

NIPISSING UNIVERSITY

MINUTES OF THE ACADEMIC SENATE MEETING

June 4, 2008

12:30 p.m. – Room F210

MEMBERS PRESENT:

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

J. Barker, R. Breton, G. Brophay, B. Carpenter, E. Cholewa,  
N. Colbourne, R. Gendron, AB Graff, D. Hackett,  
D. Horning Lafrance, D. Jowett, S. Kariuki, L. Kruk, E. Mattson,  
G. Morrell, I. Mueller, J. Nadeau, P. Nosko, M. Owens, A. Page,  
T. Parkes, L. Patriquin, G. Phillips, S. Renshaw, S. Srigley, K. Topps,  
R. Vanderlee, D. Walters, S. Winters, H. Zhu

E. Ashworth, D. Franks, D. Gosse, B. Hatt, J. Humble, G. Laronde, K.  
MacLeod, N. Maynes, B. Olmsted, MA Parr, M. Parr, J. Pitt, G. Raymer,  
C. Richardson, J. Scott, K. Waller

L. Drinkwalter

T. Benevides

M. Den Haan, J. Fortier, AM McKenny, I. Wassink

ABSENT WITH REGRETS: B. Nettlefold

NJ Baker, E. Berger (leave), G. Brown (leave), A. Clendinning (leave),  
H. Earl, P. Kelly (leave), J. Knox (leave), S. Lechlitner, C. McFarlane,  
D. Murphy (leave), R. Nagy (leave), A. Sparkes (leave),  
K. Stange (leave), M. Tuncali, T. Waldock

R. Bernades , D. Brackenreed, T. Campbell, M. Cantalini-Williams,  
K. Clausen (leave), S. Elliot-Johns, B. Fix, A. Grierson, K. Mantas,  
T. Horton, K. Noël, K. Quigg, S. Reid, W. Richardson (leave),  
H. Rintoul, L. Vokes-Leduc

L. McLaren

ABSENT:

P. Babady-Bila, W. Borody, N. Brown, K. Brozowski,  
R. Brozowski, P. Chow, T. Curwen, A. Dean, T. Dokis, D. Flynn,  
D. Geden, J. Grant, D. Hall, D. Hemsworth, A. Karassev,  
T. Koivukoski, J. Kovacs, N. Kozuskanich, U. Kundrats,  
K. McCullough, S. Muhlberger, J. Murton, D. Neal, F. Noël,  
S. O'Hagan, W. Peters, L. Peturson, D. Rowbotham, M. Saari,  
C. Sarlo, B. Schreyer, T. Smith, K. Srigley, M. Sroga,  
D. Tabachnick, V. Valov, M. Wachowiak, A. Weeks, W. Young

A. Adler, J. Allison, AM Aquino, A. Bell, J. Bumstead, J. Corkett, K.  
Ferguson, R. Graham, C. Harvey, C. Jodoin, L. Julien-Schultz,  
M. Kariuki, B. McMahan, R. Phillips, C. Ricci, O. Ridler, T. Ryan,  
G. Sharpe, C. Shields, S. Tedesco, M. Tessaro

S. Anderson

The minutes of the Senate meeting of May 9, 2008 were adopted with two minor revisions.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The President reported that at the May COU meeting, the main issues discussed were the base operating grants, adding that there is a lot of "red ink" in the university system. Ministers Milloy and Caplan advised COU that universities will now be part of the \$60B investment grant from the province.

The President reviewed the convocation dates and list of honorary degree recipients and encouraged faculty members to attend as many ceremonies as possible. He stressed that this is an opportunity to extend best wishes to the graduates and meet their families.

The President was pleased to announce that the recipient of the inaugural non-academic staff award is Laurie Purtell, Advancement and Alumni Development Officer. Ms. Purtell will receive her award at the afternoon convocation ceremony on June 13.

New Student Orientation (NSO) begins in July and the President announced that Genevieve deBruyn is the coordinator.

The President noted a number of people will be leaving the university including Senator Lawrence, the longest standing Registrar in the province and a Senator for 35 years. The President extended his sincere gratitude to Senator Lawrence. He also thanked Senator Parker for his role as interim Dean of Arts and Science.

