

NIPISSING UNIVERSITY

MINUTES OF THE ACADEMIC SENATE MEETING

March 14, 2008

2:30 p.m. -- Room F210

MEMBERS PRESENT:

D. Mock, R. Bergquist, L. Frost, D. Lawrence, B. Nettlefold, D. Parker,  
R. Wideman,

P. Babady-Bila, J. Barker, R. Breton, K. Brozowski, R. Brozowski,  
B. Carpenter, , E. Cholewa, N. Colbourne, H. Earl, D. Geden, R. Gendron,  
D. Hackett, D. Hemsworth, D. Jowett, S. Kariuki, T. Koivukoski,  
N. Kozuskanich, U. Kundrats, E. Mattson, G. Morrell, I. Mueller,  
S. Muhlberger, J. Murton, J. Nadeau, F. Noël, S. O'Hagan, M. Owens,  
A. Page, T. Parkes, L. Patriquin, L. Peturson, S. Renshaw, C. Sarlo,  
S. Srigley, D. Tabachnick, K. Topps, M. Wachowiak, T. Waldock,  
D. Walters, H. Zhu

AM Aquino, E. Ashworth, J. Barnett, A. Bell, R. Bernades, T. Campbell,  
S. Elliott-Johns, K. Ferguson, B. Fix, D. Gosse, B. Hatt, T. Horton,  
J. Humble, M. Kairuki, N. Maynes, J. McAuliffe, B. Olmsted, MA Parr,  
R. Phillips, G. Raymer, C. Richardson, O. Ridler, J. Scott, S. Tedesco,

L. Drinkwalter

S. Cox, G. deBruyn, C. Fraser, I. Wassink

ABSENT WITH REGRETS: P. Ricketts

NJ Baker, E. Berger (leave), G. Brown (leave), A. Clendinning (leave),  
AB Graff, S. Houle-Lechlitner, P. Kelly (leave), J. Knox (leave), L. Kruk,  
D. Murphy (leave), A. Sparkes (leave), M. Sroga, K. Stange (leave),  
S. Winters, W. Young

D. Berry (leave), K. Clausen (leave), D. Franks, P. Joong (Bfd),  
H. Langford (leave), J. Long (leave), M. McCabe (leave),  
J. McIntosh (leave), K. Noël (Bfd), J. Pitt, K. Quigg (Bfd), S. Reid (Bfd),  
W. Richardson (leave), H. Rintoul, L. Vokes-Leduc

T. Benevides

ABSENT:

W. Borody, N. Brown, P. Chow, T. Curwen, A. Dean, T. Dokis, D. Flynn, R. Gendron, D. Hall, D. Horning-Lafrance, A. Karassev, J. Kovacs, K. McCullough, C. McFarlane, R. Nagy, D. Neal, P. Nosko, W. Peters, G. Phillips, G. Pyle, D. Rowbotham, M. Saari, B. Schreyer, T. Smith, K. Srigley, M. Tuncali, V. Valov, R. Vanderlee, A. Weeks,

A. Adler, J. Allison, D. Brackenreed, J. Bumstead, M. Cantalini-Williams (Bfd), J. Corkett, R. Graha, A. Grierson, C. Harvey, D. Jarvis, C. Jodoin, L. Julien-Schultz, G. Laronde, K. Mantes, B. McMahon, M. Parr, C. Ricci, T. Ryan, C. Shields, M. Tessaro, K. Waller

L. McLaren

S. Anderson

A. Brown, J. Fortier

The minutes of the Senate meeting of February 1, 2008 were adopted with no objections.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The President announced, with great pleasure, that he had just been advised that OCGS approved the application for a Master of Arts in History. He indicated that this is a significant move in the history of Nipissing University and thanked the team of senators who worked on the proposal. This new development will allow Nipissing to plan and develop more specialized Masters programs.

