

**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**

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**Members Present**

Dr. D. Barnard, Chair  
 Prof. W. Akinremi  
 Prof. S. Alward  
 Prof. John Anderson  
 Prof. Judy Anderson  
 Prof. T. Anna  
 Ms. M. Artiga  
 Prof. J. Asadoorian  
 Dean C. Axworthy  
 Prof. M. Ballance  
 Prof. S. Barakat  
 Ms. C. Bator  
 Prof. T. G. Berry  
 Mr. M. Bilodeau  
 Ms. C. Bone  
 Very Rev. R. Bozyk  
 Prof. M. Brabston  
 Rector D. Bracken  
 Prof. M. Campbell  
 Ms. N. Chislett  
 Dean D. Collins  
 Dean D. Crooks  
 Mr. R. Davidson  
 Dean E. Dawe  
 Dr. H. Dean  
 Dean J. Doering  
 Ms. N. Duseighe  
 Prof. M. Edwards  
 Prof. E. Epp  
 Prof. E. Etcheverry  
 Dean H. Frankel  
 Prof. A. Frederiksen  
 Prof. M. Gabbert  
 Rectrice R. Gagné  
 Mrs. E. Goldie  
 Prof. B. Hann  
 Prof. N. Hansen  
 Prof. T. Henley  
 Ms. K. Holden  
 Ms. J. Horner  
 Dr. J. Hoskins  
 Prof. P. Hultin

Prof. M. Joyal  
 Dr. R. Kerr  
 Dr. J. Keselman  
 Prof. W. Kinsner  
 Prof. S. Kirby  
 Prof. S. Kouritzin  
 Prof. D. Kuhn  
 Ms. M. Kuzmeniuk  
 Mr. J. Lyons  
 Dr. A. MacDiarmid  
 Prof. J. Mactavish  
 Mr. C. Martel  
 Mrs. D. McCallum  
 Dr. R. McIlwraith  
 Prof. D. McMillan  
 Prof. A. McNicol  
 Ms. H. Milan  
 Prof. E. Milliken  
 Mr. M. Moreau  
 Dr. D. Morphy  
 Prof. J. Owens  
 Prof. J. Page  
 Ms. C. Peters  
 Prof. S. Pistorius  
 Prof. D. Polyzois  
 Prof. S. Prentice  
 Prof. M. Pritchard  
 Dean D. Ruth  
 Mr. A. Sabouni  
 Dean D. Sandham  
 Dean G. Sevenhuysen  
 Dean R. Sigurdson  
 Ms. M. Sitter  
 Dr. R. Soni  
 Mr. J. Sopotiuik  
 Prof. T. Sullivan  
 Dr. R. Tate  
 Prof. J. Trottier  
 Prof. E. Troutt  
 Prof. J. Van Rees  
 Mr. J. Vroom  
 Dean L. Wallace  
 Prof. E. Walz  
 Dean J. Watkinson

Dean M. Whitmore  
 Dean D. Witty  
 Prof. A. Wright  
 Mr. C. Zhang  
 Mr. J. Leclerc,  
 University Secretary  
 Ms. M. Brolley,  
 Recording Secretary

**Assessors Present**

Dr. C. Blais  
 Mr. A. Bonar  
 Mr. P. Dueck  
 Mr. A. Easter  
 Dr. K. Grant  
 Prof. N. Hunter  
 Prof. K. Jensen  
 Dr. R. Lobdell  
 Mr. N. Marnoch  
 Prof. K. Matheos  
 Prof. B. McKenzie  
 Mr. M. Tripple

**Regrets**

Prof. S. Abeysekera  
 Ms. K. Adams  
 Dr. E. Cowden  
 Dr. G. Cronin  
 Dean I. Diallo  
 Dean G. Feltham  
 Prof. Y. Gong  
 Dean N. Halden  
 Ms. D. Harmer  
 Dean A. Iacopino  
 Prof. K. MacKendrick  
 Prof. P. Nickerson  
 Dr. W. Norrie  
 Ms. M. Rodrigue  
 Ms. P. Sampath  
 Prof. L. Simard  
 Ms. D. Sirois  
 Prof. A. Sloane-Seale

Mr. D. Smith  
 Prof. D. Smyth  
 Prof. C. Taylor  
 Dean M. Trevan  
 Dean J. Wiens  
 Prof. E. Worobec  
 Prof. A. Young

