

NIPISSING UNIVERSITY

MINUTES OF THE ACADEMIC SENATE MEETING

March 9, 2007

2:30 p.m. -- Room F210

MEMBERS PRESENT:

D. Mock, B. Nettlefold, R. Vanderlee, R. Wideman

NJ Baker, J. Barker, R. Bergquist, W. Borody, K. Brozowski, E. Cholewa,
A. Dean, T. Dokis, D. Hemsworth, D. Jowett, A. Karassev, S. Kariuki,
U. Kandrats, S. Lechlitner, E. Mattson, S. Mayhall, C. McFarlane,
G. Morrell, I. Mueller, D. Murphy, F. Noël, S. O'Hagan, M. Owens,
A. Page, L. Patriquin, L. Penno, S. Renshaw, A. Sparkes, K. Srigley,
M. Sroga, D. Tabachnick, K. Topps, D. Walters, M. Wachowiak,
W. Young, H. Zhu

E. Ashworth, J. Barnett, S. Elliott-Johns, B. Hatt, M. Kariuki,
J. Long, B. Olmsted, W. Richardson, O. Ridler, J. Scott

T. Benedvides

D. Pletzer

S. Feretycki, K. Knapp, B. Overholt, K. Marsh, G. deBruyn

ABSENT WITH REGRETS: P. Ricketts, R. Common, D. Lawrence

J. Baffoe (leave), E. Berger, AB Graff, P. Kelly (leave), J. Kovacs (leave),
L. Kruk, S. Lawlor (leave), J. LeClair, G. Phillips (leave), M. Saari,
C. Sarlo (leave), K. Stange (leave), M. Tuncali (leave)

D. Berry (leave), D. Brackenreed, T. Campbell,
M. Cantalini-Williams (Brantford), D. Franks, L. Frost, T. Horton (leave),
D. Jarvis, P. Joong (Brantford), H. Langford (leave),
M. McCabe (Brantford), J. McIntosh, K. Noël (leave), MA Parr,
K. Quigg (Brantford), S. Reid (Brantford), H. Rintoul, C. Shields (leave),
S. Van Nuland (leave), L. Vokes-Leduc

P. Gavan

ABSENT:

R. Breton, G. Brophey, G. Brown, N. Brown, R. Brozowski, P. Chow,
A. Clendinning, P. Cook, T. Curwen, H. Earl, D. Flynn, D. Geden,
D. Hackett, D. Hall, J. Knox, T. Koivukoski, K. McCullough,

S. Muhlberger, P. Nosko, T. Parkes, G. Pyle, D. Rowbotham, J. Ryan,
S. Srigley, V. Valov, A. Weeks, S. Winters

J. Allison, AM Aquino, A. Bell, K. Clausen, J. Corkett, R. Davis,
K. Ferguson, R. Fix, H. Gardner, R. Graham, D. Gosse, C. Harvey,
L. Keuhl, K. Kirkwood, G. Laronde, R. Lynn, K. MacLeod,
N. Maynes, B. McMahon, M. Parr, J. Price, C. Ricci, C. Richardson,
T. Ryan, G. Sharpe, I. Sinfield, M. Szakacs, K. Waller, N. Zur Nedden

M. Couchie

C. Dahmer

MOTION #1 Moved by K. Srigley, seconded by G. deBruyn that the minutes of the regular meeting of the Academic Senate dated February 3, 2007 be adopted.
CARRIED

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The President was pleased to report that as a result of an agreement between NUFA and the University, there will be a motion brought forward at the April Senate to elect two Senators to a new APT Review Committee. This 2-page agreement will set out timelines, including a conclusion date of April 2008, which will review the tenure and promotion process.

The Library/E-learning centre is moving forward. The conceptual drawings illustrate a 55,000 square foot 2-storey building with a price range of about \$18-20M. The project is a joint venture with Canadore College. It is hoped that public sector funding will be in the \$10-12M range with the balance obtained through fundraising. Senator Mock indicated that this new space will be double the size of the existing library with the capacity to add another floor in the future. The building will be modern and environmentally friendly. The top architectural firm Diamond Schmitt is working on the conceptual drawings.

Senate was reminded that March UpClose was occurring next week. Close to 800 people, including applicants and their families, will be on campus to view our facilities.

Our Lady Lakers, the OCAA women's volleyball champions, are currently in North Vancouver participating in the nationals at Capilano College.

