

NIPISSING UNIVERSITY

MINUTES OF THE ACADEMIC SENATE MEETING

April 7, 2006

2:30 p.m. -- Room F210

MEMBERS PRESENT:

D. Mock, T. Chase, R. Common, D. Lawrence, B. Nettlefold,
A. Sparkes, R. Vanderlee

J. Barker, E. Berger, G. Brophey, K. Brozowski, E. Cholewa, T. Dokis,
H. Earl, D. Ford, D. Geden, AB Graff, D. Hemsworth, T. Jones,
S. Kariuki, S. Lechlitner, J. LeClair, C. McFarlane, S. Muhlberger
D. Murphy, T. Parkes, L. Patriquin, G. Phillips, G. Pyle, S. Renshaw,
S. Srigley, M. Sroga, R. Teigrob, V. Valov, W. Young, H. Zhu

J. Allison, D. Brackenreed, T. Campbell, J. Corkett, K. Ferguson, R. Fix,
L. Frost, M. Kariuki, G. Laronde, A. LeSage, J. Long, K. MacLeod,
B. Olmsted, MA Parr, H. Rintoul

B. Pipe

L. McLaren

T. Condotta, K. Marsh

ABSENT WITH REGRETS: R. Bergquist (leave), A. Clendinning, M. Denike (leave), D. Hall (leave),
D. Jowett, P. Kelly, L. Kruk (leave), F. Noël, A. Page, R. Pyper,
B. Riome (leave), M. Saari, C. Sarlo, K. Stange, K. Topps

D. Berry (leave), M. Cantilini-Williams, J. Cardwell, E. Duncan, D. Franks,
C. Harvey, P. Joong, L. Keuhl, H. Langford, J. McIntosh,
J. Mroczkowski (leave), K. Noël, M. Parr, S. Reid, O. Ridler,
S. Van Nuland (leave), R. Weeks (leave)

M. Cooper

J. deBruyn

ABSENT:

R. Wideman

R. Breton, W. Borody, G. Brown, N. Brown, R. Brozowski, P. Chow,
P. Cook, D. Flynn, D. Hackett, A. Karassev, J. Knox, J. Kovacs,
U. Kundrats, S. Lawlor, E. Mattson, G. Morrell, P. Nosko, S. O'Hagan,

D. Rowbotham, J. Ryan, B. Schreyer, D. Tabachnick, S. Wall, D. Walton
A. Weeks

AM Aquino, J. Barnett, W. Blair, D. Calverley, K. Clausen, D. Gosse,
T. Horton, K. Kirkwood, R. Lynn, M. McCabe, B. McMahan,
J. Price, K. Quigg, C. Ricci, C. Richardson, W. Richardson, T. Ryan,
J. Scott, C. Shields, G. Swanson, H. Vail, K. Waller

M. Cooper

C. Kent, J. Simpson

MOTION 1: Moved by S. Muhlberger, seconded by C. McFarlane that the minutes of the regular meeting of the Academic Senate dated March 10, 2006 be adopted.
CARRIED

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The President began his announcements by commenting on the large number of COU meetings in February and March, including many by teleconference. Maclean's is one of COU's top issues and appears that the larger institutions do not want to participate in their graduate survey. It was also noted that at the recent AUCC meeting in Ottawa, there seemed to be a 50/50 split on whether to participate in this survey. As a result, the President feels the survey, in which Nipissing does very well, will not be run.

At a teleconference meeting on April 6th with MTCU regarding the graduate education expansion strategy, universities were reminded that the government has committed \$220M for 14,000 graduate positions in the province.

At the AUCC meeting this past week, the agenda focused largely in the area of international studies. The meeting was originally slated for Saskatoon, but was moved to Ottawa to coincide with the opening of Parliament. At AUCC, there was a sense of uncertainty as to what the federal government will do regarding post secondary education.

Dr. Mock also informed Senate that the Premier was visiting the education centre this afternoon. The Premier's Office has defined the itinerary, but the President indicated that there will be a tour of the library and this will be an opportunity to discuss the need for a new library/e-learning centre.

