the Report of the Faculty of Graduate Studies, regarding course proposals, modifications, and deletions, [as endorsed by the Faculty Council of Graduate Studies on February 27, 2006].

CARRIED

III MATTERS FORWARDED FOR INFORMATION

1. Election of Faculty Members to Senate

Deans and Directors were 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 15th.

2. Report of the Senate Committee on Awards - Part A Page 47

At its meeting on March 2, 2006, the Senate Committee on Awards approved 6 new awards and 3 award amendments [as set out in the report of the Senate Committee on Awards dated March 2, 2006]. All these award decisions comply with the published guidelines of November 3, 1999, and are reported to Senate for information.

3. In Memoriam Professor Murray Samuel Donnelly Page

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Professor Mark Gabbert spoke in tribute to Professor Murray Samuel Donnelly,

as Dean Sigurdson was unable to attend Senate. Professor Gabbert noted that Professor Donnelly was a distinguished member of the academic community. He was an expert of Manitoba politics, who had published two important books in the 1960's. Professor Donnelly was a Fellow of the Royal Society of Canada, but is perhaps best known as the Provost of University College. This was a position he held for twelve years. He invited controversial guests to lectures and participated in lively debates with students.

Professor Donnelly was also a committed and active member of the University of Manitoba Faculty Association. He was also a strong supporter of the support staff.

Professor Donnelly enjoyed the respect and affection of his colleagues and he will be missed.

4. In Memoriam Professor John Laurence Hamerton Page 54

Professor Wrogemann spoke in tribute to Professor Hamerton. He noted that Professor Hamerton passed away after a difficult heart operation.

Professor Hamerton worked to establish Genetics as a separate department in Medicine. He did this in the 1980's, a time when it was difficult to establish new departments. Now there is a Department that deals with human genetics, the Department of Biochemistry and Medical Genetics.

Professor Hamerton had 16 publications in *Nature*. He was a member of Senate for 24 years and on the Board of Governors as the Senate representative for 15 of those years. Even while retired, Professor Hamerton continued to serve on the ethics board. He was a Fellow of the Royal Society of Canada, and had received the Order of Canada.

5. In Memoriam Professor Cecile Clayton-Gouthro Page 55

Dean Sevenhuysen spoke in tribute to Professor Clayton-Gouthro. He noted that she had a varied career before joining the University, including psychiatric nursing. Professor Clayton-Gouthro was committed to teaching, and was held in high regard.

Professor Clayton-Gouthro was instrumental in establishing the hallway costume museum in the Faculty of Human Ecology. She touched many people with her kindness and sincerity.

6. Statement of Intent – Master of Fine Arts Page 56

The Faculty of Graduate Studies has submitted a Statement of Intent to the Council on Post-Secondary Education for the establishment of a Master of Fine

Arts. This would be a terminal graduate degree in fine arts. No reply has been received from COPSE at this time.

7. **Correspondence from the Vice-President (Academic) & Provost**

a) **re: Master of Public Health** **Page 63**

The Council on Post-Secondary Education (COPSE) has approved the proposed Master of Public Health Program. The Vice-President (Academic) and Provost authorized the immediate implementation of the program.

b) **re: Ph. D. in Design and Planning** **Page 64**

The Council on Post-Secondary Education (COPSE) has approved the proposed Ph.D. program in Design and Planning. The Vice-President (Academic) and Provost authorized the immediate implementation of the program.

IV **REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT** **Page 65**

Mrs. McCallum, Vice-President (Administration), commented that the provincial budget had been brought down. The operating grant increase for the university was 5.8%. For the first time, the government indicated multi-year funding of at least 5% in each of the next two years. The multi-year funding will enable the University to do better planning. The 5.8% is more than in the past years, but last year there was one-time funding provided which is not provided this year. 3.4% of the 5.8% must go to offset that revenue. This means that there is new money of only 2.4%. This will make it challenging for the University as there are new costs, for example operating costs for new buildings that had been opened over the year. The tuition freeze will also continue for 2006/07. The University did receive modest capital allocations for things such as infrastructure, and fire safety.

On Monday, April 3, the Banner Finance system went live. There have been some challenges, but once people become used to the new system, there should be a good reception for it.

Dr. Jayas, Associate Vice-President (Research), highlighted some items in the President's report. Dr. Robert Hill discovered a receptor called Abscisic Acid (ABA) for plant hormones. This discovery was published in *Nature*. Dr. Lesley Degner, Nursing, was the recipient of the 2005 Dr. John M. Bowman Memorial Winnipeg Rh Institute Foundation Award. Dr. Hawthorne, Geological Sciences was named as an Officer of the Order of Canada. He had discovered a new crystalline mineral that was named in his honour, Frankhawthorneite.

Dr. Jayas noted that there were six applications for the New Initiatives Fund (CFI) totalling \$46.5 million. The request to CFI was for \$15 million. These projects will require matching funds.

