

NIPISSING UNIVERSITY

MINUTES OF THE ACADEMIC SENATE MEETINGS

June 4 and 14, 2010

10:30 a.m. – Room F210

MEMBERS PRESENT:

L. Lovett-Doust, E. Aspevig, V. Paine-Mantha, S. Rich, R. Vanderlee,
B. Nettlefold, A. Robinson

J. Barker, N. Brown, S. Lechlitner, K. McCullough

N. Colborne, D. Jowett, S. Kariuki, T. Koivukoski, J. Kovacs, U. Kundrats,
G. Morrell, J. Murton, R. Nagy, F. Noël, P. Nosko, G. Phillips, M. Tuncali, H. Zhu

J. Barnett, K. Clausen, J. Corkett, S. Elliott-Johns, D. Franks, D. Jarvis,
N. Maynes, MA Parr, G. Raymer, J. Scott

J. Vitale (Brantford), A. Wagner (Muskoka)

R. Don, W. Ingwersen

L. McLaren

P. Gavan

M. del Vecchio, A. Fielding, R. Lahti, A. Qushair

ABSENT WITH REGRETS:

C. Cooper, A. Carfagnini,

J. Knox

C. McFarlane, T. Smith

K. Ferguson, B. Hatt, D. Hay, J. McIntosh

K. Chutko

S. Campbell

The minutes of the Senate meeting of April 16, 2010 were adopted with no objections.

QUESTION PERIOD

MOTION 1: Moved by L. Lovett-Doust, seconded by E. Aspevig that all discussions from the commencement of Question Period be deemed in-camera.
CARRIED

MOTION 2: Moved by M. Tuncali, seconded by S. Elliott-Johns that Senate move out of the in-camera session.
CARRIED

BUSINESS FROM THE SENATE MEETING OF MAY 21, 2010

REPORTS of STANDING COMMITTEES and FACULTY or UNIVERSITY COUNCILS

Senate Executive Committee

MOTION 3: Moved by L. Lovett Doust, seconded by E. Aspevig that the Report of the Senate Executive Committee dated May 13, 2010 be received.
CARRIED

Academic Planning Committee

May 4, 2010 Report

MOTION 4: Moved by E. Aspevig, seconded by G. Phillips that the Report of the Academic Planning Committee dated May 4, 2010 be received.
CARRIED

MOTION 5: Moved by E. Aspevig, seconded by G. Phillips that the Report of the Academic Planning Committee dated May 7, 2010 be received.
CARRIED

Undergraduate Studies Committee

April 20, 2010 Report

MOTION 6: Moved by R. Vanderlee, seconded by A. Robinson that the Report of the Undergraduate Studies Committee dated April 20, 2010 be received.
CARRIED

MOTION 7: Moved by R. Vanderlee, seconded by E. Aspevig that Senate approve the policy change in the BComm to:
The maximum number of first year level credits in the BComm is 42 credits.
CARRIED

- MOTION 8: Moved by R. Vanderlee, seconded by A. Robinson that Senate approve the modification of the Mature Student Admission policy to:
Applicants for admission to undergraduate studies who are deemed admissible under Nipissing University's Mature Student Admission policy will be permitted to enroll in a maximum of a maximum twenty-four credits (24 cr.).
CARRIED
- MOTION 9: Moved by R. Vanderlee, seconded by K. McCullough that Senate approve the addition of the BScN – IUON Stream to the existing curriculum of the BScN program.
CARRIED
- MOTION 10: Moved by R. Vanderlee, seconded by K. McCullough that Senate approve the minimum requirements for admission consideration to the BScN – IUON Stream as follows: successful completion of the first six (6) semesters of the Bachelor of Nursing at the International University of Nursing (IUON) with a minimum overall average of 60%. Enrollment is limited and meeting the minimum requirements will not guarantee acceptance to the program. Applicants will be pre-assessed by IUON for admission eligibility.
CARRIED
- MOTION 11: Moved by R. Vanderlee, seconded by K. McCullough that Senate approve the awarding of 90 transfer credits to applicants admitted to the BScN – IUON Stream for their successful completion of six semesters of IUON Bachelor of Nursing studies. Advanced standing will be awarded as a block of 90 credits applicable only to the BScN-IUON students as per the Nipissing University – International University of Nursing Articulation Agreement.
CARRIED
- MOTION 12: Moved by R. Vanderlee, seconded by A. Robinson that Senate approve the following degree and course requirements for the BScN –IUON stream as outlined in the attached document.
CARRIED
- MOTION 13: Moved by R. Vanderlee, seconded by K. McCullough that Senate give Stage 2 Approval for the Baccalaureate of Science in Nursing (BScN) Second degree.
CARRIED

