

NIPISSING UNIVERSITY

MINUTES OF THE ACADEMIC SENATE MEETING

April 1, 2005
2:30 p.m. – A246

MEMBERS PRESENT: R. Common, A. Dean, R. Hawkins, D. Lawrence, B. Nettlefold,
A. Sparkes, R. Wideman

J. Baffoe, J. Barker, E. Berger, C. Boterbloem, G. Brophay,
G. Brown, K. Brozowski, R. Brozowski, T. Chase, E. Cholewa,
P. Chow, A. Clendinning, T. Dokis, D. Flynn, D. Ford, D. Geden,
A. Graff, D. Hackett, D. Hemsworth, L. Janzen, T. Jones, D. Jowett,
A. Karassev, J. Kovacs, L. Kruk, S. Kulkarni, S. Muhlberger,
D. Murphy, F. Noël, P. Nosko, S. O'Hagan, A. Page, T. Parkes,
G. Pyle, S. Renshaw, L. Robinson, D. Rowbotham, J. Ryan,
M. Saari, C. Sarlo, D. Tabachnick, K. Topps, M. Tuncali,
V. Valov, D. Walton, A. Weeks, G. Williams, H. Zhu

J. Barnett, W. Blair, E. Duncan, R. Fix, D. Franks, T. Horton,
L. Keuhl, H. Langford, J. Long, J. McIntosh, J. Mroczkowski,
M A Parr, C. Richardson, J. Scott, G. Swanson, H. Vail, K. Waller

J. McLaren
T. Silveri
T. Condotta, S. McQueen,
K. Grattan-Miscio
K. Crocker, D. Dale, A. Fera, M. Green (guests)

ABSENT WITH REGRETS: D. Mock, R. Vanderlee
W. Borody (on leave), P. Cook, D. Hall (on leave),
P. Kelly (on leave), U. Kundra, S. Lawlor, J. LeClair,
E. Mattson (on leave), L. Patriquin (on leave),
G. Phillips (on leave), R. Pyper, B. Schreyer, W. Young

A. M. Aquino, D. Brackenreed, T. Campbell, C. Harvey, P. Joong,
K. Noël, B. Olmstead, S. Reid, C. Ricci, H. Rintoul, C. Shields,
S. Van Nuland

B. Pipe
M. Roycroft

MEMBERS ABSENT: M. Denike, S. High, S. Kariuki, J. Knox, B. Lorezkowski,
C. McFarlane, G. Olsen, B. Riome, S. Srigley, K. Stange

D. Berry, M. Cantilini-Williams, K. Clausen, J. Corkett, L. Frost,
M. Kariuki, K. Kirkwood, G. Laronde, A. LeSage, M. McCabe,
G. McEwen, J. Price, W. Richardson, O. Ridler, T. Ryan,
R. Weeks

J. Malette

B. Calcafuocco, S. Ince, A. Thomspen, G. Yantha

I. Bajewsky, T. Banakh, J. Boivin, M. Brewes, P. Clandfield,
C. Cook, M. Crane, K. Currie, C. Dale, U. Frise, J. Harden,
S. Hevenor, W. Ingwersen, M. Jackson, C. Johnston, J. Kmiec,
J. Kooistra, K. Lee, C. Lobsinger, K. Lucas, J. Madley, J. Morton,
I. Mueller, M. Ostashewski, B.A. Pentney, M. Quirt, L. Richards,
O. Sanniguel-Valderrama, U. Stange, D. Walters, D. Yule

MOTION #1: Moved by M. Saari, seconded by J. Mroczkowski that the minutes of the regular meeting of the Academic Senate dated March 11, 2005 be adopted.
CARRIED

READING and DISPOSING of COMMUNICATIONS

The Secretary informed Senate that a letter had been received from Senator Ricci resigning his position on the University Curriculum Committee. Provision was made to deal with this matter later in the agenda.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Murray Green, Vice-President of Finance and Administration, made several announcements to Senate on behalf of Dr. Mock, who was attending a conference in Regina. Senator Hawkins, who will be assuming the new position as President of the University of Regina, effective September 1, 2005, was congratulated and thanked for his academic and research leadership over the past two years. The Rae Advocacy continues with the budget now expected at the end of April. The Strategic Plan will go before the Board of Governors on April 7 for final approval. The March UpClose was held on March 14, 16 and 18 and was deemed a success although there was a slightly lower turnout compared to last year. Senator Mock relayed his thanks to faculty, staff and students who assisted in this endeavour. The Consolidated Committee approved a total of 16 applications for tenure and/or promotion. There were a total of 30 students who were recipients of the Dave Marshal Leadership Awards at a ceremony on March 23. On March 30, a recognition event was held for Dr. Lynn Johnston. She was thanked for her contributions to Nipissing. Senators were reminded of her generous gesture in giving each graduate at the June 2004 convocation a copy of the cartoon showing "Lizzie Patterson" receiving her degree from Nipissing. The Athletics Banquet saw Megan Stacey and Jacob Carr, respectively, being awarded female and male athlete of the year.