The Vice-President Academic and Research was delighted to announce that Senator Susan Srigley is the recipient of the Chancellors Award for Excellence in Teaching and Senator Ann Barbara Graff is the recipient of the Chancellors Award for Excellence in Research. The recipient of the Nipissing University Award for part-time teaching is Dr. Peter Clandfield. The Vice-President congratulated the

recipients and noted that the nomination pool was excellent. These winners will receive their respective awards at next week's Arts and Science convocation. It was also announced that Senator John Nadeau is the recipient of a SSHRC grant.

Senator Ricketts was pleased to report that Nipissing's School of Business and Economics was the recipient of a number of awards at the annual Administrative Sciences Association Canadian conference in Halifax. Nipissing won the inaugural institutional Case Writing Award of Excellence for their submission of three cases. This was an excellent opportunity for undergraduate students to gain research experience. Senator Nadeau won the Best Paper Award for his work *Responsible Consumers: Motivations of Justice in Purchase Intentions for Products from Less Developed Countries*.

The Dean of Arts and Science reminded Senators from his faculty that voting for their elected Senate representatives will end on Friday at 4:00 p.m. Voting may be done in person or by e-mail.

The Dean of Education noted that there will be a runoff election for the 14<sup>th</sup> position for the education representative to the elected Senate. He also thanked staff, chairs and the Associate Dean for a successful year.

Senator Fortier, NUSU President, reminded Senators of the graduation parties on June 9 and 13. There is free cover and free food and Senators are encouraged to attend. He also was pleased to note that planning Frosh activities and Shinerama are well underway and ahead of schedule. The Shinerama goal is \$20K. On behalf of the students of Nipissing University, Senator Fortier thanked the Senate restructuring committee for allowing student input into the process.

Enrolment numbers were circulated by Senator Lawrence and all indications are that acceptance rates are the same as last year. It was his observation that it is important for Nipissing to get more programs approved that are not education related. Enrolment in programs related to environmental studies and business have increased across the province. Applications from non-high school applicants are still being received. Senator Lawrence noted that statistics from OUAC shows that Nipissing did quite well in the percentage of students with over 80% incoming average. He added that the average average of high school students is now 82%.

Senator Lawrence advised Senators that the timetable for fall/winter will be available tomorrow. He also added that the take-up rate for the NSSE survey is 45%.

## REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

### Senate Executive Committee

#### May 20<sup>th</sup> 2008 Report

MOTION 1: Moved by D. Mock, seconded by P. Ricketts that the Report of the Senate Executive Committee dated May 20, 2008 be received.  
CARRIED

May 26<sup>th</sup> Report

MOTION 2: Moved by D. Mock, seconded by P. Ricketts that the Report of the Senate Executive Committee dated May 26, 2008, be received.  
CARRIED

Academic Planning Committee

April 10<sup>th</sup> Report

MOTION 3: Moved by P. Ricketts, seconded by L. Kruk that the Report of the Academic Planning Committee dated April 10, 2008 be received.  
CARRIED

MOTION 4: Moved by P. Ricketts, seconded by S. Srigley that Senate give Stage One “Development Approval” for a four-year Honours program in Peace and Conflict Studies.  
CARRIED

April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2008 Report

MOTION 5: Moved by P. Ricketts, seconded by B. Olmsted that the Report of the Academic Planning Committee dated April 22, 2008 be received.  
CARRIED

May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2008 Report

MOTION 6: Moved by P. Ricketts, seconded by L. Kruk that the Report of the Academic Planning Committee dated May 5, 2008 be received.  
CARRIED

MOTION 7: Moved by P. Ricketts, seconded by B. Olmsted that Senate approve the Nipissing University Academic Plan 2007/08 to 2011/12: Building a Distinctive and Sustainable Learning Community for the Twenty-First Century.  
CARRIED

MOTION 8: Moved by P. Ricketts, seconded by B. Carpenter that Senate approve the continuation of the probationary tenure-track position in the Human Resources Stream in the School of Business and Economics.  
CARRIED

