

NIPISSING UNIVERSITY

MINUTES OF THE ACADEMIC SENATE MEETING

September 14, 2001
2:30 p.m. -- Room F305

MEMBERS PRESENT:

D. Marshall, R. Bergquist, R. Common, A. Dean, R. Forrest,
D. Lawrence, R. Wideman

J. Baffoe, A. Blackbourn, W. Borody, G. Brown, T. Chase, P. Chow,
M. Denike, T. Dokis, D. Hackett, P. Kelly, R. Klingspon, J. Kovacs,
U. Kundraats, S. Lawlor, E. Mattson, S. Muhlberger, D. Murphy,
F. Noël, P. Nosko, L. Patriquin, G. Pyle, D. Rowbotham, J. Ryan,
C. Sarlo, A. Sparkes, L. Stamler, K. Stange, L. Thibeault, K. Topps,
M. Tuncali, D. Walton, A. Weeks, G. Williams, W. Young

D. Brackenreed, T. Campbell, K. Clausen, D. Franks, L. Frost,
M. Kariuki, H. Langford, G. Laronde, L. Lemisko, J. Long, J. Lundy,
J. McIntosh, J. Mroczkowski, B. Olmsted, S. Reid, J. Scott, D. Shaffer,
H. Stemp, S. Stuart, R. Weeks

B. Leighton
K. Brozowski, J. LeClair, J. Morton, U. Stange
Guests: A. Fera, P. LaCroix

ABSENT WITH REGRETS: B. Nettlefold

C. Boterbloem (sabbatical), R. Brozowski (sabbatical),
L. Janzen (sabbatical), L. Kruk (on leave),
G. Olsen, G. Phillips (on leave), M. Saari (sabbatical)

P. Barber, D. Berry, J. Buley, P. Falter, C. Harvey, S. Van Nuland,
E. Winter (on leave), M. Wodlinger (sabbatical)

MEMBERS ABSENT:

G. Brophey, D. Flynn, D. Hall, D. Jowett, J. Knox, B. Schreyer

W. Blair, T. Horton, L. Knaack, M. McCabe, W. Richardson,
G. Swanson, H. Vail

D. Simon
M. Wallace, C. Vander Wall
A. Arnold, I. Bajewsky, M. Brewes, D. Calverley, K. Cowcill,
A. Falby, D. Hunt, R. Hemmings, M. Kershaw, J. Kooistra, J. McNairn,
L. Richards, P. Smylie, M. Sweeney, V. Valov

MOTION #1: Moved by R. Forrest, seconded by L. Frost that the minutes of the regular meeting of the Academic Senate dated June 7, 2001 be adopted.
CARRIED

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dr. Marshall invited senators to observe a minute of silence in memory of the recent tragedy in the United States and the passing of Dr. Robert Surtees. The President spoke briefly about his revulsion against the acts of terrorism that had severed the democratic life of America, and his revulsion with any efforts to lay blame. The President stated that Dr. Surtees was an original senator and a strong advocate of the parliamentary process. He announced, for the first time publicly, that a memorial service and a re-naming ceremony of the Robert J. Surtees Student Athletics Centre would be planned later in the fall.

The President welcomed all senators to the September meeting. He cited highlights from his summer report and priorities for 2001-2002 that had been previously circulated to all senators. Dr. Marshall provided an update on the extensive expansion currently underway. He further announced that, based on its summer activities, Nipissing University is the most active university in Ontario according to government statistics. He reported that Arts and Science enrolment had increased by 120 students. The process to amend the Nipissing Act is continuing; the revision will remove the restriction against offering Masters and PhD degrees. Dr. Marshall described the three taskforces that had been recently formed to discuss retention and the means of catching the attention of the double cohort. He encouraged senators' participation on these taskforces. The President stated that issues of government funding will be his main priority during the academic year. On behalf of the Senate Executive, Dr. Marshall expressed his appreciation of senators' attendance at the meeting and hoped it would continue.

