



OPEN SENATE MEETING MINUTES

Date:	Tuesday, April 22, 2025
Time:	2:30pm - 4:30pm (ET)
Location:	Thunder Bay Campus: Senate Chambers (UC 1001) Orillia Campus: OA3041 Zoom

In attendance		
Dr. Gillian Siddall, Chair	Dr. Andrew J. Dean	Dr. Brian McLaren
Dr. David Richards, Vice-Chair	Dr. Andrew P. Dean	Dr. Ian Newhouse
Jason Lisi, Secretary	Dr. Amanda Diochon	Amanda Pacholczak
Trudy McKinnon, Recording Secretary	Dr. Les Fleischer	Dr. Leigh Potvin
Denise Baxter	Dr. Mark Gallagher	Dr. Todd Randall
Dr. Ruth Beatty	Dr. Anna Guttman	Dr. Linda Rodenburg
Tristan Bhola	Dr. Douglas Ivison	Dr. Sam Salem
Dr. Betsy Birmingham	Dr. Sarah Jacoba	Dr. Pauline Sameshima
Dr. Glenda Bonifacio	Dr. Jennifer Jarman	Dr. Chris Sanders
Dr. Kristin Burnett	Dr. Zi-Hua (Justin) Jiang	Dr. Kathy Sanderson
Dr. Michael Campbell	Dr. Kristen Jones-Bonofiglio	Gisella Scalese
Robin Canuel	Dr. Tanya Kaefer	Prof. Sam Shahsahabi
Paul Capon	Dr. Taryn Klarner	Mark Smith
Dr. Joseph Carney	Dr. Rupert Klein	Dr. Mirella Stroink
Alyssa Caron	Dr. Janusz Koziński	Andrea Tarsitano
Dr. Lori Chambers	Colin Kutchyera	Dr. Beatrice Vernier

Dr. Carlos Christoffersen	Dr. Brigitte Leblon	Dr. Wilson Wang
Dr. Andrew Conly	Dr. Meredith Lovell-Johnston	Dr. Rachel Warburton
Dr. Paul Cormier	Dr. Xin Yang Lu	Dr. Wing Him Yeung
Dr. Adam Cornwell	Dr. Azim Mallik	Dr. Kam Yu
Dr. Gautam Das		
Regrets		
Dr. Matthew Boyd	Dr. Subramanian Sivaramakrishnan	Dr. Elaine Wiersma
Dr. Sreekumari Kurissery	Dr. Tamara Varney	
Official Observers		
Dr. Michel Beaulieu	Dr. Heather Murchison	Rosanna Scaffeo
Michael den Haan	Dr. Sarah Olutola	Dr. Cynthia Wesley-Esquimaux
Dr. Rhonda Koster	Kathy Pozihun	
Regrets		
Jo Krisko		

The meeting was called to order at 2:32pm.

Traditional Land Acknowledgement

The Chair opened the meeting by acknowledging the Indigenous territories of Thunder Bay and Orillia.

1. Approval of Agenda

MOVED (R. Klein) that the agenda be approved.
CARRIED

2. Previous Senate Minutes

The March 24, 2025 Open Senate minutes were approved by consensus, as circulated.

3. Calendar Change Reviews

	<p>The Calendar Change Referrals Memo - April 2025 was circulated in advance of the meeting.</p> <p>MOVED (X.Y. Lu) that the appropriate committees continue reviewing the proposed Academic Calendar changes.</p> <p>CARRIED</p>	
4.	Reports of Senate Standing Committees	
4.1	<p>Senate Academic Committee (SAC) Report</p> <p>The SAC report was circulated in advance of the meeting.</p> <p>MOVED (X.Y.Lu) to approve the modification of the university definition of a Minor.</p> <p>CARRIED</p> <p>MOVED (X.Y.Lu) to approve the creation of an Indigenous Access Program Credential.</p> <p>CARRIED</p>	
4.2	<p>Senate Budget Committee (SBC) Report</p> <p>The SBC report was circulated in advance of the meeting.</p>	
4.3	<p>Senate Nominations Committee (SNC) Report</p> <p>The SNC report was circulated in advance of the meeting.</p>	
4.4	<p>Senate Organization Committee (SOC) Report and Recommendation</p> <p>The SOC report was circulated in advance of the meeting.</p> <p>a. Policy Reviews</p> <p>i. Faculty of Graduate Studies Council Terms of Reference (Proposed amendments with markup)</p>	

