

NIPISSING UNIVERSITY

MINUTES OF THE ACADEMIC SENATE MEETING

December 12, 2014

2:30 p.m. – Room F210

MEMBERS PRESENT:

M. DeGagné (Chair), H. d'Entremont, S. Rich, N. Black, C. Richardson,
M. Tuncali, R. Vanderlee, J. Graham

A. Armenakyan, J. Barker, G. Brown, M. Litalien, K. McCullough

A. Ackerman, S. Arnocky, D. Borman, R. Breton, N. Colborne, J. Dech,
R. Gendron, P. Nosko, N. Kozuskanich, M. Owens, G. Phillips, S. Renshaw,
M. Saari, S. Srigley, D. Walters

L. Ashworth, B. Bruner, S. Elliott-Johns, R. Graham, T. Horton, D. Jarvis,
M-A Parr, C. Ricci, J. Scott, T. Sibbald, A. Steele

O. Pokorny, L. Rossi

K. Chutko

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

C. Hachkowski

T. Palangio, J. Zimbalatti

S. Feretycki

J. Andrews, C. Burke, I. Hall

ABSENT WITH REGRETS:

G. McCann, F. Noël, T. Vassilev, H. Zhu

S. Kataoka

Y. Benoit, C. Bidal, B. Fisher

The minutes of the Senate meeting of November 14, 2014 were adopted.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

At the November 2014 Senate meeting, a motion was passed requesting that the President convey the recommendations from the *Ad Hoc* committee that was commissioned to review the participation of Senate and elected faculty members in the process of recommending Senior Academic Administrators. Senate was advised that this was done at the December 4, 2014 Board of Governors meeting.

In response to a question from the November Senate meeting with respect to the \$12M deficit projected for 2014-15, an update was requested on how close anticipated revenues and expenditures are at this time (December 2014) and if the university was still forecasting a \$12M deficit based on revised estimates. The Provost indicated that with the latest numbers from the November 1 count date, it appears the projection is on target.

QUESTION PERIOD

In response to a question regarding the status of the search for a new Chancellor, the President indicated that the list has been narrowed down and these prospects must be contacted to see if they are interested. He added that the Chancellor is not required for convocation ceremonies.

There were several questions about the implications of the restructuring that is currently occurring and particularly about the downloading of duties as a consequence of terminations. In his response, the President noted that the administrative positions affected by the cuts were all carefully evaluated before decisions were made. He also acknowledged that in fact we cannot do 'more with less' but that the cuts have been necessary in the financial circumstances and will refocus us on our core business. There is considerable concern that students be affected as little as possible.

A question was raised about suspending the engineering proposal in light of the current financial circumstances and the Provost noted that it was not suspended at the moment. He reiterated that the University is not creating new programs or hiring new people unless they will bring in a substantial number of new students.

In light of the scoring aspect being completed, there was a question about the status of the Program Prioritization process. The Provost indicated that the scoring committees have finished their work. HESA will now prepare a summary of the quantitative and qualitative information by unit/program. These will be sent to the units and the Deans to ensure that there are no factual errors in those summaries. The end result will be a report to be submitted to the Steering Committee which will review the report and add comments and analysis as necessary.

There was a question regarding the status of the lands across from College Drive (known as the Larocque property). The President indicated that there had been a request to donate part of it and the University declined. Also, there is no consideration for a new arena but NUSU is interested in the construction of a new student centre. Currently, there is an archaeological survey being conducted on the property.

REPORTS of STANDING COMMITTEES and FACULTY or UNIVERSITY COUNCILS**Senate Executive Committee**

MOTION 1: Moved by M. DeGagné, seconded N. Colborne that the Report of the Senate Executive Committee dated December 4, 2014 be received,
CARRIED

Planning and Priorities Committee

MOTION 2: Moved by H. d'Entremont, seconded by R. Gendron that the Report of the Planning and Priorities Committee dated November 21, 2014, be received.
CARRIED

Undergraduate Studies Committee**October 20, 2014 Report**

- MOTION 3: Moved by R. Vanderlee, seconded by M. Tuncali that the Report of the Undergraduate Studies Committee dated October 20, 2014, be received.
CARRIED
- MOTION 4: Moved by R. Vanderlee, seconded by M. Tuncali that Senate approve that ACCT4866 Advanced Cost Accounting Topics I be included in the list of Accounting Stream electives under the heading "Nine credits from the following:".
CARRIED
- MOTION 5: Moved by R. Vanderlee, seconded by M. Tuncali that Senate approve that the prerequisites for ACCT4866 Advanced Cost Accounting Topics I be changed to remove ADMN2616 Management Science.
CARRIED

