

January 9, 2008

Minutes of a meeting of Senate held on the above date at 1:30 p.m. in the Senate Chamber, Room E3-262 Engineering and Information Technology Complex

Members Present

Dr. E.J.E. Szathmáry,
Chair
Prof. W. Akinremi
Prof. J. Anderson
Prof. T. Anna
Prof. M. Ballance
Mr. R. Bataluk
Prof. T. Berry
Ms. N. Bhullar
Ms. C. Bone
Prof. T. Booth
Very Rev. R. Bozyk
Rector D. Bracken
Ms. K. Broughton
Prof. M. Campbell
Ms. C. Chauvin
Prof. L. Connor
Mr. A. Coolidge
Prof. K. Coombs
Dr. G. Cronin
Dean E. Dawe
Prof. H. Dean
Dean J. Doering
Ms. J. Ellis
Prof. J. Embree
Prof. E. Etcheverry
Prof. M. Gabbert
Prof. G. Geller
Mrs. E. Goldie
Mr. C. Greenahalgh
Dean N. Halden
Prof. N. Hansen
Prof. G. Hatch
Ms. J. Horner
Prof. P. Hultin
Dean A. Iacopino
Prof. K. Jensen
Prof. M. Joyal
Dr. R. Kerr
Dr. J. Keselman
Prof. C. Kristjanson
Ms. M. Kuzmeniuk
Prof. K. MacKendrick
Prof. R. McIlwraith
Mr. M. McLean

Prof. D. McMillan
Ms. E. Milliken
Dean R. Mullaly
Ms. A. Murawski
Mr. P. Nawrot
Dr. W. Norrie
Prof. J. Owens
Prof. J. Page
Ms. A. Pochinco
Prof. S. Prentice
Ms. C. Presser
Dr. I. Ripstein
Mr. J. Rose
Dean D. Ruth
Mr. A. Sabouni
Dean H. Secter
Dean G. Sevenhuysen
Dean R. Sigurdson
Prof. L. Simard
Mr. C.B. Singh
Prof. A. Sloane-Seale
Mr. D. Smith
Mr. G. Sran
Dr. R. Tate
Prof. C. Taylor
Prof. E. Troutt
Mr. J. Vroom
Ms. C. Wall
Dean L. Wallace
Dean J. Watkinson
Dean M. Whitmore
Dean D. Witty
Prof. A. Wright
Prof. A. Young
Prof. P. Zahradka
Mr. J. Zhang
Mr. J. Leclerc,
University Secretary

Assessors Present

Dr. C. Blais
Mr. P. Dueck
Dr. K. Grant
Ms. R. Heinrichs

Prof. N. Hunter
Dr. R. Lobdell
Mr. N. Marnoch
Prof. B. McKenzie

Regrets

Dr. G. Bourgeois-Law
Dean D. Collins
Prof. E. Cowden
Dean D. Crooks
Dean I. Diallo
Prof. E. Epp
Dean G. Feltham
Prof. A. Frederiksen
Rectrice R. Gagné
Prof. Y. Gong
Prof. B. Hann
Prof. T. Henley
Dr. J. Hoskins
Prof. P. King
Prof. L. Kirshenbaum
Prof. R. Mazurat
Mrs. D. McCallum
Prof. A. McNicol
Ms. H. Milan
Dr. D. Morphy
Prof. P. Nickerson
Prof. S. Pistorius
Prof. D. Polyzois
Dean D. Sandham
Prof. T. Sullivan
Dean M. Trevan
Prof. J. Welsh
Dr. K. Wiebe
Dean J. Wiens