		<p>The Faculty of Graduate Studies Council Terms of Reference with proposed amendments was circulated in advance of the meeting.</p> <p>MOVED (T. Randall) that the Senate approve the proposed amendments to the Faculty of Graduate Studies Council Terms of Reference.</p> <p>CARRIED</p> <p>ii. Conflict of Interest - Senate and Faculty of Graduate Studies Council</p> <p>The Conflict of Interest - Senate and Faculty of Graduate Studies Council policy was circulated in advance of the meeting.</p> <p>WHEREAS the “Conflict of Interest - Senate and Faculty of Graduate Studies Council” policy was developed pre-Curriculum Navigator; and</p> <p>WHEREAS the policy was reviewed by relevant parties and determined to no longer be relevant due to the workflows structured within Curriculum Navigator; MOVED (T. Randall) that the Senate rescind the Conflict of Interest - Senate and Faculty of Graduate Studies Council policy.</p> <p>CARRIED</p> <p>b. Comprehensive Terms of Reference Review</p> <p>MOVED (T. Randall) that the Senate approve a comprehensive review of all Senate Standing Committee Terms of Reference, initiated by the Senate Organization Committee.</p> <p>CARRIED</p>
	4.5	<p>Senate Research Committee (SRC) Report</p> <p>The SRC report was circulated in advance of the meeting.</p>

	4.6	Senate Teaching and Learning Committee (STLC) Report The STLC report was circulated in advance of the meeting.
	4.7	Senate Undergraduate Studies (SUSC) Committee The SUSC report was circulated in advance of the meeting.
5.	Calendar Change Approvals	
	5.1	<p>Approval of Undergraduate Calendar Changes</p> <p>MOVED (S. Siddiqui) that the following Undergraduate Academic Calendar changes be approved:</p> <p>Faculty of Education</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2024-EDU-8540 - Program-Major Modification-UG-EDUC-NLIPNLTC • 2024-EDU-8541-A - Courses-Modifications-UG-EDUC-NLIP.NLTC • 2024-EDU-8542 - Courses-Creat New-UG-EDUC-NLIP.NLTC • 2024-EDU-8639 - Courses-Removal-UG-NLIPNLTC • 2025-EDU-8777 - New AQ courses • 2025-EDU-8778 - New course - UG - Education <p>Faculty of Engineering</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2025-ENG-8797 - Program - Major Mod (Add Barrie and revisions) UG - Electrical Engineering <p>Faculty of Health and Behavioural Sciences</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2024-HBS-8483 - Program_modification_UG_SocialWork_replacing discontinued course • 2024-HBS-8656 - Programs-Special Modification-UG-Nursing-New transfer pathway from Centennial College <p>Faculty of Natural Resources Management</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2023-NAT-8395 - Creating new 3rd year biometrics course • 2024-NAT-8510 - Minor changes in HBScF/BScF programs (and associated coop programs)

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2024-NAT-8512 - Creation of NRMT-3370 • 2024-NAT-8514 - Creation of NRMT-4253 • 2024-NAT-8515 - Discontinuation of NRMT-2150 • 2024-NAT-8517 - Discontinuation of NRMT-2370 • 2024-NAT-8518 - Discontinuation of NRMT-3251 • 2024-NAT-8519 - Discontinuation of NRMT-3330 • 2024-NAT-8605 - Minor modifications of the HBScEM program (including the coop options) <p>Faculty of Social Sciences and Humanities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2020-SOC-7385 - Course Cross-list UG Department of Gender and Women's Studies (FREN-3603) • 2024-SOC-8472 - New Courses-UG-Indigenous Learning-7 courses • 2024-SOC-8709 - New Course ENGL 3022 (cross listed with INDI 3012) • 2024-SOC-8733 - Elementary Oral French • 2024-SOC-8765 - New MUSI course crossed with MDST • 2024-SOC-8767 - Courses-Modifications-UG-Media, Film, and Communications-Change title to Website Design • 2024-SOC-8768 - Courses-New Course-UG-Media, Film, and Communications • 2025-SOC-8771 - Courses-Modifications-UG-Media, Film, and Communication-Creative Music and Sound Arts <p>CARRIED</p>
5.2	<p>Approval of Undergraduate Regulation and Admission Changes</p> <p>MOVED (S. Siddiqui) that the following Undergraduate Regulation and Admission changes be approved:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2024-UNIVREG-8738 - Test score changes - English Language Proficiency requirements <p>Faculty of Education</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2024-EDU-8533 - Admission-Regulation-Modification-UG-NLIP-Changes <p>Faculty of Engineering</p>	

