NIPISSING UNIVERSITY

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF ACADEMIC SENATE

January 14, 2005

2:30 p.m. – Room A246

MEMBERS PRESENT:  D. Mock, R. Common, A. Dean, R. Hawkins, B. Nettlefold, A. Sparkes, R. Wideman
L. McLaren
B. Pipe
B. Calcafuoco, S. McQueen
C. Johnston, I. Mueller
A. Fera (guest)

J. Malette
M. Ostashewski, L. Richards, M. Roycroft

MEMBERS ABSENT:  D. Lawrence, R. Vanderlee
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M. Cantilini-Williams, K. Clausen, C. Harvey, M. Kariuki,
K. Kirkwood, A. Le Sage, M. McCabe, G. McEwen, J. Mroczkowski,
J. Price, W. Richardson, G. Swanson, R. Weeks

T. Silveri
T. Condotta, S. Ince, A. Thompson, G. Yantha

I. Bajewsky, T. Banakh, J. Boivin, M. Brewes, P. Clandfield, C. Cook,
M. Crane, K. Currie, C. Dale, U. Frisse, K. Gratton-Miscio, J. Harden,
S. Hevenor, W. Ingwersen, M. Jackson, J. Kmiec, J. Kooistra, K. Lee,
C. Lobsinger, K. Lucas, J. Madeley, J. Morton, B-A. Pentney, M. Quirt,
O. Sammiguel-Valderrama, U. Stange, D. Walters, D. Yule

MOTION #1: Moved by D. Jowett, seconded by W. Blair that the minutes of the regular
meeting of the Academic Senate dated December 10, 2004 be adopted.
CARRIED

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dr. Mock updated senators with regard to the Council of Ontario Universities meeting on January 12th
with Bob Rae. The Rae Report is due mid-February and may provide the best opportunity that
Nipissing University has had regarding unfunded Basic Income Units (BIUs). The President spoke
briefly about the formation of advocacy groups to be utilized to impress upon the government the need
to implement Rae’s recommendations. This process will span the next three months. Overall, the tone
of the Rae Report is positive and promises to address inequities in funding. Senator Mock stressed to
senators that Rae has listened to Nipissing’s need and agrees we are underfunded. Other key
components of the upcoming Rae Report are a new focus on graduate studies in Ontario and
improvement of financial aid. Senators were reminded of the special Senate meeting on Friday,
January 21, 2005 at 3:30 p.m. for Strategic Planning feedback. Senator Mock also was pleased to
announce the annual Student Awards Ceremony on January 21st from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. to recognize
scholastic achievement. On March 23rd at 3:30 p.m. is the annual Dave Marshall Leadership Awards.
President Mock requested chairs to submit nominations for this award.

Senator Hawkins welcomed all senators back for the winter term and wished them well. Senator
Hawkins provided an update on Nipissing University’s letter of intent to the McConnell Family
Foundation for funding under a new program called “National University-Based Community Service-
Learning Program”. Senator Hawkins was pleased to announce that Nipissing was one of nine
institutions selected to proceed with a proposal. Nipissing’s submission is to assist at-risk groups,
including Aboriginal groups, and learning and physically disadvantaged youth. The first draft of this
proposal should be submitted by April with the final proposal due June 2005.

Senator Dean congratulated Senator Geden on two international showings of his artwork. One will be
at the Remy Toledo Gallery in New York City from January 20th to February 26th and the other will be
at the Redfern Gallery in London, England from February 1st to March 1st.
Senator McQueen updated senators on the success of the used textbook sale as well as the collection of used textbooks for Tanzania. She also wanted to thank Nipissing University for financially supporting the appearance of Romeo Dallaire on January 27th.

Executive Committee

MOTION #2: Moved by D. Mock, seconded by S. McQueen that the Report of the Senate Executive Committee dated January 6, 2005 be received.
CARRIED

University Curriculum Committee

MOTION #3: Moved by R. Hawkins, seconded by S. Renshaw that the Report of the University Curriculum Committee be dated December 8, 2004 be received.
CARRIED

MOTION #4: Moved by R. Hawkins, seconded by F. Noël that the Senate document entitled “Senate Academic Regulations and Policies, September 2004” be amended to add HIST 2116 Topics in European or World History I, a three-credit course, and HIST 2117 Topics in European and World History II, a three-credit course, to the History program, as described in the attached document.
CARRIED

MOTION #5: Moved by R. Hawkins, seconded by S. Renshaw that the Senate document entitled “Senate Academic Regulations and Policies, September 2004” be amended to add PHIL 4215 Seminar in Philosophy, a six-credit course, to the Philosophy program, as described in the attached document.
CARRIED