Absent

Mr. H. Ahmed
Prof. S. Barakat
Mr. B. Bowman
Prof. M. Brabston

Dr. D. Burke
Dr. P. Cattini
Prof. C. Eyland

Dr. G. Gerbrandt
Prof. P. Hawranik
Mr. M. Henderson
Prof. J. Irvine
Dr. D. Jayas
Prof. W. Kinsner
Prof. S. Kirby
Prof. D. Kuhn
Ms. C. Kveder
Prof. R. Lee
Mr. B. McKeen
Prof. K. Matheos
Dr. C. Rabinovitch
Ms. M. Rodrigue
Ms. C. Rosa
Mr. P. Sharma
Dr. D. Smyth
Prof. J. Trottier
Prof. J. Van Rees
Mr. D. Vasey
Prof. M. Vrontakis
Prof. E. Walz
Mr. W. Wu
Mr. S. Zerr

Also Present

Mr. D. Barbour
Mr. M. Chard
Mr. J. Danakas
Mr. S. Dorge
Mr. G. Dyck
Ms. S. Foster
Mr. A. Simms
Dr. L. Smith
Prof. N. Subotincic
Prof. E. Tyrchniewicz
Prof. J. Young
Ms. M. Zelaya

Dr. Szathmáry advised Senate that the speaker of the Senate Executive was Professor Emily Etcheverry.

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

II **MATTERS RECOMMENDED FOR CONCURRENCE WITHOUT DEBATE**

1. **Proposed Academic Schedule for 2008-2009** Page 17

Mr. Marnoch, Registrar, reported that the major change to the Academic Schedule for 2008-2009 is the addition of the new statutory holiday, Louis Riel Day, which will fall at the beginning of the scheduled midterm break in February.

Professor McMillan MOVED, seconded by Professor Coombs, THAT Senate approve the Proposed Academic Schedule for 2008-2009.

CARRIED

2. **Report of the Executive Council of Faculty of Graduate Studies on Course Changes – June 11, 2007** Page 22

This report deals with a reduction in the number of credit hours required for graduate programs in the Department of Chemistry. Dean Doering noted that this is a trend occurring in the bench sciences and the proposal is in response to the Department's Graduate Program Review.

Dean Doering MOVED, seconded by Professor Page, THAT Senate approve the Report of the Executive Committee of the Faculty of Graduate Studies [dated June 11, 2007] as approved by the Faculty Council of Graduate Studies [November 15, 2007].

CARRIED

3. **Report of the Executive Council of Faculty of Graduate Studies on Course Changes – September 26, 2007** Page 26

It was noted that the first item of this report regarding "Streamlining Course Introductions, Modification, and Deletions" is in response to concerns about delays in course approval time reported in the 2004 review of the Faculty of Graduate Studies. Dean Doering noted that this streamlining does *not* apply to new programs. The remainder of the report deals with course modifications and deletions in the I.H. Asper School of Business, the Department of Interior Design, the Natural Resource Institute and the Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering.

Dean Doering MOVED, seconded by Professor Page, THAT Senate approve the Report of the Executive Committee of the Faculty of Graduate Studies [dated September 26, 2007] as approved by the Faculty Council of Graduate Studies [November 15, 2007].

CARRIED

III MATTERS FORWARDED FOR INFORMATION

1. *In Memoriam Dr. Terrence (Terry) Hogan*

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Dr. Keselman spoke in tribute of Dr. Hogan who passed away on September 19, 2007. Dr. Hogan retired from the University of Manitoba in June 2005 after a distinguished 35 year career which included both academic and administrative positions including Associate Head of Psychology, Associate Dean of Arts, Dean of Graduate Studies, Associate Vice-President (Academic) and Vice-President (Research and External Programs), and Executive Associate Dean and Director of International Student Exchanges at the I.H. Asper School of Business. Dr. Hogan was a Senior Scholar at the time of his death.

Dr. Hogan made significant and lasting contributions to the University. As Vice-President (Research and External Programs), Dr. Hogan was responsible for numerous initiatives that remain key features of the University's research enterprise today including the University's first research publication, the creation of the Dr. John M. Bowman Memorial Winnipeg Rh Institute Foundation Medal, and the University's first technology transfer office. He oversaw and facilitated the development of large-scale, collaborative research funding proposals that led to the establishment of several high profile regional and national research networks that are still at the University today.

