

NIPISSING UNIVERSITY

MINUTES OF THE ACADEMIC SENATE MEETING

March 8, 2013

2:30 p.m. – Room F210

MEMBERS PRESENT:

M. DeGagné (Chair), N. Black, J. Graham, S. Rich, M. Tuncali, R. Vanderlee

J. Barker, J. Nadeau, A. Page

R. Breton, A. Burk, J. Dech, A. Karashev, N. Kozukanich, G. McCann, C. McFarlane,
G. Morrell, S. O'Hagan, L. Peterson, V. Valov, T. Vassilev, A. Weeks, S. Winters,

L. Ashworth, G. Black, K. Clausen, B. Hatt (Speaker), T. Horton, J. McAuliffe, M-A Parr,
C. Ricci, T. Sibbald, A. Steele

A. Grierson (Brantford), R. Vernescu (Muskoka)

W. Ingwersen

S. Fertycki

N. Brady, K. Fitzsimmons, C. Grist, T. Hanna, D. Richardson

ABSENT WITH REGRETS:

L. Carter, C. Cooper, H. d'Entremont

G. Brown

R. Gendron, M. Jha, S. Renshaw

K. Eyre, J. Scott

C. Hachkowski

R. deBernardi, J. Evans

The minutes of the Senate meeting of February 8, 2013 were adopted with the modification to Motion 17.

QUESTION PERIOD

A question was raised regarding the timeline for advance registration for fall courses. The Registrar indicated that the timetable was currently being assembled and registration should be expected by the end of April.

REPORTS of STANDING COMMITTEES and FACULTY or UNIVERSITY COUNCILS

Senate Executive Committee Report

MOTION 1: Moved by M. DeGagné, seconded by M-A Parr that the Report of the Senate Executive Committee dated February 28, 2013 be received.
CARRIED

Undergraduate Studies Committee Report

- MOTION 2: Moved by S. Rich, seconded by A. Page that the Report of the Undergraduate Studies Committee dated February 7, 2013 be received.
CARRIED
- MOTION 3: Moved by S. Rich, seconded by A. Page that Senate approve the additional prerequisites for the clinical practica as outlined in the supporting documentation.
CARRIED
- MOTION 4: Moved by S. Rich, seconded by A. Steele that Senate receive the course expectations for Biology and Chemistry.
CARRIED
- MOTION 5: Moved by S. Rich, seconded by J. Dech that Senate approve the addition of the following courses in Biology as outlined in the attached document:
- BIOL1911 - Introduction to Biology.
 - BIOL3127 - Human Sexuality
 - BIOL2127 - Molecular and Cell Biology
- CARRIED
- MOTION 6: Moved by S. Rich, seconded by S. O'Hagan that Senate approve the modification of the list of courses associated with the Certificate in Environmental Management to reflect course code changes as outlined in the attached document.
CARRIED

Schulich School of Education

- MOTION 7: Moved by S. Rich, seconded by A. Page that Senate approve the modifications of the Appeal Procedures for Observation and Practice Teaching courses as outline in the documentation.
CARRIED

OTHER BUSINESS

- MOTION 8: Moved by J. Nadeau, seconded by S. Feretycki that Senate approve the addition of MKTG2127 Marketing for Managers to the BBA core of courses and remove from the Marketing stream requirements.
CARRIED

AMENDMENT of BY-LAWS

- MOTION 9: Moved by C. McFarlane, seconded by A. Burk that Article 1.2(e) of the Senate bylaws be modified as follows (changes in *italics*):
- “Designate” means a person formally delegated by an ex officio voting member of Senate to participate and vote on the member’s behalf at all meetings of a specified Senate committee or subcommittee during any given year. *The Dean's designate shall be an individual in an academic position such as an Associate Dean; a Director; a Department, Division, or Section Chair; or, a Faculty member..*
- CARRIED

MOTION 10: Moved by C. McFarlane, seconded by A. Burk that Article 10.3 Nipissing University Academic College (NUAC) be deleted from the Senate bylaws
CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS

MOTION 11: Moved by M. DeGagné, seconded by A. Page that Senate move into an in-camera session.
CARRIED

MOTION 12: Moved by M. DeGagné, seconded by M. Tuncali that Senate move out of the in-camera session.
CARRIED

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The President reported that there was a teleconference earlier in the morning with the opportunity for Executive Heads to hear from the new Minister of Training, Colleges and Universities, Brad Duguid. It was indicated at this teleconference that the Strategic Mandate Agreements that have been read by HEQCO would soon be reviewed by the Minister.

The President was pleased to report that the strategic planning process is in the very preliminary stages. He noted that this process will not be cumbersome and will proceed with a very brief but direct and clear version of a strategic plan. He promises a fulsome discussion.

The President thanked the organizers for the successful International Women's Week activities and was especially pleased with the Gender Equality Lecture series.

The President also added that he had the opportunity to attend the Lieutenant Governor's First Nation's Forum and Idea exchange. This forum was co-facilitated by Laurie McLaren, Executive Director of the Office of Aboriginal Initiatives. The President hopes to work with partners in this area.

At the invitation of the President, Senator Graham, Registrar and Institutional Analyst provided a brief report on the status of applications to date. Direct entries from high schools are down 1.4% while applicants who have been out of secondary school for more than one year and wishing to enter year one is down 0.6%. Applicants seeking advanced standing are up 19%. There is an upward trend in first choice with high school applicants of 12% while advanced standing applicants who have listed Nipissing as first choice is up by 10%. Education applications are down 15.6%, a similar trend that is occurring across the province.

Senator Hanna, NUSU President, advised senators that frosh team interviews were in progress. He also noted that the incoming NUSU Executive were becoming involved in their new jobs early so they will be up to date once their term officially begins. Senator Hanna also reminded senators of the Dave Marshall Leadership awards on March 20. This ceremony recognizes students who make outstanding contributions to their program, campus or the community.

ADJOURNMENT

Senate was adjourned at 3:17 p.m.

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M. DeGagné (Chair)

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C. Jenkins (Senate Secretary)