NIPISSING UNIVERSITY

MINUTES OF THE ACADEMIC SENATE MEETING

MAY 15, 2003

10:00 a.m. – Room A246

MEMBERS PRESENT: D. Marshall, R. Bergquist, R. Common, A. Dean, D. Lawrence, B. Nettlefold, L. Stamler


D. Bourne-Tyson, S. Carmichael
W. Abreu, R. Molica-Lazzaro
S. Renshaw
A. Fera, M. Gauthier (guests)

ABSENT WITH REGRETS: R. Forrest
J. Baffoe (sabbatical), P. Chow, D. Flynn, P. Kelly, U. Kundrys, S. Muhlberger (sabbatical), P. Nosko, G. Olsen, D. Rowbotham (sabbatical), W. Young (on leave)

W. Blair, T. Campbell, C. Harvey, T. Horton, J. Long, S. Reid

MEMBERS ABSENT: R. Wideman


L. McLaren
S. Anderson, K. Cowcill, M. Kershaw, L. Richards, U. Stange
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MOTION #1: Moved by M. Saari, seconded by J. McIntosh that the minutes of the regular meeting of the Academic Senate dated April 11, 2003 be adopted.  
CARRIED

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The President announced the 2003 recipients of the Chancellor’s Awards for Excellence in Teaching and Excellence in Research. Congratulations were extended to Senator G. Olsen and Senator S. Muhlberger, respectively. Senate was informed that Interim President, Dr. Dennis Mock, will be on campus June 5 and 6 to meet with various individuals. Senator Marshall provided some background information on Dr. Mock’s professional career, noting, in particular, his excellent reputation and knowledge of undergraduate education and research. He stated that he would be an outstanding Interim President and he asked senators to extend a warm Nipissing welcome to him. Senators were requested to notify Deanna Hodgins of the Convocation ceremonies they plan to attend.

Senator A. Dean stated that the deadline for receipt of letters of intent for Canada Research Chairs had been extended to May 16. He also announced that applications for new faculty start-up grants were due on June 2. He reminded senators that anyone interested in serving as a member of an SSHRC assessment subcommittee should submit a nomination by May 30.

Senator R. Common announced that all Education searches had been completed and the Education faculty was fully staffed.

On behalf of the student body, Senator R. Molica-Lazzaro congratulated the President on his appointment at Mount Royal College. He apologized for the poor attendance of the student representatives on Senate last year, and was hopeful that it would improve during 2003-2004. He also stated that the deadline for submitting copy for the student handbook had been extended to May 16.

Executive Committee

MOTION #2: Moved by D. Marshall, seconded by A. Dean that the Annual Report of the Senate Executive Committee dated May 1, 2003 be received.  
CARRIED

University Curriculum Committee

MOTION #3: Moved by A. Dean, seconded by J. Lundy that the Annual Report of the University Curriculum Committee dated May 6, 2003 be received.  
CARRIED
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UCC Report – May 5, 2003

MOTION #4: Moved by A. Dean, seconded by C. Richardson that the Report of the University Curriculum Committee dated May 5, 2003 be received. CARRIED

MOTION #5: Moved by A. Dean, seconded by P. Barber that the Senate document entitled, “Senate Academic Regulations and Polices, September 2002” be amended to add EDUC 4506 Science-Physics to the Senate approved list of I/S electives. CARRIED

MOTION #6: Moved by A. Dean, seconded by M. Denike that the Senate document entitled, “Senate Academic Regulations and Policies, September 2002” be amended to add the following courses to the Senate approved list of courses:

- Gender and Performance I (GEND 2406) 3 credits
- Gender and Performance II (GEND 2407) 3 credits
- Women and the Feminine in Eastern Religions I (RLST 3021) 3 credits
- Women and the Feminine in Eastern Religions II (RLST 3022) 3 credits
- 20th Century Religious Thought: James, Freud, Jung & Weil (RLST 3030) 6 credits

and further that RLST 3030 be cross-listed with Philosophy. CARRIED

MOTION #7: Moved by A. Dean, seconded by M. Denike that the Senate document entitled “Senate Academic Regulations and Policies, September 2002” be amended to add Gender and Performance I (GEND 2406); Gender and Performance II (GEND 2407); Women and the Feminine in Eastern Religions I (RLST 3021); Women and the Feminine in Eastern Religions II (RLST 3022) to the Senate approved list of option courses in the Gender Equality and Social Justice program. CARRIED