Dr. Hogan was granted an Honorary Doctorate from the University College Sedaya International (UCSI) in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia in 2006 where he had served on the Board of Governors for many years.

Dr. Hogan leaves behind many friends and colleagues at the University. He is and will be greatly missed.

IV REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT

The President indicated that, in response to a question by Professor Gabbert at the last meeting of Senate, she had agreed to review the arrangement with Navitas in light of *The University of Manitoba Act*. Dr. Kerr, Vice-President (Academic) and Provost, will report on this item.

Dr. Kerr indicated that, at the December 5, 2007, meeting of Senate, he had responded to questions regarding the legality of the contract with Navitas. He apologized for the miscommunication in his office which resulted in Navitas making an announcement of the arrangement prior to Senate and the Board of Governors being informed. Dr. Kerr noted that this was just one of over 100 contracts and agreements signed last year by the University of Manitoba.

In order to achieve and stabilize international student enrolment at the University's target of 10%, it is necessary to improve the success rate of international students. To do this, the University has sought to build institutional arrangements whereby students are admitted into their second or third year of study with an established academic record and

having overcome the first year transitional period. Dr. Kerr noted that the arrangements with the two Chinese institutions outlined at the December Senate meeting did not come to fruition. The Navitas arrangement will ensure that departments would be able to approve the courses and instructors for the courses offered, and that the University would receive information on course content, examination processes and on-site inspections.

In reviewing the academic performance of international students, Dr. Kerr reported that 35-40% of international students are not successful at the end of their first year. For those international students who are not required to participate in English language training at the University prior to admission (those admitted on the basis of their English Language Test Scores) the failure rate is 52%. The Navitas model was established by a group of educators from Perth University, Australia, in response to this same issue in Australia. The model is currently operating in other institutions and students in the program are highly successful with transition rates of 80-90%. The model addresses both cultural adjustment and language proficiency over a two year period which includes one year of foundation studies (equivalent to grade 12) and one year of studies equivalent to first year university studies.

Dr. Kerr noted that Navitas was initially offering an agreement similar to that currently in place at Simon Fraser University ~~and that has since been accepted by McMaster University~~. The University of Manitoba declined this affiliation arrangement on the advice of legal counsel and instead negotiated a contractual arrangement with Navitas.

This arrangement will facilitate and streamline the transfer of credit for Navitas students by evaluating the courses which will be offered by Navitas prior to students taking the courses. It was noted that Senate had delegated to departments the approval of transfer credits and that this approval does not come forward to Senate. Dr. Kerr emphasized that Navitas students would not be guaranteed admission to either the University of Manitoba, in general, or to specific faculties at the University, but would apply and be admitted through the usual channels.

Dr. Kerr indicated that Navitas would not be offering University of Manitoba courses, nor would there be joint degrees offered. The agreement does not offer an affiliation or an association and it falls within existing guidelines. No special titles or privileges will be granted to Navitas. Courses offered by Navitas may be considered equivalent to first year University of Manitoba courses on a transfer basis. The courses would not, however, carry a University of Manitoba course number although the course title could be the same or similar to that offered by The University of Manitoba. As with transfer courses from other institutions, the assessment of equivalency would be done at the departmental level and would be valid for a maximum five year period. Dr. Kerr noted that Navitas has indicated that they would likely go through the evaluative process annually. As it is written, the financial risk of this venture lies entirely with Navitas. The University of Manitoba fee sharing arrangements with faculties are currently under review.

It was emphasized that this organization is called the Navitas International College of Manitoba under *The Corporations Act*; it is not designated as a college under *The Colleges Act*.

In this matter, administration consulted with legal counsel as is standard protocol. It was indicated that an affiliation agreement with Navitas would require Senate approval; however, The University of Manitoba chose not to enter into an affiliation or association agreement. There will be no joint teaching or instruction. While under *The University of Manitoba Act*, Senate can create policies as to who can lecture on campus, historically, this has not occurred. There was a discussion on the use of the word "University" which is regulated by the Province of Manitoba under *The Degree Granting Act*.

