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MEMORANDUM

TO: Karen Roche, University Secretary

FROM: Todd Randall, Interim Chair, Senate Budget Committee

RE: Report (Part 1) of the Senate Budget Committee for the January 20th, 2012 Senate Meeting

DATE: January 10th, 2012

The Senate Budget Committee met once since the last Senate meeting. This report (Part 1) presents a summary of the status of items recommended for approval or tabled by the SBC. A second report to Senate (Part II) may be forthcoming after a SBC scheduled for January 13th. Questions concerning items in this report can be directed to the SBC Chair via email (randall@lakeheadu.ca) or telephone (ext. 8381).

Items pertaining to the September 23rd, 2011 Senate Meeting

1. Faculty of Health & Behavioural Sciences

Items 1(a), (b) and (c) were prematurely recommended for approval by Senate Budget Committee in its report to Senate on Nov 11th, 2011, that is, prior to review by the FGS Council. The recommendations by SBC in this report reflect the Calendar change proposals reviewed and recommended for approval by FGSC.

(a) Psychology Changes to Psychology MSc and PhD

The Committee recommends that Senate approve this calendar change.

(b) MPH Nursing – PHCN

The Committee recommends that Senate approve this calendar change.

(c) Psychology Academic Regulations

The Committee recommends that Senate approve this calendar change.

Items pertaining to the November 11th, 2011 Senate Meeting

2. Faculty of Education

(a) Create EDUC 0XXX Special Topics as an Education Course

The Committee recommends that Senate approve this calendar change.

3. Faculty of Science and Environmental Studies

(a) ABMS program editorial changes

The Committee recommends that Senate approve this calendar change.

(b) Amendments to clarify Biology 3250 and 3251

The Committee recommends that Senate approve this calendar change.

(c) Change MATH 2331 and MATH 2333 into third year courses

The Committee recommends that Senate approve this calendar change.

(d) Split MATH 2321 into two 0.5 FCE courses

The Committee recommends that Senate approve this calendar change.

4. Faculty of Business

(a) Change of the title of Business 4039

The Committee recommends that Senate approve this calendar change.

Items for Information

5. 4-year Non-direct Entry degrees (Faculty of Science and Environmental Studies)

Senate Budget Committee was asked to review the final version of these non-direct entry degrees after it had received approval from SUSC in November. In this review, SBC raised concerns with the probation letter that is issued to students when they are moved from the Honors program to the non-honors program, in that it probably has an impact on student retention rates. It was anticipated by the Committee that a Faculty Regulation will at some point be forthcoming to address these probationary letters, and it would like to discuss this concern with the Registrar at that time. The Senate Budget Committee recommends that Senate approve this calendar change.

Dr Todd Randall, SBC Interim Chair