Mrs. Goldie, Vice-President (External), noted that the Alumni Association recently hosted events in Calgary and Edmonton. These events had 175 and 100 people respectively. She thanked Deans and Associate Deans who attended the events. Mrs. Goldie noted there were ten faculties represented, as well as the Director of Dental Hygiene and the Warden of St. John's College. The next events will be in Vancouver on April 26 and Victoria on April 27.

In Public Affairs, the news of the solving of the Benjamin Franklin Magic Squares by Professor Dr. Peter Loly, physics and astronomy, and students Daniel Schindel and Matthew Rempel has generated much attention. This has provided national coverage for the University, included the front page of the *Globe & Mail*, on *CBC Radio*, and the *Winnipeg Free Press*.

Development and Advancement Services have raised \$21.8-million in this past fiscal year. The priority is for capital projects and student support.

V QUESTION PERIOD

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

VI CONSIDERATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF MARCH 1, 2006

It was **MOVED** by Dean Doering, seconded by Dean Sexter, **THAT** the minutes of the Senate meeting held on March 1, 2006 be approved as circulated.

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 85**
2. **Report of the Senate Planning and Priorities Committee**

Professor Hunter reported that the Committee met once to consider the Bachelor of Health Studies and the Bachelor of Health Sciences. These programs are to

be offered by the Faculties of Human Ecology, Science, and Arts.

Ms. Aziz questioned if the multi-year funding announced by the government would impact how the Senate Planning and Priorities Committee will review programs?

In response, Professor Hunter commented that that is not within the mandate of the Committee. Such long-term planning is left to faculties and units that deliver the programs.

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

1. Report of the Senate Committee on Rules and Procedures

a) re: Faculty of Nursing

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The Faculty of Nursing is proposing revisions to its Professional Unsuitability Bylaw. The intent of the changes is to update and strengthen the bylaw.

In speaking to the report, Dean Sexter, Chair of the Committee noted the Committee met last month to review the changes. These changes were made to improve the bylaw.

A question was asked regarding definition of the term "reasonable". In response, Dean Sexter noted that the bylaw states "as defined by the Human Rights Code", and that is how the term will be defined.

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

It was MOVED by Dean Sexter on behalf of the Committee, THAT Senate approve the Report of the Senate Committee on Rules and Procedure: regarding the Faculty of Nursing, [dated February 23, 2006].

CARRIED

b) re: Faculty of Pharmacy

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The Faculty of Pharmacy proposes revisions to their Faculty Council Bylaw, specifically adding an Executive Committee and delegating certain authorities to it, a practice present in many faculties.

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

It was **MOVED** by Dean Selter on behalf of the Committee, **THAT Senate approve the Report of the Senate Committee on Rules and Procedure: regarding the Faculty of Pharmacy, [dated February 23, 2006].**

CARRIED

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

- a) **re: Proposal from the Faculty of Pharmacy to modify its admission requirement concerning residency in Manitoba**

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Based on recent experience, the Faculty of Pharmacy saw a need to clarify its admission requirement concerning residency in Manitoba as it relates to admission to the Faculty of Pharmacy. Specifically, it seeks clarification of the meaning of “new residents of Manitoba” regarding its first priority admissions.

In speaking to the report, Mr. Dueck noted that the change is point 1 (b) (ii), which has been added to the document.

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

It was **MOVED** by Dean Hrycaiko on behalf of the Committee, **THAT Senate approve the report of the Senate Committee on Admissions concerning a proposal from the Faculty of Pharmacy to clarify its admission requirement concerning residency in Manitoba, effective for the 2006 – 07 regular academic session [dated February 16, 2006].**

CARRIED

- b) **re: proposal from the Faculty of Law to modify its admission requirements concerning LSAT scores and transfer applications**

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The Faculty of Law is proposing three changes to its admission requirements. The first is to use the highest LSAT score rather than an average of the last three LSAT scores. The second is to limit the LSAT results used in the admission index score to those results achieved within five calendar years prior to the year of admission. The third relates to applications from students wanting to transfer to the University of Manitoba from a law program outside of Canada. Currently, in order to transfer to the University of Manitoba, students must have completed their first year law at another Canadian common law school. The proposed change is to consider applications from students who have taken programs outside of Canada.

All three proposed changes would be effective for the 2007-08 fall/winter

academic session.

A question was asked regarding how first year law in a foreign country can be equivalent to this program. Dean Secter explained that the lower level courses for common law countries are very similar. It is the upper level courses that deal with constitutional law among other areas that are more specific. He also noted that this proposal is to allow for consideration of such students, not necessarily acceptance.

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

It was MOVED by Dean Hrycaiko on behalf of the Committee, THAT Senate approve the report of the Senate Committee on Admissions concerning a proposal from the Faculty Law to modify its admission requirements concerning LSAT scores and transfer applications, effective for the 2007-08 fall/winter session [dated February 16, 2006].

