

SENATE AGENDA

Friday, May 27, 2016

10:30 a.m. – F210

1. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

2. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES OF THE SENATE MEETING OF: May 13, 2016
UNFINISHED BUSINESS from the May 13, 2016 SENATE MEETING

8. ELECTIONS
 - Elect one representative from each faculty to serve on the Chancellor's Teaching Award Selection Committee

 - Elect one representative from each faculty to serve on the CASBU Teaching Award Selection Committee

3. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

4. READING and DISPOSING of COMMUNICATIONS

5. QUESTION PERIOD

6. REPORTS of STANDING COMMITTEES and FACULTY or UNIVERSITY COUNCILS

SENATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

MOTION 1: That the Annual Report of the Senate Executive Committee dated May 19, 2016 be received.

MOTION 2: That the Report of the Senate Executive Committee dated May 19, 2016 be received.

PLANNING AND PRIORITIES COMMITTEE

MOTION 1: That the Annual Report of the Planning and Priorities Committee dated May 18, 2016, be received.

MOTION 2: That the Report of the Planning and Priorities Committee dated May 13, 2016, be received.

MOTION 3: That Senate grant approval of the Stage 1 Media Studies Program Proposal as outlined in the attached document.

MOTION 4: That Senate grant approval of the Stage 2 Nipissing University-Canadore College SWLF-SSW Collaborative Program Proposal as outlined in the attached document.

UNDERGRADUATE STUDIES COMMITTEE

MOTION 1: That the Annual Report of the Undergraduate Studies Committee, dated May 19, 2016 be received.

STUDENT APPEALS COMMITTEE

MOTION 1: That the Annual Report of the Student Appeals Committee, dated May 10, 2016 be received.

LIBRARY ADVISORY SUBCOMMITTEE

MOTION 1: That the Annual Report of the Library Advisory Subcommittee, dated May 9, 2016 be received.

GRADUATE STUDIES COUNCIL

MOTION 1: That the Annual Report of the Graduate Studies Council, dated May 10, 2016 be received.

MOTION 2: That the Report of the Graduate Studies Council, dated May 5, 2016 be received.

MOTION 3: That the Degree Requirements for the MSc in Kinesiology read as follows:
To graduate with a Master of Science in Kinesiology degree, students must:
a. satisfy all stated requirements for the degree;
b. complete the specified courses, with a minimum overall average of 70%, and a minimum grade of 70% in each course after no more than one attempt

MOTION 4: That the Doctoral Dissertation Process be accepted as per attachment.

RESEARCH COUNCIL

MOTION 1: That the Annual Report of the Research Council, dated May 18, 2016 be received.

BY-LAWS AND ELECTIONS SUBCOMMITTEE

MOTION 1: That the Annual Report of the By-Laws and Elections Subcommittee, dated May 13, 2016 be received.

HONORARY DEGREES SUBCOMMITTEE

MOTION 1: That the Annual Report of the Honorary Degrees Subcommittee, dated May 20, 2016 be received.

6. **OTHER BUSINESS**7. **AMENDMENT of BY-LAWS**8. **ELECTIONS**

- Elect three (3) tenured faculty members, one from each Faculty (elected by Senate) to serve on the search committee for the Vice-President, Finance and Administration.
- Elect one Senator to serve as Speaker of Senate for a one-year term effective July 1, 2016.
- Elect one Senator to serve as Deputy Speaker of Senate for a one-year term effective July 1, 2016.
- Elect one Senator to serve on the Board of Governors for a one-year term commencing July 1, 2016
- Elect one Senator to serve on the Board of Governors for a three-year term commencing July 1, 2016
- Elect one non-Senator to serve on the Board of Governors for a three-year term commencing July 1, 2016
- Elect one faculty to serve on the Special Governance Commission
- Elections for Senate Committees

9. **REPORTS FROM OTHER BODIES**

- A. (1) Board of Governors
(2) Alumni Advisory Board
(3) Council of Ontario Universities (Academic Colleague)
- B. Reports from Senate members participating on other university-related committees