Senator Mock thanked all faculty who participated in the recent March UpClose. There was a 30% increase in the number of attendees. He was pleased to report that the Canadore strike did not affect this initiative.

The President was pleased to announce Nipissing University's participation in the Lieutenant Governor's Aboriginal Summer Literacy Camp Initiative. Senator Mock explained that we will be co-sponsoring a summer literacy camp in Fort Albany. It is hoped to get service learning involved with this program.

In order to heighten Nipissing's profile in the community and to generate interest in the new electronic learning resource centre, the University is hosting a series of President's breakfasts. Senator Mock indicated that this is an opportunity to talk about our academic programming, our growth and the economic impact in the region.

Senator Mock also notified Senate that there will be a committee struck to find a new Chancellor. He indicated that at the May Senate meeting, there will be a request for the election of four Senators to serve on the Chancellors Replacement Committee.

The President applauded Senators Common and Frost for the effective link they have formed with Craig and Marc Kielburger and the launching of the Global Voices initiative with the Toronto Star.

The President also informed Senate of a request to move the May Senate meeting to Wednesday, May 17th from May 12th in order to allow time for final marks to be processed by the Registrar's Office and scholarship winners to be determined.

Senator Mock concluded his announcements by stating that Nipissing University will raise tuition by 4.5% for first year students and 4% for the remaining undergraduate students. As mandated by the provincial government, this is the maximum that tuition may be increased. He reminded senators we are still approximately \$220 per student behind other universities and have not been given permission to exceed the tuition increase to match other institutions.

The Vice-President Academic and Research began his announcements by commenting on the graduate expansion plan as a result of the teleconference call on April 6th. He indicated that about 70% of the graduate funding will be based on the 2002-03 enrollments, resulting in the larger institutions capturing most of the grant monies. The remainder will be allocated based on submitted research plans. Announcements will be made in six weeks, so universities have three weeks to come up with some strategies. Dr. Peter Ricketts, the incoming Vice-President Academic and Research has offered to assist. He has experience in his former role of Dean of Graduate Studies.

Senator Chase was pleased to announce that Senator Kovacs has received an NSERC renewal and Senator Zhu has received a 3-year NSERC grant in the amount of \$34,500. Senator Walters has received a 3-year standard SSHRC grant in the amount of \$36,671. Senator Chase also announced that the second part of the science complex initiative has been submitted for matched funding and that the Tier 2 search committee is being struck.

The Vice-President congratulated Senator Katrina Srigley for the success of the Histories of the North Conference.

The Vice President concluded his announcements by reminding senators of the Academic Master Planning and Information session on the evening of April 18th in H104.

The Dean of Arts and Science reiterated Senator Chase's congratulation to all grant recipients and to Senator Srigley for the History of the Near North: Discovering Our Communities Past Conference this

past weekend. He also encouraged senators to get their marking done as soon as possible to expedite the degree audit process.

Senator Common, Dean of Education, congratulated Senator Brackenreed for successfully defending her PhD at the University of Regina. Senator Common also elaborated on the Toronto Star – Global Voices – Nipissing University initiative. This partnership is designed to provide young people with a platform to write articles on social justice issues. The Kielburger's bi-monthly column in the Toronto Star will also be accompanied by lesson plans for educators. These lesson plans will be created by Nipissing University education faculty and students. Plans are being developed to retain intellectual property rights.

NUSU representative, Senator Marsh, thanked outgoing NUSU executive members Jake deBruyn and Tom Condotta for their work with NUSU this past year. This would be their last meeting in their present position. Senator Marsh indicated that NUSU had been in discussion with Mayor Fedeli with the hopes of having the buses run longer during exam time. He also noted that NUSU had recently met with Colonel Mulders of 22 Wing CFB North Bay and local MPP Monique Smith. These meetings are NUSU's effort to extend their outreach into the community. Senator Marsh also noted that Senator Condotta was conducting an OSMOSIS forum in Mattawa in the near future. This weekend retreat is to work on leadership skills and problem solving. Other notable initiatives are the early planning stages for Frosh week and the promotion of Eco-Village. The latter is a pilot project to have some students living in a sustainable community.