MOTION #8: Moved by A. Dean, seconded by M. Denike that the Senate document entitled “Senate Academic Regulations and Policies, September 2002” be amended to change the course descriptions for MUSC 2056 and 2057 as outlined in the May 5, 2003 UCC Minutes. CARRIED
MOTION #9: Moved by A. Dean, seconded by M. Denike that the Senate document entitled “Senate Academic Regulations and Policies, September 2002” be amended to delete the following pre-requisites:

- SOCI 1015E from GEND 2156, Gender and the Law I
- SOCI 1015E from GEND 2157, Gender and the Law II
CARRIED

MOTION #10: Moved by A. Dean, seconded by M. Denike that the Senate document entitled “Senate Academic Regulations and Policies, September 2002” be amended to change GEND 3116 Women and Religion to GEND 3116 Women and Western Religions.
CARRIED

MOTION #11: Moved by A. Dean, seconded by C. Richardson that the Senate document entitled “Senate Academic Regulations and Policies, September 2002” be amended to add EDUC 4707 Music Education through Technology to the Senate approved list of BEd option courses.
CARRIED

MOTION #12: Moved by A. Dean, seconded by P. Barber that the Senate document entitled “Senate Academic Regulations and Policies, September 2002” be amended to change the core requirements for the Child and Family Studies degree program as outlined in the 05 May 2003 UCC Minutes.
CARRIED

MOTION #13: Moved by A. Dean, seconded by R. Molica-Lazzaro that the Senate document entitled “Senate Academic Regulations and Policies, September 2002” be amended to change the degree requirements for the maximum number of first-year credits for the Bachelor of Arts in Child and Family Studies to “not to exceed 48 credits at the first year level.”
CARRIED

Academic Planning Committee

MOTION #14: Moved by A. Dean, seconded by G. Swanson that the Annual Report of the Academic Planning Committee dated April 21, 2003 be received.
CARRIED

Library Committee

MOTION #15: Moved by S. Van Nuland, seconded by G. Brown that the Annual Report of the Library Committee dated May 5, 2003 be received.
CARRIED
Distance Education Committee

MOTION #16: Moved by R. Bergquist, seconded by G. Swanson that the Annual Report of the Distance Education Committee dated April 28, 2003 be received.  CARRIED

Cultural Affairs Committee

MOTION #17: Moved by K. Stange, seconded by J. Mroczkowski that the Annual Report of the Cultural Affairs Committee dated April 23, 2003 be received.  CARRIED

Appointments, Promotions and Tenure Committee

MOTION #18: Moved by M. Tuncali, seconded by D. Franks that the Annual Report of the Appointments, Promotions and Tenure Committee dated April 28, 2003 be received.  CARRIED

APT Report – April 22, 2003

MOTION #19: Moved by M. Tuncali, seconded by D. Franks that the Report of the Appointments, Promotions and Tenure Committee dated April 22, 2003 be received.  CARRIED

Student Affairs Committee

MOTION #20: Moved by J. McIntosh, seconded by J. Lundy that the Annual Report of the Student Affairs Committee dated May 15, 2003 be received.  CARRIED

Student Academic Standing Appeals and Petitions Committee

MOTION #21: Moved by G. Laronde, seconded by W. Borody that the Annual Report of the Student Academic Standing Appeals and Petitions Committee dated May 6, 2003 be received.  CARRIED

By-laws and Striking Committee

MOTION #22: Moved by A. Sparkes, seconded by J. McIntosh that the Report of the By-laws and Striking Committee dated May 7, 2003 be received.  CARRIED
MOTION #23: Moved by A. Sparkes, seconded by J. McIntosh that Senate now hold an election to fill the positions and committees of Senate (slate appended). CARRIED

F. Noël nominated K. Boterbloem to the University Research Council
M. Saari nominated D. Murphy to the University Research Council

MOTION #24: Moved by M. Saari, seconded by B. Nettlefold that nominations cease. CARRIED

Elected to University Research Council for Arts and Science:
E. Mattson, D. Murphy, L. Patriquin, V. Valov

