

**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**

Dean D. Collins, Chair  
 Prof. S. Abeysekera  
 Ms. K. Adams  
 Prof. W. Akinremi  
 Prof. John Anderson  
 Prof. Judy Anderson  
 Prof. T. Anna  
 Ms. M. Artiga  
 Prof. J. Asadoorian  
 Prof. M. Ballance  
 Ms. C. Bator  
 Prof. T. G. Berry  
 Mr. M. Bilodeau  
 Ms. C. Bone  
 Very Rev. R. Bozyk  
 Prof. M. Brabston  
 Rector D. Bracken  
 Ms. N. Chislett  
 Prof. K. Coombs  
 Dr. G. Cronin  
 Dean E. Dawe  
 Dean I. Diallo  
 Prof. M. Edwards  
 Prof. E. Epp  
 Dean H. Frankel  
 Prof. M. Gabbert  
 Mrs. E. Goldie  
 Prof. Y. Gong  
 Dean N. Halden  
 Prof. B. Hann  
 Prof. N. Hansen  
 Dr. J. Hoskins  
 Prof. P. Hultin  
 Prof. M. Joyal  
 Prof. W. Kinsner  
 Prof. S. Kirby  
 Prof. S. Kouritzin  
 Prof. D. Kuhn  
 Ms. M. Kuzmeniuk  
 Mr. J. Lyons  
 Dr. A. MacDiarmid  
 Prof. K. MacKendrick  
 Prof. J. Mactavish

Mr. C. Martel  
 Mrs. D. McCallum  
 Dr. R. McIlwraith  
 Prof. D. McMillan  
 Prof. A. McNicol  
 Prof. E. Milliken  
 Mr. M. Moreau  
 Dr. D. Morphy  
 Mr. M. Moustafa  
 Dr. W. Norrie  
 Prof. J. Owens  
 Prof. J. Page  
 Ms. C. Peters  
 Prof. D. Polyzois  
 Prof. S. Prentice  
 Prof. M. Pritchard  
 Mr. R. Pudavick  
 Ms. M. Rodrigue  
 Mr. A. Sabouni  
 Ms. P. Sampath  
 Dean D. Sandham  
 Dean G. Sevenhuysen  
 Dean R. Sigurdson  
 Prof. L. Simard  
 Ms. M. Sitter  
 Prof. A. Sloane-Seale  
 Prof. T. Sullivan  
 Dr. R. Tate  
 Prof. C. Taylor  
 Prof. J. Trottier  
 Prof. J. Van Rees  
 Prof. M. Vrontakis  
 Mr. J. Vroom  
 Dean L. Wallace  
 Prof. E. Walz  
 Dean J. Watkinson  
 Dean M. Whitmore  
 Dean J. Wiens  
 Dean D. Witty  
 Prof. A. Wright  
 Prof. A. Young  
 Mr. C. Zhang  
 Mr. J. Leclerc,  
 University Secretary  
 Ms. M. Brolley,

Recording Secretary

**Assessors Present**

Mr. A. Bonar  
 Dr. P. Cattini  
 Mr. P. Dueck  
 Prof. N. Hunter  
 Dr. D. Jayas  
 Prof. K. Jensen  
 Dr. R. Lobdell  
 Mr. N. Marnoch  
 Prof. B. McKenzie  
 Mr. M. Tripple

**Regrets**

Prof. S. Alward  
 Dean C. Axworthy  
 Dr. D. Barnard  
 Prof. S. Barakat  
 Dr. C. Blais  
 Dean D. Crooks  
 Mr. R. Davidson  
 Dr. H. Dean  
 Dean J. Doering  
 Ms. N. Duseighe  
 Prof. E. Etcheverry  
 Dean G. Feltham  
 Prof. A. Frederiksen  
 Rectrice R. Gagné  
 Dr. K. Grant  
 Prof. G. Hatch  
 Prof. T. Henley  
 Prof. P. Hess  
 Ms. K. Holden  
 Dean A. Iacopino  
 Dr. R. Kerr  
 Dr. J. Keselman  
 Prof. L. Kirshenbaum  
 Prof. K. Matheos  
 Ms. H. Milan  
 Prof. P. Nickerson  
 Prof. S. Pistorius  
 Dr. I. Ripstein

Dean D. Ruth  
 Mr. D. Smith  
 Prof. D. Smyth  
 Dr. R. Soni  
 Mr. J. Sopotiuik  
 Dean M. Trevan  
 Prof. E. Troutt  
 Prof. E. Worobec

**Absent**

Ms. J. Armah  
 Mr. J. Barlas  
 Dr. D. Burke  
 Prof. M. Campbell  
 Dr. E. Cowden  
 Mr. A. Easter  
 Prof. J. Embree  
 Dr. G. Gerbrandt  
 Ms. D. Harmer  
 Ms. J. Horner  
 Mr. S. Huang  
 Prof. J. Irvine  
 Ms. S. Singh  
 Ms. D. Sirois  
 Ms. N. Umadat  
 Dr. K. Wiebe

