

**Senate Meeting #5- 2009**  
**Friday, May 15, 2009**  
**2:30 p.m. – Senate Chambers**

**In Attendance**

Dr. F. Gilbert	Dr. A. Gilbert	Dr. M. Nisenholt
Dr. P. Allingham	Dr. C. Gottardo	Dr. J. O'Meara
Dr. M. Benson	Dr. S. Hamilton	Ms. D. Pallen
Dr. R. Berg	Dr. L. Hayes*	Dr. R. Pulkki
Dr. J.Y. Bernard	Dr. G. Hayman	Dr. T. Randall*
Dr. J. Blahuta	Mr. R. Hewitt	Dr. K. Reynolds
Ms. V. Cheng	Dr. S. Islam	Dr. M.N. Rinne
Dr. G. Colton	Prof. S. Isotalo	Ms. K. Roche (Secretary)
Dr. J. Crossman	Dr. P. Jasen	Dr. U. Runesson
Dr. B. Cuthbertson	Dr. W.D. Jobin Bevans*	Dr. C. Russell
Dr. B. Dadgostar	Dr. A. Kajander	Mrs. M. Ryks-Szelekovszky
Mr. K. Dahl	Prof. G. Knutson	Ms. B. Sabourin
Dr. I. Dawood	Dr. R. Koster	Dr. H. Saliba
Dr. A.P. Dean	Dr. J. Lanphear	Dr. W. Sears
Mrs. A. Deighton	Dr. J. Leggatt	Dr. A. Serenko
Dr. A. den Otter*	Ms. A. Leishman	Prof. P. Sevean
Dr. R. Dilley	Mr. J. Luo	Dr. G. Siddall
Dr. L. Di Matteo	Dr. S. Mansour	Dr. H. Smith
Dr. J. Farrell	Dr. R. Maundrell	Dr. B. Stolar
Dr. K. Fedderson	Dr. D. McPherson	Dr. S.D. Stone
Dr. H. Fennell	Dr. L. Meyer	Dr. T. Tikka
Ms. J. Flett	Dr. K. Natarajan	Dr. D. Tranter
Dr. P. Fralick	Ms. B. Nelson	Dr. R. Wang

**Observers**

Ms. K.L. Clarke	Mr. M. Pawlowski
Ms. H. Doyle	Mr. J. Smith

**Regrets**

G. Amadei	Mr. R. Buchkowski	Dr. A. Mallik
Dr. F. Blaikie	Mr. T. Cava	Ms. J. Penney

**Guests**

Mr. C. Bruce	Ms. M. Dufresne	Dr. M.L. Hill
Dr. L. Catalan	Dr. J. Gellert	Mr. A. Nabarra
M. Dawood	Sister Alice Greer	

\*Participated by teleconference

1. Approval of Agenda

MOVED (G. Knudsen/R. Isotalo) that the agenda be approved with the following amendments:

#5.2 add-

Faculty of Education  
Education 1572

Vice-President (Academic) & Provost  
Native Access Program

Faculty of Science and Environmental Studies  
Basic General Science 0261  
Anthropology  
Geography 4211 Prerequisites  
Anthropology – Concurrent Education  
Anthropology – Update Departmental Information

Faculty of Health and Behavioural Sciences  
Nursing General  
Kinesiology – Calculation of Average  
Psychology 3001

Faculty of Social Sciences and Humanities  
Indigenous Learning  
Political Science – Politics of Food in the North  
ORPT – Heritage Interpretation  
ORPT – Ecological Literacy  
Centre for Northern Studies – 3<sup>rd</sup> year elective requirements

Faculty of Forestry and the Forest Environment  
Forestry 2050/Biology 2051

Articulation Agreement Referrals

#7.1 add –

Faculty of Health and Behavioural Sciences  
Nurse Practitioner  
Psychology – graduate student requirements

Faculty of Forestry and the Forestry Environment

Forestry 5510 and 5995

Forestry Removal 5410, 5480, 5550, 5650, 5670, 5750, 5755, 5830

Forestry 5575, 5710, 5740, 5770, 5810, 5815

Forestry 5770, 5261, 5131, 5610, 5850

Forestry change to MScF

Articulation Agreement with Con College Enviro Tech Prgm

#8.1 – add – MOVED that the revisions to the Guidelines for Certificates be approved.