Honorary Degrees Committee

MOTION #25: Moved by D. Marshall, seconded by C. Richardson that the Annual Report of the Honorary Degrees Committee dated May 2, 2003 be received. CARRIED

Research Ethics Committee

MOTION #26: Moved by D. Marshall, seconded by R. Common that the Annual Report of the Research Ethics Committee dated April 28, 2003 be received. CARRIED

Admissions, Promotions and Petitions Committee

MOTION #27: Moved by R. Bergquist, seconded by H. Langford that the Annual Report of the Admissions, Promotions and Petitions Committee dated May 15, 2003 be received. CARRIED

APP Report – April 4, 2003

MOTION #28: Moved by R. Bergquist, seconded by D. Lawrence that the Report of the Admissions, Promotions and Petitions Committee dated April 4, 2003 be received. CARRIED

MOTION #29: Moved by R. Bergquist, seconded by D. Lawrence that the entrance requirements for ESPG be changed to read: English, Chemistry, one of Advanced Functions and Introductory Calculus (MCB4U) or Geometry and Discrete Mathematics (MGA4U). (Biology is recommended). CARRIED
MOTION #30: Moved by R. Bergquist, seconded by R. Common that individuals who have been “grandfathered” (see attached list of students) and granted admission to the Advanced Bachelor’s Degree in Educational Leadership Program (AdEdL) who completed EDUC 4010 (Principal’s Qualification Program, Part II) in the summer of 2002 and who completed EDUC 6100 and 6101 (Principal’s Qualification Program, Part I and practicum) in the summer of 2001, be allowed to substitute EDUC 6100 and EDUC 6101 for EDUC 4000 and EDUC 4005 respectively, and be deemed to have met the degree requirements with respect to these courses. CARRIED

MOTION #31: Moved by R. Bergquist, seconded by R. Common that applicants for admission to the Advanced Bachelor’s Degree in Educational Leadership Program (AdEdL) who already have principal’s qualifications may apply to the Associate Dean of Education to substitute other education leadership courses in place of EDUC 4000E, EDUC 4005E, and/or EDUC 4010E to complete the degree. CARRIED

APP Report – April 25, 2003

MOTION #32: Moved by R. Bergquist, seconded by D. Lawrence that the Report of the Admissions, Promotions and Petitions Committee dated April 25, 2003 be received. CARRIED

MOTION #33: Moved by R. Bergquist, seconded by C. Sarlo that the admission requirements for the Bachelor of Commerce (Financial Services) be amended by removing the restriction that the mandatory courses (namely, Organizational Behaviour (3 credits), Marketing (3 credits), Economics (3 credits) and Fundamentals of Accounting (3 credits) be completed through the Institute of Canadian Bankers. CARRIED

MOTION #34: Moved by R. Bergquist, seconded by C. Sarlo that the admission requirements for the Bachelor of Commerce (Financial Services) be amended by removing the requirement for three years full-time experience (or equivalent) in a financial institution. CARRIED
MOTION #35: Moved by R. Bergquist, seconded by C. Sarlo that the following be adopted as the admission requirements for the Bachelor of Commerce (Financial Services) degree program:

To be admitted to the Bachelor of Commerce (Financial Services) degree program students must either:

- Have successfully completed (minimum 60%) a minimum of four courses from the Institute of Canadian Bankers (ICB) selected from a list of courses approved by Nipissing University, or

- Have completed a minimum two year program from a community college with an average of “B” or better, or

- Be otherwise admissible to an undergraduate program at Nipissing University

Students lacking an OAC/12U or equivalent math course will be required to successfully complete a math course (i.e., MATH 1911 or 1912) within their first 15 credits).

CARRIED


MOTION #36: Moved by R. Bergquist, seconded by D. Lawrence that the Report of the Admissions, Promotions and Petitions Committee dated May 8, 2003 be received.

CARRIED

MOTION #37: Moved by R. Bergquist, seconded by D. Lawrence that Senate admit to their respective degree in-course students listed in Appendix A and B who have completed all requirements to their respective degrees and diplomas and that their degrees and diplomas be awarded at the 2003 Spring convocation.

CARRIED

APP Report – May 14, 2003

MOTION #38: Moved by R. Bergquist, seconded by D. Lawrence that the Report of the Admissions, Promotions and Petitions Committee dated May 14, 2003 be received.