There was a brief presentation from Vicky Paine-Mantha, Vice-President of Administration and Finance. She explained that the budget process began back in October when chairs, managers, deans and vice-presidents were sent their 05-06 budget and asked to review their past spending and allocate 06-07 spending priorities based on trends and expectations. A budget process summary sheet was distributed that outlined the 10 steps taken to reach the final budget that will get to the Audit and Finance Committee of the Board on April 19th and to the annual Board of Governor's meeting on May 4th for approval. The Vice-President noted that new staffing, operating initiatives and capital requests originally totaled \$7.5M. She added that after reviews and reprioritizing, these requests were pared down with priority given to initiatives that were in line with advancing the strategic plan and required expenditures. It was noted that revenue was based on a decrease of 75 first-year students despite the increase in tuition fees. Ms. Paine-Mantha reported that a planned 2006-07 deficit of \$407K is being recommended.

Senator Lawrence, a member of the Pension Committee reminded senators of the pension information sessions and the planning retirement seminars from April 24th to April 26th.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Executive Committee

MOTION 2: Moved by D. Mock, seconded by R. Fix that the Report of the Senate Executive Committee dated March 30, 2006 be received.
CARRIED

University Curriculum Committee

MOTION 3: Moved by T. Chase, seconded by J. Allsion that the Report of the University Curriculum Committee dated March 15, 2006 be received.

CARRIED

MOTION 4: Moved by T. Chase, seconded by D. Geden that the University Curriculum Committee recommend to Senate that in accordance with the Nipissing University Policy for New Program Implementation, Senate give Stage Two "Curriculum Approval" to a Bachelor of Fine Arts program, as outlined in the attached document.

CARRIED

MOTION 5: Moved by T. Chase, seconded by D. Geden that Senate consider motions 4 – 17 of the UCC Report dated March 15, 2006, as one omnibus motion.

CARRIED

MOTION 4: That the Senate document entitled "Senate Academic Regulations and Policies, September 2005" be amended to add FAVA 2346 Selected Themes in Art History I, a three-credit course, to the Fine Arts program, as outlined in the attached document.

MOTION 5: That the Senate document entitled "Senate Academic Regulations and Policies, September 2005" be amended to add FAVA 2347 Selected Themes in Art History II, a three-credit course, to the Fine Arts program, as outlined in the attached document.

MOTION 6: That the Senate document entitled "Senate Academic Regulations and Policies, September 2005" be amended to add FAVA 3026 Printmaking I, a three-credit course, to the Fine Arts program, as outlined in the attached document.

MOTION 7: That the Senate document entitled "Senate Academic Regulations and Policies, September 2005" be amended to add FAVA 3027 Printmaking II, a three-credit course, to the Fine Arts program, as outlined in the attached document.

MOTION 8: that the Senate document entitled "Senate Academic Regulations and Policies, September 2005" be amended to add FAVA 4026 Special Studies in Painting I, a three-credit course, to the Fine Arts program, as outlined in the attached document.