**Also Present**

Mr. D. Barbour  
 Mr. S. Baron  
 Ms. S. Coyston  
 Mr. J. Danakas  
 Ms. A. Dangerfield  
 Mr. S. Dorge  
 Mr. P. Fast  
 Ms. S. Foster  
 Ms. R. Howard  
 Mr. J. Lacko  
 Ms. L. Sigurdson  
 Dr. L. Smith

Dean Collins advised Senate that, as Senior Dean, he would be serving as Chair for this meeting of Senate as both the President and Provost were not available. The Chair informed Senate that the speaker of the Senate Executive Committee was Professor Mark Gabbert and further reminded Senate that the agenda indicates those items which have been endorsed by Senate Executive. The Speaker will, therefore, only speak to items which require additional comments.

## **PRESENTATIONS**

Dr. Janet Hoskins, Leadership Chair of the Universities and Colleges Division of the United Way, introduced Mr. Bob Silver, Chair of the 2008 United Way Campaign, to launch the 2008 United Way Campaign at the University of Manitoba.

Mr. Silver expressed his support for the role of education in Manitoba's future and reported that the University of Manitoba is a tremendous supporter of the United Way giving \$432,000 last year and finishing number one in the category of *leaders* (those with donations of over \$1,200) with 94 leaders in 2007. He went on to say that "challenges we face in this community are huge" and spoke of communities within Winnipeg with less opportunity, less hope, and more despair such as Point Douglas. He indicated that "it is our job to reach out and change that or our city will rot from the core out." Mr. Silver emphasized that there is no other charity that reaches out like the United Way which supports over 100 different agencies.

Mr. Silver then issued a challenge; if the 2008 campaign produces 2500 *leaders*, a group of ten individuals has pledged an additional \$250,000 to the United Way campaign. He encouraged Senators to become *leaders* and to encourage others to do the same.

Dean Collins thanked Mr. Silver for his presentation.

### **I MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED IN CLOSED SESSION** - none

### **II MATTERS RECOMMENDED FOR CONCURRENCE WITHOUT DEBATE**

#### **1. Report of the Executive Committee of the Faculty of Graduate Studies [October 1, 2008]** **Page 17**

Dr. Jensen, Acting Dean of Graduate Studies, spoke to the report which contains course changes which were approved by the Executive Committee according to the process of 'Streamlining Course Introductions, Modifications and Deletions' noting that no departments had changes in excess of nine credit hours.

Dr. Jensen commented on the number of changes emerging from the newly approved Master of Physician Assistant Studies indicating that these changes involve a refocusing of courses and course credits for this program. Dr. Jensen further noted that Senate Executive had raised the question of three courses (page 21) PAEP 7062, PAEP 7064 and PAEP 7066, which have identical course descriptions. She noted that this is intentional and that students would take these courses sequentially, not at the same time. The description will allow the staff available to teach these courses the flexibility to meet the needs of the students and the specialization at that time.

**Dr. Jensen MOVED, seconded by Dean Sandham THAT Senate approve the Report of the Executive Committee of the Faculty of Graduate Studies on Course and Curriculum Changes [dated October 1, 2008].**

**CARRIED**

**III MATTERS FORWARDED FOR INFORMATION**

**1. Report of the Senate Committee on Awards Page 23**

The Senate Committee on Awards met on September 29, 2008, to approve 10 new offers and 54 amended offers, as set out in Appendix A of the Report of the Senate Committee on Awards. Professor Hultin, Chair of the Committee, referred to the Daryl F. Kraft Graduate Fellowship (page 26), indicating that the award numbers have not yet been designated and thus appear as "00000"; the actual numbers will appear in the finalized version.

Professor Hultin went on to express his thanks, as Chair of the Committee, for the work done by Shannon Coyston who produces and does the background work for the reports of the Committee.

**2. Correspondence from COPSE and Statement of Intent  
Re: Bachelor of Science 4 year Major in Biotechnology Page 33**

This item is for information only. A full proposal will be considered in due course.

**3. Items approved by the Board of Governors on  
September 16, 2008 Page 39**

**IV REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT**

Mrs. McCallum, Vice-President (Administration), spoke to the recent Winnipeg Free Press headline "U of M avoids cash trouble". She confirmed that the endowment fund is facing current challenges as 70% of the fund is invested in equities which have experienced an 11.2% loss. Mrs. McCallum assured Senate that faculties will not see a reduction in spending allocation for this year although she did indicate that, if losses are not recouped over the next year, the trust investment committee will review allocations. If this were to occur, faculties would receive advance notice of such an eventuality.