November 6, 2014 Report

- MOTION 6: Moved by R. Vanderlee, seconded by M. Saari that the Report of the Undergraduate Studies Committee, dated November 6, 2014, be received.
CARRIED
- MOTION 7: Moved by R. Vanderlee, seconded by M. Saari That Senate approve of the addition of CHFS4316 Fieldwork in ABA to the Human Development stream of the CHFS curriculum.
CARRIED
- MOTION 8: Moved by R. Vanderlee, seconded by M. Saari that Senate approve the addition of CHFS4205 Practicum in ABA-Lifespan to the Human Development stream of the CHFS curriculum.
CARRIED
- MOTION 9: Moved by R. Vanderlee, seconded by M. Saari that Senate approve the addition of CHFS4305 Practicum in EIBI-ASD to the Human Development stream of the CHFS curriculum.
CARRIED
- MOTION 10: Moved by R. Vanderlee, seconded by M. Saari that Senate approve the proposed certificate in EIBI-ASD as outlined in the attached document.
CARRIED
- MOTION 11: Moved by R. Vanderlee, seconded by M. Saari that Senate approve the proposed certificate in ABA-Lifespan as outlined in the attached document.
CARRIED
- MOTION 12: Moved by R. Vanderlee, seconded by M. Saari that Senate approve the proposed certificate in Program Evaluation & Applied Research (PEAR) as outlined in the attached document.
CARRIED

November 17, 2014 Report

- MOTION 13: Moved by R. Vanderlee, seconded by M. Tuncali that the Report of the Undergraduate Studies Committee, dated November 17, 2014, be received.
CARRIED

- MOTION 14: Moved by R. Vanderlee, seconded by M. Tuncali that Senate approve that the prerequisites for PHYS2007 General Physics IV: Optics and Introduction to Modern Physics be changed from PHYS2006 to PHYS1007 and MATH1037.
CARRIED
- MOTION 15: Moved by R. Vanderlee, seconded by D. Borman that Senate approve the addition of the following courses as outlined:
- INTD1005 Introduction to Disciplinary Studies
 - INTD2005 Introduction to Interdisciplinary Analysis
 - INTD3005 Applied Interdisciplinarity: Solving Wicked Problems.
- CARRIED
- MOTION 16: Moved by R. Vanderlee, seconded by M. Tuncali that Senate approve the deletion of UNIV2005 Introduction to Cross-Disciplinary Analysis.
CARRIED
- MOTION 17: Moved by R. Vanderlee, seconded by K. Chutko that Senate approve the addition of GEOG3316 Geography of Health and Health Care, as outlined.
CARRIED
- MOTION 18: Moved by R. Vanderlee, seconded by K. Chutko that Senate approve that the prerequisite for GEOG4137 be changed from GEOG2107 and GEOG3107 to GEOG2107.
CARRIED
- MOTION 19: Moved by R. Vanderlee, seconded by R. Gendron that Senate approve the modification of prerequisite requirements for all 3000-level history courses to 12 credits of history with at least 3 credits at 2000 level; or any 54 credits completed.
CARRIED
- MOTION 19: Moved by R. Vanderlee, seconded by R. Gendron that Senate approve that HIST1405 Power and Resistance in Canada's Past, be banked.
CARRIED
- MOTION 20: Moved by R. Vanderlee, seconded by M. Saari that Senate approve the cross-coding of the following CHFS courses with PSYC:
- CHFS3137 ABA II: Advanced Topics in Applied Behaviour Analysis with PSYC3137 ABA II: Advanced Topics in Applied Behaviour Analysis.
 - CHFS3036 Ethics and Professional Standards with PSYC3036, Ethics and Professional Standards.
 - CHFS4016 Program Evaluation and Clinical Outcomes Management with PSYC4016 Program Evaluation and Clinical Outcomes Management.
 - CHFS4017 Practicum: Applied Research & Evaluation with PSYC4017 Practicum: Applied Research & Evaluation.
 - CHFS4106 Assessment & Intervention Planning with PSYC4106 Assessment & Intervention Planning.
 - CHFS4206 Applied Developmental Neuropsychology with Psychology as PSYC4216 Applied Developmental Neuropsychology.
 - CHFS4306 Special Topics: Human Development & Learning to Psychology with PSYC4306 Special Topics: Human Development & Learning.
 - CHFS2026 Methods in Behavioural and Social Sciences with PSYC2026 Methods in Behavioural and Social Sciences.
- CARRIED

