

NIPISSING UNIVERSITY

MINUTES OF THE ACADEMIC SENATE MEETING

September 11, 2015

2:30 p.m. – Room F210

MEMBERS PRESENT:

H. d'Entremont (Vice-Chair), C. Richardson, M. Tuncali, R. Vanderlee, J. Graham,  
N. Black

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

A. Ackerman, S. Arnocky, D. Borman, N. Colborne, A. Erfani, R. Gendron, F. Noël,  
M. Owens, T. Parkes, G. Phillips, S. Renshaw, M. Saari, D. Walters

M. Bruner, K. Clausen, S. Elliott-Johns, L. Frost, B. Hatt, D. Hay, T. Horton, D. Jarvis,  
J. McIntosh, T. Sibbald,

C. Cho (Brantford), T. Waldock (Muskoka)

O. Pokorny, L. Rossi

S. Feretycki

ABSENT WITH REGRETS:

M. DeGagné (Chair), S. Rich

R. Vernescu

A. Burk, D. Campbell, A. Karashev, N. Kozuskanich, P. Nosko

C. Hachkowski

J. Andrews, M. Byblow, A. Deugo, I. Hall

MOTION 1: Moved by N. Colborne, seconded by D. Borman that the minutes of the regular meeting of the Academic Senate dated May 29, 2015 be adopted as circulated.  
CARRIED

QUESTION PERIOD

The Senate Speaker reminded Senators that substantive questions should be forwarded by e-mail to the Senate Secretary prior to Senate meetings.

There was a question as to the job advertisements for the Graduate Secretary position and the fact that it seemed similar to that of the Graduate Studies Coordinator. The Provost advised that as a result of the restructuring last year the duties of the remaining Graduate Secretary position were modified to cover all faculties, not just education.

In response to an inquiry regarding the HESA report, the Provost noted that this report will be submitted as a background document at the Planning and Priorities Committee (PPC) meeting on September 18. PPC will decide how the report is to be distributed.

A question was raised about Senate's request for a joint committee to review the Board and Senate By-laws that was discussed at the May 29 meeting of Senate. The Provost indicated that the Board of Governors had received the request and it will probably be on the agenda of their October 1 meeting.

REPORTS of STANDING COMMITTEES and FACULTY or UNIVERSITY COUNCILS

SENATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

• **July 30, 2015 Report**

MOTION 2: Moved by H. d'Entremont, seconded by L. Frost that Senate received the Report of the Senate Executive Committee dated July 30, 2015  
CARRIED

• **September 3, 2015 Report**

MOTION 3: Moved by H. d'Entremont, seconded by S. Srigley that Senate receive the Report of the Senate Executive Committee dated September 3, 2015.  
CARRIED

MOTION 4: Moved by H. d'Entremont, seconded by D. Borman that the Senate Regulations and Policies, September 2015 be adopted as outlined in the attached Table of Contents. (full document is available on the Senate website)  
CARRIED

AMENDMENT of BY-LAWS

• **Notice of Motion (Article 9.5.2 - Technology and Infrastructure Subcommittee)**

The Bylaws and Elections Subcommittee received a request to disband the Technology and Infrastructure Subcommittee. It was determined that this committee would recommend to Senate an amendment to Article 9.5.2(b) as follows:

*Current article reads:*

- (b) Members Elected by Faculty Council:
  - (i) one (1) faculty Senator or non-Senator from each Faculty, one of whom shall be elected by the Committee to serve as Vice-Chair;

*Revised article to read:*

- (b) Members Elected by Faculty Council:
  - (i) one (1) faculty Senator or non-Senator from each Faculty, one of whom shall be elected by the Committee to serve as Chair, one of whom shall be elected by the Committee to serve as Vice-Chair;

ELECTIONS

- Elect one faculty Senator or non-Senator (preferably from the Schulich School of Education), to serve on the Research Council as the member-at-large for a 2-year term ending June 30, 2017

**ACCLAIMED:** Mark Bruner

- Elect one faculty Senator or non-Senator, representing CIHR to serve on the Research Council for a 2-year term ending June 30, 2017.

**ACCLAIMED:** Kristina Karvinen

- Elect one faculty Senator or non-Senator from the Faculty of Applied and Professional Studies to serve on the Research Council for a 1-year term ending June 30, 2016. (This is a sabbatical replacement)

**ACCLAIMED:** John Nadeau

- Elect one Senator or non-senator from the Schulich School of Education to serve on the Library Advisory Subcommittee

**ACCLAIMED:** Kurt Clausen

- Elect one faculty Senator from outside the discipline and the department to serve on the search committee for a Tenure Track position in the School of Nursing - Collaborative program

**ACCLAIMED:** Steve Arnocky

- Elect one faculty Senator from outside the discipline and the department to serve on the search committee for a Director - Tenure Track position in the School of Business

**ELECTED:** Daniel Jarvis

- Elect one faculty Senator from outside the discipline and the department to serve on the search committee for a Director - Tenure Track position in the School of Human and Social Development – School of Social Work

**ACCLAIMED:** Wendy Peters

- Elect one tenured faculty member from outside the faculty serve on the search committee for two tenure-track positions in Physical and Health Education

**ACCLAIMED:** Justin Carre

REPORTS FROM OTHER BODIES

Senator Feretycki advised that the Alumni Advisory Board will be meeting on September 16 and they are looking for new members.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Provost and Vice-President Academic and Research welcomed Senators back for a new academic year. He was pleased to report that the 101 (direct high school) confirmations are up 8%. This is the opposite of most of the other northern universities which are experiencing 14% to 16% first-year 101 enrolment decreases. Senators were also advised that the education and college transfer numbers were down.

The Dean of Arts and Science welcomed everyone and hoped it would be a productive academic year.

The Dean of Applied and Profession Studies welcomed four new faculty members. They are: Dr. Jeffrey Overall from the School of Business; Dr. Ron Hoffman- School of Criminology and Criminal Justice; Dr. Ping Zou - School of Nursing - SPP; and Dr. Louela Manankil-Rankin - School of Nursing- SPP.

The Dean from the Schulich School of Education also welcomed everyone back. She extended a special welcome to Geoffrey Hartley, the new BPHE professor. The Dean reminded Senators that this is the inaugural year of the two-year Bachelor of Education program and added that this year marks a record first year enrollment in the Bachelor of Physical and Health Education program. The Dean was pleased to report that Nipissing has received accreditation for the Master of Science in Kinesiology.

ADJOURNMENT

Senate was adjourned at 3:12 p.m.

.....  
H. d'Entremont (Vice-Chair)

.....  
C. Jenkins (Senate Secretary)