It was noted that Navitas has focused on a niche market at universities around the world to provide a solid foundation for international students prior to admission to university. The question of a duplication of the program by the University of Manitoba was raised. The costs associated with such a venture in addition to the significant financial gamble could be prohibitive when combined with the fact that the University of Manitoba would have no guarantee of achieving outcomes similar to that attained by Navitas.

One Senator noted that Extended Education runs a quality program on a cost recovery basis, and that this is not a contracting out of courses. It was emphasized that Navitas is not offering University of Manitoba courses.

A statement was made about Navitas buying the reputation of the University. Dr. Kerr noted that Navitas already has an international reputation which includes successful arrangements with close to 20 major universities.

On the issue of Navitas having lower admission standards, Dr. Kerr emphasized that these students would not receive guaranteed admission to the University of Manitoba and that Navitas had agreed to establish a Monitoring and Advisory Committee which would include three University of Manitoba faculty members. The potential transfer courses would be offered with the same restrictions as those offered by Extended Education, and the same protocol as the University College of the North.

Professor Gabbert asked what commitments were given to Navitas regarding promises to their students regarding the acceptance of courses by the University of Manitoba. Dr. Kerr responded that students must meet posted criteria to get into a desired faculty, that there is no guaranteed entry, and that the transfer of courses would be handled as per current procedures.

Professor McKenzie stated that the name "Navitas International College of Manitoba" contravenes section 63.2 of *The University of Manitoba Act* which states:

63(2) Without the authority of the board, no person shall make use of the word "Manitoba" as any part of the name of a university, school, college, seminary, or other institution of learning.

Dr. Kerr responded that Navitas is not registered as a college under *The Colleges Act*, it is registered with this name under *The Corporations Act*. Professor Prentice questioned the government jurisdiction on this matter. The President indicated that she would look into the matter further with the University's counsel.

Dr. Lobdell indicated that the Legislative Assembly passed legislation in January 2007 regarding institutions of higher learning which governs the establishment of Colleges and Universities; other institutions (such as Booth, Steinbach Bible College, etc.) are exempted from the legislation. All other institutions, if there is an intention to grant a

certificate, diploma or degree need the approval of the Council on Post-Secondary Education or the Minister of Advanced Education and Literacy.

Mr. Smith, representative of the Deputy Minister of Advanced Education and Literacy, spoke to *The Degree Granting Act* which defines who may grant degrees. This Act also speaks to the use of the terms "university" and "varsity" indicating that approval must be granted by the Council on Post-Secondary Education or the Minister of Advanced Education and Literacy to use these terms. In this case, Navitas is *not* a university and is not using the term "university" or "varsity".

Professor Gabbert expressed concern about the implications to the bicameral government as Senate has not seen the agreement. He felt that only Senate has the right to recognize courses from colleges not affiliated with the University and noted that the Senate Planning and Priorities Committee should have been consulted with regards to the consideration of space requirements. Professor Gabbert stated that this agreement should have been managed under the same process as other proposals.

The President noted that other similar agreements, such as the one with Sedaya which occurred during President Naimark's time, had not gone through Senate. She also noted that, in these types of agreements, legal counsel is always involved.

Professor Hultin requested clarification on what courses will be taught by Navitas. Dr. Kerr responded that the University of Manitoba would help develop courses which would carry a Navitas course number but might have the same title as a University of Manitoba course. The material covered in the Navitas course would be equivalent and the curriculum parallel to the University of Manitoba courses and departments would be involved in the process. Dr. Kerr emphasized that Navitas would not be teaching University of Manitoba courses.

Ms. Heinrichs asked about space allocation, how much, where, and what kind of access to other facilities such as the library would be available to Navitas. Dr. Kerr responded that Navitas would be provided with office space and two classrooms. Any other services, if Navitas could not develop their own, would have to be negotiated as they occur. Ms. Heinrichs asked about the availability to Navitas students of safety nets such as advocacy, food bank, and the International Centre for Students. Dr. Kerr noted that Navitas is highly successful in this field and that these types of supports had not been built into agreement; if such supports do become necessary, an appropriate service agreement could be negotiated.