May 30<sup>th</sup>, 2008 Report

MOTION 9: Moved by P. Ricketts, seconded by D. Parker that Senate consider receipt of the Report of the Academic Planning Committee dated May 30, 2008  
CARRIED

MOTION 10: Moved by P. Ricketts, seconded by I. Wassink that the Report of the Academic Planning Committee dated May 30, 2008 be received.  
CARRIED

MOTION 11: Moved by P. Ricketts, seconded by D. Parker that Senate approve the continuation of the tenure-track position in Mathematics Science in the Faculty of Arts and Science, effective July 1, 2009.  
CARRIED

University Curriculum Committee

April 16<sup>th</sup> Report

MOTION 12: Moved by P. Ricketts, seconded by B. Hatt that the Report of the University Curriculum Committee dated April 16, 2008 be received.  
CARRIED

MOTION 13: Moved by P. Ricketts, seconded by N. Colbourne that the Nipissing University Exam Policies and Procedures be amended to read, that faculty will be required to submit final grades seven days after the final exam or in the case where there are no final exams, seven days after the end of the exam period.  
CARRIED

MOTION 14: Moved by P. Ricketts, seconded by J. Barnett that Senate approve the changes to the degree requirements for a Bachelor of Physical and Health Education, as outlined in the attached document.  
CARRIED

MOTION 15: Moved by P. Ricketts, seconded by D. Parker that Senate approve the addition of two new three-credit courses to Native Studies:  
▪ NATI1306 – Anishinaabemowin Ojibwe 1  
▪ NATI1307 - Anishinaabemowin Ojibwe 2  
as outlined in the attached document.

MOTION 16: Moved by P. Ricketts, seconded by B. Carpenter that Senate approve the nomenclature changes to the 30 ADMN course codes in the School of Business and Economics as outlined in the attached document.  
CARRIED

MOTION 17: Moved by P. Ricketts, seconded by B. Carpenter that Senate approve:

- the deletion of JURI2306 Commercial Law, a 3-credit course, and
- the addition of ADMN2307 Commercial Law, a 3-credit course

to the School of Business and Economics program, as outlined in the attached document.  
CARRIED

MOTION 18: Moved by P. Ricketts, seconded by C. Richardson that Senate approve the interim Graduate Studies Regulations, as outlined in the attached document.  
CARRIED

MOTION 19: Moved by P. Ricketts, seconded by MA Parr that Senate approve the proposed curriculum for the MA in History, as outlined in the attached document.  
CARRIED

May 20<sup>th</sup> Report

MOTION 20: Moved by P. Ricketts, seconded by D. Franks that the Report of the University Curriculum Committee dated May 20, 2008 be received.  
CARRIED

MOTION 21: Moved by P. Ricketts, seconded by D. Franks that Senate approve the addition of EDUC5186 Research Seminar and Project, a 3-credit course, to the MEd program, as outlined in the attached document.  
CARRIED

MOTION 22: Moved by P. Ricketts, seconded by D. Franks that Senate approve a new program route for the completion of the MEd program consisting of 9 courses plus the Research Seminar and Project (EDUC5186), as outlined in the attached document.  
CARRIED

MOTION 23: Moved by P. Ricketts, seconded by B. Olmsted that Senate approve the addition of the following 6-credit courses to the Additional Qualification program:

- EDUC 1165 Dance, Part I
- EDUC 2165 Dance, Part II
- EDUC 3165 Dance, Part III

as outlined in the attached document.  
CARRIED

MOTION 24: Moved by P. Ricketts, seconded by J. Barnett that Senate approve the additional clauses referring to students with disabilities to the Nipissing University Exam policy, as outlined in the attached document.  
CARRIED

Student Academic Standing Appeals and Petitions Committee (Brantford Campus)

Annual Report

MOTION #25: Moved by J. Barnett, seconded by G. Morrell that the Annual Report of the Student Academic Standing Appeals and Petitions Committee dated May 01/2008 be received.