- MOTION 9: That the Senate document entitled "Senate Academic Regulations and Policies, September 2005" be amended to add FAVA 4027 Special Studies in Painting II, a three-credit course, to the Fine Arts program, as outlined in the attached document.
- MOTION 10: That the Senate document entitled "Senate Academic Regulations and Policies, September 2005" be amended to add FAVA 4036 Advanced Printmaking I, a three-credit course, to the Fine Arts program, as outlined in the attached document.
- MOTION 11: That the Senate document entitled "Senate Academic Regulations and Policies, September 2005" be amended to add FAVA 4037 Advanced Printmaking II, a three-credit course, to the Fine Arts program, as outlined in the attached document.
- MOTION 12: That the Senate document entitled "Senate Academic Regulations and Policies, September 2005" be amended to add FAVA 4046 Art and Critical Theory I, a three-credit course, to the Fine Arts program, as outlined in the attached document.
- MOTION 13: That the Senate document entitled "Senate Academic Regulations and Policies, September 2005" be amended to add FAVA 4047 Art and Critical Theory II, a three-credit course, to the Fine Arts program, as outlined in the attached document.
- MOTION 14: That the Senate document entitled "Senate Academic Regulations and Policies, September 2005" be amended to add FAVA 4056 Independent Research for Studio Applications, a three-credit course, to the Fine Arts program, as outlined in the attached document.
- MOTION 15: That the Senate document entitled "Senate Academic Regulations and Policies, September 2005" be amended to add FAVA 4057 Advanced Studio Practice in Art, a three-credit course, to the Fine Arts program, as outlined in the attached document.
- MOTION 16: That the Senate document entitled "Senate Academic Regulations and Policies, September 2005" be amended to add FAVA 3066 Photography I, a three-credit course, to the Fine Arts program, as outlined in the attached document.
- MOTION 17: That the Senate document entitled "Senate Academic Regulations and Policies, September 2005" be add FAVA 3067 Photography II, a three-credit course, to the Fine Arts program, as outlined in the attached document.

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MOTION 6: Moved by T. Chase, seconded by S. Renshaw that Senate approve motions 4 – 17 of the UCC Report dated March 15, 2006, as one omnibus motion.
CARRIED

MOTION 7: Moved by T. Chase, seconded by G. Pyle that the Senate document entitled “Senate Academic Regulations and Policies, September 2005” be amended to modify the program requirements in the Environmental Biology and Technology major, as outlined in the attached document.
CARRIED

MOTION 8: Moved by T. Chase, seconded by G. Pyle that the Senate document entitled “Senate Academic Regulations and Policies, September 2005” be amended to add BIOL 3646 Applied Entomology, a three-credit course, to the Biology programs, as outlined in the attached document.
CARRIED

MOTION 9: Moved by T. Chase, seconded by D. Geden that the Senate document entitled “Senate Academic Regulations and Policies, September 2005” be amended to add SOCI 3307 Social Problems: Legal Issues, a three-credit option course, to the Criminology stream of the Criminal Justice major program, as outlined in the attached document.
CARRIED

MOTION 10: Moved by T. Chase, seconded by G. Brophy that the Senate document entitled “Senate Academic Regulations and Policies, September 2005” be amended to change the prerequisites for ADMN2167 Business Decision Making to ADMN1107 Introductory Financial Accounting II, ADMN1136 Introduction to Organizational Behaviour and MKTG1126 Marketing Concepts (formerly ADMN2126), as outlined in the attached document.
CARRIED

MOTION 11: Moved by T. Chase, seconded by C. McFarlane that the Senate document entitled “Senate Academic Regulations and Policies, September 2005” be amended to add PSYC4616 Neural Bases of Consciousness, a three credit course, to the Psychology program, as outlined in the attached document.
CARRIED

MOTION 12: Moved by T. Chase, seconded by J. Long that Senate consider motions 23 – 27 of the UCC Report dated March 15, 2006, as one omnibus motion.
CARRIED

MOTION 23: That the Senate document entitled “Senate Academic Regulations and Policies, September 2005” be amended to add EDUC5276 Educational Representations in Popular Culture, a three-credit course, to the MEd Program Curriculum Cluster, as outlined in the attached document.

MOTION 24: That the Senate document entitled "Senate Academic Regulations and Policies, September 2005" be amended to add EDUC5286 Narrative Inquiry in Teaching, Learning and Research, a three-credit course, to the MEd Program Curriculum Cluster, as outlined in the attached document.

MOTION 25: That the Senate document entitled "Senate Academic Regulations and Policies, September 2005" be amended to add EDUC5366 Safe Schools, a three-credit course, to the MEd Program Leadership Cluster, as outlined in the attached document.