**Absent**

Ms. J. Armah  
 Mr. J. Barlas  
 Dr. D. Burke  
 Dr. P. Cattini  
 Prof. K. Coombs  
 Prof. J. Embree  
 Dr. G. Gerbrandt  
 Prof. G. Hatch  
 Prof. P. Hess  
 Mr. S. Huang  
 Prof. J. Irvine  
 Dr. D. Jayas  
 Prof. L. Kirshenbaum  
 Mr. M. Moustafa  
 Dr. I. Ripstein  
 Ms. N. Umadat  
 Prof. M. Vrontakis  
 Dr. K. Wiebe

**Also Present**

Mr. D. Barbour  
 Prof. M. Benbow  
 Mr. J. Danakas  
 Mr. S. Dorge  
 Ms. S. Foster  
 Ms. A. Gabaury  
 Mr. M. Modjeski  
 Prof. J. Perry  
 Mr. C. Rigaux  
 Dr. L. Smith  
 Mr. T. Unrau

Dr. Barnard advised Senate that the speaker of the Senate Executive Committee was Professor Judith Owens. The Chair further advised that the Executive Committee had agreed that, as the agenda indicates those items which have been endorsed by Senate Executive, the Speaker will only speak to items which require additional comments.

## **PRESENTATIONS**

1. The presentation regarding the United Way Campaign at the University of Manitoba was deferred to the November meeting.

### **I CANDIDATES FOR DEGREES, DIPLOMAS AND CERTIFICATES – OCTOBER 2008**

A copy of the list of graduands, including degrees notwithstanding, was available for examination by members of Senate.

Mr. Marnoch, Registrar, indicated that this report represented the highest number of October graduands since 1971 and, combining all three graduation dates, accounted for the highest number of graduands in one year to date. Mr. Marnoch reported that there were two degrees notwithstanding, a Master of Social Work and a Bachelor of Laws.

**Professor Owens MOVED on behalf of Senate Executive THAT that the list of candidates recommended for degrees notwithstanding a deficiency be approved.**

**CARRIED**

**Professor Owens MOVED on behalf of Senate Executive THAT the list of graduands provided to the University Secretary by the Registrar be approved, subject to the right of Deans and Directors to initiate late changes with the Registrar up to October 3, 2008.**

**CARRIED**

### **II REPORT ON MEDALS AND PRIZES TO BE AWARDED AT THE OCTOBER CONVOCATION**

A copy of this report was available for examination by members of Senate.

Mr. Dueck, Executive Director of Enrolment Services, indicated that this report included the Governor General's Silver Medal, one University Gold Medal, two program medals and a list of other awards.

**Professor Owens MOVED on behalf of Senate Executive THAT the report on medals and prizes provided to the University Secretary be approved by Senate.**

**CARRIED**

**III 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.

**IV MATTERS FORWARDED FOR INFORMATION**

**1. Report of the Senate Committee on Awards – Part A Page 17**

The Senate Committee on Awards met on August 26, 2008, to approve 24 new offers, 48 amended offers, and the withdrawal of 3 offers, as set out in Appendix A of the Report of the Senate Committee on Awards.

**2. Implementation Letter from Dr. Kerr, Vice-President (Academic) and Provost Page 35  
**RE: Master of Physician Assistant Studies Program****

The Council on Post-Secondary Education has authorized the release of funds in support of this program. The Vice-President (Academic) and Provost has authorized the immediate implementation of this program.

**3. Statement of Intent Page 36  
**RE: Graduate Program in Pediatric Dentistry****

The Faculty of Dentistry has submitted a Statement of Intent for a Graduate Program in Pediatric Dentistry. This program will be completely unique in North America and will prepare professionals to become proficient in providing both primary and comprehensive preventative and therapeutic oral health care for infants and children. The program will also emphasize research and scholarship related to innovations in prevention and population health, especially among high-risk populations.

COPSE has authorized the development of a full proposal, which will be considered in due course.

**V REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT**

Dr. Kerr, Vice-President (Academic) and Provost, reported that the declining trend in undergraduate enrolment over the last couple of years has continued with a 1.9% decrease in enrolment as of the end of the revision period. The final reporting date for enrolment numbers is November 1, 2008. Dr. Kerr further noted that there has been a 1.4% increase in graduate student enrolment and that the number of students entering University 1 remains stable.

The Chair updated Senate on the status of the planning process. He indicated that the previous planning term had concluded this past summer and a final report was submitted by Dr. Szathmáry. Dr. Barnard is currently working with the Vice-Presidents, Deans and non-Academic Directors towards a new framework. The next period of time will look towards revising the existing SWOT analysis (strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats) and recasting a statement of strategic emphasis. The University Secretary will be working with the Chair on a detailed timeline for this process. Meetings were held with the Deans and Directors group this week and will continue with the Administrative Council next week.

**VI QUESTION PERIOD**

No questions were received prior to 10:00 a.m. on the day preceding the meeting.

