NIPISSING UNIVERSITY

MINUTES OF THE ACADEMIC SENATE MEETING

MAY 11, 2004

1:00 p.m. – Room A246

MEMBERS PRESENT: D. Mock, R. Bergquist, R. Common, A. Dean, R. Hawkins, D. Lawrence, R. Wideman


A. Brophey, S. Carmichael, W. Abreu, S. McQueen

W. Ingwersen, J. Morton, S. Renshaw

Guests: U. Radigan, A. Fera

ABSENT WITH REGRETS: P. Chow (sabbatical), D. Jowett (sabbatical), U. Kundrats, G. Olsen (sabbatical) D. Walton (sabbatical), G. Williams (sabbatical)

C. Harvey (sabbatical), M. Kariuki, H. Langford (sabbatical)

MEMBERS ABSENT: B. Nettlefold, L. Stamler


D. Gerecht, N. Dean, D. McMeekin, R. Molica-Lazzaro

MOTION #1: Moved by H. Rintoul, seconded by D. Franks that the minutes of the regular meeting of the Academic Senate dated April 2, 2004 be adopted. CARRIED

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The President stated that more than twice the nominations were received this year for the Chancellor’s Award for Excellence in Teaching. Senator Mock noted that it is an honour to be nominated for this award. He announced that this year’s recipients are Dr. David Hackett and Dr. Shirley Van Nuland. The first recipient of the Nipissing University Award for Excellence in Part-Time Teaching has been given to Dr. Bill Plumstead. The awards will be presented at the Convocation ceremonies. Senator Mock stated that COU had recently released the latest statistics on graduate employment rates. Nipissing tied for second place with Wilfrid Laurier with a rating of 96.3% after 6 months; and tied for fourth place with Guelph with a rating of 96.6% after two years. The President informed senators that on May 6 Nipissing hosted an evening to recognize the first fully funded research chair, the result of the late Dr. Elizabeth Thorn’s endowment. The Nugget featured a front page story on this event. The President announced the dates of Convocation and invited faculty to attend. Since Nipissing is a student-centred institution, the President felt that attendance at Convocation should be considered part of one’s professorial responsibilities; he encouraged everyone to attend at least one ceremony to celebrate graduation with their students. The Ministry is proceeding with a review of the formula funding process. Mr. Green met with the Assistant Deputy Minister last week and the President will be meeting with the Deputy Minister this week. Two key issues will be on the agenda: unfunded BIUs and acquiring a new corridor to allow Nipissing to grow.

Senator Mock also reported that he has been meeting with each of the 13 academic departments. He expressed his appreciation to the department chairs and faculty members for meeting with him and for the useful information that has been shared. To conclude the first phase of the strategic planning process, Dr. Maurice Yeates gave an excellent presentation to a large audience on May 5 providing insight into OCGS and graduate studies. A draft of the issues paper has been somewhat delayed, but is expected in the near future.

Senator Hawkins announced that Dr. Greg Pyle was selected as the 2003-2004 recipient of the Chancellor’s Award for Excellence in Research.

Senator Dean reported that most of the grades had been submitted and stressed the urgency of promptly submitting any remaining grades. He announced that May 14 was the deadline for applying for the Associate Dean position.

Senator Common commented on the recent graduate student symposium attended by 115 Masters students with presentations by faculty and students on their research projects. The Dean noted that the Checkmark Conference had been very successful with 900 people from across Canada attending the 3-day event.
Senator Abreu announced that Martin Holmes was selected as valedictorian. He introduced Sharon McQueen, newest NUSU executive member. NUSU is working on a number of projects including the annual handbook, Orientation Week, Shinerama, Food Banks, and articles in the newspaper.

**Executive Committee**

**MOTION #2:** Moved by D. Mock, seconded by W. Abreu that the Annual Report of the Senate Executive Committee dated April 28, 2004 be received. CARRIED

**April 29th Report**

**MOTION #3:** Moved by D. Mock, seconded by J. Baffoe that the Report of the Senate Executive Committee dated April 29, 2004 be received. CARRIED

**MOTION #4:** Moved by D. Mock, seconded by J. Baffoe that the Senate Executive Committee be delegated the authority to approve the graduates for June 2004 Convocation. CARRIED

**University Curriculum Committee**

**MOTION #5:** Moved by R. Hawkins, seconded by W. Abreu that the Annual Report of the University Curriculum Committee dated April 28, 2004 be received. CARRIED

**April 28th UCC Report**

**MOTION #6:** Moved by R. Hawkins, seconded by J. Lundy that the Report of the University Curriculum Committee dated April 28, 2004 be received. CARRIED

**MOTION #7:** Moved by R. Hawkins, seconded by P. Joong that in accordance with the Nipissing University Policy for New Program Implementation, Senate give Stage Two “Curriculum Approval” to the Concurrent Education Program as outlined in proposal titled, “ Concurrent Education Program – North Bay Campus”, as submitted by the Concurrent Education Curriculum Committee on March 17, 2004, and as amended by the University Curriculum Committee on April 2, 2004, attached.
MOTION #8: Moved by L. Janzen, seconded by M. Saari that Motion #7 be amended by adding the wording below at the end of the motion.

