

## SENATE MEETING #7-2015

September 21, 2015 4:30pm Thunder Bay Location: SENATE CHAMBERS **Orillia Location: OA 2005** 

# MINUTES

## In attendance

Dr. Brian Stevenson, Chair Dr. Razvan Anisca Dr. David Barnett Mr. Nicholas Baxter Dr. Michel Beaulieu Dr. Jason Blahuta Dr. Patrick Cain Dr. Aristocles Carastathis Mr. Jonathan Cowper\* Dr. Glenn Colton Mr. Daniel Glen Cox Dr. Bahram Dadgostar Ms. Barbara H. Eccles, Secretary Dr. Joey Farrell Dr. Laurence Fiddick\* Dr. Mark Gallagher Ms. Amanda Gallo Mr. Brett Gloor Dr. Christine Gottardo Dr. Daniel Hannah Dr. Timothy Hardie

## Rearets

Dr. Maurice Benson Dr. Paul Berger Dr. Andrew P. Dean

## **Official Observers**

Ms. Deborah Comuzzi

Dr. Mary Louise Hill Dr. Peter Hollings Dr. Kristy Holmes Dr. Douglas Ivison Dr. Dean Jobin-Bevans Mrs. Karen Keiller Dr. Donald Kerr Dr. Ti King Dr. Glenna Knutson Dr. Sree Kurissery\* Dr. David Law Dr. Judith Leggatt Dr. Lori Livingston Dr. Craig MacKinnon Dr. Lynn Martin Dr. Richard Maundrell Dr. Margaret McKee Prof. Dennis McPherson Dr. Moira McPherson, Vice-chair Dr. Lense Meyer

- Dr. Penny Moody-Corbett
- Dr. Frances Helyar Dr. Isabelle Lemee Ms. Lisa Philipps

Mrs. Kathy Pozihun

Ms. Taylor Murie Dr. Christopher Murray\* Dr. Hassan Naser Dr. John O'Meara Mr. Matthew Pascuzzo Prof. Gerald Phillips Prof. Karen Poole Dr. Antony J Puddephatt Mr. Matt Quick Dr. Todd Randall Dr. Jennifer Roth Dr. Murari Roy Ms. Yvonne Roussel, Recorder Dr. Ulf Runesson Ms. Marian Ryks-Szelekovsky Dr. Michael Stevenson Dr. Robert Stewart Dr. Mirella Stroink Ms. Andrea Tarsitano Dr. Beatrice Vernier

Dr. Teresa Socha Dr. Cynthia Wesley-Esquimaux

Ms. Cathy Ridley

#### Guests

Ms. Elizabeth Stafford

Ms. Gina Kennedy

\*via teleconference

The Chair introduced Barb Eccles, Legal Counsel and Interim University Secretary, appointed as Secretary to Senate.

New Senators were welcomed by Senate.

1. Approval of Agenda

MOVED (M. Ryks-Szelekovszky/J. Roth) that the agenda be approved. CARRIED

- 2. Approval of Minutes
  - 2.1 Minutes of the regular Senate Meeting #5-2015 held on May 14, 2015

MOVED (J. Leggatt/M.L. Hill) that the Minutes of the regular Senate Meeting #5-2015 of May 14, 2015 be approved. CARRIED

2.2 Minutes of the Special Senate Meeting #6-2015 held on June 10, 2015

MOVED (M. Beaulieu/B. Dadgostar) that the Minutes of the Special Senate Meeting #6-2015 of June 10, 2015 be approved. CARRIED

3. Business Arising from the Minutes (not included elsewhere on the agenda)

As noted in item 24 of the May 14, 2015 Senate minutes, information regarding Lakehead's Aboriginal Self-Declaration Statistics was requested. The requested information was distributed with the meeting materials. Dr. McPherson noted that the distributed document includes data from 2009 up until the end of the last academic year. The information consists of the estimated number of aboriginal students along with the estimated proportion of aboriginal students. There were no additional questions.

The Chair of the Senate Academic Committee noted that the Definitions Report will be coming forward at a future Senate meeting as consultations are still taking place.