Mr. Green also stated that renovations to the IT and AV areas that will commence in April and May, respectively. New faculty offices are being constructed in the "H" wing.

Mr. Green indicated to Senators that Ken Crocker, Executive Director of University Advancement, would be making a brief presentation regarding a feasibility study for a capital campaign.

Senator Dean congratulated senators on their hard work this term. He also thanked faculty who attended the Chamber of Commerce "After Hours Event". Senators Parkes and Pyle were singled out at this occasion for being successful in obtaining CFI grants. Senator Dean invited senators to the book launch to be held on April 4 which will showcase new publications by six Arts and Science faculty members.

Senator Common indicated that lobbying efforts were still ongoing regarding the issuing of provisional certificates to Faculty of Education graduates. A petition with over 500 signatures has been sent to the local MPP.

Senator McQueen announced that NUSU had their annual meeting this date and it was the best turnout ever. The recent CFS campaign generated an overwhelming turnout. More than 74% of the student population voted to remain with the Canadian Federation of Students. Senator McQueen announced that Lindsay Pecoskie and Tara Soucie were chosen as valedictorians for the Faculty of Arts and Science for the June 2005 convocation.

Ken Crocker then gave a presentation to Senate about a potential capital campaign. He indicated a consultant had been hired to do a feasibility study to determine if there is enough support to move forward with a capital campaign. Several areas of priority have been defined including a new standalone building to house the library and a learning commons, scholarships and bursaries, student services programs and professorships to attract and retain faculty. A suggested goal is \$15M and senators were asked to convey the names of individuals, corporations or foundations who may be interested in contributing. Mr. Crocker updated senators on the status of the new website. He indicated it is now at the stage of writing the content of the homepage and pages that are linked to the homepage. All departments will be given the opportunity to review the site before it goes live.

QUESTION PERIOD

Concerns were raised regarding the awarding of a Canada Research Chair to Nipissing University. Senators indicated that in the past, the process was very confusing. It was requested that a transparent process be in place and everyone should have assurance they have been listened to. A request was made that Senate's concern be relayed to the President, as he was absent from the meeting.

Executive Committee

MOTION #2 Moved by A. Dean, seconded by J. Baffoe that the Report of the Senate Executive Committee dated March 24, 2005 be received.
CARRIED

University Curriculum Committee

MOTION #3: Moved by A. Dean, seconded by T. Jones that the Report of the University Curriculum Committee dated March 7, 2005 be received.
CARRIED

MOTION #4: Moved by A. Dean, seconded by R. Fix that the University Curriculum Committee recommend to Senate that the Senate document entitled "Senate Academic Regulations and Policies, September 2004" be amended to add EDUC 4816 Application of Multimedia Technology in Education, a thirty-six hours option course, to the Bachelor of Education program, as described in the attached document.
CARRIED

MOTION #5: Moved by A. Dean, seconded by D. Ford that the University Curriculum Committee recommend to Senate that the Senate document entitled "Senate Academic Regulations and Policies, September 2004" be amended to add a 4-year non-honours BBA degree and amend the existing 4-year Honours BBA, as described in the attached document.
CARRIED

MOTION #6: Moved by A. Dean, seconded by A. Weeks that the University Curriculum Committee recommend to Senate that the Senate document entitled "Senate Academic Regulations and Policies, September 2004" be amended to delete PSYC 3205 Psychological Measurement, a six-credit course, as one of the required courses from the Bachelor of Science (Honours) Single Major degree and from the Bachelor of Science (3-Year General) Single Major degree, in the Psychology program, as described in the attached document.
CARRIED

MOTION #7: Moved by A. Dean, seconded by A. Weeks that the University Curriculum Committee recommend to Senate that the Senate document entitled "Senate Academic Regulations and Policies, September 2004" be amended to change the course number and course title and course description of PSYC 3306 Learning to PSYC 2206 Learning I, from a third year to a second year level course, and related change regarding prerequisite of PSYC 3307 Laboratory in Learning and Memory (PSYC 3306), as described in the attached document.
CARRIED