CARRIED
MOTION #39: Moved by R. Bergquist, seconded by D. Lawrence that Senate admit to their respective degree in-course students listed in Appendix C and D who have completed all requirements to their respective degrees and diplomas and that their degrees and diplomas be awarded at the 2003 Spring convocation. CARRIED

University Research Council

MOTION #40: Moved by R. Common, seconded by A. Dean that the Annual Report of the University Research Council dated April 21, 2003 be received. CARRIED

Academic Computing Committee

MOTION #41: Moved by A. Weeks, seconded by R. Weeks that the Annual Report of the Academic Computing Committee dated April 28, 2003 be received. CARRIED

REPORTS OF REPRESENTATIVES ON OTHER BODIES

Senator K. Topps made a few remarks concerning the Report from the Senate representatives on the Board of Governors that was distributed to senators.

Senator A. Sparkes presented a verbal report as Senate representative on the Council of Ontario Universities. He stated that the academic colleagues had completed a position paper relating to problems and issues about the double cohort, and that this report is now posted on the web. The colleagues are working on two additional papers that will be presented at the May meeting: (i) admission cutoffs and decisions for incoming students and (ii) definitions of universities and examination of mission statements, with a comparison of private institutions and colleges.

Senator D. Lawrence, representative on the Ontario Council on University Admissions, relayed the discussion of the April meeting regarding offers of admission and residence. He stated that the University of Toronto had spearheaded a proposal to allow offers to be made at any time of the year without restrictions. Senator Lawrence explained the ramifications of students not waiting until they receive all their university offers. A compromise proposal was adopted, however not unanimously. The result will be a hybrid of the current admissions policy, requesting that students must respond to offers by May 13. Since this date is so early, there will not be sufficient time to have the second term marks. Universities will need to scramble to get offers out as soon as possible. And students will have to respond or they will lose their offers.

Senator R. Common reported on the meeting of the Ontario Council on Graduate Studies. A proposal was brought forward from the University of Toronto recommending that students who enter directly into PhD programs, but fail the program will be issued a Master of Arts degree. OCGS is struggling to
address this issue, complicated by the fact that many of the executive MBA programs throughout the province do not even require an undergraduate degree for admission.

Senator K. Topps reminded those over 40 years of age that the Pensions and Benefits Committee was conducting group workshops and individual sessions on retirement planning, given by certified financial planner, Steve Arcand from Standard Life.

OTHER BUSINESS

MOTION #42: Moved by D. Franks, seconded by A. Sparkes that Senate discharge the non-standing Senate committees including Senate and Dean’s Search Committees and Selection Committees for 2002-2003 as identified in the Agenda.

(i) Senate Selection Committee for the tenure track position in Educational Leadership/Research Methodology
(ii) Senate Selection Committee for the tenure track position in Curriculum Studies – Music
(iii) Senate Selection Committee for the tenure track position in Education and Schooling/Methods in Brantford
(iv) Senate Selection Committee for the tenure track position in Methods/Curriculum Development and Evaluation
(v) Senate Selection Committee for the tenure track position in Graduate Studies
(vi) Senate Selection Committee for the tenure track position in English Studies (Eighteenth-Century Literature)
(vii) Senate Selection Committee for the tenure track position in Fine Arts/Visual Arts (Studio Art)
(viii) Senate Selection Committee for the tenure track position in Gender Equality and Social Justice
(ix) Senate Selection Committee for the tenure track position in Native Studies
(x) Senate Selection Committee for the tenure track position in Sociology
(xi) Assessment Subcommittee for Dr. Lorraine Janzen’s application for promotion to Full Professor
(xii) Assessment Subcommittee for Dr. Wayne Borody’s application for promotion to Associate Professor
(xiii) Assessment Subcommittee for Prof. Jim Mroczkowski’s application for promotion to Associate Professor

CARRIED
NEW BUSINESS

MOTION #43: Moved by K. Topps, seconded by D. Marshall that Senate consider holding an election to appoint members to the President’s Selection Committee. DEFEATED

MOTION #44: Moved by M. Saari, seconded by C. Sarlo that Senate do now adjourn:
11:20 a.m.
CARRIED

D. Marshall, President

G. Williams, Secretary