10. **NEW BUSINESS**

11. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- (a) President
- (b) Provost and Vice-President Academic and Research
- (c) Dean of Applied and Professional Studies
- (d) Dean of Arts and Science
- (e) Dean of Education
- (f) Student Representative
- (g) Others

12. ADJOURNMENT

Nipissing University
Minutes of the Academic Senate Meeting
May 13, 2016
2:30 p.m. – Room F210

MEMBERS PRESENT:

M. DeGagné (Chair), H. d'Entremont, J. Graham, C. Richardson, M. Tuncali, R. Vanderlee
A. Armenakyan, G. Brown, L. Chen, K. McCullough, R. Vernescu
A. Ackerman, S. Arnocky, D. Borman, A. Burke, D. Campbell, N. Colborne,
A. Erfani, R. Gendron, N. Kozuskanich, P. Nosko, M. Owens, T. Parkes, G. Phillips, S. Renshaw, S. Srigley, D. Walters
M. Bruner, K. Clausen, L. Frost, B. Hatt, D. Hay, T. Horton, D. Jarvis, J. McIntosh, M.A. Parr, G. Rickwood, T. Sibbald
O. Pokorny, L. Rossi
C. Hachkowski
S. Feretycki
J. Andrews, M. Hawco, J. Dempster, D. Ratcliffe

ABSENT WITH REGRETS:

N. Black
A. Karassev, M. Saari
C. Cho, T. Waldock
M. Berube, J. Zimbalatti
B. Kent

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA OF THE SENATE MEETING OF: May 13, 2016

MOTION 1: Moved by N. Kozuskanich, seconded by R. Gendron that the agenda of the Senate meeting of May 13, 2016 be approved.
CARRIED

ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES OF THE SENATE MEETING OF: April 8, 2016

MOTION 2: Moved by G. Brown, seconded by R. Gendron that the minutes of the Senate meeting of April 8, 2016 be adopted.
CARRIED

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

In regards to questions that came from the Senator Alumni Advisory Board Rep. during the February meeting of Senate, the Teaching and Learning Committee offered this response:

The Teaching & Learning Committee carefully considered the four questions from Senate. The Committee concluded that no specific instruments were put in place during or after the strike to collect such data; and the Senate Committee on Teaching & Learning does not have the capacity, mandate or resources to answer such questions.

The PPC motions were discussed and a request was made for clarification regarding what Senate is approving given that the Final Assessment Reports contain responses from external reviewers. The Provost advised that it is an IQAP requirement that the Final Assessment Report be approved by Senate. The key part of the report is the PPC recommendation. The report is presented to and voted on by Senate. Reports are provided so that they can be carefully read and questions can be asked. The Provost advised that PPC as the planning body of Senate takes all of the information provided into consideration. It was suggested that the wording of the motions could be clearer.

As a follow up from the April Senate meeting the Provost read a response from the Director of Facilities and advised that the policy for closure due to weather conditions is posted on the University website. A factor that also needs to be considered is consultation with Canadore College when decisions are made to close the Campus. The policy will be discussed again at a future meeting. A request was made that consistent communication be included in the discussion.

QUESTION PERIOD

A question was raised regarding the land across from the Athletic Centre and what it will be used for. The Provost advised that the University owns the property and to his knowledge there were no current plans to develop the property. Plans are in the works for the new Student Centre to be built on the corner of the land leading to the Monastery.

A request was made that the results of the voting for the PVPAR search committee be advised. The President advised that all of the appointments to the search committee have not yet been made. Senator Horton advised that the Senior Academic Appointment Policy on the Board of Governors website indicates that the elected names cannot be published until all of the appointments have been completed. It was suggested that it would be helpful to move this process along so that nominated individuals not elected to that committee can put their names forward for other committees.

A Senator requested that Senate move in camera so that a question could be asked.

CARRIED

REPORTS of STANDING COMMITTEES and FACULTY or UNIVERSITY COUNCILS**SENATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

MOTION 3: Moved by H. d'Entremont, seconded by L. Frost that Senate receive the Report of the Senate Executive Committee dated May 5, 2016.

