



SENATE MEETING

May 11, 2020

2:30pm

Zoom Meeting

MINUTES

In attendance

Dr. Moira McPherson, Chair	Dr. Timothy Hardie	Dr. Karen McQueen
Dr. Olakunle Akingbola	Dr. Douglas Hayes	Dr. Wayne Melville
Mr. Andrew Ault	Dr. Michael Hoechsmann	Dr. Lense Meyer
Dr. David Barnett, Vice Chair	Dr. Peter Hollings	Dr. Tianxuan Miao
Ms. Denise Baxter	Dr. Kristy Holmes	Ms. Janice Mutz
Dr. Michel Bédard	Dr. Jula Hughes	Dr. Hassan Naser
Dr. Paul Berger	Dr. Basel Ismail	Dr. Ian Newhouse
Mr. Cole Boucher	Dr. Douglas Ivison	Dr. Robert Petrunia
Dr. Elizabeth Birmingham	Dr. Sarah Jacoba	Dr. Antony J. Puddephatt
Dr. Patrick Cain	Dr. Jennifer Jarman	Dr. Todd Randall
Dr. Michael Campbell	Dr. Sandra Jeppesen	Dr. David Richards
Dr. Aristocles Carastathis	Dr. Steven Jobbitt	Ms. Yvonne Roussel, Recorder
Dr. Joseph Carney	Dr. Dean Jobin-Bevans	Dr. Ulf Runesson
Dr. Joan Chambers	Dr. Margaret Johnston	Dr. Paolo Sanzo
Dr. Lori Chambers	Dr. Donald Kerr	Dr. Chander Shahi
Dr. Carlos Christoffersen	Dr. Sreekumari Kurissery	Dr. Michael Stevenson
Dr. Gautam Das	Dr. Mathew Leitch	Dr. Mirella Stroink
Dr. Isaam Dawood	Dr. Isabelle Lemée	Mr. Robin Sutherland
Dr. Andrew P. Dean	Dr. Charles Levkoe	Ms. Andrea Tarsitano
Dr. Amanda Diochon	Dr. Baoqiang Liao	Dr. Natalya Timoshkina
Ms. Barbara H. Eccles, Secretary	Dr. Apichart Linhananta	Dr. Sarita Verma
Mr. Mitch Goldenberg	Dr. Craig MacKinnon	Dr. Beth Visser
Dr. Yanglin Gong	Dr. Lynn Martin	Dr. Ruizhong Wei
Dr. Christine Gottardo	Dr. Richard Maundrell	Dr. Wing Him Yeung
Dr. Scott Hamilton	Dr. Brian McLaren	Dr. Carlos Zerpa
		Dr. Qing (Jason) Zou

Regrets

Dr. Kristin Burnett Ms. Lahama Naeem

Official Observers

Mr. James Aldridge	Dr. Mary Louise Hill	Dr. Heather Murchison
Mr. Toby Goodfellow	Dr. Rhonda Koster	Mrs. Kathy Pozihun
		Dr. Cynthia Wesley-Esquimaux

Invited Guests

Dr. Patrick Brady	Dr. Margaret McKee	Dr. Michael Richardson
Dr. Nancy Luckai	Dr. Lana Ray	

In addition, a number of members of the University community attended the public portion of the Senate meeting.

The meeting was called to order at 2:36pm.

1. Approval of Agenda

MOVED (J. Carney) that the agenda be approved.
CARRIED

2. Approval of April 20, 2020 Senate Minutes

The April 20, 2020 Senate minutes were approved as circulated.

3. Professor Emeriti-ae Recognition

Dr. Barnett spoke to the accomplishments of each of the following Professor Emeritus recipients being honoured in recognition of long and distinguished service to Lakehead University:

- Dr. Patrick Brady – Faculty of Education
- Dr. Nancy Luckai – Faculty of Natural Resources Management
- Dr. Margaret McKee – School of Social Work
- Dr. Michael Richardson – Department of English

4. Graduands & Medal Recipients

4.1 Approval of Degree and Diploma Recipients

MOVED (A. Tarsitano) that the candidates on the distributed Graduands List be awarded the undergraduate degrees or diplomas, and graduate degrees indicated.
CARRIED

4.2 Approval of the Medal Recipients

MOVED (A. Tarsitano) that the 2020 medal recipients indicated on the distributed list be approved.
CARRIED

5. Calendar Change Referral

A memo outlining the calendar change referral that was fast tracked was circulated in advance of the meeting. Senators were provided the opportunity to share any concerns via email as indicated in the memo.

