MEMBERS PRESENT: D. Marshall, R. Bergquist, R. Common, R. Forrest, B. Nettlefold, L. Stamler, R. Wideman


P. Barber, T. Campbell, T. Horton, G. Laronde, J. Long, J. Lundy, M. Parr, C. Richardson, W. Richardson, O. Ridler, R. Weeks

S. Carmichael
L. Campbell, A. Fera (guest)

ABSENT WITH REGRETS: A. Dean

J. Baffoe (sabbatical), C. Boterbloem, P. Chow, D. Flynn (sabbatical), L. Kruk, U. Kundrats, J. LeClair, S. Muhlberger (sabbatical), P. Nosko (sabbatical), G. Olsen, D. Rowbotham (sabbatical), W. Young (on leave)

W. Blair, D. Franks, L. Frost (sabbatical), H. Langford, J. McIntosh, B. Olmsted

L. McLaren
D. Bourne-Tyson

MEMBERS ABSENT: D. Lawrence


MOTION #1: Moved by D. Hackett, seconded by D. Jowett that the minutes of the regular meeting of the Academic Senate dated March 14, 2003 be adopted. CARRIED

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The President informed Senate that the quality fund announcement had been made by the government, although full details are not known. He stated that the amount allotted for Nipissing is not known; however, the calculation of our share of the quality fund will be based on enrolled BIUs. He informed Senate that a supplemental budget will be released in June.

Senator Forrest expressed congratulations to G. Pyle and V. Valov, recent NSERC grant recipients, and also J. Kovacs who had received an equipment grant from NSERC. S. O’Hagan and G. Williams were commended for achieving a grade 4 on their SSHRC applications. Senator Forrest stated that results of the CFI applications are still pending. He encouraged senators to submit nominations for the Chancellor’s Award for Excellence in Research by the April 15th deadline. He announced that April 15th was also the deadline for nominations for the Research Achievement Awards, valued at $5000 each. Senator Forrest stated that the Canada Research Chairs deadline was extended for the benefit of the Faculty of Education; he advised senators that May 15th was the deadline to show intent to submit an application. Senator Forrest explained that Nipissing needed a second strong proposal to meet the guidelines to qualify under the regular criteria for the Tri Council.

Senator Bergquist announced the names of the winners of the Academic Achievement Awards for the months of January and February. He also noted the names of the professors who had nominated their students. Senators showed their congratulations to the students with a round of applause. Copies of the report were made available for senators’ information.

Senator Common reported that the entry to the profession test was written at Nipissing last week, but 16 of our students were denied the opportunity to write the test because they missed the Education Testing Service deadline. Students may have to wait until November to rewrite the test. The Deans of Education are demanding that another test be written in the summer so that the students can qualify for accreditation and find employment. A teleconference has been scheduled for April 16 with the Deans and Executive Heads to help resolve this crisis.

The Senate Speaker reminded committee chairs that annual reports of standing committees are due at the May meeting of Senate. All chairs were advised that the annual reports must include yearly attendance.

Alan Sparkes reminded senators to submit their preferences for committee representation for 2003-2004 by completing and returning the previously circulated form.
MOTION #2: Moved by R. Wideman, seconded by D. Jowett that the Report of the Curriculum Committee dated March 27, 2003 be received. CARRIED

MOTION #3: Moved by R. Wideman, seconded by D. Hackett that the Senate document entitled “Senate Academic Regulations and Policies, September 2002” be amended to drop the prerequisite of BIOL 1006 for BIOL 1007. CARRIED

MOTION #4: Moved by R. Wideman, seconded by J. Long that the Senate document entitled “Senate Academic Regulations and Policies, September 2002” be amended to add EDUC 5166 Critical Pedagogy and Approaches to Democratic Education to the Senate approved list of courses for the Master of Education program. CARRIED

MOTION #5: Moved by R. Wideman, seconded by J. Long that the Senate document entitled “Senate Academic Regulations and Policies, September 2002” be amended to add EDUC 5167 Holistic Education to the Senate approved list of courses for the Master of Education program. CARRIED

MOTION #6: Moved by R. Wideman, seconded by E. Mattson that the Senate document entitled “Senate Academic Regulations and Policies, September 2002” be amended to include a two week spring course delivery timetable for GEOG 3066 Remote Sensing of the Environment. CARRIED