#14 – typographical error – 2008-2009 changed to 2009-2010

#26 – add – “Senate Meeting” after the word “October”

#28 – add – Registrar’s Report - Master of Education Academic Schedule

Item #15 Lakehead University Strategic Plan 2010-2013 be moved to immediately following Business Arising from the Minutes

Item #14 Proposed University Operating Budget 2009-10 be moved to immediately following the Lakehead University Strategic Plan

CARRIED

MOVED (G. Knutsen/P. Allingham) that any vote on the Strategic Plan or any part of the Strategic Plan and on the proposed Operating Budget be by secret ballot with 2 scrutineers, and that members of Senate participating by teleconference be offered the opportunity to call in to another private line guaranteeing confidentiality, and that one of the scrutineers be Sister Alice.

It was agreed by consensus that the other scrutineer would be the Secretary of Senate and that those participating by phone could call into Sister Alice’s office to cast their vote.

CARRIED

2. Minutes of Senate Meeting #2009-4 held on April 17, 2009

MOVED (R. Koster/B. Stolar) that the Minutes of Senate Meeting #2009-4 held on April 17, 2009 be approved.

CARRIED

3. Business Arising from the Minutes

There was no business arising.

4. Lakehead University Strategic Plan 2010-2013

MOVED (M. Ryks-Szelekovszky/K. Dahl) that Senate approve the Lakehead University Strategic Plan 2010-2013.

Dr. F. Gilbert reviewed the development of the Strategic Plan. At the Board of Governors' Retreat in January 2008, the Board directed the President to prepare a Strategic Plan 2010-2013 that would serve as a guiding document for, and that would provide continuity when, the new Lakehead University President takes over in 2010. The proposed Strategic Plan recognizes the direction set out in the approved Research Plan (2007-2012) and Academic Plan (2006-2010) and provides guidance for the development of annual plans. Dr. Gilbert noted that the Strategic Planning Committee members were not selected to represent any particular group or agenda. They were asked to develop a plan that would provide direction for Lakehead University based on four strategic directions: Sustainability; Comprehensiveness; Research Growth; and Diversity.

Dr. Gilbert noted that a request had been received from the Senate Teaching and Learning Committee to make the following change to the document on the first Objective listed on page 23 which would emphasize the importance of excellence in teaching at Lakehead University:

"Lakehead University will recruit and retain faculty with excellence in teaching and research. As long as specific teaching needs of individual academic units are addressed by candidates with the potential for excellence in teaching, the recruitment of new faculty members at Lakehead, in accordance with Lakehead University's Strategic Research Plan 2007-2012, should emphasize the candidate's research potential and excellence as well as other institutional priorities such as diversity."

There were no objections to this wording change.

The following additional changes were agreed upon by consensus:

1) The 4 FCEs has been changed to 3 FCEs on page 18 as follows:

Expectations: By September 2011, each academic unit will offer at least two 0.5 FCE courses or one 1.0 FCE course during the fall and winter sessions through a distributed learning mode. These courses may be courses currently offered that have been adapted to a distributed learning mode. In each subsequent year of the Strategic Plan 2010-2013, each academic unit will offer at least one more FCE through a distributed learning mode so that by 2013 at least 3 FCEs are offered, unless justification can be given that the nature of the academic programming does not permit distributed learning offerings. The academic impact of increasing the number of distributed learning courses will be analyzed through the academic planning processes.

2) The Research section was revised to include SSHRC and CIHR on page 23:

In the fourth paragraph, the sentence beginning with "At the same time" was reworded as follows:

"At the same time, Lakehead University should ensure that those researchers and scholars who compete for SSHRC or CIHR funding, or other sources of funding which may not be linked to a focus areas, have the opportunity to follow their respective research programs and receive equal support from the University."

