

NIPISSING UNIVERSITY

MINUTES OF THE ACADEMIC SENATE MEETING

November 8, 2002

2:30 p.m. -- Room A246

MEMBERS PRESENT: D. Marshall, R. Bergquist, R. Common, A. Dean, R. Forrest,
D. Lawrence, B. Nettlefold, R. Wideman

C. Boterbloem, G. Brophay, G. Brown, R. Brozowski, T. Chase,
A. Clendinning, M. Denike, D. Hackett, D. Hall, S. High, L. Kruk,
S. Kulkarni, S. Lawlor, J. LeClair, B. Lorezkowski, E. Mattson,
D. Murphy, F. Noël, P. Nosko, G. Olsen, T. Parkes, L. Patriquin,
G. Phillips, L. Robinson, J. Ryan, C. Sarlo, A. Sparkes, K. Topps,
M. Tuncali, V. Valov, D. Walton, G. Williams, H. Zhu

P. Barber, D. Bolger, D. Brackenreed, D. Franks, C. Harvey,
M. Kariuki, H. Langford, G. Laronde, J. Lundy, G. McEwen,
J. McIntosh, M. Parr, C. Ricci, O. Ridler, J. Scott

L. Campbell, S. Renshaw
D. Bourne-Tyson, S. Carmichael
J. Price, A. LeRoy
Guest: A. Fera

ABSENT WITH REGRETS: L. Stamler
P. Chow, P. Kelly, S. Muhlberger (sabbatical), D. Rowbotham
(sabbatical), W. Young (on leave)

D. Berry, T. Campbell, L. Frost (sabbatical), T. Horton, P. Joong,
J. Long, J. Mroczkowski, B. Olmsted, C. Richardson, H. Rintoul,
R. Weeks

MEMBERS ABSENT: J. Baffoe, W. Borody, T. Dokis, D. Flynn, L. Janzen, D. Jowett,
J. Knox, J. Kovacs, U. Kundrats, G. Pyle, B. Riome, M. Saari,
B. Schreyer, K. Stange, L. Thibeault, A. Weeks

W. Blair, K. Clausen, R. Davis, L. Knaack, A. LeSage, M. McCabe,
W. Richardson, T. Ryan, G. Swanson, H. Vail, S. Van Nuland

S. Anderson, I. Bajewsky, M. Brewes, K. Brozowski, K. Cowcill,
M. Kershaw, J. Kooistra, J. Morton, S. O'Hagan, C. Peterson,
L. Richards, U. Stange

MOTION #1: Moved by D. Franks, seconded by D. Walton that the minutes of the regular meeting of the Academic Senate dated October 4, 2002 be adopted.
CARRIED

ANNOUNCEMENTS

D. Marshall referred to the Town Hall presentation given on November 8 and stated that he was confident that the government and universities will come to an agreement to provide a specific number of “fully funded” spaces for students. He noted that a series of “double cohort” meetings are being held at various secondary schools in the region. Senator Marshall announced that the annual Maclean’s ranking exercise would be released on November 11. He will circulate a memo to the university community regarding his analysis of Nipissing’s standing. Senators were reminded of the 10th anniversary celebrations on Tuesday, December 10 that will include a cake cutting ceremony commencing at 11:30 a.m. in the main foyer.

R. Forrest reported that the University Research Council had approved start-up grants for 15 research projects which represents more than double the number approved last year. He announced the “impressive” total of 9 NSERC and SSHRC applications and one CFI application.

A. Dean announced a new daughter for B. Riome and a baby boy for J. Kovacs. He extended congratulations to B. Lorenzkowski for her recent honour of being recognized for the best PhD in Humanities.

R. Common announced a new daughter for M. McCabe. Senator Common stated that the J/I students had staged a boycott and refused to attend a session offered by the government with regard to the Orientation to Teacher Test. He acknowledged receipt of two sabbatical applications for next year.

Student Union President, J. Price, announced the National Alcohol Awareness week. She stated that NUSU had held a retreat this week regarding long-term visioning for the Student Centre. She expressed her appreciation to the more than 400 students and faculty who had contributed their signatures to the flag pieces that were sent to Ottawa for the national Remembrance Day ceremony. J. Price informed senators of the monthly coffee conversations with the President, the NUSU President and the Board Chair held each Tuesday preceding the Board meeting. She welcomed senators to join the students at these informal sessions.

L. Kruk invited all senators to attend a public lecture given by guest speaker and author, Marjorie Stone, on November 20th at 7:00 p.m. She announced that a workshop will follow the lecture. Further details can be obtained from Senator Kruk at extension 4282.