MOTION 26: That the Senate document entitled "Senate Academic Regulations and Policies, September 2005" be amended to add EDUC5376 Ethics, Values, and Decision-Making in Education & Schooling, a three-credit course, to the MEd Program Leadership Cluster, as outlined in the attached document.

MOTION 27: That the Senate document entitled "Senate Academic Regulations and Policies, September 2005" be amended to add EDUC5676 Qualitative Approaches to Educational Research, a three-credit course, to the MEd Program Elective, as outlined in the attached document.

MOTION 13 Moved by T. Chase, seconded by J. Long that Senate approve motions 23 – 27 of the UCC Report dated March 15, 2006, as one omnibus motion.
CARRIED

MOTION 14: Moved by T. Chase, seconded by S. Renshaw that the Senate document entitled "Senate Academic Regulations and Policies, September 2005" be amended to modify the hours for:

FILM1005 - Introduction to Film

FILM2105 - World Cinema

FILM2305/GEND 2305 - Women in Cinema

FILM2845 - The Director's Cinema

PHIL2405 - Philosophy of Film

making these courses 96-hour courses, as outline in the attached document.

CARRIED

Academic Planning Committee

MOTION 15: Moved by T. Chase, seconded by W. Young that the Report of the Academic Planning Committee, dated March 28, 2006 be received.
CARRIED

MOTION 16: Moved by T. Chase, seconded by W. Young that in accordance with Step 5 of the Nipissing Program Review guidelines, Senate receive the attached document entitled "APC Summary Report: Social Welfare Program Review (March, 2006)".
CARRIED

Admissions, Promotions and Petitions Committee

MOTION 17: Moved by A. Sparkes, seconded by B. Olmsted that the Admissions, Promotions and Petitions Committee Report dated March 22, 2006 be received.
CARRIED

MOTION 18: Moved by A. Sparkes, seconded by K. Marsh that Senate grant degrees to those students listed in Appendix A.
CARRIED

ELECTIONS

- Elect one Senator from Education to serve on the Research Ethics Committee

J. Long nominated C. shields

MOTION 19: Moved by L. Frost, seconded by H. Rintoul that nominations cease.
CARRIED

Acclaimed: C. Shields

- Elect one Senator from Arts and Science and one Senator from Education to serve on both the Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Teaching Committee and the Nipissing University Award for Excellence in Part-time Teaching Committee.

MA Parr nominated W. Richardson

A. Sparkes nominated M. Saari

MOTION 20: Moved by D. Lawrence, seconded by AB Graff that nominations cease.
CARRIED

Acclaimed: W. Richardson and M. Saari

- Elect three tenured Senators from each faculty, to serve on the Senate-level Appeal Committee. (*Senator K. Brozowski asked that it be noted in the minutes that she would be abstaining from voting*).

G. Pyle nominated A. Sparkes
AB Graff nominated G. Phillips
T. Chase nominated W. Young
M. Kariuki nominated W. Richardson
R. Common nominated M. Kariuki
H. Rintoul nominated J. McIntosh

MOTION 21: Moved by AB Graff, seconded by C. McFarlane that nominations cease.
CARRIED

Acclaimed: A. Sparkes, G. Phillips, W. Young, W. Richardson, M. Kariuki & J. McIntosh

NEW BUSINESS

MOTION 22: Moved by T. Chase, seconded by AB Graff that Senate consider receipt the Report of the University Research Council dated March 30, 2006.
CARRIED

MOTION 23: Moved by T. Chase, seconded by D. Geden that Senate receive the Report of the University Research Council dated March 30, 2006.
CARRIED

MOTION 24: Moved by T. Chase, seconded by G. Pyle that Senate recommend to the Deans that the required average fall/winter teaching load for Tier 2 Canada Research Chairs over the five-year appointment term should be at most one course per semester.
CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION 25: Moved by AB Graff, seconded by A. Sparkes that Senate do now adjourn:
3:59 p.m.
CARRIED

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D. Mock, President

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T. Jones, Secretary