Areas discussed at length included the following:

- The Strategic Plan must emphasize the importance of maintaining Senate involvement in academic decision-making. The Senate committees would become involved in academic matters as appropriate. Decisions regarding the sustainability of academic units would ultimately become Senate decisions although the Dean, VP Academic and Deans' Council would make recommendations to Senate committees when restructuring is necessary to ensure sustainability.
- The proposed Strategic Plan is not an action plan but rather provides guidance and direction. Action plans would be developed by departments and Deans.
- The determination by Deans and the VP (Academic) on whether classes would be offered, based on minimum class-size, might undermine the power of Senate in academic decision-making. The review process being developed by the Senate Academic Committee for the next Academic Plan might provide appropriate language on this issue.
- Internal funding of research will be determined by the Research

Committee, as is done presently, based on the Senate approved Strategic Research Plan 2007-2012.

- Issues related to remuneration, intellectual property, distribution formats, and technology related to the development and offering of Distributed Learning courses will need to be resolved. Funding needs to be made available to implement these objectives.
- Since there is no ranking of the objectives in the proposed Strategic Plan, the implementation will be determined through the budget process.
- A commitment to excellence in innovation, teaching, research, and service were included. There was no specific emphasis on excellence in Administration.
- The Orillia Campus Plan provides the outline of the plans for Orillia through a consultative process. Duplication of programs will need to be addressed. The proposed streaming and video-conferencing creates a two-tiered system between the students in the class and those that are not.
- The consultative process, the committee composition and a comparison to time-lines used in the previous Strategic Planning process were discussed. It was noted that of the 14 members of the Strategic Planning Committee, 9 are Senators. Responses were received during the request for input period (January 8 through February 14, 2009) from 6 Senate Committees, 6 Faculties, Deans' Council, Orillia Campus, 4 Departments, International Liaison Committee, LUFA, Aboriginal Management Council, Offices of Student Affairs, 16 faculty, 6 staff, 2 students, 2 individuals outside the University as well as many who were not identified.
- Concern was expressed that an emphasis on local recruitment could result in attracting students with lower academic standing due to revisions on the Vision Statement. The only change in the Vision Statement was to remove the section pertaining to "its unique regional setting" to acknowledge the establishment of the Orillia Campus.
- Concern was raised about new responsibilities being assigned to the Department Chairs. These responsibilities would include fund-raising, and recruitment.
- Ancillary fees were discussed. The past Student Senator who was on the Strategic Planning Committee explained that the section pertaining to ancillary fees is restating what is already in place through provincial legislation.

The Chair called the question.

Number of Ballots Cast 60

In favour of the motion: 29

Opposed 31

The motion to approve the Strategic Plan 2010-2013 was  
DEFEATED

MOVED (G. Knutson/R. Isotalo) that the ballots be destroyed.  
CARRIED

5. Proposed University Operating Budget 2009-10

M. Pawlowski reviewed the proposed budget. Objections related to financial decisions that have been made in the past, comments, and objections to decisions related to the proposed budget were:

- the four day closure in December as it relates to the Academic Schedule and what other decisions had been considered
- Lakehead University's decision in 2004 to have a satellite campus in Orillia
- the \$100 M debenture decision made by the Board of Governors in 2005

M. Pawlowski noted that the cuts in the budget affected every part of the university including the President.

MOVED (G. Hayman/M. Ryks- Szelekovszky) that Senate recommend approval of the proposed Lakehead University Operating Budget for 2009-10 to the Board of Governors.

The Chair called the question.

Number of Ballots Cast 61

In favour of the motion: 24

Opposed 36

Spoiled 1

The motion to approve the proposed Operating Budget was  
DEFEATED

MOVED (G. Hayman/B. Cuthbertson) that the ballots be destroyed.  
CARRIED

6. Proposed Undergraduate Calendar Changes for Referral

MOVED (A. Gilbert/G. Hayman) that the proposed Undergraduate Calendar Changes be referred to the appropriate committees:

Faculty of Science and Environmental Studies

- Computer Science 4411, 4413, 4475, 4478
- BA and BSc programs – non 4-year programs

CARRIED

7. Reports of Standing Committees on Proposed Undergraduate Calendar Changes

7.1 Senate Undergraduate Studies Committee Report

MOVED (R. Koster/J. Blahuta) that the Senate Undergraduate Studies Committee Report be accepted.

CARRIED

MOVED (R. Koster/I. Dawood) that the Articulation Agreement Development Procedures document (particularly the policy regarding the removal of advanced standing credits from the transcript) be reviewed by the Senate Academic Committee.

