NIPISSING UNIVERSITY

MINUTES OF THE ACADEMIC SENATE MEETING

June 19, 2009

10:30 a.m. – Room F210


J. Barker, G. Brophy, N. Brown, J. Knox


P. Joong (Brantford)

W. Dew, S. Lawlor, C. Mang

L. McLaren

L. Moncion

T. Benevides

A. Fitzsimmons, R. Lahti

ABSENT WITH REGRETS:  R. Wideman

S. Lechlitner


K. Clausen, J. Corkett, D. Hay

T. Waldock (Muskoka)

C. Boston

M. den Haan
ABSENT: G. Morrell, T. Smith

G. Laronde

C. Irwin

The minutes of the Senate meeting of May 22 2009 were adopted with no objections.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS FROM THE SENATE MEETING OF MAY 22, 2009

University Research Council

MOTION 1 Moved by P. Ricketts, seconded by J. Knox that the Report of the Nipissing University Research Council dated May 12, 2009 be received. CARRIED

AMENDMENT OF BY-LAWS

Notice of Motion

- That Article 9.6 (a) of the Senate bylaws be amended to add the position of Executive Director of Library Services, or designate, as a non-voting member to the Teaching and Learning Committee

ELECTIONS

MOTION 2: Moved by J. McIntosh, seconded by S. Lawlor that all Senators be permitted to vote in all elections. CARRIED

- Elect one Education non-senator to serve on the Honorary Degrees Subcommittee from:
  - John Long
  - Bob Fix
  - Michael McCabe
  ELECTED: John Long

- Elect one Arts and Science non-senator to serve on the Academic Planning Committee from:
  - Ilse Mueller
  - Andrew Weeks
  ELECTED: Ilse Mueller

- Elect one Education senator to serve on the Graduate Studies Committee from:
  - Jennifer Barnett
  - Dan Jarvis
  ELECTED: Dan Jarvis
• Elect one Arts and Science non-senator to serve on the Student Appeals Committee from:
  ▪ Wayne Borody
  ▪ Tracey Curwen
  ▪ Hilary Earl
  **ELECTED: Hilary Earl**

• Elect one Education senator to serve on the Teaching and Learning Committee from:
  ▪ Susan Elliott-Johns
  ▪ Nancy Maynes
  **ELECTED: Susan Elliott-Johns**

• Elect one Arts and Science senator to serve on the Teaching and Learning Committee from:
  ▪ Rosemary Nagy
  ▪ Uldis Kandrats
  **ELECTED: Rosemary Nagy**

• Elect one non-senator to serve on the Board of Governors from:
  ▪ Dennis Geden
  ▪ Dan Walters
  **ELECTED: Dan Walters**

• Elect one Arts and Science non-senator to serve on the Library Advisory Subcommittee
  ▪ Derek Neal
  ▪ Mukund Jha
  ▪ Ellie Berger
  ▪ Wendy Peters
  **ELECTED: Wendy Peters**

The following is a draft of the Senate Committees for the 2009-10 academic year as constituted on June 19, 2009.

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- **Bylaws & Elections**

  | Karey McCullough | APS senator |
  | Rob Breton       | A&S non-senator |
  | Alison Bell      | EDUC senator |

- **Honorary Degrees**

  | Shelley Lechlitner | APS senator |
  | Ann Barbara Graff  | A&S senator |
  | John Long          | EDUC non-senator |
Academic Planning Committee
John Knox APS senator
Susan Elliott-Johns EDUC senator
Gyllian Phillips A&S senator
Carole Richardson EDUC non-senator
Chris Sarlo APS non-senator
Ilse Mueller A&S non-senator
Peter Joong Regional campus senator

- Admissions & Enrolment
  Graydon Raymer EDUC senator
  Vacant APS senator
  Richard Wenghofer A&S non-senator

- Program Review & Appraisals
  Karey McCullough APS senator
  Susan Elliott-Johns EDUC senator
  Sarah Winters A&S non-senator

Undergraduate Studies Committee
Jeff Scott EDUC senator
Jane Barker APS senator
Rosemary Nagy A&S senator
Margaret Owens A&S non-senator
Tammie McParland APS non-senator
Barb Olmsted EDUC non-senator