6. Reports of Senate Standing Committees

Senators were provided the opportunity to ask questions or discuss any items in each report.

6.1 Senate Academic Committee (SAC) Report

The SAC report was posted to the website in advance of the meeting.

Dr. Maundrell provided the rationale for the Senate Academic Committee's policy recommendations.

6.1.1 MOVED (R. Maundrell) that the Professional Associate policy be rescinded.
Discussion ensued regarding the benefits of retaining the Professional Associate Policy.
DEFEATED

MOVED (R. Maundrell) that the amendments to the Adjunct Professor policy be approved.
CARRIED

6.2 Senate Budget Committee (SBC) Report

The SBC report was posted to the website in advance of the meeting.

6.2.1 2020/21 Operating Budget Update

The Vice President, Administration and Finance; and the Provost and Vice President, Academic reported that the Board of Governors approved a balanced budget. Details of the additional mitigation strategies implemented were also provided as part of the 2020/21 Lakhead University operating budget update.

Discussion ensued.

6.3 Senate Executive Committee Recommendation

MOVED (D. Barnett) that the attached 2020/21 Senate and Senate Executive Committee meeting schedule be approved.
Discussion ensued regarding special meetings.
CARRIED

6.4 Faculty of Graduate Studies Council (FGSC) Report

The FGSC report was posted to the website in advance of the meeting.

6.5 Senate Nominations Committee (SNC) Report

The SNC report was posted to the website in advance of the meeting.

MOVED (A. Diochon) that Dr. Isabelle Lemée be appointed to the Senate Organization Committee for the term commencing July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2023.
CARRIED

6.6 Senate Organization Committee (SOC) Report

The SOC report was posted to the website in advance of the meeting.

6.7 Senate Teaching and Learning Committee (STLC) Report

The STLC report was posted to the website in advance of the meeting.

6.8 Senate Undergraduate Scholarships and Bursaries Committee (SUSBC) Report

The SUSBC report was posted to the website in advance of the meeting.

6.9 Senate Undergraduate Studies Committee (SUSC) Report

The SUSC report was posted to the website in advance of the meeting.

7. Calendar Change Approvals

7.1 Approval of Undergraduate Calendar Changes

MOVED (J. Chambers) that the following undergraduate Academic Calendar changes be approved:

Faculty of Business Administration

- 2019-BUS-7173-A – Bachelor of Administration College Transfer Program for graduates of a 2 year college diploma

Faculty of Science and Environmental Studies

- 2019-SCI-6918 – HBSc in Computer Science – Program with Confederation College

Faculty of Social Sciences and Humanities

- 2020-SOC-7312 – Program-Major Modification-Name Change-UG- Native Access Program (NAP)

CARRIED

7.2 Approval of Undergraduate Regulation and Admission Changes

MOVED (R. Maundrell) that the following undergraduate regulation and admission changes be approved:

Faculty of Business Administration

- 2019-BUS-7173-B – Bachelor of Administration College Transfer Program for graduates of a 2 year college diploma

Faculty of Engineering

- 2020-ENG-7247 – REGULATIONS – MODIFY – UG – ENGINEERING – LU-Georgian inclusion

Faculty of Science and Environmental Studies

- 2019-SCI-7139 – Admission-Requirement LU-CC Computert Science program

CARRIED

7.3 Approval of Graduate Calendar Changes

MOVED (C. Shahi) that the following graduate Academic Calendar changes be approved:

Faculty of Engineering

- 2018-ENG-6551 – PROGRAMS – NEW PROGRAM – PHD –

ENGINEERING – Replacing Change Request Number: 2017-ENG-6112 (Phase 1 approval)

- 2020-ENG-7258 – PROGRAMS – SPECIAL MODIFICATION- GRAD – CHEMICAL ENGINEERING – COURSE BASED OPTION TO PROGRAM

Faculty of Health and Behavioural Sciences

- 2019-HBS-7021 – New Master of Nursing Program

Faculty of Science and Environmental Studies

- 2019-SCI-7030 – New Course Codes for MSC Comp Sci Artificial Intelligence Specialization
- 2019-SCI-7031 – MSc Computer Science with Specialization in Artificial Intelligence