March UpClose is concluding today, and the President thanked the faculty, staff and students who worked at making this a success. He noted that there were 30 faculty members in the gym to answer questions from prospective students and their families. This is very impressive to families who are visiting the campus. The target for September 2008 is 1000 first-year students.

On February 29, the former Lieutenant Governor of Ontario, James Bartleman, was on campus to celebrate the Public Academic Libraries Sharing (PALS) pilot project. The purpose of this event was to highlight the impact libraries have on improving literacy in our communities. Dr. Bartleman has indicated he would be delighted to be the Honorary Patron of the PALS initiative. His role as advocate for literacy coincides with the objectives of the PALS project.

The downtown operation of Nipissing will be officially opening on March 20. This new location is home to the community-based service learning programs and helps raise Nipissing's profile in downtown North Bay.

The official kickoff for the Library campaign is on April 11 and the President is pleased to report that almost \$3M in private funds will have been received by that time. This new library, along with the new student centre which will be starting construction in the next five to six months, will completely transform the front part of the campus.

The President was pleased to announce that Dr. John Randall, an internationally renowned expert on quality assessment and accreditation will be visiting our campus on March 27 and 28. A workshop is being planned on the morning of March 28 and an invitation will be extended to interested faculty.

The Dean of Education announced that the three recent international placements in Cameroon, England and Jamaica were very successful and thanked the International Office for their assistance.

The President of NUSU noted that even though the academic year is beginning to wind down, students still have a number of events happening. The stage play, Noises Off, will be held in the Nipissing Theatre over the weekend and NUSU President asked that Senators support the student-run stage company. Other upcoming activities include an Ottawa Senators hockey game and Toronto Raptors basketball game. NUSU will be holding their annual general meeting on March 18. Senator Wassink noted that the valedictorian process has now begun for Arts and Science.

## REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

### Senate Executive Committee

MOTION 1:            Moved by D. Mock, seconded by D. Parker that the Report of the Senate Executive Committee dated March 6, 2008, be received.  
CARRIED

### Academic Planning Committee

#### February 4, 2008 Report

MOTION 2:            Moved by D. Parker, seconded by I. Wassink that the Report of the Academic Planning Committee dated February 4, 2008 be received.  
CARRIED

MOTION 3:            Moved by D. Parker, seconded by I. Wassink that Senate give Stage Three "Implementation Approval" to a four-year Honours Single Major in Child and Family Studies at Muskoka, as outlined in the attached document.  
CARRIED

MOTION 4:            Moved by D. Parker, seconded by D. Gosse that Senate give Stage Three "Implementation Approval" to a four-year Combined Major in Social Welfare and Social Development, as outlined in the attached document.  
CARRIED

MOTION 5:            Moved by D. Parker, seconded by S. Renshaw that Senate approve the continuation of the tenure-track position in Research Methods and Data Analysis in Sociology, effective July 1, 2008.  
CARRIED

March 3, 2008 Report

MOTION 6: Moved by D. Parker, seconded by D. Lawrence that the Report of the Academic Planning Committee dated March 3, 2008 be received.

CARRIED

MOTION 7: Moved by D. Parker, seconded by D. Lawrence that Senate give Stage One “Developmental Approval” to the Honours B.A. and B.Sc. Programs in Natural Resources, as outlined in the attached document.

CARRIED

Notice of Motion:

1. That Senate approve the final Academic Master Plan document

University Curriculum Committee

MOTION 8: Moved by D. Parker, seconded by L. Frost that the Report of the University Curriculum Committee dated February 13, 2008 be received.

CARRIED

MOTION 9: Moved by D. Parker, seconded by D. Lawrence that the Exam Policy be approved and be identified as a policy change on the web and that UCC reconsider the five day policy for the submission of final exam grades.