May 10, 2010 Report

- MOTION 14: Moved by R. Vanderlee, seconded by J. Barnett that Senate receive the Report of the Undergraduate Studies Committee dated May 10, 2010.
CARRIED
- MOTION 15: Moved by R. Vanderlee, seconded by S. Rich that Senate approve the addition of EDUC2745 - Inclusive Classroom Part II to the Group Three Additional Qualification Courses provided by the Inservice Department of the Faculty of Education.
CARRIED
- MOTION 16: Moved by R. Vanderlee, seconded by T. Koivukoski that Senate approve the prerequisite change for POLI4205 Honours Seminar as outline in the attached document.
CARRIED

- MOTION 17: Moved by R. Vanderlee, seconded by T. Koivukoski that Senate approve the addition of POLI4306 - Concepts of Leadership to the Political Science curriculum.
CARRIED
- MOTION 18: Moved by R. Vanderlee, seconded by T. Koivukoski that Senate approve the addition of BIOL4227 - Nutrition to the Biology curriculum as outlined.
CARRIED
- MOTION 19: Moved by R. Vanderlee, seconded by P. Nosko that Senate approve the cross coding of BIOL4227 - Nutrition with PHED4227 -Nutrition.
CARRIED
- MOTION 20: Moved by R. Vanderlee, seconded by P. Nosko that Senate approve the cross coding of PHED4227 - Nutrition with BIOL4227 – Nutrition.
CARRIED
- MOTION 21: Moved by R. Vanderlee, seconded by J. Barnett that Senate approve the prerequisites for PHED4227 – Nutrition include PHED2216 – Systematic Approach to Functional Human Anatomy and PHED2217 – Systematic Approach to Integrated Human Physiology.
CARRIED
- MOTION 22: Moved by R. Vanderlee, seconded by G. Raymer that Senate approve the words “and sport” be removed from the course description PHED4427 – Nutrition as outlined.
CARRIED
- MOTION 23: Moved by R. Vanderlee, seconded by G. Phillips that Senate approve that the Classical Studies Bachelor of Arts (Honours) Combined be made available in combination with any BA(H) major that is offered as a Combined Honours major.
CARRIED
- MOTION 24: Moved by R. Vanderlee, seconded by G. Phillips that Senate approve that the Special CAAT Admission Policy for CAAT graduates with a two-year or a three-year diploma in Fine Arts be adopted as outlined in the attached documents.
CARRIED
- MOTION 25: Moved by R. Vanderlee, seconded by G. Phillips that Senate approve that the Special CAAT Admission Policy for Georgian College graduates who have completed the two-year or the three-year diploma in Fine Arts (Advanced) be adopted as outlined in the attached documents.
CARRIED
- MOTION 26: Moved by R. Vanderlee, seconded by G. Phillips that Senate approve that the Special CAAT Admissions Policy for Fleming College (Haliburton School of the Arts) for students who have completed a two-year diploma program in Visual and Creative Arts be adopted as outlined in the attached documents.
CARRIED

MOTION 27: Moved by R. Vanderlee, seconded by G. Phillips that Senate approve the policy of Dual Degree programs by permitting students to register in two undergraduate degrees simultaneously and complete the two degrees subject to the existing Second Degree requirements/regulations as approved by Senate. The exception to this policy is the formal Senate approved concurrent degree programs, e.g. BA/BEd or BSc/BEd, as outlined in the calendar.
CARRIED