Professor Owens asked for clarification on the pre-approval of transfer credits; ~~is the request made each year or by the individual student~~ *if the request for credit transfer would be made each year or if the request for transfer credit would be a one-time thing?* Dr. Lobdell indicated that course evaluations would be conducted as they are currently where an evaluation is valid for a five years period after which the course must be re-evaluated by the department. The current system allows for more frequent evaluations if the course has undergone a change in course content since the last evaluation. Dr. Lobdell also indicated that Navitas wanted to enter into the exchanges with departments annually.

Professor Prentice noted that, on the subject of quality, this arrangement appears to be extremely intimate as compared to arrangements with other institutions such as Booth

College. She asked the question of whether this is an arm's length relationship or not? Dr. Kerr responded that Navitas wants the quality of the courses to be assessed and that there is an opportunity here to be assured of the quality of these courses. Departments could decide, however, not to evaluate courses more frequently than every five years.

The President noted that this item had been discussed for 45 minutes and that, according to Senate rules, a motion carried by a two-thirds majority would be required to continue.

It was MOVED by Professor Gabbert, seconded by Mr. Sran, THAT Senate continue the discussion for ten minutes.

CARRIED

Mr. Rose asked what Navitas can offer that the University of Manitoba cannot and would it not be in competition with the University of Manitoba? Dr. Kerr responded that, in order to sustain the targeted number for international students, a range of recruitment activity would need to be utilized. He noted that the University of Manitoba has not been successful in retention of international students whereas Navitas has a high success rate in students continuing successfully. Additionally, the Navitas program encompasses two years focusing on cultural acclimatization and language skills. Dr. Kerr noted that some students appear qualified on their admission application regarding English language competency, but may not be. For those students who come and are not successful their first year, the Navitas program might provide a recovery option to assist in their success when they re-attempt university studies.

The President indicated that Navitas was created by professors at Perth University based on the experience of the Australian initiative to increase their international student population. She further noted that ethics would dictate that if the University is recruiting these students, it is essential that we strive to find ways to ensure that the students are successful.

Dr. Lobdell reported that the Navitas program, as compared to University 1, is taught with smaller class sizes, in concentrated block sessions, offers more hours of instruction per credit hour (similar model as that used for Access Programs), ensures a large effort on English language usage and intensity, and also provides a great deal of 'parental supervision' for personal and social counseling.

Dean Witty indicated that, as an instructor of University 1 courses, he commends this initiative which should prove helpful.

Professor Milliken, indicated that she has taught for 20 years in the Access Program which has an excellent reputation both nationally and internationally. If the University has the capacity to provide the Access Program, she wondered why the University can't provide this same type of program to international students. The President suggested, in light of the data presented for international students in their first year of studies that instructors and departments look to revise their pedagogies to facilitate student success.

The President noted that we should work hard for the success (academic and social) of each University of Manitoba student and that the University must stabilize enrolment. As the domestic student population falls due to demographics, it is important to increase the international student population and the pool of potential international students to meet

the costs of operating the institution. She also noted the value of student interactions to both international and domestic students.

Mr. Simms, Associate Vice-President (Administration), reported that the holiday break had been quiet with the exception of a small fire on the construction site of the Aboriginal Student Centre. No construction delay occurred.

Mrs. Goldie, Vice-President (External) reported that the *itsmyfuture.ca* campaign won Silver at the 27th Annual Council for Advancement and Support of Education (CASE) District 8 (Western Canada and U.S. Pacific Northwest) Communications Awards. The site has also been referenced by both Marketing Magazine and Strategy on-line editions as an innovative web-based marketing initiative. It was cited by Bob Johnson, a U.S. based web marketing consultant, in both his weekly newsletter and blog as a best university or college web site.