MOTION #6: Moved by R. Hawkins, seconded by M. Denike that the Senate document entitled “Senate Academic Regulations and Policies, September 2004” be amended to add GEND 3057 Selected Topics in Human Rights and Social Justice, a three-credit course, and GEND 4205 Honours Seminar, a six-credit course, to the program in Gender Equality and Social Justice, as described in the attached document.
CARRIED

MOTION #7: Moved by R. Hawkins, seconded by S. Renshaw that the Senate document entitled “Senate Academic Regulations and Policies, September 2004” be amended to regroup courses based on the following three themes, Women and Culture, Gender Relations, and Social Justice and Human Rights, in the Gender Equality and Social Justice program and to stream those courses in the Bachelor of Arts (Honours) - Single Major, the Bachelor of Arts (3-year General) – Single
Major, the Bachelor of Arts (3-year General) – Combined Major and Bachelor of Arts (Honours) – Combined Major, all as described in the attached document. CARRIED

MOTION #8: Moved by R. Hawkins, seconded by H. Rintoul that upon the recommendation of the University Curriculum Committee, and in accordance with the Nipissing University Policy for New Program Implementation, that Senate give Stage Two “Curriculum Approval” to a Bachelor of Arts (Honours) – Single Major in Gender Equality and Social Justice. CARRIED

MOTION #9: Moved by R. Hawkins, seconded by S. Renshaw that the Senate document entitled “Senate Academic Regulations and Policies, September 2004” be amended to add RLCT 4005 Guided Readings in Religions and Cultures, a six-credit course, to the Religions and Cultures program, as described in the attached document. CARRIED

MOTION #10: Moved by R. Hawkins, seconded by S. Srigley that upon the recommendation of UCC, and in accordance with the Nipissing University Policy for New Program Implementation, that Senate give Stage Two “Curriculum Approval” to a Bachelor of Arts (3-year General) – Single Major, a Bachelor of Arts (3-year General) – Combined Major, and a Bachelor of Arts (Honours) – Combined Major in Religions and Cultures, as described in the attached document. CARRIED

MOTION #11: Moved by R. Hawkins, seconded by D. Jowett that the Senate document entitled “Senate Academic Regulations and Policies, September 2004” be amended to cross-list PHIL 2525 Contemporary Moral Issues with the Program in Religions and Cultures, as described in the attached document. CARRIED

MOTION #12: Moved by R. Hawkins, seconded by J. Barnett that the Senate document entitled “Senate Academic Regulations and Policies, September 2004” be amended to delete the cross-listing of GEND 3206 Persecution, Human Rights and International Justice; RLCT 2016 Life and Rites: Ceremonies and Celebrations; and RLCT 2017 Death and Immortality from the Sociology program. CARRIED

MOTION #13: Moved by R. Hawkins, seconded by J. Barker that the Senate document entitled “Senate Academic Regulations and Policies, September 2004” be amended to add CRJS 2926 An Introduction to Forensic Science course, a three-credit course, to the Criminal Justice program, as described in the attached document. CARRIED

MOTION #14: Moved by R. Hawkins, seconded by G. Pyle that the Senate document entitled “Senate Academic Regulations and Policies, September 2004” be amended to
modifying CHEM 2206 Analytical Chemistry II by adding a laboratory component, as described in the attached document.

CARRIED

MOTION #15: Moved by R. Hawkins, seconded by E. Cholewa that the Senate document entitled “Senate Academic Regulations and Policies, September 2004” be amended to add BIOL 3636 Developmental Plant Physiology, a three-credit course, to the Biology program.

CARRIED

MOTION #16: Moved by R. Hawkins, seconded by G. Pyle that the Senate document entitled “Senate Academic Regulations and Policies, September 2004” be amended to modify BIOL 3117 Biostatistics by adding a lab component, as described in the attached document.

CARRIED

MOTION #17: Moved by R. Hawkins, seconded by G. Pyle that the Senate document entitled “Senate Academic Regulations and Policies, September 2004” be amended to modify the course prerequisites of BIOL 4995 Thesis, as described below and in the attached document:

CARRIED

Existing Version:
Prerequisites: Restricted to students in fourth-year Biology or Environmental Biology and Technology programs.

Proposed Version:
Prerequisites: BIOL 3117 and restricted to students in fourth-year Biology or Environmental Biology and Technology programs. Current Environmental Biology and Technology students will be exempt from BIOL 3117.

Honorary Degrees Committee

MOTION #18: Moved by D. Mock, seconded by J. Barnett that Senate move into an in-camera session.

CARRIED

MOTION #19: Moved by D. Mock, seconded by H. Rintoul that Senate move out of the in-camera session.