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2024-ENG-8740 - Admission Requirements - Modification - UG Thunder Bay - Faculty of Engineering - College Transfer Entry <p>Faculty of Health and Behavioural Sciences</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2024-HBS-8657 - UG-Nursing-Admission Requirements for new pathway from Centennial College <p>Faculty of Social Sciences and Humanities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2024-SOC-8750 - Academic Regulations for the BA General Program <p>CARRIED</p>
	5.3	<p>Approval of Graduate Regulation and Admission Changes</p> <p>MOVED (D. Ivison) that the following Graduate Regulation and Admission change be approved:</p> <p>Faculty of Health and Behavioural Sciences</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2024-HBS-8674 - Regulation-Modification-GR-Health Sciences <p>CARRIED</p>
6.	<p>Adjunct Professor Recommendations</p> <p>The following Adjunct Appointment Recommendations memos were circulated in advance of the meeting.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Adjunct Appointment Recommendations Memo - March 2025 b. Adjunct Appointment Recommendations Memo - April 2025 c. Adjunct Appointment Recommendations Correction Memo - April 2025 <p>MOVED (D. Richards) that the attached Adjunct Professor recommendations and corrections be approved.</p> <p>CARRIED</p>	
7.	<p>2025-2030 Strategic Plan</p> <p>The 2025-2030 Strategic Plan was circulated in advance of the meeting.</p>	

	<p>The Vice-Provost, Institutional Planning and Analysis and the Chair of the Board of Governors gave an overview of the plan. They outlined the extensive consultation process taken. The results of which informed the final plan. The 5 key themes that emerged for the final plan are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Expanding Student Opportunity and Success • Sustainable Economic and Community Development and Entrepreneurship • Advancing our Societal Impact • People and Culture • Financial Sustainability <p>MOVED (P. Capon) that Senate endorse Lakehead University's 2025-2030 Strategic Plan. CARRIED</p>	
8.	<p>Proposal for new Department of Veterinary Science</p> <p>Memo from Faculty of Science and Environmental Studies re: new Department of Veterinary Science</p> <p>The memo from the Faculty of Science and Environmental Studies re: new Department of Veterinary Science was circulated in advance of the meeting.</p> <p>MOVED (T. Randall) that Senate receive the proposal for a Department of Veterinary Science to be housed within the Faculty of Science and Environmental Studies and that it be referred to the appropriate Senate Committees: Senate Academic Committee, Senate Undergraduate Studies Committee, and Senate Budget Committee. CARRIED</p>	
9.	<p>Informational Items</p>	
	9.1	<p>Calendar Change Deadlines Reminder</p> <p>A link to the Calendar Change Deadlines Enduring Resolution on the Lakehead website was circulated in advance of the meeting.</p>
	9.2	<p>Removal of Courses from the Calendar</p> <p>The list of courses not offered in the last five years was circulated in advance of</p>

		the meeting.
	9.3	<p>Adjunct Professor Renewals</p> <p>A list of Adjunct Professor renewals, approved by the President and Vice-Chancellor was circulated in advance of the meeting.</p>
	9.4	<p>Board of Governors Report</p> <p>The Board of Governors report for the March 27, 2025 meeting was circulated in advance of the meeting.</p>
	9.5	<p>Ogimaawin Indigenous Education Council Report</p> <p>The Ogimaawin Indigenous Education Council report for the April 1, 2025 meeting was circulated in advance of the meeting.</p>
	9.6	<p>President and Vice-Chancellor Report</p> <p>The President’s report was circulated in advance of the meeting.</p>
	9.7	<p>Provost and Vice-President (Academic) Report</p> <p>The Provost’s report was circulated in advance of the meeting.</p>
10.	<p>Other Business</p> <p>There was no other business.</p>	
The meeting adjourned at 3:18 pm		

Dr. Gillian Siddall, Chair

Jason Lisi, Secretary of Senate