University Curriculum Committee

MOTION #2: Moved by A. Dean, seconded by P. Barber that the Report of the Academic Planning Committee dated 31 October 2002 be adopted.
CARRIED

MOTION #3: Moved by A. Dean, seconded by F. Noël that the Senate document entitled, "Senate Academic Regulations and Policies, September 2002" be amended to delete the following courses from the History program:

HIST 2356E The Atlantic Provinces (3 credits)

HIST 3026E History of Canadian-American Relations (3 credits)

HIST 3266E The Canadian West (3 credits)

HIST 3535E Foreign Relations in the United States in the 20th Century (6 credits)

CARRIED

MOTION #4: Moved by A. Dean, seconded by M. Denike that the Senate document entitled "Senate Academic Regulations and Policies, September 2002" be amended to change HIST 3355E History of Women in Canada and HIST 3385E History of Education from six credit to three credit courses and that their numbers be changed to 3356 and 3386 respectively; that the six credit and the three credit versions should be considered antirequisites; and that the programs in History and Gender Equality and Social Justice be modified to reflect this change.
CARRIED

MOTION #5: Moved by A. Dean, seconded by F. Noël that the Senate document entitled, "Senate Academic Regulations and Policies, September 2002" be amended to change HIST 2345E Canadian First Nations in Historical Perspective from a six credit to a three credit course, HIST 2346E First Nations in Historical Perspective along with the modifications in course description; that the six credit and three credit versions be considered antirequisites; and that the programs in History and Native Studies be modified to reflect this change.
CARRIED

MOTION #6: Moved by A. Dean, seconded by F. Noël that the Senate document entitled, "Senate Academic Regulations and Policies, September 2002" be amended to modify the prerequisite for HIST 4465E Family and Community in North American Society to read "24 credits in History, at least six credits of which must be HIST 1406/1407E or HIST 3205E or HIST 3505E."

CARRIED

MOTION #7: Moved by A. Dean, seconded by F. Noël that the Senate document entitled, "Senate Academic Regulations and Policies, September 2002" be amended to modify the prerequisite for HIST 4275E Ontario History to read "24 credits in History, at least six credits of which must be HIST 1406/1407E or HIST 3205E."

CARRIED

MOTION #8: Moved by A. Dean, seconded by O. Ridler that the Senate document entitled, "Senate Academic Regulations and Policies, September 2002" be amended to add the following to the Senate approved list of courses:

HIST 3217E Topics in 19th Century Canadian History (3 credits)

HIST 3226E Topics in Canadian Regional History (3 credits)

HIST 4315E Topics in North American History (6 credits)

HIST 3236E Slavery in the Americas (3 credits)

HIST 3277E North American Environmental History (3 credits)

HIST 3287E Canadian Working Class History (3 credits)

HIST 4325E Oral History (6 credits)

HIST 3296E Turning Points in American History (3 credits)

HIST 4335E Topics in American History (6 credits)

HIST 4255E Victoria's Britain: Gender, Class and Culture in the Age of Empire (6 credits)

CARRIED

MOTION #9: Moved by A. Dean, seconded by F. Noël that the Senate document entitled, "Senate Academic Regulations and Policies, September 2002" be amended to revise the Bachelor of Arts (three-year) History programs by removing HIST 3925E History and Historians: Ideas and Methods as a required course from the three year History programs with those credits being replaced by six credits of History in Group 1 or 2.

CARRIED

MOTION #10: Moved by A. Dean, seconded by F. Noël that the Senate document entitled, "Senate Academic Regulations and Policies, September 2002" be revised by removing the minimum grade requirement for HIST 3925E History and Historians: Ideas and Methods from the four-year History programs.

CARRIED

MOTION #11: Moved by A. Dean, seconded by F. Noël that the Senate document entitled, "Senate Academic Regulations and Policies, September 2002" be amended to revise the Bachelor of Arts (Honours) degree in History with the following:

That the Honours single major in History be reduced to 18 credits of Group 3 courses from 24 credits and that the difference in credits may be chosen from Group 1 or 2; and that the Honours combined major in History be reduced to 12 credits in Group 3 courses from 18 credits and that 18 credits be required from Group 1 or 2 rather than the current six credits in Group 1 or 2 and six credits in Group 1, 2 or 3.

CARRIED

MOTION #12: Moved by A. Dean, seconded by F. Noël that the Senate document entitled, "Senate Academic Regulations and Policies, September 2002" be amended to modify HIST 3925E History and Historians: Ideas and Methods by adding the statement, "Students in a general program considering an Honours degree in History are advised that they should take this course in their second or third year."

CARRIED

MOTION #13: Moved by A. Dean, seconded by O. Ridler that the Senate document entitled, "Senate Academic Regulations and Policies, September 2002" be amended by removing ADMN 1157E Written Business Communication (3 credits) as a requirement from all Computer Science programs and replacing it with 3 credits of open electives.

CARRIED

MOTION #14: Moved by A. Dean, seconded by S. Kulkarni that the Senate document entitled, "Senate Academic Regulations and Policies, September 2002" be amended by adding COSC 1557E Introduction to Computing to the list of required courses for the BA 3-year combined major in Mathematics and that the number of open elective credits in that program be reduced from 18 credits to 15 credits.