Faculty of Social Sciences and Humanities

- 2019-SOC-7212 – Program-Major Modification-GR-English-Specialization in Social Justice Studies

CARRIED

7.4 Approval of Graduate Regulation and Admission Changes

MOVED (R. Maundrell) that the following graduate regulation and admission changes be approved:

Faculty of Education

- 2019-EDU-6994 – Modification to PhD Educational Studies Regulations

Faculty of Engineering

- 2020-ENG-7246 – REGULATIONS – MODIFICATION – PHD – ECE – change to reflect new course process

Faculty of Graduate Studies

- 2020-FGS-7259 – Modifications to the Master's Program Regulations
- 2020-FGS-7270 – Modification to PHD Regulations

Faculty of Health and Behavioural Sciences

- 2019-HBS-7186-A – Regulations-Modification-GR-Health Sciences
- 2019-HBS-7186-B – Admission Requirements-Modification-GR-Health Sciences

- 2019-HBS-7213 – Admission_modification_GR_Psychology
- 2019-HBS-7214 – Regulation_modification_GR_Psychology

Faculty of Social Sciences and Humanities

- 2019-SOC-7211 – Admission Requirements-Major Modification-GR-English

CARRIED

8. Lakehead University Student Union (LUSU) Recommendation

- 8.1 MOVED (A. Tarsitano) that the terms of the current students serving on the Senate Academic Appeals Committee be extended until a sufficient number of students are appointed for the 2020-2021 term, and contingent upon them continuing to meet the eligibility requirements.

CARRIED

9. Adjunct Professor and Professional Associate Recommendations

MOVED (T. Randall) that the attached Adjunct Professor and Professional Associate recommendations be approved.

CARRIED as amended.

10. Informational Items

10.1 Election Updates

- Ms. Gisella Scalese was acclaimed as the professional librarian on the Senate for the term commencing July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2023.
- Dr. Donald Kerr was acclaimed as the Faculty Senator on the Joint Senate Committee for NOSM for the term commencing July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2023.

10.2 Calendar Change Deadlines Reminder

At the March 2, 2020 Senate meeting the following Academic Calendar change deadlines were adopted. These new deadlines are effective for all future proposed calendar changes, commencing with those proposed for inclusion in the 2021-2022 Academic Calendar.

1. Calendar change deadlines for new programs and major modifications (including associated Regulations and Admissions requests):

- Curriculum Navigator submission by the Initiator – **July 1, 2020**

- Dean and Faculty Council approval, and at the Senate Referral Stage in Curriculum Navigator – **September 30, 2020**

2. All other calendar changes requiring Senate approval:

- Dean and Faculty Council approval, and at the Senate Referral Stage in Curriculum Navigator – **October 31, 2020**

Please share this information with appropriate staff and faculty in your areas. These new deadlines will also be circulated in the Communications Bulletin every other week from April to June.

10.3 Board of Governors (Board) Report

The Board report was posted to the website in advance of the meeting.

10.4 Council of Ontario Universities (COU) Academic Colleague Report

The COU Academic Colleague report was posted to the website in advance of the meeting.

Discussion ensued regarding Provincial government funding, COU lobbying initiatives, and future expectations.

10.5 President's Report

The President's report was posted to the website in advance of the meeting.

The President and the Vice-Provost, Institutional Planning and Analysis provided a presentation regarding Lakehead's participation and success in the Times Higher Education Impact Ranking.

Following the presentation discussion ensued regarding the following topics:

- Divestment
- Metrics
- Recruitment impacts

In addition, Dr. McPherson noted Ontario's slow and careful opening of the economy. The prioritization of the health and safety of faculty, staff, students and community members in Lakehead's decision making was emphasized.

10.6 Provost & Vice-President (Academic) Report

The Provost's report was posted to the website in advance of the meeting.

The Vice-Provost (Students) & Registrar provided an update on the plans to recognize this year's graduands in light of the postponement of the 2020 convocation ceremonies.

In addition to the written report, the Provost updated the Senate on the implementation and results of the temporary grading scheme.

11. COVID-19 Planning Update

MOVED (D. Barnett) that the Senate adjourns to an in camera session to discuss confidential matters and that only Senators and those specifically invited by the Chair shall be present.

The Chair requested that the members of the Executive Team and Official Observers remain.

Discussion ensued regarding the rationale for moving in camera.

CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 6:31pm.

Dr. Moira McPherson, Chair

Ms. Barbara H. Eccles, Secretary