CARRIED

UNDERGRADUATE STUDIES COMMITTEE

- MOTION 4: Moved by M. Tuncali, seconded by H. d'Entremont that the Report of the Undergraduate Studies Committee, dated April 14, 2016 be received.
CARRIED
- MOTION 5: Moved by M. Tuncali, seconded by C. Richardson that the Undergraduate Studies Committee recommend to Senate that the course EDUC 1545 Native Languages, Part 1 be added to the list of In-Service offerings (see descriptive data).
CARRIED
- MOTION 6: Moved by M. Tuncali, seconded by R. Vanderlee that the Undergraduate Studies Committee recommend to Senate that the BScN – SPP admission policy modification be approved.
CARRIED
- MOTION 7: Moved by M. Tuncali, seconded by R. Vanderlee that the Undergraduate Studies Committee recommend to Senate that the Senate Policy on Final Grades be modified as outlined.
CARRIED

PLANNING AND PRIORITIES COMMITTEE

- MOTION 8: Moved by H. d'Entremont, seconded by M. Tuncali that the Report of the Planning and Priorities Committee dated April 22, 2016, be received.
CARRIED
- MOTION 9: Moved by H. d'Entremont, seconded by M. Tuncali that Senate give approval in principle to the broad goals and objectives contained in the Strategic Enrolment Management Report prepared by Higher Education Strategy Associates (22 June 2015).

Some faculty expressed concerns regarding an increased teaching load and a risk of internationalization and did not support the broad goals and objectives in the above Motion. It was suggested that a smaller Senate Committee be struck. The Provost advised that it was premature to strike a Committee until the wishes of Senate had been heard and thought it problematic to vote down a recommendation from PPC. Another concern was expressed that the report had been generated by a third party.

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S. Renshaw moved that Motion 9 be amended as follows: That Senate receive the Strategic Enrolment Management Report prepared by Higher Education Strategy Associates (22 June 2015).
CARRIED (1 opposed)
- MOTION 10: Moved by H. d'Entremont, seconded by M. Tuncali that Senate approve that PPC's mandate be extended to include oversight of ~~the~~ a Strategic Enrolment Management Plan (friendly amendment from R. Vanderlee to change "the" to "a").

Faculty expressed concerns that PPC is not the proper body to oversee the SEM as it already has a heavy workload and membership has a turnaround every 12 months. SEM is an issue that concerns everyone. A recommendation was made for a new, different committee with a longer term and representation by faculty and students. A smaller, lighter more innovative and nimble committee would enable decisions to be made quickly with a focus on the academic side of the house. The Provost commented that the PPC is a hard working committee and the decision was unanimous to oversee the SEM. He agreed that the bylaws of many committees need to be amended so that there is more continuity. Committee members changing on a yearly basis is an inadequate way of governing our policies. He advised that the committee should be driven by Senior Academic Administrators, the Deans and the Registrar's office. Dean Vanderlee spoke in favour of PPC's mandate being expanded to include the SEM. PPC is directed, focused and already has the structure in

place. He advised that it would be redundant and expressed concerns regarding the difficulties that exist filling the committees that we currently have. Dean Tuncali advised that PPC is a committee of Senate and also supported the expansion of PPC's mandate to include the SEM.

DEFEATED

MOTION 11: Moved by H. d'Entremont, seconded by M. Tuncali that Senate grant approval of the Stage 1 Biomedical Science Proposal as outlined in the attached document.

CARRIED

MOTION 12: Moved by H. d'Entremont, seconded by M. Tuncali that Senate grant approval of the Final Assessment Report of the Classical Studies IQAP Review, as outlined in the attached document.

CARRIED

MOTION 13: Moved by H. d'Entremont, seconded by M. Tuncali that Senate grant approval of the Final Assessment Report of the History IQAP Review, as outlined in the attached document.

CARRIED

MOTION 14: Moved by H. d'Entremont, seconded by M. Tuncali that Senate grant approval of the Final Assessment Report of the Mathematics and Computer Science IQAP Review, as outlined in the attached document.