CARRIED

7.2 Senate Budget Committee Report Part 1 & Part 2

7.2.1 MOVED (G. Knutson/J. Blahuta) that the motion to accept the Senate Budget Committee Report be separated into 3 separate motions as follows:

1-Motion – that Part I of the Senate Budget Committee Report be accepted and that the following Undergraduate Calendar Changes be approved:

2-Motion – that Senate accept Part II Items 1 through 3.

3-Motion – that Senate accept the Senate Budget Committee recommendation to approve the proposed Operating Budget 2009-10.

The motion to divide the original motion into 3 separate motions was CARRIED.



- 7.2.2 MOVED (T. Randall/B. Dadgostar) that Part I of the Senate Budget Committee Report be accepted.

CARRIED

- 7.2.3 MOVED (T. Randall/G. Hayman) that Senate accept Part II Items 1 through 3 be accepted.

CARRIED

- 7.2.4 MOVED (T. Randall/G. Hayman) that Senate accept Part II Item #4 the Senate Budget Committee recommendation to approve the proposed Operating Budget 2009-10.

Senate determined this motion was redundant since the 2009-10 Operating Budget had already been defeated by Senate. The motion was withdrawn by the mover and seconder.

WITHDRAWN

- 7.2.5 MOVED (T. Randall/R. Koster) that the following Undergraduate Calendar Changes be approved:

Faculty of Education

- Education 1572

Vice-President (Academic) & Provost

- Native Access Program

Faculty of Science and Environmental Studies

- Basic General Science 0261
- Anthropology
- Geography 4211 Prerequisites
- Anthropology – Concurrent Education
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- Nursing General
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- Indigenous Learning
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- ORPT – Ecological Literacy
- Centre for Northern Studies – 3<sup>rd</sup> year elective requirements

Faculty of Forestry and the Forest Environment

- Forestry 2050/Biology 2051

Articulation Agreement with Confederation College

CARRIED

8. Senate Continuing Education and Distributed Learning Committee Report

MOVED (P. Sevean/M. Ryks- Szelekovszky) that the Senate CEDL Report be accepted.

CARRIED

9. Faculty of Graduate Studies Council

9.1 MOVED (J. Crossman/S.D. Stone) that the following Graduate Calendar Changes be approved:

Faculty of Health and Behavioural Sciences

- Nurse Practitioner
- Psychology – graduate student requirements

Faculty of Forestry and the Forest Environment

- Forestry 5510 and 5995
- Forestry Removal 5410, 5480, 5550, 5650, 5670, 5750, 5755, 5830
- Forestry 5575, 5710, 5740, 5770, 5810, 5815
- Forestry 5770, 5261, 5131, 5610, 5850
- Forestry change to MScF

CARRIED

9.2 MOVED (J. Crossman/M. Ryks-Szelekovszky) that the Faculty of Graduate Studies Council Report be accepted.

CARRIED

10. Senate Academic Committee Report

D. Tranter read the Senate Academic Committee Report noting that this report was not available to Senators prior to the meeting, but that he wanted to ensure everyone was aware of the content of the report.

10.1

MOVED (D. Tranter/H. Saliba) that the Senate Academic Committee Report be accepted.

CARRIED

10.2

MOVED (D. Tranter/B. Dadgostar) that the Guidelines for Certificates be accepted.

D. Tranter read the modifications to the Guidelines for Certificates.

CARRIED

11. Senate Joint NOSM Committee

It was noted that Dr. J. Farrell, Chair of Senate Joint NOSM Committee, had left the room.

MOVED (D. Tranter/H. Saliba) that the Senate Joint NOSM Committee Report be postponed until Dr. J. Farrell returns to the meeting.

CARRIED

12. Senate Organization Committee Report

MOVED (G. Colton/ R. Pulkki) that the revisions to the Senate Research Ethics Board Terms of Reference be approved.

CARRIED

**Senate took up Item #11.**

11.1 MOVED (J. Farrell/J. Lanphear) that upon the recommendation of the Joint Senate Committee the Lakehead Senate herein approves the recommendation to move forward the names of 24 graduands from the Lakehead University registration system as ready for graduation, having met all the requirements for the degree of Doctor of Medicine (MD) of the Northern Ontario School Medicine.