March 21st will be a busy day on campus. The President noted that the Dave Marshall Leadership Awards will be held to honour our many exceptional students. As well, the Canadian Institute of Metallurgy and Mining (CIM) will be on campus. Representatives from local mining companies will be here to talk about mining in general and career opportunities.

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Dr. Mock wished to acknowledge the great work being done for International Women's Week. He indicated he had the opportunity to hear Maude Barlow speak the previous evening and was delighted to see that the room was more than filled to capacity.

The President concluded his announcements by introducing, Bill Ross, Director of UTS, who provided a commentary on the recent e-mail interruption.

The Dean of Arts and Science acknowledged the faculty and students and the Women's Centre for the exceptional variety of events celebrating International Women's Week. Senator Vanderlee also noted that Thomas Homer Dixon will be giving a public lecture on Friday, March 30th in the Weaver. Professor Homer Dixon is the Director of the Pierre Elliott Trudeau Centre for Peace and Conflict Studies and author of the bestseller "*The Ingenuity Gap*." Mr. Dixon will discuss the prospects for peace in the 21st century.

The Associate Dean of Education gave remarks on behalf of the Dean of Education who is in Kenya with an education practicum. He gave a brief review about the in-service education office.

Senator Feretycki, NUSU Student representative thanked Senator Knapp for her successful grub crawl. He also noted that the unofficial results from the NUSU election were on the Student Union's website. Senator Feretycki was also pleased that Nipissing won gold in the regional cheerleading competition and bronze in the provincial championships.

Brian Nettlefold, Executive Director of Library Services, indicated that there is now an accountability agreement with the provincial government. He also noted that there is a quality survey of the library and library services. This is the first time that libraries are being surveyed and encouraged Senators to participate. There is a direct link to the survey at <http://www.eclibrary.ca/library/content/view/276/236/>.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Executive Committee

MOTION 2: Moved by D. Mock, seconded by D. Tabachnick that the Report of the Senate Executive Committee dated March 1, 2007 be received.
CARRIED

Academic Planning Committee

MOTION 3: Moved by R. Vanderlee, seconded by K. Srigley that the Report of the Academic Planning Committee dated February 9, 2007 be received.
CARRIED

MOTION 4: Moved by R. Vanderlee, seconded by H. Zhu that Senate approve the continuation of the existing limited-term position in Computer Science in the Faculty of Arts and Science for a further two years, effective July 1, 2007.
CARRIED

MOTION 5: Moved by R. Vanderlee, seconded by J. Barnett that Senate give Stage 1 “Development Approval” to a four-year Honours Single Major in Child and Family Studies, to be overseen by the steering committee in Child and Family Studies.
CARRIED

MOTION 6: Moved by R. Vanderlee, seconded by J. Barnett that Senate give Stage 1 “Development approval” to the proposed diploma, Teacher of Cree as a First Language (P/J) in the Native Language as a First Language (NFL) program, as outlined in the attached document.
CARRUED

MOTION 7: Moved by R. Vanderlee, seconded by J. Barnett that Senate give Stage 1 “Development Approval” to the proposed diploma, Teacher of a Native Language as a Second Language: Algonquian (Ojibwe) program, as outlined in the attached document.
CARRIED

Appointments, Promotions and Tenure Committee

MOTION 8: Moved by J. Long, seconded by W. Richardson that the Report of the APT Committee dated February 27, 2007 be received.
CARRIED

Admissions, Promotions and Petitions Committee

MOTION 9: Moved by A. Sparkes, seconded by R. Wideman that the Report of the Admissions, Promotions and Petitions Committee dated February 2, 2007 be received.
CARRIED

MOTION 10: Moved by A. Sparkes, seconded by J. Barnett that the students listed on Appendix A, who have completed all requirements of their respective degrees, be admitted to their degrees in-course and that diplomas for the degree be awarded.
CARRIED

ELECTIONS

- ❖ Elect one Senator, from either Faculty, to sit on the Personal Harassment and Discrimination Committee

G. Morrell nominated K. Srigley

W. Borody nominated U. Kandrats

MOTION 11: Moved by C. McFarlane, seconded by M. Owens that nominations cease.
CARRIED

Elected: K. Srigley

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION 12: Moved by B. Nettlefold, seconded by C. McFarlane that Senate do now adjourn:
3:49 p.m.
CARRIED

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D. Mock, President

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D. Brackenreed, Secretary