CARRIED

MOTION #15: Moved by A. Dean, seconded by D. Walton that the Senate document entitled, “Senate Academic Regulations and Policies, September 2002” be amended by removing the two 3-credit courses FAVA 1206E Art History I and FAVA 1207E Art History II as cross-listed courses counting towards the Classical Studies program.
CARRIED

MOTION #16: Moved by A. Dean, seconded by G. Laronde that the Senate document entitled, “Senate Academic Regulations and Policies, September 2002” be amended by adding EDUC 4916E Outdoor Education: Curriculum Integration and Interdisciplinary Studies to the Senate approved list of option courses that may be taken in the BEd program for full-time BEd students.
CARRIED

Academic Planning Committee

MOTION #17: Moved by R. Forrest, seconded by M. Tuncali that the Report of the Academic Planning Committee dated October 2, 2002 be received.
CARRIED

MOTION #18: Moved by R. Forrest, seconded by A. Dean that Senate recommend to the Board through the President the addition of four (4) tenure-track positions in the Faculty of Arts and Science: Nursing (1), Sociology (1), Fine Arts (FAVA) (1) and English Studies (1).
CARRIED

MOTION #19: Moved by R. Forrest, seconded by M. Parr that Senate recommend to the Board, through the President that the following three (3) current limited-term positions in the Faculty of Arts and Science be converted to tenure-track status: Nursing (1), Gender Equality & Social Justice (1) and Native Studies (1).
CARRIED

MOTION #20: Moved by R. Forrest, seconded by L. Kruk that Senate recommend to the President the creation of three (3) 3-year limited term positions in the Faculty of Arts and Science: English Studies (1), History (1) and Mathematics & Computer Science (1).
CARRIED

- MOTION #21: Moved by R. Forrest, seconded by P. Barber that Senate recommend to the Board through the President the addition of four (4) tenure-track positions in the Faculty of Education: Education & Schooling/Methods P/J and J/I in Brantford (1), P/J and J/I Art (1), Language Arts/Methods (1) and Graduate Studies (MEd) – Curriculum (1).
CARRIED
- MOTION #22: Moved by R. Forrest, seconded by O. Ridler that Senate recommend to the President the creation of one (1) 3-year limited-term position in the Faculty of Education: In-Service Education.
CARRIED
- MOTION #23: Moved by R. Forrest, seconded by H. Langford that Senate approve, for implementation at the Muskoka Campus, the Bachelor of Arts (General) Degree in Studies in Culture and the Arts in the Faculty of Arts and Science.
CARRIED
- MOTION #24: Moved by R. Forrest, seconded by H. Langford that Senate approve, for implementation, at the Muskoka Campus, the Bachelor of Arts (General) Degree in Child and Family Studies in the Faculty of Arts and Science.
CARRIED

University Research Council

- MOTION #25: Moved by R. Forrest, seconded by M. Denike that the Report of the University Research Council dated October 18, 2002 be received.
CARRIED
- MOTION #26: Moved by R. Forrest, seconded by A. Dean that Senate approve the Nipissing University Strategic Research Plan.
CARRIED

REPORTS OF REPRESENTATIVES ON OTHER BODIES

K. Topps distributed a written report from the Senate representatives on the Board of Governors.

R. Common announced that Paul Moffat and Sandra Reid had been appointed by the Board as members of the Teacher Education Advisory Committee. He reported that union representatives from the local federations are working to help promote practice teaching placements. Other models of practice teaching are also being reviewed. A meeting was held with Colin Vickers regarding the need to find more spaces.

A. Sparkes, Senate representative on the Council of Ontario Universities, spoke briefly about the President's Town Hall meeting and his discussion about enrolment projections and the double cohort. Amended projections will be negotiated through a COU negotiating committee and the ministry. Senator Sparkes asked the Librarian to explain the Ontario Scholars Portal. B. Nettlefold stated that the Ontario Digital Library has brought together resources from colleges, universities, school and public libraries to gain access to electronic publishing resources. The Ontario Scholars Portal is accessible from the Library's website. Funded through the Ontario Innovation Scholarship, it consists of a form of self-service, interlibrary loan that incorporates a management system that is easier for faculty and students to use. Senator Nettlefold stated that projects will be added to the Ontario Scholars Portal from the University of Toronto. Nipissing expects to be included in May 2003.

D. Lawrence reported on a recent meeting of the Ontario Council on Universities Admissions and stated that universities will not have much time to process student applications. High school students must respond by a deadline of June 16th; this will allow them time to wait until they hear back from all the universities to which they applied.

ELECTIONS

MOTION #27: Moved by R. Common, seconded by G. Olsen that Senate hold elections to fill vacancies on the APT Committee and the APT Subcommittee for Education.

CARRIED

D. Berry nominated for APT Committee

W. Richardson nominated for APT Subcommittee for Education

MOTION #28: Moved by S. Lawlor, seconded by D. Bolger that nominations cease.

CARRIED

Acclaimed: D. Berry for APT Committee

W. Richardson for APT Subcommittee for Education

Adjournment

MOTION #29: Moved by D. Bolger, seconded by L. Kruk that Senate do now adjourn: 3:30 p.m.

CARRIED

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D. Marshall, President

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G. Williams, Secretary