4. LUSU Recommendations for Student and LUSU Executive Members on Senate and Senate Standing Committees for 2015-2016

MOVED (M. Ryks-Szelekovszky/G. Knutsen) that the LUSU recommendations for student and LUSU executive members on Senate and Senate Standing Committees for 2015-2016 be approved. CARRIED

- 5. Calendar Changes for Referral
  - 5.1 Proposed Undergraduate Calendar Changes for Referral

MOVED (M. Stevenson/M. Beaulieu) that the proposed Undergraduate Calendar Changes be referred to the appropriate committees:

Faculty of Education

• 2015-EDU-5206 – Course Name Change – Religious Education AQ

Faculty of Natural Resources Management

• 2015-NAT-5078 – NRMT-1010 removal of co-requisite CARRIED

5.2 Proposed Graduate Calendar Changes for Referral

MOVED (C. Gottardo/D. Barnett) that the proposed Graduate Calendar Changes be referred to the appropriate committees:

Faculty of Engineering

- 2015-ENG-4916 NEW MSC Chem Eng Graduate Program
- 2015-ENG-4917 New Courses for MSC Chem Eng program Associated with 2015-ENG-4916

CARRIED

6. Reports of Standing Committees on Proposed Calendar Changes

## 6.1 Senate Academic Committee Report

MOVED (D. Ivison/J. Roth) that the Senate Academic Committee Report be accepted.

It was noted that the Senate Academic Committee (SAC) has twice reported approval of courses for the Indigenous Content Requirement (ICR). A Senator inquired as to the definition of "indigenous" that is used in such approvals. The Chair of SAC indicated that discussions related to the criteria and process that has been used has taken place at the Joint Sub-Committee of the Senate Committee and the Ogimaawin-Aboriginal Governance Council (Joint SAC/O-AGC Committee) meetings and at SAC. If Senate requests, clarification will be provided.

## CARRIED

MOVED (J. Leggatt/D. Hannah) that Senate directs the Senate Academic Committee to provide Senate with a definition of the word indigenous for use in the criteria being used for the Indigenous Content Requirement (ICR) approvals.

It was noted that established criteria are used for determining if a course is suitable for approval for the ICR, however "indigenous" has not been specifically defined in the ICR approval process. Concern was expressed that lack of a definition may make it difficult for course design and submission for ICR approval. A member of the Joint SAC/O-AGC Committee clarified that the Committee brings forward all ICR recommendations to SAC, and feedback is provided when proposals require additional information. CARRIED

- 7. Senate Organization Committee Report
  - 7.1 Notice of Motion that Article VI, paragraph 8(b) of the Senate Bylaws be amended to delete the reference to the "Dean & Vice-Provost of the Orillia Campus" and insert "Principal, Orillia Campus."

It was noted that this motion will be coming forward to Senate at the October 26, 2015 meeting.

7.2 MOVED (M. Gallagher/C. MacKinnon) that the Senate Organization Committee Report be accepted.

# CARRIED

- 8. Joint Senate Committee for NOSM Report
  - 8.1 MOVED (M. Beaulieu/P. Moody-Corbett) that the Senate approves the Academic Curriculum Schedule and Calendar of Events 2016-2017 as presented. CARRIED
  - 8.2 MOVED (M. Beaulieu/P. Moody-Corbett) that the Senate approves the NOSM UME 2016-2017 Course Descriptions as presented. CARRIED
  - 8.3 MOVED (M. Beaulieu/P. Moody-Corbett) that the Joint Senate Committee for NOSM Report be accepted. CARRIED
- 9. Senate Nominations Committee Report
  - 9.1 MOVED (B. Dadgostar/J. Leggatt) that the following appointments to Senate standing committees be approved:
    - Senate Academic Committee Dr. Mary Tiara (Ti) King for a term commencing immediately through June 30, 2016.
    - Senate Academic Appeals Committee Dr. Han Chen for a term commencing immediately through June 30, 2017.
    - Senate Research Committee (SSHRC eligible) Dr. Constance Russell for a term commencing immediately through June 30, 2016.
    - Senate Undergraduate Studies Committee Dr. Rachel Warburton for a term commencing immediately through June 30, 2018.
       CARRIED
  - 9.2 MOVED (B. Dadgostar/D. Hannah) that the Senate Nominations Committee Report be accepted. CARRIED
- 10. Senate Academic Committee Annual Report (2014-2015)

MOVED (D. Ivison/M. Beaulieu) that the Senate Academic Committee Annual

Report be accepted. CARRIED

- 11. Approval of Adjunct Professors
  - 11.1 Faculty of Science and Environmental Studies

MOVED (T. Randall/C. MacKinnon) that the following Adjunct Professors for the Faculty of Science and Environmental Studies be approved:

- Dr. Arnold Kim, be appointed as an External Adjunct Professor to the Department of Computer Science for the term July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2019.
- Dr. Lew Christopher, be appointed as an External Adjunct Professor to the Department of Chemistry for the term July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2019.