It was noted that the graduands from NOSM were included in the list of Lakehead University undergraduates that would be approved later in the meeting.

The motion was withdrawn by the mover and seconder.

WITHDRAWN

- 11.2 MOVED (J. Farrell/J. Lanphear) that the NOSM Associate Dean, UME be granted the authority to move the names forward of the two individuals who are expected to complete all the requirements by the deadline specified by Lakehead and Laurentian Universities' registrars, which is 4:30 pm on the day before convocation, upon their completion of those requirements, to allow them to join convocation.

It was noted that Lakehead University has an Enabling Motion which permits the Registrar to add names to the list of graduands but since the approval of both Senates is necessary for decisions related to NOSM, the Lakehead University Senate would consider the motion. Senate asked that the Joint NOSM Committee was asked to discuss the process for graduands approval through the two Senates.

CARRIED

13. Report of the Senate Library Committee

MOVED (J. Blahuta/A. Deighton) that the Library Code of Conduct be approved.

CARRIED

14. LUSU Recommendations for Student Representatives on Senate Standing Committees for 2009-2010

MOVED (Ms. A. Leishman/G. Siddall) that the LUSU recommendations for Student Representatives on Senate Standing Committees for 2009-2010 be approved.

The Secretary of Senate noted that she had been advised by the LUSU President that there would be some changes to the list of LUSU Representatives on Senate Standing Committees. Changes would be approved in the Fall.

CARRIED

15. Faculty of Science and Environmental Studies - Department of Economics

MOVED (A. P. Dean/G. Siddall) that the Department of Economics become a department within the Faculty of Science and Environmental Studies effective July 1, 2009.

It was noted that there is no policy which sets out the procedure to follow. A process to move a department should be developed which would include addressing the evaluation of the impacts, financial and academic, related to restructuring, moving departments and the consultative process that would be required.

CARRIED

16. Faculty Senator on the Board of Governors

Senate is to recommend to the Board of Governors two Faculty Senators to serve on the Board of Governors. The following terms are available:

- One Senate representative is required for a three-year term from September 2009 and ending with its Annual Meeting in the fall of 2012

Dr. Gordon Hayman agreed to let his name stand for this position.

- MOVED (R. Pulkki/P. Jasen) that Dr. Gordon Hayman be appointed as the Faculty Senator to serve on the Board of Governors for a three-year term from September 2009 and ending with the Board's Annual Meeting in the fall of 2012.  
CARRIED

- One Senate representative is required for two-year term from September 2009 and ending with its Annual Meeting in the fall of 2011.

No nominations were made. The Chair noted that Senate has repeatedly had difficulty filling vacancies for the Faculty Senator to serve on the Board of Governors.

17. Graduands

17.1 Undergraduate Degrees and Diplomas

The List of Graduands was distributed at the meeting.

MOVED (M. Ryks-Szelekovszky/J. Blahuta) that the candidates on the list distributed by the University Registrar list be awarded the undergraduate degrees or diplomas indicated on the List of Graduands.  
CARRIED

17.2 Graduate Degrees

The List of Graduands was distributed at the meeting.

MOVED (J. Crossman/D. Pallen) that the candidates on the list distributed by the University Registrar be awarded the graduate degrees as indicated on the List of Graduands.

CARRIED

18. Medals

MOVED (M. Ryks-Szelekovszky/H. Smith) that the list of all medals awarded be approved by an omnibus motion.

CARRIED

18.1 The Dean Braun's Medals

The Dean Braun's Medals be awarded to the highest ranking graduating students in the Faculties of Business Administration, Engineering, Forestry and the Forest Environment and the Schools of Kinesiology, Nursing, Outdoor Recreation, Parks and Tourism and Social Work

Honours Bachelor of Commerce  
Bachelor of Administration  
Bachelor of Engineering  
Diploma in Engineering Technology  
Honours Bachelor of Science in Forestry  
Honours Bachelor of Environmental Studies (Forest Conservation)  
Bachelor of Environmental Studies (Forest Conservation)  
Bachelor of Science in Nursing  
Honours Bachelor of Kinesiology  
Honours Bachelor of Outdoor Recreation  
Honours Bachelor of Social Work

18.2 The William A. West Medals

The William A. West Medals be awarded to the highest ranking graduating students in the Faculty of Education.