CARRIED

MOTION 10: Moved by D. Parker, seconded by E. Cholewa that Senate approve the addition of two new three-credit Biology courses:

1. BIOL3346 Microscopy: Methods and Applications, and
2. BIOL3306 Enzymology.

CARRIED

MOTION 11: Moved by D. Parker, seconded by F. Noël that Senate approve a change in the current restriction which limits students to six credits of History at the 1000 level, to twelve credits of History at the 1000 level. This change is effective immediately.

CARRIED

MOTION12: Moved by D. Parker, seconded by B. Carpenter that Senate approve the addition of three new three-credit Marketing courses:

1. MKTG3416 Communications: Advertising and Promotion,
2. MKTG3316 Communications: Public Relations, and
3. MKTG2417 Communications: Selling and Sales Management

and that these three courses be added to the Marketing stream core (MKTG3416) and options (MKTG3316 and MKTG2417).

CARRIED

MOTION 13: Moved by D. Parker, seconded by B. Carpenter that Senate approve a change in the Marketing Stream of the BBA, to increase the stream requirements from 18 to 24 credits.

CARRIED

MOTION 14: Moved by D. Parker, seconded by K. Brozowski that Senate approve the modification of the course description and prerequisite for SOCI4036 Qualitative Approaches in Research Methods.

CARRIED

MOTION 15: Moved by D. Parker, seconded by B. Hatt that Senate approve a change in the total course hours for the following:

1. EDUC4114 Curriculum Studies I – P/J, from 72 to 66 hours,
  2. EDUC4454 Curriculum Methods – P/J (includes Methods, Management and Computers), from 78 to 66 hours,
  3. EDUC4214 Curriculum Studies I – J/I, from 72 to 60 hours,
  4. EDUC4464 Curriculum Methods – J/I (includes Methods, Management and Computers), from 78 to 60 hours,
  5. EDUC4315 Curriculum Methods – I/S (includes Methods, Management and Computers), from 78 to 72 hours,
- and revise the Attendance Policy as outlined in the attached document.

CARRIED

MOTION 16: Moved by D. Parker, seconded by D. Gosse that Senate approve a change in total course hours from 100 hours to 50 hours for the following three-credit courses:

1. PHED2106 Community Leadership Placement I,
2. PHED3106 Community Leadership Placement II, and
3. PHED4106 Community Leadership Placement III.

CARRIED

MOTION 17: Moved by D. Parker, seconded by L. Frost that Senate approve the addition of the two new three-credit courses:

1. PHED2216 Systemic Approach to Functional Human Anatomy, and
  2. PHED2217 Systemic Approach to Integrated Human Physiology,
- and change the PHED degree requirements in Year 2.

CARRIED

- MOTION 18: Moved by D. Parker, seconded by D. Gosse that Senate approve the prerequisite changes for the following courses:
1. PHED3006, remove the prerequisite BIOL2707 and replace with PHED2217,
  2. PHED3026, remove the prerequisite BIOL2707 and replace with PHED2216, and
  3. PHED4016, remove replace the prerequisites BIOL2706 and BIOL2707, and replace with PHED2216 and PHED 2217.

CARRIED

Appointments, Promotions and Tenure

- MOTION 19: Moved by D. Parker, seconded by S. Renshaw that the Report of the Appointments, Promotions and Tenure Committee dated February 28, 2008 be received.

CARRIED

Admissions, Promotions and Petitions Committee

- MOTION 20: Moved by B. Bergquist, seconded by D. Parker that the Report of the Admissions, Promotions, and Petitions Committee dated February 13, 2008 be received.

CARRIED

- MOTION 21: Moved by B. Bergquist, seconded by D. Lawrence 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

- MOTION 22: Moved by B. Bergquist, seconded by R. Wideman that Senate adopt the regulations for Orientation to Teaching (OTT) options for Bachelor of Physical and Health Education students, as outlined in the attached document.

CARRIED

- MOTION 23: Moved by B. Bergquist, seconded by L. Frost that for admission to the Upper-Year Orientation to Teaching (OTT) and Orientation to Teaching (OTT) for Early Childhood Education (ECE) options, the current requirement of achieving a "1" on the Writing Competency Test be replaced with "have satisfied the Writing Competency Degree Requirements".