MOTION 28: Moved by R. Vanderlee, seconded by J. Barker that Senate approve the removal of SOCI1017 as a core requirement for all Criminal Justice students, and remove SOCI1017 as a prerequisite for CRJS2086 (also coded as SOCI2086) and for CRJS2126 -Applied Criminal Justice Statistics.
CARRIED

Teaching and Learning Committee

MOTION 29: Moved by R. Nagy, seconded by G. Morell that the Report of the Teaching and Learning Committee dated May 11, 2010 be received.
CARRIED

MOTION 30: Moved by R. Nagy, seconded by R. Vanderlee that Senate approve the development of an Academic Skills Centre that provides student and faculty support in areas including writing, grammar, numeracy, reading comprehension, logical thinking, and information literacy based on the general principles outlined in the subcommittee report.
CARRIED

MOTION 31: Moved by R. Nagy, seconded by G. Morrell that Senate approve that the Teaching and Learning Committee oversee the implementation of the proposals as laid out in the Recommendations of the Teaching and Learning Subcommittee on Writing Competency.
CARRIED

OTHER BUSINESS

MOTION 32: Moved by A. Robinson, seconded by R. Vanderlee that the Report of the Grad Applicants dated June 4, 2010 be received.
CARRIED

MOTION 33: Moved by A. Robinson, seconded by R. Vanderlee that degrees, diplomas and certificates be awarded to the students listed in the Report of the Grad Applicants dated June 4, 2010 who have completed all requirements for their respective degrees, diplomas and certificates.
CARRIED

AMENDMENT of BY-LAWS

- **Notice of Motion (regarding replacement of Graduate Studies Committee)**
That Article 9.4 of the Senate Bylaws be deleted and replaced with Article 10.4 namely the Graduate Studies Council and that the membership and terms of reference be approved as outlined in the Senate Executive Report.
- **Notice of Motion (regarding annual committee/subcommittee election process)**
The addition of Article 9.0 (d)(i) to the Senate bylaws that reads: if candidates from each of the three faculties cannot be found, then the vacant position can be filled from another faculty or faculties, for that Senate year only.

ELECTIONS

Elect one Arts and Science Senator to serve on the Academic Planning Committee from:

- Ann Barbara Graff
- Jamie Murton

ELECTED: Jamie Murton

Elect one Arts and Science non-Senator to serve on the Academic Planning Committee from:

- Wendy Peters
- Ilse Mueller (withdrew)
- Andrew Weeks

ELECTED: Wendy Peters

Elect one Arts and Science Senator to serve on the Program Review and Appraisals Subcommittee from:

- Robin Gendron
- Jamie Murton (withdrew)

ACCLAIMED: Robin Gendron

Elect one Arts and Science non-Senator to serve on the Undergraduate Studies Committee from:

- Stephen Kariuki (withdrawn)
- Andrew Weeks

ACCLAIMED: Andrew Weeks

Elect one Arts and Science Senators or non-Senator to serve on the Library Advisory Subcommittee from:

- Denis Geden
- Stephen Kariuki (withdrew)
- Nathan Kozuskanich
- Dana Murphy
- Gyllian Phillips (withdrew)

ELECTED: Dana Murphy

Elect one Senator to serve on the Board of Governors for a 2-year term from:

- Susan Elliott-Johns
- Nancy Maynes
- Toivo Koivukoski

ELECTED: Toivo Koivukoski

Elect one non-Senator to serve on the Board of Governors for a 2-year term from:

- Denis Geden
- Thomas Ryan
- Matti Saari
- Andrew Weeks

ELECTED: Matti Saari

BUSINESS FROM THE SENATE MEETING OF JUNE 4, 2010

REPORTS of STANDING COMMITTEES and FACULTY or UNIVERSITY COUNCILS

Senate Executive Committee

May 21, 2010 Report

MOTION 34: Moved by L. Lovett-Doust, seconded by E. Aspevig that the Report of the Senate Executive Committee dated May 21, 2010 be received.
CARRIED

May 26, 2010 Report

MOTION 35: Moved by L. Lovett-Doust, seconded by E. Aspevig that the Report of the Senate Executive Committee dated May 26, 2010 be received.
CARRIED