CARRIED

# ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

12. Late Additions to the List of Graduands

The Senate's "Enabling Motion Graduands on Record" empowers the Dean of the Faculty and Registrar to approve late additions to the graduands' list who had not appeared on the convocation list. No motion is necessary. The list was posted to the Senate website.

13. Honorary Degree Nominations

The Senate Honorary Degrees Committee is seeking Honorary Degree nominations. Nomination forms are available through the following link:

https://www.lakeheadu.ca/about/sg/awards-recognition/honourary-degree

It was emphasized that this is an opportunity for Senators to potentially have individuals added to the Senate Approved Honorary Degrees Nominees list. It was clarified that once an individual is added to the list they may not necessarily receive an honorary degree as the Senate Honorary Degrees Committee is responsible for ranking the nominees annually to select the recipients. In some cases an individual may remain on the list for a few years before being selected.

- 14. Adjunct Professor Renewals (Information Only)
  - 14.1 Faculty of Engineering
    - Dr. Timo Tikka's appointment as an External Adjunct Professor to the Department of Civil Engineering was renewed for the term July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2019.
  - 14.2 Faculty of Natural Resources Management
    - Dr. Randall Kolka's appointment as an External Adjunct Professor to the Faculty of Natural Resources Management was renewed for the term July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2019.
    - Dr. Len Hunt's appointment as an External Adjunct Professor to the Faculty of Natural Resources Management was renewed for the term July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2019.
    - Dr. Chunbao (Charles) Xu's appointment as an External Adjunct Professor to the Faculty of Natural Resources Management was renewed for the term July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2019.
    - Dr. Anthony Taylor's appointment as an External Adjunct Professor to the Faculty of Natural Resources Management was renewed for the term July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2019.
- 15. COU Academic Colleague

The COU Academic Colleague Report was posted to the website. Dr. Hill provided Senate with a summary of her report.

- 16. President's Report (Dr. Brian Stevenson)
  - Report on Student Appeals 2014-2015

It was noted that Dr. Millo Shaw has reported that there were three appeals considered by the Tribunals of the Judicial Panel, and two student appeals were heard by SAAC Tribunals during the 2014-15 academic year. Further details may be found in the report posted to the Senate website.

The President's Report was posted to the website. Highlights from the President's Report included:

- Georgian-Lakehead's Response to Major Capacity Expansion
  Announcement
- Alumnus/HD Recipient Gifts Artwork to Lakehead
- Appointment of New University Librarian, Karen Keiller
- Asbestos Information Sessions & Update
- Fedderson named Principal & Next Phase of Orillia Campus
- NOFHC Gives \$1 Million for Telepresence Expansion
- 2015 Pan Am Games Torch Relay
- Mining Engineering MOU between Lakehead and Queen's
- Retirement of University Secretary, Karen Roche
- Interim University Secretary and Acting Senior Advisor Appointed
- Dr. Andrew P. Dean Appointed Vice-President (Research & Innovation)
- County of Simcoe Presents \$2M Cheque
- Molecular Imaging Research Receives Generous Grant
- Lakehead University Welcomes its First Fulbright Scholar
- 17. Provost & Vice-President (Academic) Report
  - Marks Report

The Provost & Vice-President (Academic) Report and Marks Report were posted to the website. Dr. McPherson noted the following highlights:

- 2012-2017 Academic Plan Review and Refresh Committee Update
- Orillia Student Affairs Restructuring & Realignment of Reporting
- Writing Centre and Math Assistance Centre moved into a larger space within the Chancellor Paterson Library (LI2004)
- Student Health & Counselling Centre moved to the Prettie Residence this summer
- Marks Report provides a summary of the undergraduate marks by department for fall/winter 2014-2015

It was noted that recent enrolment data appears to be tracking within a small window of the projections used when creating the budget. A clearer picture will be presented over the next two weeks.

18. NOSM Report

- NOSM Achievement Report
- NOSM Strategic Plan

The NOSM 2015 Achievement Report and NOSM Strategic Plan for 2015-2020 were distributed with the meeting materials. Dr. Penny-Moody Corbett noted that NOSM is celebrating 10 years.

19. Senate Member on the Board of Governors Report

The Senate Member on the Board of Governors Report was posted to the website. Dr. Mary Louise Hill provided Senate with a summary of her report.

20. In-camera Meeting

MOVED (J. Roth/A. Carastathis) that the Senate adjourns to an in-camera meeting to discuss Honorary Degree nominations. CARRIED

Adjournment MOVED (J. Blahuta/P. Hollings) that the meeting be adjourned. CARRIED

Dr. Brian Stevenson, President

Ms. Barbara H. Eccles, Secretary