CARRIED

c) re: Proposal from the Faculty of Engineering to modify its admission requirements for applicants applying after completing first year outside the Faculty

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The Faculty of Engineering is proposing a modification of its first year program and the admission requirements for its second year. The proposed changes will not affect students who apply for direct entry from high school.

Students will be required to complete at least eight of the recently proposed twelve prerequisite courses, having achieved a grade of "C" or better in the courses, with a GPA of at least 2.0. Applicants will have to complete all twelve courses to meet degree requirements.

Admission is competitive and therefore students will only be admitted as space allows.

It was noted that the proposal mentions the Department of Mathematics and Astronomy which no longer exists. The department should be listed as the Department of Mathematics.

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

It was MOVED by Dean Hrycaiko on behalf of the Committee, THAT Senate approve the report of the Senate Committee on Admissions concerning a proposal from the Faculty of Engineering to modify its admission requirements for applicants applying after completing first year outside the

Faculty, effective for the 2007-08 fall/winter session [dated February 16, 2006].

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3. Report of the Senate Committee on Appeals

Dr. Hoskins reported that since the last report there have been five appeals. They were:

In the first case, the student appealed the decision of the Faculty (of Science) in not allowing them to have authorized withdrawals for the 2001-2002 Regular Session. The appeal was based on both compassionate and medical grounds. The appeal was denied.

The second appeal involved the decision of the Faculty (of Engineering) in not allowing authorized withdrawals for the 2004-2005 Regular Session. The appeal was based on compassionate and medical grounds. The appeal was granted

In the third case, the student appealed the decision of the Faculty (of Engineering) for not allowing authorized withdrawals for the 2003-204 and 2004 - 2005 Regular Sessions. The appeal was based on medical grounds. The appeal was denied.

In the fourth, the student appealed the decision of the Faculty (of Graduate Studies) for requiring them to withdraw from their Doctoral program. The appeal was based on alleged bias in Faculty. The appeal was denied.

In the last case, the student appealed the decision of the Faculty (of Education) requiring them to withdraw from degree program. The appeal is based on both compassionate and medical grounds. The appeal was denied.

4. Report of the Guidelines and Policy Committee of the Faculty of Graduate Studies

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The Department of Physiology is proposing modifications to both the minimum and maximum credit hour requirements for the M.Sc. and Ph.D. These changes will allow for flexibility of requirements within units who have different approaches to training graduate students. Some units emphasize coursework versus research.

The flexibility will also be beneficial for students who have varying educational backgrounds. It will allow sufficient credit hours to match similar programs at other institutions. As well, students will be able meet credit requirements and still

have credit hours available to take specialized courses.

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

It was MOVED by Dean Doering, seconded by Professor Zahradka, THAT Senate approve the Report of the Guidelines and Policy Committee of the Faculty of Graduate Studies, [dated November 23, 2005].

CARRIED

X ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

1. Amendment to the 2006-2007 Academic Schedule hand-out

In speaking to the amendment, Mrs. McCallum noted that Senate had approved Friday June 30, 2006 as the day that the University would observe Canada Day. This date was chosen following past convention, that if a statutory holiday fell on a Saturday it would be taken on Friday, and if it fell on a Sunday, it would be taken on Monday. It has recently come to the University's attention that most of the large employers in Manitoba will be observing the Canada Day holiday on Monday, July 3, 2006.

Mrs. McCallum noted that Mr. Marnoch had discussed the impact on summer session with Extended Education. If classes start on July 4, students will still get the same number of contact hours as in regular session.

A request has been made to modify the Academic Schedule, having summer session classes begin on Tuesday, July 4, 2006 instead of July 3, 2006.

It was MOVED by Mrs. McCallum, seconded by Professor Baydack, THAT Senate approve the amendment to the 2006-2007 Academic Schedule, [dated March 21, 2006].

CARRIED

2. Memo from the Registrar's Office

Professor Hultin raised concerns over a memo received from the Registrar's Office, regarding information on university policy on repeated courses. The memo was dated March 31, 2006 and addressed to Deans and Directors, Associate Deans, Student Services Coordinators. The concern is that it contravenes the authority of Senate. At the December 7, 2005, Senate meeting, Senate passed a statement on limited access policy that limited access shall be determined by the faculty. This memo differs from that statement, and was not approved by Senate.

Professor Hultin requested that this be referred to Senate Executive for further examination.

Dr. Lobdell agreed that the matter will be referred to Senate Executive to look at further. Senate Executive will meet with the Registrar and report back to Senate.

XI ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

These minutes, pages 1 to 12, combined with the agenda, pages 17 to 112, distributed earlier, comprise the minutes of the meeting of Senate held on April 5, 2006.

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