MOTION #8: Moved by A. Dean, seconded by A. Weeks that the University Curriculum Committee recommend to Senate that the Senate document entitled “Senate Academic Regulations and Policies, September 2004” be amended to change the course title and course description and course hours of PSYC 3307 Laboratory in Learning and Memory to PSYC 3307 Learning II, in the Psychology program, as described in the attached document.
CARRIED

MOTION #9: Moved by A. Dean, seconded by J. Kovacs that the University Curriculum Committee recommend to Senate that the Senate document entitled “Senate Academic Regulations and Policies, September 2004” be amended to add GEOG 3906 Selected Topics, a three-credit course, in the Geography program, as described in the attached document.
CARRIED

MOTION #10: Moved by A. Dean, seconded by S. McQueen that the University Curriculum Committee recommend to Senate that the Senate document entitled “Senate Academic Regulations and Policies, September 2004” be amended to change the prerequisites of GEOG 3056 Introduction to GIS as shown below, and as described in the attached document.
CARRIED

Existing Prerequisites:

Prerequisite: Geog 2016 and Geog 2017

Proposed Prerequisites:

Prerequisite: **Geog 2017**

MOTION #11: Moved by A. Dean, seconded by D. Jowett that the University Curriculum Committee recommend to Senate that the Senate document entitled “Senate Academic Regulations and Policies, September 2004” be amended to add

ENGL 4626 Studies in Literary Theory and Criticism V;
ENGL 4627 Studies in Literary Theory and Criticism VI;
ENGL 4636 Studies in Literary Theory and Criticism VII; and
ENGL 4637 Studies in Literary Theory and Criticism VIII,
all three-credit courses, in the English program, and as described in
the attached document.

CARRIED

MOTION #12: Moved by A. Dean, seconded by A B Graff that the University Curriculum Committee recommend to Senate that the Senate document entitled "Senate Academic Regulations and Policies, September 2004" be amended to add

ENGL 4886 Honours Seminar V;
ENGL 4887 Honours Seminar VI;
ENGL 4896 Honours Seminar VII; and
ENGL 4897 Honours Seminar VIII,
all three-credit courses, in the English program, and as described in the attached document.

CARRIED

MOTION #13: Moved by A. Dean, seconded by M. Tuncali that the University Curriculum Committee recommend to Senate that the Senate document entitled "Senate Academic Regulations and Policies, September 2004" be amended to split MATH 1035 Calculus to MATH 1036 Calculus I, a three-credit course and MATH 1037 Calculus II, a three-credit course from the Mathematics program, and to revise the course group, program requirements and course prerequisites for the following programs

Mathematics
Computer Science
Environmental Science and Physical Geography
Psychology
as described in the attached document.

CARRIED

MOTION #14: Moved by A. Dean, seconded by D. Ford that the University Curriculum Committee recommend to Senate that the Senate document entitled "Senate Academic Regulations and Policies, September 2004" be amended to modify the requirements to obtain a minor in French, as described in the attached document.

CARRIED

MOTION #15: Moved by A. Dean, seconded by D. Walton that the University Curriculum Committee recommend to Senate that the Senate document entitled "Senate Academic Regulations and Policies, September 2004" be amended to cross list CLAS 2306 The Greek Historian, a three-credit course, and CLAS 2307 The Roman Historians, a three-credit course, into the History program, as described in the attached document.

CARRIED

MOTION #16: Moved by A. Dean, seconded by D. Jowett that the University Curriculum Committee recommend to Senate that the Senate document entitled "Senate Academic Regulations and Policies, September 2004" be amended to modify the requirements from 18 credits to 12 credits from PSYC 1106/1107, SOCI 1015 and SWLF 1005 in the Child and Family Studies program, as described in the attached document.
CARRIED

Academic Planning Committee

MOTION #17: Moved by R. Common, seconded by S. McQueen that this report of the Academic Planning Committee dated March 9, 2005 be received.
CARRIED

Student Affairs Committee

MOTION# 18: Moved by A. Dean, seconded by D. Murphy that the report of the Student Affairs Committee dated March 14, 2005 be received.
CARRIED

MOTION #19: Moved by A. Dean, seconded by R. Common that a Trusler Award be created for students graduating from the Concurrent Education program at Brantford starting in 2006.
CARRIED