In fundraising, Mrs. Goldie reported that \$22.2 million has been raised to date compared to \$11.2 million at this time last year. It is predicted that fundraising will exceed the projected \$35 million by year end. Mrs. Goldie noted that the number of donors who went on-line between Christmas and New Year's in 2007 was 42, exceeding the 2006 number of 23. In 2006, 42 listed securities were contributed to the University valued at \$2.7 million. For 2007, the figures reached \$7.1 million from 70 donors. Mrs. Goldie recognized the efforts of Donald K. Johnson, a 1957 University of Manitoba graduate, who successfully lobbied the federal government to change tax laws to eliminate the capital gains tax on gifts of securities. Mr. Johnson was named Nation Builder 2007 on December 29, 2007, by the Globe and Mail.

V QUESTION PERIOD

The following question was received from Dr. Gerarda Cronin, Faculty of Medicine.

1. Whereas **Navitas** (formerly IBT Education; ASX:NVT) is a for profit corporation listed on the Australian Stock Exchange; and
Whereas **Navitas** has entered into a Recognition and Educational Services Agreement with the University of Manitoba to establish its second college in Canada; and
Whereas said college is to be called the **International College of Manitoba**; and
Whereas the **International College of Manitoba** is to be located on the campus of the University of Manitoba; and
Whereas it is planned that the **International College of Manitoba** will deliver courses developed by University of Manitoba faculty; and
Whereas the Recognition and Educational Services Agreement was not submitted for approval by Senate; and
Whereas the powers of Senate include the power to determine courses of study and locations where courses are offered or taught, and all matters relating to teaching,
Will the University of Manitoba now submit the agreement to Senate for post hoc ratification, or alternatively, renegotiate the Recognition and Educational Services Agreement with **Navitas** such that the word "College" is removed from the title of the institution?

The President asked Dr. Cronin if her question had been answered. Dr. Cronin replied that she had a further comment to make citing the opportunity for this agreement to be a win-win situation but that she felt that Senate had been presented with the perspective that it was a good deal and that time was of the essence in the approval process only later finding out that the agreement had been under negotiation for some time. Dr. Cronin felt that the process followed for this agreement with Navitas was not transparent to Senate.

The President responded that the work of Senate is handled within the committee structure. The handling of contractual matters is the responsibility of the administration with matters of interest to Senate generally contained in the regular Report of the President presented at each Senate meeting. Senators who wish to have a specific topic discussed at Senate should submit this request to the Senate Executive who has the responsibility of setting the agenda for Senate meetings.

Professor Phil Hultin, had submitted a question, but noted that Dr. Kerr's presentation had covered it.

The following question was submitted by Professor Susan Prentice, Faculty of Arts.

3. At the December 2007 meeting of Senate, members learned the University has entered into an agreement with Navitas. This agreement implicates academic matters of concern to Senate. Will the President therefore make available a copy of the contract with Navitas to Senators for their review?

The President indicated that the contract would not be made available to Senators.

~~Professor Prentice stated that it behooves the President to put the Navitas agreement to public scrutiny.~~

The following question was submitted by Professor Elizabeth Troutt, Faculty of Arts.

4. My impression of the matter of the University's having entered into an agreement with Navitas is that it clearly involves academic matters over which Senate is entitled to deliberate. When will members of Senate be shown the contract with Navitas and be provided with complete details of the matter?

The President indicated that Senate was provided with details of the contract with Navitas today and that it is not the business of Senate to review legal contracts.

VI CONSIDERATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF DECEMBER 5, 2007

Professor Young indicated that the Question Period section of the minutes should indicate that the President said that Navitas is not a college in the sense of *The Colleges Act*.

Dean Witty **MOVED**, seconded by Dr. McIlwraith, **THAT** the minutes of the Senate meeting held on December 5, 2007, be approved as amended.