CARRIED

Admissions, Promotions and Petitions Committee

MOTION #20: Moved by A. Sparkes, seconded by J. Barnett that the Report of the Admissions, Promotions, and Petitions Committee dated December 16, 2004 be received.
CARRIED

MOTION #21: Moved by A. Sparkes, seconded by S. McQueen that the students listed on Appendix A, who have completed all requirements of their respective degrees, be admitted to their degrees in-course and that diplomas for the degrees be awarded.
CARRIED

MOTION #22: Moved by A. Sparkes, seconded by J. Barnett that graduates of two-year Educational Assistant diploma programs at recognized Colleges of Applied Arts and Technology, with cumulative averages of “B” or higher will be eligible for admission with advanced standing credit to a maximum of 30 credits.
CARRIED

AMENDMENT OF BY-LAWS

MOTION #23: Moved by J. McIntosh, seconded by A. Dean that Senate amend the membership of the Student Affairs Committee to state – Executive Director of Student Affairs, a representative from the Registrar’s Office, a representative from University Advancement, and the Financial Aid Manager. The position of Development Officer-Special Projects is to be omitted.
CARRIED

ELECTIONS

Election to appoint one Arts and Science faculty member to the Student Affairs Committee.

D. Tabachnick nominated T. Dokis

MOTION #24: Moved by W. Young, seconded by G. Pyle that nominations cease.
CARRIED

Acclaimed: T. Dokis

Election to appoint one Arts and Science faculty member to the Academic Planning Committee.

C. Sarlo nominated G. Williams

MOTION #25: Moved by F. Noël, seconded by M. Tuncali that nominations cease.
CARRIED

Acclaimed: G. Williams
MOTION #26: Moved by R. Common, seconded by R. Fix that the Report to Senate on the Education Selection Committees, from the Dean of Education dated January 5, 2005 be received. CARRIED

MOTION #27: Moved by R. Common, seconded by J. Barnett that Senate approved the use of the Selection Committees as outlined in the attached document. CARRIED

Election to appoint one senator from the Faculty of Arts and Science to serve on the Senate Selection Committee for the two graduate education tenure track positions.

R. Common nominated D. Hemsworth

MOTION #28: Moved by D. Jowett, seconded by S. Renshaw that nominations cease. CARRIED

Acclaimed: D. Hemsworth

Election to appoint one senator from the Faculty of Arts and Science to serve on the Senate Selection Committee for the two Language and Literacy tenure track positions and the one Language and Literacy limited term position.

J. McIntosh nominated L. Robinson

MOTION #29: Moved by S. Renshaw, seconded by D. Jowett that nominations cease. CARRIED

Acclaimed: L. Robinson

Election to appoint one senator from the Faculty of Arts and Science to serve on the Senate Selection Committee for the tenure track position in Physical Education and Health and the two tenure track positions in Social Studies.

T. Horton nominated S. High

MOTION #30: Moved by W. Blair, seconded by D. Geden that nominations cease. CARRIED

Acclaimed: S. High
Election to appoint one senator from the Faculty of Arts and Science to serve on the Senate Selection Committee for the Education and Schooling tenure track position.

J. Barnett nominated G. Brown

MOTION #31: Moved by S. Renshaw, seconded by D. Geden that nominations cease.
CARRIED

Acclaimed: G. Brown

Election to appoint one senator from the Faculty of Arts and Science to serve on the Senate Selection Committee for the two Educational Psychology/Special Education tenure track positions.

G. Laronde nominated P. Chow

MOTION #32: Moved by O. Ridler, seconded by W. Blair that nominations cease.
CARRIED

Acclaimed: P. Chow

Election to appoint one senator from the Faculty of Arts and Science to serve on the Senate Selection Committee for the tenure track position in Art Education and the tenure track position in Computer Education.

T. Campbell nominated B. Schreyer

MOTION #33: Moved by M. Denike, seconded by S. Renshaw that nominations cease.
CARRIED

Acclaimed: B. Schreyer

Election to appoint one senator from the Faculty of Arts and Science to serve on the Senate Selection Committee for the tenure track position in Curriculum Methods and the limited term position in Curriculum Methods.

J. Scott nominated A. Weeks

MOTION #34: Moved by D. Jowett, seconded by M. Denike that nominations cease.
CARRIED

Acclaimed: A. Weeks
OTHER BUSINESS

Appointment, Promotions and Tenure Committee

MOTION #35: Moved by M. Tuncali, seconded by D. Jowett that Senate approve the amendment of the APT guidelines B-II 3 to add the following article as B-II 3(a).

The assessment subcommittee recommendation on the appointment with tenure or promotion of any candidate shall be based on a detailed assessment of her/his professional competence, and shall not consider economic factors such as program viability.
CARRIED

MOTION #36: Moved by M. Tuncali, seconded by H. Rintoul that Senate do now adjourn:
3:55 p.m.
CARRIED

D. Mock, President
J. Baffoe, Secretary