

NIPISSING UNIVERSITY

MINUTES OF THE ACADEMIC SENATE MEETING

September 14, 2007
2:45 p.m. – Room F210

MEMBERS PRESENT: D. Mock, P. Ricketts, B. Bergquist, R. Common, D. Lawrence,
B. Nettlefold, D. Parker, R. Wideman

J. Barker, W. Borody, R. Breton, K. Brozowski, E. Cholewa,
N. Colbourne, T. Dokis, D. Geden, R. Gendron, J. Grant,
D. Hackett, D. Horning-Lafrance, D. Jowett, A. Karassev,
S. Kariuki, T. Koivukoski, L. Kruk, U. Kundrats, S. Lechlitner,
E. Mattson, G. Morrell, S. Muhlberger, J. Murton, D. Neal, F. Noël,
P. Nosko, S. O'Hagan, M. Owens, T. Parkes, L. Patriquin, G. Phillips,
S. Renshaw, K. Srigley, S. Srigley, D. Tabachnick, K. Topps,
T. Waldock, D. Walters, S. Winters, H. Zhu

J. Adler, J. Allison, E. Ashworth, A. Bell, R. Bernades, T. Campbell,
S. Elliott-Johns, K. Ferguson, B. Fix, D. Franks, L. Frost, D. Gosse,
B. Hatt, J. Humble, L. Julien-Schultz, K. MacLeod, K. Mantas,
J. McAuliffe, B. Olmsted, MA Parr, M. Parr, J. Pitt, G. Raymer,
C. Richardson, W. Richardson, O. Ridler, J. Scott, S. Tedesco,
L. Vokes-Leduc

L. Drinkwalter

G. deBruyn, J. Fortier, C. Fraser, I. Wassink

ABSENT WITH REGRETS: P. Babady-Bila, NJ Baker, E. Berger (leave), G. Brophrey,
G. Brown (leave), A. Clendinning (leave), H. Earl, D. Hemsworth,
P. Kelly (leave), J. Knox (leave), C. McFarlane, C. Sarlo,
A. Sparkes (leave), K. Stange (leave), M. Tuncali, M. Wachowiak

J. Barnett, D. Berry (leave), D. Brackenreed, M. Cantalini-Williams,
K. Clausen (leave), C. Harvey (leave), T. Horton, D. Jarvis, P. Joong,
M. Kariuki (leave), H. Langford (leave), J. Long (leave),
M. McCabe (leave), J. McIntosh (leave), K. Noël, K. Quigg,
S. Reid (leave), H. Rintoul,

L. McLaren

S. Anderson

T. Bendevides

ABSENT:

N. Brown, R. Brozowski, B. Carpenter, T. Curwen, A. Dean,
D. Flynn, AB Graff, D. Hall, N. Kozuskanich, S. Mayhall,
K. McCullough, I. Mueller, D. Murphy, J. Nadeau, R. Nagy,
A. Page, W. Peters, L. Peturson, G. Pyle, D. Rowbotham, M. Saari,
B. Schreyer, T. Smith, M. Sroga, V. Valov, R. Vanderlee, A. Weeks,
W. Young

AM Aquino, J. Bumstead, J. Corkett, R. Graham, A. Grierson,
G. Laronde, N. Maynes, B. McMahon, R. Phillips, C. Ricci, T. Ryan,
G. Sharpe, C. Shields, K. Waller

MOTION 1: Moved by K. Srigley, seconded by D. Geden that the minutes of the meeting of June 6, 2007 be adopted.

MOTION 2: Moved by L. Patriquin, seconded by S. Renshaw that the minutes of the special meeting of June 21, 2007 be adopted.

CARRIED

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The President began his announcements by welcoming returning faculty and extending best wishes to the new faculty. He was pleased to participate in the 2nd annual Pow Wow held at the Surtees Gym earlier in the day. It is hoped that the Pow Wow will include more of the Education Centre community in the future.

The President noted that start up for September has gone very well. First year numbers are positive and Senator Lawrence would be providing further information at the end of the President's announcements.

The new President of the Council of Ontario Universities (COU), Dr. Paul Genest, visited the campus in mid-August and met with a number of individuals. This was an opportunity to ensure that Nipissing's agenda stays on COU's agenda. With the upcoming provincial election next month, business with the Ministry of Training, Colleges and Universities has been quiet. This election is important for postsecondary education because of capital dollars and funding concerns.

The President also reported on a paper co-authored by two Academic Colleagues from COU regarding policies and procedures on academic dishonesty at Ontario universities. This paper will be reviewed by the Ontario Council of Academic Vice-Presidents (OCAV) and brought to Senate in the Fall for discussion.

Numerous capital projects are underway. FAVA has moved to the Monastery and the remaining two floors should be available by Thanksgiving. The Library Learning Centre campaign is moving forward in its quiet phase. The President expressed his hope that the provincial government will be forthcoming with funding to assist with this venture.