CARRIED

VII BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Professor Gabbert rose to indicate that he could not agree that Senate should not have access to agreements such as the one with Navitas. He believes it is Senate's obligation to employ due diligence on such matters. As such, he indicated that he was putting forth a Notice of Motion to be included on the next Senate agenda to require that the Navitas agreement be forwarded to Senate Committees in the usual manner and that he would forward the wording to Senate.

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

1. Report of the Senate Executive Committee Page 35
2. Report of the Senate Planning and Priorities Committee

Professor Hunter indicated that this Committee has not met since the last Senate meeting.

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

1. Department and Program Name Changes – Faculty of Arts Page 36

Dean Sigurdson indicated that the Department of English has strong, internationally recognized programs in film and theatre. The proposed change in the department name to the Department of English, Film, and Theatre would more accurately reflect the work of the department and distinguish it from other Departments of English across Canada. There will be no programmatic changes involved in this name change.

Additionally, it is proposed that the Women's Studies Program name be changed to the Women's and Gender Studies Program to better reflect changes to courses and programs offered and to reflect the broader understanding of gender issues in this discipline. This name change will also facilitate students moving on to graduate work at other universities as the program name reflects the broader base of this discipline.

These changes were approved at the Arts Faculty Council on October 31, 2007.

It was MOVED by Dean Sigurdson, seconded by Dean Doering, THAT Senate approve and recommend that the Board of Governors approve the proposal to change the name of the Department of English to the

Department of English, Film, and Theatre and the proposal to change the name of the Women's Studies Program to the Women's and Gender Studies Program [dated November 21, 2007].

CARRIED

2. **Report of the Senate Committee on University Research
Periodic Review of Research Centres and Institutes**

a) **The Institute of Industrial Mathematical Sciences** Page 41

The Senate Committee on University Research (SCUR) reviews all research centres/institutes on a periodic basis. A sub-committee of SCUR exists for each research centre/institute to review and recommend whether a full review is necessary. If a full review is not necessary, this sub-committee recommends continuation or termination of the centre/institute.

This institute was last reviewed while it was undergoing a transition period with the appointment of a new director. At that time, SCUR determined that a full review was not necessary, but that the institute should be reviewed again in two years. The sub-committee for the Institute of Industrial Mathematical Sciences recommended and SCUR approved the recommendation on October 31, 2007, that this Institute should continue for the next three years.

It was **MOVED** by Dr. Keselman on behalf of the Committee: **THAT Senate approve the Report of the Senate Committee on University Research [dated December 5, 2007] on the continuation of the Institute of Industrial Mathematical Sciences for a three year period.**

CARRIED

3. **Graduate Changes with Resource Implications
or Course Changes Beyond Nine Credit Hours**

a) **Report of Executive Council of Faculty of
Graduate Studies – October 30, 2007** Page 45

b) **Report of the Senate
Planning and Priorities Committee** Page 91

This report deals with a specialization name change in the Department of Curriculum, Teaching and Learning. Dean Doering added that this change is retroactive to September 2007. Additionally, the report deals with program changes in the Departments of Architecture, Biochemistry & Medical Genetics, and Economics; and course introductions and deletions in the Departments of Interior Design, Economics, German & Slavic Studies, History, Political Studies, Religion and Architecture. A handout with corrections to a number of Economics course and the prerequisite to HIST 7XXX was distributed at the meeting.

The proposed course introductions in the Departments of Economics and History exceed nine credit hours but have no resource implications.

It was **MOVED** by Dean Doering, seconded by Dean Witty, **THAT** Senate approve the Report of the Executive Committee of the Faculty of Graduate Studies [October 30, 2007], as approved by the Faculty Council of Graduate Studies [November 15, 2007] as amended, and the Report of the Senate Planning and Priorities Committee [dated November 21, 2007].

CARRIED

X **ADDITIONAL BUSINESS** - none

XI **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

These minutes, pages 1 to 12, combined with the agenda, pages 17 to 92 plus the one page handout, comprise the minutes of the meeting of Senate held on January 9, 2008.

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