Dr. Forrest welcomed the new Dean of Arts and Science: Dr. Andrew Dean. Dr. Forrest informed senators that he and Dan Pletzer had made a brief presentation to the Board on the Manitoba Survey and the results were very positive. As Chair of the taskforce on "Fulfilling the Promise", he reported that three meetings had been held to review of the less positive issues in order to seek improvements and solutions. The Vice President stated that the implementation of a concurrent BA in Contemporary Studies and BEd degree from Wilfrid Laurier at the Brantford campus was currently under discussion. Dr. Forrest outlined various initiatives that he would undertake this year, including the revision of Nipissing University's program review guidelines in accordance with UPRAC recommendations, a review of the faculty selection guidelines, a finalization of the MOU for Nursing, and instructional developments. Dr. Forrest reported that, as a result of the lack of focus on SSHRC issues at a recent meeting of OCUR in Toronto, a new subcommittee of Vice Presidents had been formed to discuss and promote SSHRC issues at OCUR. Dr. Forrest stated that the University Research Council had held its first meeting and discussed new faculty funding, disposition of unused research funds and the Search for a Manager of Research Services.

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Dr. Dean thanked everyone for the warm welcome and encouragement he had received. He introduced the newest Arts and Science faculty members. The Dean was pleased with the substantial increase in first year, full-time enrolment and the 20 students enrolled in the Nursing program. Dr. Dean announced that his priorities for 2001-2002 would be the hiring of new faculty and a program review.

Dean Common introduced the newest members of the Faculty of Education and reported that three of the nine have an undergraduate or Masters degree from Nipissing. The enrolment of 679 students represents an increase of 50 students. AQ enrolment, including Spring and Summer, has increased 28%. The Dean elaborated upon four initiatives affecting the Faculty this academic year: a teacher qualifying test instituted as a pilot project from the government, an accreditation process from the College of Teachers in 2002, a pilot project this year for the government's Professional Learning Project, and a review of the undergraduate program in December 2001 by the Ontario Council on Graduate Studies.

Student Union President, Brock Leighton, informed senators that daily issues of the Toronto Star are available outside the Student Centre for everyone's use. He reported that the Frosh Week had been a great success and he also thanked the university community for its support of Shinerama that had resulted in \$13,000 being raised.

The Registrar circulated an enrolment report for senators' information. He announced that Nipissing now has a full-time enrolment of 2000 students. Mr. Lawrence noted the dramatic increase in non-high school applicants. He stated that there are currently 7000 places in the province for Education students. Nipissing receives 63% of its Education applicants from southern Ontario.

Executive Committee

MOTION #2: Moved by D. Marshall, seconded by L. Lemisko that the Report of the Special Senate Executive Committee dated July 16, 2001 be received.
CARRIED

MOTION #3: Moved by D. Marshall, seconded by R. Forrest that the Report of the Executive Committee dated September 6, 2001 be received.
CARRIED

MOTION #4: Moved by D. Marshall, seconded by R. Bergquist that Senate adopt the Nipissing University Academic Policies and Regulations outlined in the document entitled, "Senate Academic Regulations and Policies, September 2001."
CARRIED

MOTION #5: Moved by D. Marshall, seconded by R. Forrest that Senate elect four senators to serve on the Chancellor's Selection Committee.
CARRIED

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W. Young nominated S. Lawlor
J. Baffoe nominated R. Bergquist
R. Common nominated H. Langford
R. Forrest nominated M. Denike
D. Franks nominated J. Lundy

MOTION #6: Moved by A. Sparkes, seconded by L. Patriquin that nominations cease.
CARRIED

Elected: R. Bergquist, H. Langford, S. Lawlor, J. Lundy

Appointments, Promotions and Tenure Committee

MOTION #7: Moved by S. Muhlberger, seconded by D. Franks that the Report of the
APT Committee dated June 15, 2001 be received.
CARRIED

Admissions, Promotions and Petitions Committee

MOTION #8: Moved by R. Bergquist, seconded by D. Lawrence that the Report of the
Admissions, Promotions and Petitions Committee dated September 4,
2001 be received.
CARRIED

MOTION #9: Moved by R. Bergquist, seconded by L. Stamler that students desiring
advanced standing when admitted to the Bachelor of Science in Nursing
Program may only receive credit for required courses that have been
successfully completed within the last ten (10) years.
CARRIED

MOTION #10: Moved by R. Bergquist, seconded by L. Stamler that a student must
complete the Bachelor of Science in Nursing Program in seven (7) years
from the original date of admission.
CARRIED

MOTION #11: Moved by R. Bergquist, seconded by M. Denike that students applying
for readmission to the Bachelor of Science in Nursing Program may be
required to repeat previously passed Nursing courses at the discretion of
the Director of the Program.
CARRIED

