

LAKEHEAD UNIVERSITY
Report of the Senate Organization Committee

19 February 2010

Submitted by Dr. G. Colton (Chair), for Dr. Q.L. Dang, Dr. R. Delaney, Dr. L. Hayes, Mr. R. Hewitt, Dr. S. Islam, Dr. J. O'Meara, and Ms. K. Roche (Secretary).

A meeting of the Senate Organization Committee was held on January 12, 2010 in the Vice-President's Conference Room.

Dr. John O'Meara spoke to the creation of a permanent Chair of Education Programs at the Orillia campus and its potential impact on Senate. The Committee supported the addition of this new position to the composition of Senate, and a motion to that effect was unanimously passed.

The Committee discussed proposed changes to the Terms of Reference for the Senate Honorary Degrees Committee. Dr. Jane Nicholas, Chair of the Senate Honorary Degrees Committee, spoke to the proposed changes and answered questions posed by members of the Senate Organization Committee. Following that discussion, the Committee moved changes to the composition of the Senate Honorary Degrees Committee involving the addition of one full-time faculty member from the Orillia campus (bringing the total of full-time faculty members on the Committee to five). The motion was unanimously passed.

The Committee also passed a motion to amend the Terms of Reference of Senate committees pertaining to graduate student representation. As graduate student representation on Senate committees no longer comes from the GSA (having been dissolved), the revised Terms of Reference will indicate that recommendations should come from "LUSU in consultation with the Graduate Student Commissioner." The motion was unanimously passed.

The Committee's next meeting is scheduled for March 12, 2010.

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(on behalf of the Senate Organization Committee)