MOTION #20: Moved by A. Dean, seconded by D. Franks that students at the Brantford Campus in the Concurrent Education program be able to compete for the President's Gold Medal.
CARRIED

MOTION #21: Moved by A. Dean, seconded by D. Murphy that a separate BSc (Nursing) President's Gold Medal be established.
CARRIED

By-Laws and Striking Committee

MOTION #22: Moved by J. McIntosh, seconded by J. Mroczkowski that the report of the By-laws and Striking Committee dated March 21, 2005 be received.
CARRIED

Admissions, Promotions and Petitions

MOTION #23: Moved by A. Sparkes, seconded by K. Topps that the Report of the Admissions, Promotions, and Petitions Committee dated March 21, 2005 be received
CARRIED

MOTION #24: Moved by A. Sparkes, seconded by D. Ford 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 #25: Moved by A. Sparkes, seconded by D. Lawrence that Nipissing University take note of the concerns of the Ontario College of Teachers and the Ontario Ministry of Education regarding the lack of male teachers in the primary grades. In recognition of the province wide lack of male role models for primary children and the fact that Nipissing enrolments in the Primary/Junior division are always less than 20% male, that Senate approve the following admissions policy:

1. That Nipissing University encourages males to apply to the P/J division.
2. That a faculty of education committee established by the Dean of Education consider male applicants to the P/J division whose admission average is within 2% of the cut-off average. Based on the committee's assessment of the candidates the committee may decide to admit some.

MOTION #26: Moved by M. Saari, seconded by H. Langford that Senate refer Motion #3 of the APP Committee Report dated March 21, 2005 back to the Committee with the understanding that it be brought back to the May Senate meeting.

CARRIED

ELECTIONS

1. Presentation of By-law and Striking Committee slate of candidates for Senate Standing Committees for 2005-06.

K. Topps nominated G. Williams for Academic Planning Committee

MOTION #27: Moved by M. Saari, seconded by H. Langford that nominations cease.

CARRIED

Elected: J. Kovacs, S. Renshaw, G. Williams and W. Young for Academic Planning

D. Jowett nominated G. Williams for APT subcommittee (Arts)

F. Noël nominated R. Vanderlee for APT subcommittee (Arts)

J. Baffoe nominated J. Kovacs for APT subcommittee (Arts)

MOTION #28: Moved by M. Saari, seconded by H. Langford that nominations cease.
CARRIED

Elected: J. Kovacs, P. Nosko and G. Williams for APT subcommittee (Arts)

M. Saari nominated D. Flynn for By-laws and Striking Committee

MOTION #29: Moved by M. Saari, seconded by P. Chow that nominations cease.
CARRIED

Elected: K. Brozowski for By-laws and Striking

S. Renshaw nominated T. Chase for Senate Speaker

D. Flynn nominated M. Saari for Senate Speaker

MOTION #30: Moved by J. Baffoe, seconded by M. Tuncali that nominations cease.
CARRIED

Elected: T. Chase for Senate Speaker

**The list of members (to date) of the Academic Senate Committees for 2005-2006 has been included as a separate attachment.*

2. Election of one Arts and Science and one Education representative to serve on both the Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Teaching Committee and the Nipissing University Award for Excellence in part-time Teaching Committee.

R. Common nominated T. Campbell

S. Renshaw nominated J. LeClair

MOTION #31: Moved by M. Saari, seconded by M. Tuncali that nominations cease.
CARRIED

Acclaimed: T. Campbell and J. LeClair

OTHER BUSINESS

Senator Jowett thanked Senators Lorenzowski, High, Boterbloem and Janzen for their contributions to the academic and student life at Nipissing University. On behalf of Senate, she wished them well in their new career endeavours.

NEW BUSINESS

MOTION#32: Moved by A. Dean, seconded by S. Muhlberger that Senate consider a motion to strike a Selection committee for a tenure-track position in History (Modern European).
CARRIED

MOTION #33: Moved by A. Dean, seconded by A B Graff that Senate conduct an election for a faculty senator outside of the History department to serve on the Selection Committee for History (Modern European).
CARRIED

S. Renshaw nominated D. Jowett

MOTION #34: Moved by K. Boterbloem, seconded by M. Saari that nominations cease.
CARRIED

Acclaimed: D. Jowett

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION #35: Moved by M. Saari, seconded by S. Renshaw that Senate do now adjourn:
4:40 p.m.
CARRIED

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D. Mock, President

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J. Baffoe, Secretary