Senator Lawrence, Registrar, provided a brief synopsis of enrollment. He noted that there are 985 students registered in first year. Nipissing University has the highest take-up rate in the province. However, total enrollment is 2943, down 3% from last year. The inaugural intake of 25 full-time Masters of Education students was achieved. Detailed information on enrollment may be viewed <http://intranet.nipissingu.ca>

The Vice-President Academic and Research welcomed new faculty to Senate. He was pleased to report that the New Faculty Orientation was a success. With the news that Senator Common has accepted the position as President of Sault College effective November 1, 2007, the VP Academic announced that there will now be an additional Decanal search. Congratulations were extended to Senator Common on his new appointment and a sincere thanks to Senator Wideman for stepping in as interim Dean. The Search for a new Dean of Education will begin in January 2008. This fall, the VP Academic and Research noted there will be search committees struck for a Dean of Arts and Science and a Dean of Applied and Professional Schools.

The Dean of Arts and Science was pleased to read out the names of the new members of the Faculty of Arts and Science. He was also delighted to make two announcements. Senator Brophy has successfully defended his PhD at the University of Exeter and Senator Murton's book, *Creating a Modern Countryside: Liberalism and Land Resettlement in British Columbia*, has been published. The Dean also reported the good work done by the Arts and Science Executive and the continued work on restructuring details and new workload plans. He was pleased to report he has received all plans.

The Dean of Education also introduced the new faculty in his area and was pleased to announce that Senator Scott had successfully defended his dissertation at OISE. The new Bachelor of Physical and Health Education program is in full swing and the Dean was pleased to note this is a significant accomplishment considering that there had been little opportunity to advertise it.

Senator deBruyn, NUSU President, reported on a successful FROSH week highlighted by Shinerama which was able to raise almost \$14K for Cystic Fibrosis. Next week will be a busy week for students. Senator deBruyn noted that nominations will open for seven representatives on NUSU and forms could be picked up at the NUSU office. As in the past, Club Days is happening next week. This is an opportunity for students to check out the various clubs on campus. Displays will be throughout the main halls.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Senate Executive Committee

MOTION 3: Moved by D. Mock, seconded by S. Muhlberger that the Report of the Senate Executive Committee dated September 6, 2007 be received.
CARRIED

MOTION 4: Moved by D. Mock, seconded by P. Ricketts that Senate adopt the Nipissing University Academic Policies and Regulations outlined in the document entitles "Senate Academic Regulations and Policies, 2007."
CARRIED

Academic Standing Appeals and Petitions Committee

MOTION 5: Moved by D. Lawrence, seconded by B. Fix that the Report of the Student Academic Standing Appeals and Petitions Committee dated July 26, 2007 be received.
CARRIED

Admissions, Promotions and Petitions Committee

August 29, 2007 Report

MOTION 6: Moved by B. Bergquist, seconded by D. Gosse that the Report of the Admissions, Promotions and Petitions Committee dated August 29, 2007 be received.
CARRIED

MOTION 7: Moved by B. Bergquist, seconded by I. Wassink that the students listed in Appendix A, who have completed all requirements of their respective degrees, be admitted to their degrees in-course and that diplomas for the degrees be awarded.
CARRIED

September 12, 2007 Report

MOTION 8: Moved by B. Bergquist, seconded by S. Muhlberger that Senate considers receipt of the Report of the Admissions, Promotions and Petitions Committee dated September 12, 2007.
CARRIED

MOTION 9: Moved by B. Bergquist, seconded by I. Wassink, that the Report of the Admissions, Promotions, and Petitions Committee dated September 12, 2007 be received.
CARRIED

MOTION 10: Moved by B. Bergquist, seconded by I. Wassink 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 degrees be awarded.
CARRIED

ELECTIONS

- One Senator to serve as Alternate Speaker

K. Ferguson nominated L. Frost

MOTION 11: Moved by K. Srigley, seconded by D. Gosse that nominations cease.

Acclaimed: L. Frost

- One Senator to serve as Chair of the Assessment Sub-Committee for Education in the circumstance that Senator Common acts as designate for an application for promotion

R. Common nominated D. Parker

MOTION 12: Moved by B. Hatt, seconded by O. Ridler that nominations cease.

Acclaimed: D. Parker

- One Arts and Science Senator to serve on the APT Assessment Subcommittee for Education

L. Frost nominated D. Flynn

MOTION 13: Moved by O. Ridler, seconded by B. Hatt that nominations cease.

Acclaimed: D. Flynn

- Two Education Senators to serve on the Teacher Education Advisory Committee for a two-year term

L. Frost nominated B. Olmsted

D. Gosse nominated K. Mantas

MOTION 14: Moved by O. Ridler, seconded by O. Ridler that nominations cease.

Acclaimed: B. Olmsted and K. Mantas

- Elect one Senator from Education to serve on the Academic Planning Committee (this is for a 2-year term)

R. Common nominated J. McAuliffe

MOTION 15: Moved by B. Hatt seconded by O. Ridler that nominations cease.

Acclaimed: J. McAuliffe

REPORTS OF REPRESENTATIVES ON OTHER BODIES

Board of Governors

Senator Frost, Senate representative to the Board of Governors announced that there had been a Board Orientation held on September 13, 2007.

If there is not objection, Senate will now adjourn: 3:39 p.m.

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D. Mock, President

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D. Brackenreed, Secretary