CARRIED

ELECTIONS

Elect one faculty senator (tenured or tenure-track) from outside the School of Business and Economics to sit on a search committee to fill a probationary position in the School of Business and Economics.

B. Carpenter nominated J. Barker

- **Acclaimed: J. Barker**

Elect one faculty senator (tenured or tenure-track) from outside the Department of Mathematics and Computer Science to sit on a search committee to fill a probationary position in Mathematics.

G. Phillips nominated AB Graff

- **Acclaimed: AB Graff**

REPORTS OF AD HOC COMMITTEES

Senate Review Committee

MOTION 26. Moved by D. Mock, seconded by I. Wassink that Senate approve the proposed set of Senate bylaws as presented to be effective July 1, 2008.

CARRIED

REPORTS OF REPRESENTATIVES ON OTHER BODIES

Alumni Association

Senator Benevides announced that the Annual General Meeting of the Alumni Association will be held on Saturday, July 5, 2008 on the Chief Commanda. Senators were also made aware of the 9<sup>th</sup> annual golf tournament and barbecue on September 13.

Pension and Benefits Committee

Senator Topps encouraged Senators to read the May 26 e-mail regarding information sessions on the proposed changes to employee benefits. These changes will be implemented on October 1, 2008.

Special Joint Committee on Tenure and Promotion

MOTION 27: Moved by P. Ricketts, seconded by L. Patriquin that Senate approve the Tenure and Promotion Procedures document dated May 14, 2008.

Senator Jowett moved out of the role of Speaker and Senator Hatt assumed that position.

MOTION 28: Moved by D. Jowett, seconded by L. Kruk that Senate amend MOTION 27 with the proviso "that the document for the standards for promotion and tenure be discussed at the September 2008 Senate."  
CARRIED

MOTION 29: Moved by P. Ricketts, seconded by L. Patriquin that Senate approve the Tenure and Promotion Procedures Document dated May 14, 2008 with the proviso that the document for the standards for promotion and tenure be discussed at the September 2008 Senate.  
CARRIED AS AMENDED

Senator Jowett resumed her role as Speaker.

NEW BUSINESS

Annual Report of the Senate Student Academic Standing, Appeals and Petitions Committee

MOTION 30: Moved by J. Barnett, seconded by I. Wassink that Senate consider receipt of the Annual Report of the Senate Student Academic Standing, Appeals and Petitions Committee dated May 12, 2008.  
CARRIED

MOTION 31: Moved by J. Barnett, seconded by I. Wassink that the Annual Report of the Senate Student Academic Standing, Appeals and Petitions Committee dated May 12, 2008 be received.  
CARRIED



Admission, Promotions and Petitions Committee

MOTION 32: Moved by B. Bergquist, seconded by AB Graff that Senate consider receipt of the Report of the Admissions, Promotions and Petitions Committee dated June 2, 2008.  
CARRIED

MOTION 33: Moved by B. Bergquist, seconded by AB Graff that the Report of the Admissions, Promotions and Petitions Committee dated June 2, 2008 be received.  
CARRIED

MOTION 34: Moved by B. Bergquist, seconded by AB Graff 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 35: Moved by B. Bergquist, seconded by K. Topps that Senate approve the President's Gold Medal winner and the Governor General's Gold Medal Award winner for the Master of Education program for the 2008 Spring convocation.  
CARRIED

MOTION 36: Moved by B. Bergquist, seconded by AB Graff that Senate approve the President's Gold Medal winners and the Governor General's Academic Silver Medal and the J.W. Trusler Proficiency Award winners for the Faculty of Arts and Science for the 2008 Spring convocation.  
CARRIED

MOTION 37: Moved by B. Bergquist, seconded by K. Topps that Senate approve the following revised admission policy: Applicants who have successfully completed two year Correctional Worker or Police Foundations diploma programs at an Ontario CAAT with a cumulative average of "B" (3.0 GPA) or better will be considered for admission to Bachelor of Arts programs with advanced standing to a maximum of 30 credits.  
CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

If there is no objection, Senate is now adjourned: 2:50 p.m.

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D. Mock, President

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D. Brackenreed, Secretary