Native Language Instructors' Diploma  
Bachelor of Education (Native Teacher Education)  
Bachelor of Education (Primary/Junior)  
Bachelor of Education (Junior/Intermediate)  
Bachelor of Education (Intermediate/Senior)  
Master of Education

18.3 The Dean of Science and Environmental Studies Medals

The Dean of Science and Environmental Studies Medals be awarded to the highest ranking graduating students in the Faculty of Science and Environmental Studies.

Four Year Program  
Three Year Program

18.4 The Dean of Social Sciences and Humanities Medals

The Dean of Social Sciences and Humanities Medals be awarded to the highest ranking graduating students in the Faculty of Social Sciences and Humanities.

Four Year Program  
Three Year Program

18.5 The Chancellor's Medal

The Chancellor's Medal be awarded to the highest ranking part-time student in the graduating class of the Bachelor's or Honours Bachelor's degree programs.

18.6 The Vice-Chancellor's Medal

The Vice-Chancellor's Medal be awarded to the highest ranking full-time student in the graduating class of the three-year Bachelor's degree programs.

18.7 The Governor General's College Bronze Medal

The Governor General's College Bronze Medal be awarded to the highest ranking full-time student in the graduating class of the undergraduate diploma program of minimum two-year duration.

18.8 The Governor General's Silver Medal

The Governor General's Silver Medal be awarded to the highest ranking full-time student in the graduating class of the Honours Bachelor's or equivalent programs.

18.9 The Governor General's Gold Medal

The Governor General's Gold Medal be awarded to the highest ranking graduating student in a graduate program.

#### ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

19. Senate Teaching and Learning Committee

Dr. B. Stolar reported that the Subcommittee on Course Evaluations and the Senate Teaching and Learning Committee is working with the Senate Teaching and Learning Committee to develop a plan to monitor the implementation of the new instrument and gather data necessary for any further revisions to the survey items. The plan, along with the format of the comment section, will reported at the first Senate meeting of the fall term.

20. Athletics Department Annual Report

The Athletics Department Annual Report was posted on the Senate website.

#### ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

21. Adjunct Professor Renewals (Information Only)

Dr. Harun Rasid's appointment as an Adjunct Professor to the Department of Geography is renewed for the term July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2013.

22. President's Report

Dr. Gilbert reported that one Senate Academic Appeal had been heard and that the appeal was rejected.

Dr. Gilbert reported that Lakehead University had submitted for funding under the Federal government's Knowledge Infrastructure Program. An announcement on the approved projects would be forthcoming in June.

22.1 Professors Emeriti/ae to be conferred

The following individuals will be awarded Professor Emeriti/ae: Ms. Ann Clarke; Dr. J. Gellert; Dr. B. Lorch; and Dr. R. Sweet.



23. Report of NOSM

There was no report from NOSM.

24. Report of the Dean Orillia Campus

There was no report from the Orillia Campus.

25. Report of the Senate Representative to the Board of Governors

J. Leggatt noted that the Report of the Senate Representative to the Board of Governors was posted on the Senate website.

26. Notice of Motion to approve the Code of Student Behaviour and Disciplinary Procedures at the October Senate Meeting

Dr. M. McPherson explained that a committee had been struck to review the Code of Student Behaviour and Disciplinary Procedures. Comments from the University community were solicited and a revised draft Student Code will be brought to Senate for approval at the October 2009 Senate meeting.

27. Faculty Representative on Senate

Mr. Gerry Phillips has been elected as the Faculty Representative on Senate for a 3 year term July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2012.

28. Registrar's Report – Master of Education Academic Schedule

The Master of Education Academic Schedule will be revised. The M.Ed students will be added to those who will be taking a study week in March rather than the study week in February.

29. MOVED (C. Gottardo/A. Gilbert) that the meeting be adjourned.  
CARRIED

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Dr. F. Gilbert, President

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Ms. K. Roche, Secretary of Senate