Mrs. Goldie, Vice-President (External), reported on current fundraising as compared to prior years at this time. She reported that fundraising is currently well ahead of schedule compared to the last two years on October 31. In 2006, year to date fundraising was at \$8 million (32% of goal); in 2007 it was \$18 million (48% of goal) and on October 31, 2008, fundraising was at \$31 million (71.1% of goal). In the annual giving program, the large, broad based campaign, amounts are tracking well ahead of the goals with only 25% of campaign completed. Mrs. Goldie was, however, cautious about what could

occur with the major gifts which usually come in at year end based on the current economic outlook.

**V QUESTION PERIOD**

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

**VI CONSIDERATION OF THE MINUTES  
OF THE MEETING OF OCTOBER 1, 2008**

**Professor Brabston MOVED, seconded by Professor Walz THAT the minutes of the meeting of Senate held on October 1, 2008 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 40**

Professor Gabbert reported that Senate Executive had met on October 22, 2008 to establish the agenda for this meeting and to make recommendations as indicated in the agenda.

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

Professor Norm Hunter, Chair of the Committee, reported that SPPC had met once since the last Senate meeting. The Committee has considered proposals from: the Faculty of Graduate Studies on a Joint Masters in Peace and Conflict Studies, the Faculty of Engineering on a post-baccalaureate for Internationally Educated Engineers, the Faculty of Graduate Studies on a School of Interdisciplinary Studies, curriculum changes for the Department of Mechanical and Manufacturing Engineering, and a proposal from the Faculty of Architecture for an Aboriginal Design and Planning Degree. Professor Hunter reported that all of these proposals are moving through the process and will be presented to Senate at future meetings.

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

- 1.      Report of the Senate Committee on Rules and Procedures RE: Revision of the Governing Document Page 41  
Joint M.A. in Religion**

The Senate Committee on Rules and Procedures reviewed changes to the Governing Document as submitted by the Joint Masters Committee.

Dr. Jensen, Acting Dean, Faculty of Graduate Studies, indicated to Senate that this document is part of a larger document that governs joint Masters Programs. Part A of that document pertains to all Joint Masters Programs. Part C, considered here, refers specifically to the joint program in Religion. She noted that this revision had originally been approved by SCRIP in 2003 but was overlooked and not been approved by Senate at that time.

**Dr. Jensen MOVED, seconded by Professor Brabston THAT Senate approve the Report of the Senate Committee on Rules and Procedures regarding the Revision of the Governing Document A Part C- Joint M.A. in Religion [dated July 8, 2008].**

**CARRIED**

- 2.      Report of the Senate Committee on the Calendar Page 48  
RE: Establishment of a Calendar Review Sub-committee**

At their last meeting, the Senate Committee on the Calendar discussed the need for a review of the Calendar and proposed the establishment of a sub-committee to conduct a complete review. As such, the Committee has submitted, for Senate approval, terms of reference for a sub-committee.

Mr. Leclerc, Chair of the Senate Committee on the Calendar, reported that, as technology has improved, the question reemerged as to whether the University should be moving to a web-based calendar. Anecdotal comments regarding inconsistencies between sections, user friendliness, content issues, and quality control also need to be addressed. This sub-committee will bring back recommendations for a document that will be more useful to the University for recruiting purposes and for daily operations.

**Dean Sigurdson MOVED, seconded by Dean Witty THAT Senate approve the report of the Senate Committee on the Calendar regarding establishment of a Calendar Review sub-committee [dated June 10, 2008].**

**CARRIED**

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

Professor Hunter, Chair of the Senate Committee on Nominations, indicated that this report was distributed as Senators entered the meeting. He noted that Appendix A of the

report related to students on committees and noted that not all vacancies have been filled; Appendix B indicates two nominees for faculty vacancies.

Professor Judy Anderson commented on the number of University 1 students that had been nominated and also the number of students nominated to numerous committees. She expressed concerns about these students overloading themselves with this work. Professor Hunter expressed appreciation for the comment and noted that generally the commitment of the student is for a one year term which hopefully doesn't encumber the students too much.

A question was raised as to nominations for the University Discipline Committee Nominating Committee which was to be eliminated with the new Student Discipline by-law. It was confirmed that this would be the case and the UDC Nominating Committee would cease to exist as of January 1, 2009.

**Professor Hunter MOVED on behalf of the Committee THAT Senate approve the Report of the Senate Committee on Nominations [dated November 5, 2008].**

**CARRIED**

X     **ADDITIONAL BUSINESS** – none

XI    **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 2:15 p.m.

These minutes, pages 1 to 6 combined with the agenda, pages 17 to 49 distributed earlier, comprise the minutes of the meeting of Senate held on November 5, 2008.

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