“subject to the following additional amendments to the proposal entitled ‘Concurrent Education Program – North Bay Campus’”:

(i) Remove “ENGL 1105 Introduction to English Studies or ENGL 1501 Language and Written Communication I and ENGL 1502 Language and Written Communication II” from the second last paragraph on page 6, and add, at the end of this paragraph, the sentence “As well, 6 credits in English Studies, namely ENGL 1105 Introduction to English Studies or ENGL 1501 Language and Written Communication I and ENGL 1502 Language and Written Communication II, are highly recommended.”

(ii) Replace the fourth last paragraph on page 10 with “Concurrent education students in the Primary/Junior and Junior/Intermediate divisions will be required to complete successfully a course in Geography, Canadian History and Mathematics as part of their Arts and Science degrees. A course in English Studies is also highly recommended.”

(iii) In each of Tables 1-3 on page 13-15, in the “Year 1” column, remove “ENGL (6) or (3)” and replace “Electives (9) or (12) (possibly GEOG 1016 or GEOG 1017)” with “Electives (15) (possibly including 3 required GEOG credits and/or 6 recommended ENGL credits).” Delete the footnote marked **.

(iv) In Table 4 on page 16, in the “year 1” column, remove “ENGL (6) or (3)” and replace “Electives (3) or (6) (possibly GEOG 1016 or GEOG 1017)” with “Electives (9) (possibly including 3 required GEOG credits and/or 6 recommended ENGL credits).” Delete the footnote marked **.

The amendment was accepted as friendly by the mover and seconder of Motion #7.
MOTION #7: (restated)

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CARRIED
MOTION #9: Moved by R. Hawkins, seconded by M. Saari that for the purpose of implementing the Concurrent Education Program, Senate amend the Senate document entitled “Senate Academic Regulations and Policies, September 2003” by adding the following new courses (page references to attached supporting material):

- EDUC 1013 “Observation and Practice Teaching I (Junior/Intermediate)” with the corresponding course description (page 1);
- EDUC 2013 “Observation and Practice Teaching II (Junior/Intermediate)” with its prerequisite noted as EDUC 1013, and the corresponding course description (page 2);
- EDUC 3013 “Observation and Practice Teaching III (Junior/Intermediate)”, with its prerequisite noted as EDUC 2013, and the corresponding course description (page 3);
- EDUC 4013 “Observation and Practice Teaching IV (Junior Intermediate)”, with its prerequisite noted as EDUC 3013 and the corresponding course description (page 4);
- EDUC 4474 “Curriculum Methods Part I (Junior/Intermediate)” and its anti-requisite noted as EDUC 4464, EDUC 4218, EDUC4228, EDUC 4238 and the corresponding course description (Page 5);
- EDUC 4484 “Curriculum Methods Part II (Junior Intermediate)”, with its prerequisite model as EDUC 4474, and its anti-requisite noted as EDUC 4464, EDUC 4218, EDUC 4228, EDUC 4238, and the corresponding course description (page 7);
- EDUC 4023E “Observation and Practice Teaching V (Junior/Intermediate)”, with its prerequisite noted as EDUC 4013, and its anti-requisite noted as EDUC 4694 and EDUC 4696, and the corresponding course description (page 9).

CARRIED

Academic Planning Committee

MOTION #10: Moved by R. Hawkins, seconded by H. Rintoul that the Annual Report of the Academic Planning Committee dated April 28, 2004 be received.

CARRIED

April 26th APC Report

MOTION #11: Moved by R. Hawkins, seconded by L. Frost that the Report of the Academic Planning Committee dated April 26, 2004 be received.