CARRIED

REPORTS OF AD HOC COMMITTEES

Report from the Senate Review Committee

MOTION 23: Moved by D. Mock, seconded by K. Topps that Senate receive the Report of the (Ad Hoc) Senate Review Committee on the Review and Restructuring of the Nipissing University Senate, dated 04 January 2008.  
CARRIED

MOTION 24: Moved by D. Mock, seconded by K. Topps that Senate receive the Report of the (Ad Hoc) Senate Review Committee on the Review and Restructuring of the Nipissing University Senate, dated 25 January 2008.  
CARRIED

MOTION 25: Moved by T. Horton, seconded by J. Barnett that voting on the pending question in motion 26 is taken by secret ballot.  
CARRIED

MOTION 26: Moved by C. Richardson, seconded by S. Renshaw that, subject to identifying an appropriate and workable membership structure, Senate approve in principle the move to a representational Senate.  
CARRIED

MOTION 27: Moved by J. Barnett, seconded by S. Renshaw that Senate approve the representational Senate membership model outlined in Table III of the *Report of the (Ad Hoc) Senate Review Committee on the Review and Restructuring of the Nipissing University Senate*, dated 04 January, 2008.  
CARRIED

*A request was made to have it noted in the minutes that Senators raised the issue and discussed the concern that Associate Deans and Directors, not being members of NUFA, should not be included as part of the Faculty complement in the proposed membership models outlined in Table III. The SRC concurred.*

MOTION 28: Moved by S. Renshaw, seconded by B. Hatt that Senate approve that the normal term of office for elected faculty Senate representatives be: (i) 3 years (renewable) for all positions allocated to the individual Faculties; and (ii) 2 years (renewable) for the 6 designated positions in Table III.  
CARRIED

MOTION 29: Moved by B. Bergquist, seconded by B. Olmsted that Senate approve in principle that the pending revision of the Senate By-Laws include formal recognition of Nipissing's Faculty Councils and their role in the academic decision-making structure of the University.  
CARRIED

MOTION 30: Moved by S. Renshaw, seconded by B. Bergquist that Senate approve the annual and inaugural faculty election procedures as outlined on pages 5 – 10 of the *Report of the (Ad Hoc) Senate Review Committee on the Review and Restructuring of the Nipissing University Senate*, dated 25 January, 2008.  
CARRIED

MOTION 31: Moved by D. Mock, seconded by B. Hatt that Senate receive the *Report of the (Ad Hoc) Senate Review Committee on the Review and Restructuring of the Nipissing University Senate*, dated 06 March, 2008.  
CARRIED

**Notices of Motion** (for consideration at the April Senate)

1. That Senate approve the proposed committee structure as presented in Table II of the *Report of the (Ad Hoc) Senate Review Committee on the Review and Restructuring of the Nipissing University Senate*, dated 06 March, 2008.
2. That Senate approve the proposed Senate committee and subcommittee compositions, as outlined in Table III of the *Report of the (Ad Hoc) Senate Review Committee on the Review and Restructuring of the Nipissing University Senate*, dated 06 March, 2008.
3. That Senate approve the formal establishment of a Faculty Council for each Faculty, together with a University Research Council and an Academic College, as provided for in the *Report of the (Ad Hoc) Senate Review Committee on the Review and Restructuring of the Nipissing University Senate*, dated 06 March, 2008.

REPORTS FROM REPRESENTATIVES ON OTHER BODIES

Teacher Education Advisory Committee

Senator Wideman informed Senate that TEAC held a meeting in February and part of the discussions included how to attract associate teachers and facilitating student placements.

ADJOURNMENT

If there is no objection, Senate will now adjourn 5:15 p.m.

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D. Mock, President

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D. Brackenreed, Secretary

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