

MEMORANDUM

TO: Karen Roche, Secretary of Senate

FROM: Todd Randall, Chair Senate Budget Committee *TR*

RE: Report of the Senate Budget Committee for the December 5th, 2008 Senate Meeting

DATE: November 26, 2008

The Senate Budget Committee met on November 18th, 2008. The purpose of the meeting was to gather and process information pertaining to a number of larger issues currently before us. Hence, a number of items were tabled to the next meeting of SBC on Dec 12th. Extra meetings of SBC have been scheduled for January to ensure that enough time is available to process all referred Calendar change requests by the January Senate meeting. This report presents a summary of the status of items either tabled or recommended for approval by the SBC. Questions concerning tabled items can be directed to the SBC Chair via email (randall@lakeheadu.ca) or telephone (ext. 8381).

Items pertaining to the Feb 29, 2008 Senate Meeting

- 1. **Faculty of Professional Schools (now Health and Behavioural Sciences)**
 - (a) **Proposal for an Academic Unit of Health and Aging**
The proposal was tabled.

Items pertaining to the April 25, 2008 Senate Meeting

- 2. **Faculty of Professional Schools (now Health and Behavioural Sciences)**
 - (a) **Kinesiology/Gerontology – new Undergraduate program with a concentration in Gerontology**
The SBC Chair responded to queries from J. Taylor (Kinesology) regarding this item and the rationale for its being tabled. A key issue still to be resolved concerns the proposed 22 FCE program load. The proposal remains tabled.
 - (b) **Gerontology 4230/Social Work 4253 and 4230**
The Committee consulted with the Director, CEDL to confirm that funding for this course is to be provided by CEDL. The Committee recommends that Senate approve this calendar change.

Items pertaining to the May 20, 2008 Senate Meeting

3. Faculty of Social Sciences and Humanities

(a) Modular Degree Initiative

The Committee tabled this item as the proposal needs to be re-drafted to reflect the shifts of academic departments in and out of FSSH (i.e. Psychology, Outdoor Recreation, Parks & Tourism).

4. Faculty of Graduate Studies

(a) Report on the M.A. Program in Economics - November 29, 2007 (a revised version dated Oct. 26, 2008 is now available)

This item remains tabled at SBC. Outstanding issues pertaining to staffing and program sustainability are to be resolved through the cooperation of the Economics Department, Dean of Social Sciences and Humanities and Dean of Graduate Studies *before* this report can go forward to OCGS. Item was tabled.

(b) Report on the M.A. /M. Sc. Program in Mathematical Sciences - April, 2008

The proposal was tabled, pending clarification on the intentions of members of the Department of Computer Science towards the establishment of their own Masters degree. This item is to be discussed at the Dec 12th SBC meeting.

Items pertaining to the October 3, 2008 Senate Meeting

5. Faculty of Education

(a) Lifelong Learning - Education 4726

Revised items to clarify staffing/hiring implications that were raised previously by SBC have been received from the Faculty. The item has been tabled for a decision at our Dec 12th meeting.

6. Faculty of Social Sciences and Humanities

(a) Sociology 3503

Clarification on the justification for this change was received from the Department Chair by the SBC Chair. The item has been tabled for a decision at our Dec 12th meeting.

Items pertaining to the November 7, 2008 Senate Meeting

As stated in my preamble earlier, all of the items referred to SBC at the Nov 7th Senate meeting have been tabled. At our Nov 18th meeting, we met with representatives from the Faculty of Business Administration and the Department of Geography with respect to items 7 (b and c) and 8 (e and f) below. These and the remaining items are scheduled for a discussion and decision at our Dec 12th meeting.

7. Faculty of Business Administration

- (a) **Business 4273** – tabled (see note above).
- (b) **Business Minor - Management Information Systems** – tabled (see note above).
- (c) **Administrative Studies Major - Honours Bachelor of Commerce Program** – tabled (see note above).

8. Faculty of Science and Environmental Studies

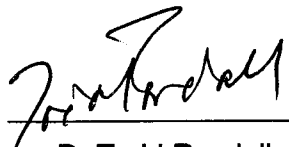
- (a) **BA Mathematics Group I and Group II** – tabled (see note above).
- (b) **BSc Mathematics Group I and Group II** – tabled (see note above).
- (c) **Reflecting New High School Curriculum** – tabled (see note above).
- (d) **Mathematics 0150 and 0152** – tabled (see note above).
- (e) **Geography 3271** – tabled (see note above).
- (f) **Geography Mapping Sciences** – tabled (see note above).
- (g) **Physics 4611** – tabled (see note above).

9. Faculty of Social Sciences and Humanities

- (a) **English 3819/Indigenous Learning** – tabled (see note above).
- (b) **Women's Studies 4110** – tabled (see note above).

10. Faculty of Education

- (a) **Education 3210 and 4273** – tabled (see note above).

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Dr Todd Randall, SBC Chair