CARRIED
MOTION #12: Moved by R. Hawkins, seconded by M. Saari that in accordance with the Nipissing University Policy for New Program Implementation, Senate give Stage Three “Implementation Approval” to the Concurrent Education Program as outlined in the proposal titled, “Concurrent Education Program - North Bay Campus,” as approved by Senate. CARRIED

Library Committee

MOTION #13: Moved by S. Van Nuland, seconded by J. Barnett that the Annual Report of the Library Committee dated April 26, 2004 be received. CARRIED

Distance Education Committee

MOTION #14: Moved by R. Wideman, seconded by D. Lawrence that the Annual Report of the Distance Education Committee dated April 28, 2004 be received. CARRIED

Cultural Affairs Committee

MOTION #15: Moved by C. Richardson, seconded by M. Tuncali that the Annual Report of the Cultural Affairs Committee dated April 20, 2004 be received. CARRIED

Appointments, Promotions and Tenure Committee

MOTION #16: Moved by M. Tuncali, seconded by L. Janzen that the Annual Report of the Appointments, Promotions and Tenure Committee dated April 26, 2004 be received. CARRIED

April 21st APT Report

MOTION #17: Moved by M. Tuncali, seconded by L. Janzen that the APT Committee Report dated April 21, 2004 be received. CARRIED
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Student Affairs Committee

MOTION #18: Moved by M. McCabe, seconded by H. Rintoul that the Annual Report of the Student Affairs Committee dated April 28, 2004 be received.
CARRIED

By-laws and Striking Committee

MOTION #19: Moved by J. Baffoe, seconded by W. Abreu that the Annual Report of the Senate By-laws and Striking Committee dated April 21, 2004 be received.
CARRIED

Honorary Degrees Committee

MOTION #20: Moved by D. Mock, seconded by W. Abreu that the Annual Report of the Honorary Degrees Committee dated April 28, 2004 be received.
CARRIED

Research Ethics Committee

MOTION #21: Moved by T. Horton, seconded by J. Barnett that the Annual Report of the Research Ethics Committee dated March 29, 2004 be received.
CARRIED

Admissions, Promotions and Petitions Committee

MOTION #22: Moved by R. Bergquist, seconded by J. Scott that the Annual Report of the Admissions, Promotions and Petitions Committee dated May 3, 2004 be received.
CARRIED

April 27th APP Report

MOTION #23: Moved by R. Bergquist, seconded by D. Lawrence that the Report of the Admissions, Promotions and Petitions Committee dated April 27, 2004 be received.
CARRIED

University Research Council

MOTION #24: Moved by R. Hawkins, seconded by J. Long that the Annual Report of the University Research Council dated April 28, 2004 be received.
CARRIED
Academic Computing Committee

CARRIED

REPORTS OF REPRESENTATIVES ON OTHER BODIES

Senator Topps reported on the Board of Governors meeting held on May 5. He extended congratulations to Steve Carmichael as the new Chair of the Board and Tiz Silveri as the new Vice-Chair. He further announced the names of the four members elected to three-year terms.

Senator Sparkes reported that the main item on the agenda of April 23rd meeting of the Council of Ontario Universities was budgeting. He noted that COU had approved the Freedom of Information and Privacy Protection statement to conform with the Ontario government’s act on privacy legislation. There have been some negotiations with the government in terms of the effect of the tuition freeze on operating budgets. Compensation is expected from the provincial government for 90% of the figure. The government has established an expert panel to examine the funding framework and review accountability issues at universities. It was reported that applications statistics are up 21% over the pre-double cohort year. COU is working on enrolment target agreements for each university to accommodate the extra students.

ELECTIONS

The Speaker explained the need to replace a member on the Consolidated Committee who will be absent for the 13 cases coming forward for review. It was agreed that two individuals could share this responsibility. Nominations were then considered.

F. Noël nominated M. Saari
M. Tuncali nominated L. Janzen

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

Acclaimed: M. Saari and L. Janzen
OTHER BUSINESS

MOTION #27: Moved by S. Van Nuland, seconded by K. Clausen that Senate discharge the non-standing Senate committees including Senate and Dean’s Search Committees and Selection Committees for 2003-2004 as identified in the Agenda.

(i) Senate Selection Committee for the tenure track position in Computer Education
(ii) Senate Selection Committee for the tenure track position in Curriculum Methods
(iii) Senate Selection Committee for the tenure track position in Art Education
(iv) Senate Selection Committee for the tenure track position in Educational Psychology/Special Education
(v) Senate Selection Committee for the tenure track position in Curriculum Studies: Education and Schooling
(vi) Senate Selection Committee for the tenure track position in Science Education
(vii) Senate Selection Committee for the tenure track position in Language Arts and Literacy at the Brantford campus
(viii) Senate Selection Committee for the tenure track position in Graduate Studies
(ix) Senate Selection Committee for the tenure track position in Classroom Management
(x) Assessment Subcommittee for Dr. Dean Berry’s application for reappointment with tenure
(xi) Assessment Subcommittee for Dr. Warnie Richardson’s application for reappointment with tenure

NEW BUSINESS

CARRIED
MOTION #29: Moved by G. Laronde, seconded by J. Long that the Annual Report of the Student Academic Standing Appeals and Petitions Committee dated May 11, 2004 be received. CARRIED

MOTION #30: Moved by M. Tuncali, seconded by D. Franks that Senate do now adjourn: 2:35 p.m.