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MOTION #12: Moved by R. Bergquist, seconded by S. Lawlor that Senate admit to their respective degrees in-course Caroline Statham and Ryan Edward Beckett who have completed all requirements of their respective degrees, and that a diploma for the degrees be awarded.
CARRIED

MOTION #13: Moved by R. Bergquist, seconded by D. Lawrence that Senate rescind the degree of BA3 - Geog. issued on June 9, 2001 to Candice Micucci (ID#970126439).
CARRIED

REPORT OF REPRESENTATIVES ON OTHER BODIES

On behalf of the Alumni Association, Senator Kundrats announced two upcoming events: the orientation session for new and existing Board members of the Alumni Association to occur on September 22 and the second annual Nipissing University Alumni Golf Tournament that will be held in Powassan on September 23.

AMENDMENT OF BY-LAWS

MOTION #14: Moved by A. Sparkes, seconded by S. Lawlor that Section 54 of the Senate By-laws be amended to include the Development Officer - Special Projects as an additional member of the Student Affairs Committee.
CARRIED

OTHER BUSINESS

MOTION #15: Moved by L. Stamler, seconded by R. Bergquist that Senate approve that all required 3-credit courses with final examinations in the Collaborative BScN Program have a 2-hour final or a 3-hour final, at the discretion of the instructor.
CARRIED

MOTION #16: Moved by A. Sparkes, seconded by L. Patriquin that Senate elect one senator from the Faculty of Education to serve on the Library Committee.
CARRIED

R. Common nominated J. McIntosh

MOTION #17: Moved by L. Lemisko, seconded by J. Long that nominations cease.
CARRIED

Acclaimed: J. McIntosh

MOTION #18: Moved by A. Sparkes, seconded by H. Langford that Senate elect one senator from Arts and Science and one senator from Education to serve on the Research Ethics Committee.
CARRIED

H. Langford nominated T. Campbell
J. Lundy nominated M. Kariuki
A. Dean nominated L. Stamler

MOTION #19: Moved by R. Klingspon, seconded by S. Lawlor that nominations cease.
CARRIED

Elected: M. Kariuki, L. Stamler

MOTION #20: Moved by R. Common, seconded by R. Wideman that the questionnaire summary for the 2000 Fall MEd courses dated May 11, 2001 be received.
CARRIED

MOTION #21: Moved by R. Common, seconded by R. Wideman that the questionnaire summary for the 2001 Winter MEd courses dated May 11, 2001 be received.
CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS

MOTION #22: Moved by A. Sparkes, seconded by S. Lawlor that Senate consider New Business from the By-laws and Striking Committee.
CARRIED

MOTION #23: Moved by A. Sparkes, seconded by S. Muhlberger that Senate hold an election to fill the vacant positions on the APT Committee.
CARRIED

L. Frost nominated S. Reid as Chair of APT

MOTION #24: Moved by L. Frost, seconded by S. Lawlor that nominations cease.
CARRIED

Acclaimed: S. Reid as Chair of APT

Nominations for Arts and Science Tenure and Promotions Committee

S. Muhlberger nominated G. Olsen
D. Rowbotham nominated A. Sparkes
D. Franks nominated H. Langford
J. Baffoe nominated C. Sarlo

MOTION #25: Moved by L. Frost, seconded by L. Patriquin that nominations cease.
CARRIED

Further nomination: W. Young nominated D. Walton

MOTION #26: Moved by L. Lemisko, seconded by D. Franks that nominations cease.
CARRIED

Withdrawn: C. Sarlo
Acclaimed to Arts and Science Tenure and Promotions Committee:
H. Langford, G. Olsen, A. Sparkes, D. Walton

Nominations for Education Tenure and Promotions Committee

H. Langford nominated L. Frost
J. Lundy nominated R. Weeks
J. Mroczkowski nominated R. Wideman
S. Lawlor nominated A. Weeks

MOTION #27: Moved by J. Mroczkowski, seconded by L. Lemisko that nominations cease.
CARRIED

Acclaimed to the Education Tenure and Promotions Committee:
L. Frost, A. Weeks, R. Weeks, R. Wideman

MOTION #28: Moved by J. Baffoe, seconded by L. Stamler that Senate do now adjourn:
4:00 p.m.
CARRIED

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D. Marshall, President

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G. Williams, Secretary