Annual Report

MOTION 36: Moved by L. Lovett-Doust, seconded by E. Aspevig that the Annual Report of the Senate Executive Committee dated May 25, 2010 be received..
CARRIED

Academic Planning Committee

Annual Report

MOTION 37: Moved by E. Aspevig, seconded by G. Phillips that the Annual Report of the Academic Planning Committee dated May 24, 2010 be received.
CARRIED

Annual Report of the Program Review and Appraisals Subcommittee

MOTION 38: Moved by E. Aspevig, seconded by G. Phillips that the Annual Report of the Program Review and Appraisals Subcommittee dated May 24, 2010 be received.
CARRIED

Undergraduate Studies Committee**May 20, 2010 Report**

- MOTION 39: Moved by R. Vanderlee, seconded by G. Phillips that the Report of the Undergraduate Studies Committee dated May 20, 2010 be received.
CARRIED
- MOTION 40: Moved by R. Vanderlee, seconded by G. Phillips that Senate approve the requirements for the Organizational Studies stream be amended to include the revised requirements and to add ORGS3307 Gender and Diversity in Organizations and ADMN2706 Introduction to Intercultural Management to the list of courses from which Organizational Studies stream students can select.
CARRIED
- MOTION 41: Moved by R. Vanderlee, seconded by P. Nosko that Senate approve the addition of BIOL3136 - Ichthyology to the Biology curriculum as outlined.
CARRIED
- MOTION 42: Moved by R. Vanderlee, seconded by P. Nosko that Senate approve the addition of BIOL3837 -Mammalogy to the Biology curriculum as outlined.
CARRIED
- MOTION 43: Moved by R. Vanderlee, seconded by P. Nosko that Senate approve the addition of BIOL4357 - Chemical Ecology to the Biology curriculum as outlined.
CARRIED
- MOTION 44: Moved by R. Vanderlee, seconded by G. Phillips that Senate approved the reduction in the number of hours for ENGL2015, Theatre Production and Theory to 96 hours, and change the delivery pattern to 2 hours of lecture plus 2 hours of workshop per week for 24 weeks, as outlined.
CARRIED

Annual Report

- MOTION 45: Moved by R. Vanderlee, seconded by G. Phillips that the Annual Report of the Undergraduate Studies Committee dated May 21, 2010 be received.
CARRIED

Graduate Studies Committee

- MOTION 46: Moved by E. Aspevig, seconded by G. Phillips that the Annual Report of the Graduate Studies Committee dated May 18, 2010 be received.
CARRIED

Teaching and Learning Committee

Annual Report

MOTION 47: Moved by R. Vanderlee, seconded by E. Aspevig that the Annual Report of the Teaching and Learning Committee dated May 25, 2010 be received.
CARRIED

OTHER BUSINESS

The President's Annual Tenure and Promotion Report for 2009-10 was distributed at the meeting.

The Vice-President Academic and Research was pleased to report on the following awards that will be presented at the June convocations: Professor Karey McCullough for the Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Full-time Teaching; Dr. Vesko Valov for the Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Research; and Professor Rich Denton for the Nipissing University Award for Part-time Teaching.

ADJOURNMENT

Senate was adjourned at 1.47 p.m.: quorum lost.

CONTINUATION OF THE JUNE 4, 2010 SENATE MEETING

Monday, June 14, 2010

9:30 a.m. - F210

MEMBERS PRESENT: L. Lovett-Doust, E. Aspevig, C. Cooper, S. Rich, R. Vanderlee, A. Carfagnini,
B. Nettlefold, A. Robinson