- Undergrad Standing & Petitions
  Nathan Colborne A&S senator
  Natalya Brown APS non-senator
  Nancy Maynes EDUC non-senator

- Undergrad Services & Awards
  Shelley Lechlitner APS senator
  Julie Corkett EDUC senator
  Tracey Curwen A&S non-senator

Graduate Studies Committee
Gordon Morrell A&S senator
Dan Jarvis EDUC senator
Alex Karassev A&S non-senator
Mumbi Kariuki EDUC non-senator

Student Appeals Committee
Michelann Parr EDUC senator
Shelley Lechlitner APS senator
Toivo Koivukoski A&S senator
Vacant EDUC non-senator
Tammie McParland APS non-senator
Hilary Earl A&S non-senator

Teaching & Learning Committee
Rosemary Nagy A&S senator
Susan Elliott-Johns EDUC senator
Linda Piper APS non-senator
- Library Advisory
Discussion needs to take place regarding composition of this subcommittee. Recommendations approved by By-laws will be forwarded to Senate Executive for vetting and voted on in Senate before the committee can be properly constituted.

- Technology & Infrastructure
  Haibin Zhu       A&S senator
  Ken Waller       EDUC non-senator
  John Knox        APS senator

- Continuing & Distance Education
  Murat Tuncali    A&S senator
  Alison Bell      EDUC senator
  Greg Brown       APS non-senator

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Board of Governors (2-year term)      Senator
  Blaine Hatt
  Dan Walters       Non-senator
  John Nadeau       Non-senator
  Murat Tuncali     Senator

(1-year term)

Board of Governors (1-year term)

Senate Speaker
  Donna Jowett

Deputy Senate Speaker
  Blaine Hatt

ANNOUNCEMENTS

President Mock began his announcements by indicating there were a number of critical items that were being dealt with on a provincial level. Reaching Higher 2 is being started immediately and any outcomes will likely be included in next year’s budget. Submission will be sought from all universities. This initiative will have a huge impact on the entire post secondary system including the credit transfer framework, funding and differentiation grants.

The President reported that the provincial government announced at the end of March it would provide one-time support to universities and colleges in the amount of $150M of which $81.7M will go to universities. Additional information has finally flowed through, and the President indicated that Nipissing University will receive $1.3M. He added that we did not receive any federal infrastructure monies.
With reference, to the Learning Library Campaign, the President was pleased to report that the fundraising campaign will probably be over target.

Seven successful convocations have passed with over 1600 graduates crossing the stage here and in Brantford. The President thanked everyone who was involved with these ceremonies including the Board Chair and Vice Chair and Chancellor Liddle.

The President noted that numbers in education are holding and should meet budget target. However, he did add that there is little growth in the university system province-wide.

The President reminded senators of the NSO dates and indicated the importance of their participation. He also expressed his hope that as many senators as possible will be able to participate in the Homecoming activities that will be occurring the week of July 16. Information is available on our website.

The President’s annual report on tenure and promotion was distributed. This is the same report that was presented to the Board of Governors earlier this month. The President noted that this is the first year of a new process and that justice and fairness will be served.

Dr. Lesley Lovett-Doust, incoming President, made a few brief comments and paid tribute to Senators Mock and Ricketts for their contribution to Nipissing University on many levels.

The Vice-President Finance and Administration stated that Nipissing University was unsuccessful in securing any of the recently announced federal infrastructure funds but did receive strategic capital monies in the amount of $6.9M. This money will be spent on a reduced version of a larger project on the Surtees Centre, a variety of maintenance projects and a 3rd floor connection between the A and H wings.

The Technology and Infrastructure subcommittee finalized five proposals; three will be at the Brantford regional campus and two will be in North Bay. Senator Paine-Mantha advised senators they should check the website next week for more information.

Student senator Fitzsimmons indicated that NUSU was busy working on New Student Orientation, Frosh Week and Shinerama activities.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Senate was adjourned at 12.50 p.m. as quorum was lost.

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D. Mock, President C. Jenkins, Senate Secretary