- MOTION 21: Moved by R. Vanderlee, seconded by M. Saari that Senate approve the proposed certificate in Early Intensive Behaviour Intervention– Autism Spectrum Disorders (EIBI-ASD) as outlined in the document.
CARRIED
- MOTION 22: Moved by R. Vanderlee, seconded by M. Saari that Senate approve the proposed certificate in ABA-Lifespan as outlined in the document.
CARRIED
- MOTION 23: Moved by R. Vanderlee, seconded by M. Saari that Senate approve the proposed certificate in Program Evaluation & Applied Research (PEAR) as outlined in the document.
CARRIED
- MOTION 24: Moved by R. Vanderlee, seconded by M. Tuncali that Senate create a University-wide ad-hoc committee to review the breadth requirement policy, consisting of at least one tenured or tenure-track faculty member from each of the designated breadth areas, the Schulich School of Education, the Registrar (or designate) and a student representative, and report back to Senate.
CARRIED

December 1, 2014 Report

- MOTION 25: Moved by R. Vanderlee, seconded by C. Burke that the Report of the Undergraduate Studies Committee, dated December 1, 2014, be received.
CARRIED
- MOTION 26: Moved by R. Vanderlee, seconded by M. Tuncali that Senate approve a course restriction change from 12 credits to 6 credits for the Topics in Literature courses ENGL1006, 1007, 1016, 1026, 1027, 1036, 1037. (Restriction: Students are limited to a maximum of 6 credits at the 1000 level).
CARRIED

Non-substantive changes (Gender Equality and Social Justice)

- GEND 2226 "Case Studies in Persecution and Violent Conflict" be renamed "Case Studies in Violent Conflict."
 - GEND 2147 "Citizenship and Social Justice" be renamed "Bodies, Borders, and Belonging."
 - GEND 3066 "Canada, Colonization, and the Politics of Resistance" be renamed "Invasion and Resistance."
 - GEND 3306 "Theories of Power and Equality" be renamed to "Ideas of Power."
- MOTION 27: Moved by R. Vanderlee, seconded by M. Saari that Senate approve the prerequisites for PSYC4105 (Senior Empirical Thesis) be changed by removing PSYC3357 (Design & Analysis II) as one of the prerequisites.
CARRIED
- MOTION 28: Moved by R. Vanderlee, seconded by M. Saari that Senate approve the course pre-requisites for PSYC4105 (Senior Empirical Thesis) be changed to include either PSYC3356 (Design & Analysis I) or CHFS3035 (Statistics in Behavioural & Social Sciences) with a minimum of 70% or better in either prerequisite.
CARRIED
- MOTION 29: Moved by R. Vanderlee, seconded by M. Saari that Senate approve the course pre-requisites for PSYC4215 (Senior Research Seminar) be changed to PSYC3356 (Design & Analysis I) or CHFS3035 (Statistics in Behavioural & Social Sciences).
CARRIED

- MOTION 30: Moved by R. Vanderlee, seconded by M. Saari that Senate approve the following change in program requirements: Students in the BA Honours Specialization in Psychology and BA Specialization in Psychology may substitute CHFS2026 and CHFS3035 for PSYC2126, PSYC2127, and PSYC3356.
CARRIED
- MOTION 31: Moved by R. Vanderlee, seconded by M. Saari that Senate approve the following change in program requirements: Students in the BA Major in Psychology may substitute CHFS2026 and CHFS3035 for PSYC2126 and PSYC2127; consequently, these students must complete a minimum of 21 additional 2000/3000 level PSYC credits instead of 24.
CARRIED
- MOTION 32: Moved by R. Vanderlee, seconded by M. Tuncali that Senate approve the following mandatory courses in the Teacher of Anishnaabemwin as a Second Language Program, as outlined:
- EDUC1546 Anishnaabemwin Language Methodologies I
 - EDUC2546 Anishnaabemwin Language Methodologies II
 - EDUC1436 Anishnaabemwin Curriculum I (formerly EDUC1441)
 - EDUC2436 Anishnaabemwin Curriculum II (formerly EDUC2441)
 - EDUC1456 Anishnaabemwin Language I (formerly EDUC1444)
 - EDUC2456 Anishnaabemwin Language II (formerly EDUC2444)
- CARRIED
- MOTION 33: Moved by R. Vanderlee, seconded by M. Saari that Senate approve the following mandatory courses in the Aboriginal Teacher Certification Program and Teacher of Anishnaabemwin as a Second Language Program, as outlined:
- EDUC4946 History, Policy and Aboriginal Education
 - EDUC4947 Understanding Indigenous Pedagogies
- CARRIED
- MOTION 34: Moved by R. Vanderlee, seconded by R. Gendron that Senate approve that the following program requirements of the Bachelor of Physical and Health Education be changed to include:
One of the following 3-credit courses:
- PHED4046 Contemporary Issues in Sport and Physical Activity
 - HIST3946 History of Sport in Canada
 - HIST3947 Sport and Spectacle in Modern Society
 - ENGL1000 level Special Topics course titled: Sport in Literature and Film
- CARRIED
- MOTION 35: Moved by R. Vanderlee, seconded by M. Tuncali that Senate approve the deletion of the “Three credits of 1000 level English Studies (excluding ENGL1551 and ENGL1552)” within the program requirements of the Bachelor of Physical and Health Education.
CARRIED