J. Barker, N. Brown, J. Knox, K. McCullough

N. Colborne, D. Jowett, T. Koivukoski, J. Kovacs, U. Kundrats, J. Murton,
F. Noël, P. Nosko, M. Tuncali, H. Zhu

J. Barnett, K. Ferguson, D. Franks, B. Hatt, D. Hay, D. Jarvis, N. Maynes,
J. McIntosh, G. Raymer, J. Scott

A. Wagner (Muskoka)

L. McLaren

P. Gavan

A. Fielding, R. Lahti, A. Qushair

ABSENT WITH REGRETS: V. Paine-Mantha

S. Lechlitner

S. Kariuki, C. McFarlane, G. Morrell, R. Nagy, G. Phillips, T. Smith

K. Clausen, J. Corkett, S. Elliott-Johns, MA Parr, J. Vitale (Brantford)

K. Chutko, R. Don. W. Ingwersen

S. Campbell

T. Benevides

M. del Vecchio

AMENDMENT of BY-LAWS

MOTION 48: Moved by K. McCullough, seconded by E. Aspevig that Article 9.4 of the Senate Bylaws be deleted and replaced with Article 10.4 namely the Graduate Studies Council and that the membership and terms of reference be outlined as follows:

CARRIED

10.4 Graduate Studies Council (GSC):

- (a) Members:
 - (i) Vice-President Academic & Research (Chair)(non-voting)
 - (ii) Director of Graduate Studies (non-voting)
 - (iii) Registrar or designate (non-voting)
 - (iv) Executive Director of Library Services or designate (non-voting)
 - (v) Deans of Faculties with graduate programs
 - (vi) Graduate Advisors / Graduate Chairs from each graduate program
 - (vii) 1 Full Graduate Faculty member from each type of Master's degree (M.A., M.Sc., M.Ed.) elected by the Graduate Faculty for 2 years
 - (viii) 1 graduate student

- (b) Terms of reference:
 - (i) Recommend to the Senate the new academic policies, procedures and regulations of the School of Graduate Studies;
 - (ii) Advise the Senate on the necessary resources and support for graduate studies and to recommend to the Senate the introduction of new services or changes to existing services which would enhance the graduate student experience or make the University more attractive to prospective graduate students;
 - (iii) Revise and up-date the regulations and procedures of current graduate programs for harmonization throughout the SGS;
 - (iv) Review student admission policies for graduate programs and make recommendations to the Director of Graduate Studies;
 - (v) Ensure adherence to time-to-completion requirements;
 - (vi) Recommend to the Senate changes to graduate curriculum or proposals for new graduate programs;
 - (vii) Assist departments in the development of new graduate programs, in compliance with OCGS requirements;
 - (viii) Finalize Volume I of the OCGS proposals for new programs, including the Business Plan, before submission to the Senate;
 - (ix) Make recommendations on any matter related to graduate studies to the appropriate Senate Committees (APC, URC);
 - (x) Periodically review the overall graduate awards program of the University, and make recommendations to Senate regarding changes in the program;
 - (xi) Ensure that all existing and new graduate scholarships, medals, bursaries and other awards are consistent with established and approved terms, conditions and criteria. Review and approve nominations for graduate scholarships (Tri-council, OCGS, others);
 - (xii) Review the annual report on the School of Graduate Studies' activities; and
 - (xiii) Establish the criteria for membership in the Graduate Faculty following OCGS standards
 - (xiv) Consider and rule on petitions by graduate students for exceptions to University academic regulations*;

And at the exclusion of student representative,

- (xv) Review and approve admissions of existing faculty members to the Graduate Faculty in accordance with SGS and OCGS criteria;
 - (xvi) Make the final selections of students eligible for academic awards, as identified by the Registrar's Office; and
 - (xvii) Review the OCGS report following periodic appraisal of a program and recommend to Senate any measures that could improve the program.
- * decisions are final and may not be appealed

MOTION 49: Moved by J. McIntosh, seconded by M. Tuncali the addition of Article 9.0 (d)(i) to the Senate bylaws to read: if a candidate from each of the three faculties cannot be found, then the vacant position can be filled by a candidate from another faculty or faculties, for that Senate year only.
CARRIED

OTHER BUSINESS

MOTION 50: Moved by A. Robinson, seconded by J. Knox that the Report of the Grad Applicants dated June 14, 2010 be received.
CARRIED

MOTION 51: Moved by A. Robinson, seconded by C. Cooper that degrees, diplomas and certificates be awarded to the students listed in the Report of the Grad Applicants dated June 14, 2010, who have completed all requirements for their respective degrees, diplomas and certificates.
CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS

Teaching and Learning Committee

MOTION 52: Moved by C. Cooper, seconded by R. Vanderlee that the Report of the Teaching and Learning Committee dated May 26, 2010 be received.
CARRIED

MOTION 53: Moved by C. Cooper, seconded by J. Knox that the Report of the Senate Ad Hoc Committee on the Revision of Teaching Evaluations be received.
CARRIED

MOTION 54: Moved by C. Cooper, seconded by B. Nettlefold that Senate approve the Revised Teaching Evaluation Form and its distance delivery variations, for implementation.
WITHDRAWN (to be brought forward to September 2010 Senate)

University Research Council

MOTION 55: Moved by E. Aspevig, seconded by C. Cooper that the Annual Report of the University Research Council dated May 31, 2010 be received.
CARRIED

Undergraduate Studies Committee

MOTION 56: Moved by C. Cooper, seconded by R. Vanderlee that the Report of the Undergraduate Studies Committee dated June 2, 2010 be received.
CARRIED

MOTION 57: Moved by C. Cooper, seconded by T. Koivukoski that Senate approve the addition of POLI4307 - Profiles in Leadership to the Political Science curriculum as outlined.
CARRIED

MOTION 58: Moved by C. Cooper, seconded by G. Raymer that Senate approve the change in the total number of instructional hours in PHED3006 – Exercise Physiology from 48 to 42 hours.
CARRIED

MOTION 59: Moved by C. Cooper, seconded by G. Raymer that Senate approve the change in the course description for PHED3009 at outlined.
CARRIED

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The President thanked everyone who helped make the six convocations, to date, very special events; the Brantford convocation will be held on June 23. She noted that in the future, faculty who participate in the convocation ceremonies would be invited to the luncheon so they may have an opportunity to speak with the Honorary Doctoral Speakers and other guests. Senator Aspevig was thanked for his assistance in moving the university forward during his one-year term as Interim Vice-President Academic and Research

The President noted that the university currently does not have a policy on free speech. She noted that this freedom should be protected. She also indicated that the Board of Governors has requested that a policy be developed to demonstrate due diligence on the part of the University and Board.

Senator Aspevig proposed that a small task force be struck comprised of members of the Nipissing University community to form a policy on free speech. This proposal would be thoroughly discussed at the Senate and Board of Governors. The following motion was introduced:

MOTION 60: Moved by L. Lovett Doust, seconded by E. Aspevig that a President's Advisory Task Force be formed to develop a draft policy on free speech.
CARRIED

As a result of this motion and subsequent discussion, the following three senators were acclaimed to serve on this committee over the summer: Colborne, Knox and Koivukoski. The President indicated she would get representation from other constituent groups.

The Vice-President Academic and Research thanked the Nipissing University for making him feel welcomed this past year. He acknowledged that he was honoured to have served on a variety of committees and worked with some wonderful faculty and staff during the past year. Senator Aspevig indicated his confidence in the incoming Vice-President Academic and Research, Dr. Katherine Bergman.

The Dean of Applied and Professional Studies congratulated Professor Karey McCullough for being the recipient of the Chancellor’s Award for Excellence in Teaching and Ms. Darlene Belanger for receiving the non-academic staff award at the June 11 convocation. He was also pleased to report that Dr. John Nadeau received an honourable mention at a tourism marketing initiative. Additionally, the Biomass Centre is the recipient of \$565K grant from the Ontario Trillium Foundation. One of the four goals of this grant is to develop technical curriculum for universities to provide education on biomass.

The Dean of Arts and Science was pleased to report that Senator Noël was recently awarded the Fred Landon Award that honours the best book on Regional History. This honour is from the Ontario Historical Society and celebrates her book Family and Community Life in Northeastern Ontario: The Interwar Years.

Senator Lahti, President of NUSU indicated that he and his team was working on FROSH activities and Shinerama.

ADJOURNMENT

Senate was adjourned at 11:08 a.m.

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L. Lovett-Doust, President

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C. Jenkins, Senate Secretary