MOTION #7: Moved by R. Wideman, seconded by J. Long that the Senate document entitled “Senate Academic Regulations and Policies, September 2002” be amended to add the prerequisite that only students enrolled in the AdEdL be permitted to take EDUC 4956, EDUC 4957, EDUC 4996 and EDUC 4997. CARRIED
MOTION #8: Moved by R. Wideman, seconded by P. Barber that the Senate document entitled “Senate Academic Regulations and Policies, September 2002” be amended for the “Single and Combined Foci” to include the previously approved courses for the Advanced Bachelors Degree in Education program and henceforth this list will include all Three-Session (Specialist) Additional Qualifications offered by Nipissing University. CARRIED

MOTION #9: Moved by R. Wideman, seconded by D. Jowett that the Senate document entitled “Senate Academic Regulations and Policies, September 2002” be amended to include that the regulation on statistics course equivalencies for degrees in the Faculty of Arts and Science which reads “A student in a degree program cannot retain credit for more than one of the introductory statistics courses” be changed to read “A student in a degree program cannot retain credit for more than nine credits of introductory statistics courses.” CARRIED

MOTION #10: Moved by R. Wideman, seconded by F. Noël that the Senate document entitled “Senate Academic Regulations and Policies, September 2002” be modified for HIST 3257E: History of Ontario: Selected Topics II to add the designation: “This course may be credited towards Native Studies” and that the list of cross-listed courses in Native Studies be modified accordingly. CARRIED

Admissions, Promotions and Petitions Committee

MOTION #11: Moved by R. Bergquist, seconded by L. Stamler that the Report of the Admissions, Promotions and Petitions Committee dated March 7, 2003 be received. CARRIED

REPORTS OF REPRESENTATIVES ON OTHER BODIES

Senator Sparkes reported briefly on the most recent COU meeting. He informed Senate that no news had been received yet with regard to funding.

OTHER BUSINESS

Report to Senate Re: Selection Committees from the Dean of Education

MOTION #12: Moved by R. Common, seconded by P. Barber that the Report to Senate re: Selection Committees from the Dean of Education, dated March 17, 2003 be received. CARRIED
MOTION #13: Moved by R. Common, seconded by O. Ridler that Senate recommend to the Board through the President or Vice-President, Academic that Dr. Maria Cantalini-Williams be offered a four-year probationary appointment as an Assistant Professor of Education: Education & Schooling/Methods, effective July 1, 2003. CARRIED

MOTION #14: Moved by R. Common, seconded by O. Ridler that Senate recommend to the Board through the President or Vice-President, Academic that Dr. Carlo Ricci be offered a four-year probationary appointment as an Assistant Professor of Education: Methods/Curriculum Development & Evaluation, effective July 1, 2003. CARRIED

MOTION #15: Moved by R. Common, seconded by O. Ridler that Senate recommend to the Board through the President or Vice-President, Academic that Dr. Carmen Shields be offered a four-year probationary appointment as an Assistant Professor of Education: Graduate Studies, effective July 1, 2003. CARRIED

Report to Senate on Selection Committees from the Dean of Arts and Science

MOTION #16: Moved by R. Bergquist, seconded by D. Jowett that the Report to Senate on Selection Committees from the Dean of Arts and Science dated 01 April 2003 be received. CARRIED

MOTION #17: Moved by R. Bergquist, seconded by D. Jowett that Senate recommend to the Board through the President or Vice-President, Academic that Dr. Cameron McFarlane be offered a four-year probationary appointment as an Assistant Professor, English Studies (Eighteenth Century Literature), effective 01 July 2003. CARRIED

MOTION #18: Moved by R. Bergquist, seconded by P. Kelly that Senate recommend to the Board through the President or Vice-President, Academic that Dr. Dennis Geden be offered a two-year probationary appointment as an Assistant Professor, Fine Arts/Visual Arts (Studio Art), effective 01 July 2003. CARRIED
MOTION #19: Moved by R. Bergquist, seconded by A. Sparkes that Senate recommend to the Board through the President or Vice-President, Academic that Dr. Margaret Denike be offered a two-year probationary appointment as an Assistant Professor, Gender Equality and Social Justice, effective 01 July 2003. CARRIED

MOTION #20: Moved by R. Bergquist, seconded by D. Hall that Senate recommend to the Board through the President or Vice-President, Academic that Mr. Terry Dokis be offered a two-year probationary appointment as a Lecturer, Native Studies, effective 01 July 2003. CARRIED

MOTION #21: Moved by R. Bergquist, seconded by L. Stamler that Senate recommend to the Board through the President or Vice-President, Academic that Dr. Kari Brozowski be offered a three-year probationary appointment as an Assistant Professor, Sociology effective 01 July 2003. CARRIED

MOTION #22: Moved by J. Lundy, seconded by D. Jowett that Senate do now adjourn: 3:15 p.m. CARRIED

D. Marshall, President
G. Williams, Secretary