Non-substantive changes

- Pre-requisite wording changes to the 3000-level and 4000-level practical courses:
Current pre-requisite for 3000-level practicals: “Third year standing in the Bachelor of Physical and Health Education program”
Proposed change in wording: “completion of 6-credits at the 1000-level practicals and completion of 6-credits at the 2000-level practicals”
Note: Any other additional pre-requisites, such as part 1 of a practical, would remain.
- Remove the list of the specific 1000-level and 2000-level practicals in the program requirements section of the Academic Calendar and replace with: “6-credits of 1000-level practicals” and “6-credits of 2000-level practicals”.

Rationale: This creates more flexibility in the event that one specific practical cannot be offered as it could then be replaced with a Special Practical course.

- Title changes to 2 courses:

Current title: PHED 3106 Community Leadership Placement II

New title: PHED 3106 Community Leadership Placement I

Rationale: The original Community Leadership Placement I course (PHED2106) was removed with the changes to the BPHE program that came through earlier this calendar year.

Current title: PHED 4106 Community Leadership Placement III

New title: PHED4106 Community Leadership Placement II

Rationale: To follow the PHED3106 title for continuity and clarity.

MOTION 36: Moved by R. Vanderlee, seconded by D. Borman that Senate approve that the EDUC2185 International Languages (Spanish) Part 2 be added to the list of available courses.
CARRIED

AMENDMENT of BY-LAWS

MOTION 37: Moved by N. Colborne, seconded by H. d'Entremont that Article 9.2.1 Admissions and Enrolment Subcommittee and references to it in the Senate bylaws be eliminated.
CARRIED

MOTION 38: Moved by N. Colborne, seconded by H. d'Entremont that Article 10.3(a) of the Senate bylaws be amended with the addition of the position of Provost Vice-President – Academic and Research, or designate, as Chair of the Graduate Studies Committee.
CARRIED

REPORTS FROM OTHER BODIES

Board of Governors

There was a Board meeting on Thursday, December 4, 2014. A presentation was made by Dr. Sharon Rich on tri-council funding and how the number of faculty at Nipissing receiving funding from these three agencies has grown in the last few years. This was followed by a PowerPoint presentation from Dr. John Kovacs who captured some of his research work into mangroves.

In his remarks, the President commented on the recent restructuring announcements. He indicated it had become necessary for the university to examine key costs and to lobby the provincial government for new funding. He also added that the University was undertaking a stronger advocacy role with several Ministries.

The Provost explained the new process of program approval and how programs in line with SMAs will be expedited through the decision process. He reported that the Bachelor of Social Work program has made it to the 'expedited' process.

Board members were presented with the four recommendations from the Ad hoc Senate committee in regards to ensuring the participation of Senate and elected faculty members in the process of recommending Senior Academic Administrators. The first three recommendations were concurred with. The last recommendation will be brought to Board Executive for consideration.

The VP Administration updated members on the two lockdowns. A new notification process has been instituted so it is unlikely to occur again. A consultant has been hired to conduct a complete review and will come back with recommendations.

One of two vacancies on the Board has now been filled. Mr. Tom Palangio will be commencing a 3-year term. He will be the other Board representative on Senate.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The President thanked all Senators for their concerns for issues of the day and expressed his holiday wishes.

The Provost reminded senators that because a new program request is in the expedited category does not mean the Ministry will not continue to have questions.

The Dean of Applied and Professional Studies was pleased to report that Lesley Wardley, Zaida Rahaman and Denyse Lafrance Horning have successfully completed their PhD defences.

The NUSU representative announced that the Executive is reviewing the student health plan. All donations to the student food bank are always welcome.

ADJOURNMENT

Senate was adjourned at 4:12 p.m.

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M. DeGagné (Chair)

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C. Jenkins (Senate Secretary)