**VII CONSIDERATION OF THE MINUTES  
OF THE MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 3, 2008**

**Professor Van Rees MOVED, seconded by Professor Kinsner THAT the minutes of the Senate meeting held on September 3, 2008 be approved as circulated.**

**CARRIED**

**VIII BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES - none**

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

**1. Report of the Senate Executive Committee Page 42**

**Professor Owens MOVED on behalf of the Senate Executive Committee: THAT the following nominations to the Senate Committee on Nominations be approved by Senate for one-year terms ending on October 14, 2009:**

**Ms. Jessica Armah (Science) and Mr. Curtis Martel (Arts)**

**CARRIED**

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

**a) Siting of a Football Stadium within the  
Designated Sports and Active Living Precinct Page 43**

Professor Hunter, Chair of SPPC, spoke to this report drawing Senate's attention to observation (3) which outlines some overall planning with respect to the facilities and observation (5) which speaks to the importance of Senate and Board of Governors approval in the process of siting this facility.

The question of the parkade and the displaced tennis courts and soccer fields was raised. Professor Hunter indicated that a sub-committee had been formed to consider the tennis courts and soccer fields. The parkade will not be located within the Sports and Active Living Precinct and the location would be determined at a later date. Regarding whether a reduction in the number of parking spaces would occur, Professor Hunter indicated that in the overall plan, there would be a net increase in total number of parking spaces, again this would be considered by a sub-committee.

On the question of whether a traffic impact analysis had been conducted, Mrs. McCallum, Vice-President (Administration), replied that a traffic plan will be developed and there will be public presentations, likely in November, to present the plan and address concerns.

A further item concerning health, wellness and community concerns questioned how noise and light pollution were to be addressed and how non-vehicular traffic had been incorporated. Mrs. McCallum responded that the concerns with noise and light will be addressed as part of the presentations and will also, in part, be addressed by the design of the bowl 25 feet below grade with a partial roof directing light and sound inwards.

On the question of whether the property proposed was large enough for the large footprint of a stadium and why it is not located closer to Pembina Highway, Mrs. McCallum responded that the land adjacent to Pembina Highway will be used for any possible expansion of Smart Park; additionally, the proposed plan fits into the space well with room for 280 parking stalls, a plaza and green space in addition to the stadium. The Bisons will be using this facility and, to integrate functions, it is more efficient to have it closer to the current facilities. Professor Hunter added that this siting is within the designated area for the Sports and Active Living Precinct which has already been approved.

On the issue of universal design and accessibility, Mrs. McCallum confirmed that the final plan will conform to University guidelines.

The Chair noted that, if this is approved, it will provide significantly better facilities to students and provide a strategically different perspective for the community.

**Professor Hunter MOVED on behalf of the Committee THAT Senate approve and recommend the Board of Governors approve the report of the Senate Planning and Priorities Committee [dated September 22, 2008] regarding Siting of a Football Stadium within the Designated Active Living Precinct.**

**CARRIED**

b) **Siting of West Grid Computing Building**

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Professor Hunter confirmed that there is currently no building on this proposed site. On the question of expansion, Dean Whitmore indicated that the 2000 square foot building that is planned is in excess of what is needed for the CFI funded project, so there would be some additional space available.

**Professor Hunter MOVED on behalf of the Committee THAT Senate approve and recommend the Board of Governors approve the report of the Senate Planning and Priorities Committee [dated September 22, 2008] regarding Siting of West Grid Computing Building.**

CARRIED

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

1. **Report of the Senate Committee on Awards – Part B**

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At its meeting on August 26, 2008, the Senate Committee on Awards reviewed 5 new offers and one amended offer that appear to be discriminatory according to the Policy for Non-Acceptance of Discriminatory Scholarships, Bursaries or Fellowships. Professor Hultin, Chair, Senate Committee on Awards, indicated that these awards are targeted at specific groups and hence the reason why they appear in Part B of the report. He further indicated that the Committee agrees with the letters of recommendations that the awards are worthy.

**Professor Hultin MOVED on behalf of the Committee THAT Senate approve and recommend that the Board of Governors approve the Report of the Senate Committee on Awards – Part B [dated August 26, 2008].**

CARRIED

2. **Report of the Senate Committee on Nominations  
Re: Student Vacancies on Committees**

Professor Hunter, Chair, Senate Committee on Nominations indicated that this report will be forthcoming at the next meeting.

XI **ADDITIONAL BUSINESS**

XII **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 2:10 p.m.

These minutes, pages 1 to 6 combined with the agenda, pages 17 to 68 distributed earlier, comprise the minutes of the meeting of Senate held on October 1, 2008.

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