CARRIED

ABSTENTION - 1

MOTION 15: Moved by H. d'Entremont, seconded by L. Chen that Senate grant approval of the Final Assessment Report of the Native Studies IQAP Review, as outlined in the attached document.

CARRIED

MOTION 16: Moved by H. d'Entremont, seconded by M. Tuncali that Senate grant approval of the Final Assessment Report of the Social Welfare and Social Development IQAP Review, as outlined in the attached document.

CARRIED

OTHER BUSINESS

The 2016-17 Operating Budget was distributed. The Provost advised that it will be presented to the Board on June 2. There were no changes in the funding formula of the provincial grants. A question was asked why the operating budget for the Muskoka Campus was included when the Campus is closing. The Provost advised that an MOU had been signed and that tenure and tenure-track faculty have been offered positions in North Bay therefore salaries must be included. It was noted that past budgets have included a summary page. The Provost advised that it has been a work in progress and was only recently completed. Endowments, athletic expenses and SSHRC funding were also discussed. It was noted that residence and parking services were not listed as revenue sources in the budget. The Provost advised that these two services are included in the Ancillary Budget which is not a large budget and will be presented to the Board. A concern was raised regarding a drop in the Aboriginal Initiatives operating budget. It was noted that this is important work and could impact NU. The President advised that a high percentage of the funding is from grants received. Senator Hachkowski also advised that the funding had ended for two research projects that are now finished. It was noted that the operating cost of Finance and Administration is increasing by 32%. The Provost advised that there has been a re-structuring in VP Operations and Finance. He also advised that the administrative budget is down 25%.

NEW BUSINESS

MOTION 17: Moved by J. Graham, seconded by M. Tuncali that Senate consider receipt of the Graduation Applicants dated May 13, 2016.
CARRIED

MOTION 18: Moved by J. Graham, seconded by M. Tuncali that Senate receive the Report of Graduation Applicants dated May 13, 2016.
CARRIED

MOTION 19: Moved by J. Graham, seconded by M. Tuncali that approval to graduate be granted to the students listed in the Report of Grad Applicants dated May 13, 2016.
CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

With the departure of several Senators, quorum was lost and the Senate meeting was adjourned at 5:10 p.m.

NIPISSING UNIVERSITY

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SENATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

May 19, 2016

Senate Executive met a total of 10 times since July 1, 2015. Two of those meetings were electronic meetings. The July 31, 2015 meeting was to approve graduates of behalf of Senate. The March 7, 2016 meeting was to receive the Bylaws and Elections Subcommittee Report and set the dates for Senate and Senate Executive Committee meetings for 2016-17.

Members	Attendance/Participation
M. DeGagné (Chair)	7
H. d'Entremont (Vice-Chair)	8
C. Richardson	8
M. Tuncali	10
R. Vanderlee	7
N. Colborne ¹	10
L. Frost	9
S. Renshaw ²	7
F. Noel ³	2
R. Vernescu	8
I. Hall ⁴	2
J. Andrews ⁴	7
Recording Secretary: S. Landriault	

¹N. Colborne replaced S. Renshaw as Senate Speaker effective December 2015.

²S. Renshaw replaced N. Colborne as Deputy Speaker effective January 2016.

³F. Noel resigned from the Senate Executive Committee effective January 2016.

⁴J. Andrews replaced I. Hall as the NUSU representative effective December 2015.

Senate Executive established the Senate meeting dates for 2016-2017.

Annual reports were received from the Bylaws and Elections and the Honorary Degrees subcommittees.

Respectfully submitted,

M. DeGagné, Chair
Senate Executive Committee

MOTION 1: That the Annual Report of the Senate Executive Committee dated May 19, 2016 be received.

NIPISSING UNIVERSITY
SENATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

May 19, 2016

There was a meeting of the Senate Executive Committee on Thursday, May 19, 2016.

Members present: N. Colborne, L. Frost, S. Renshaw, C. Richardson, M. Tuncali (Acting Chair), R. Vanderlee, J. Andrews

Regrets: M. DeGagné (Chair), H. d'Entremont (Vice-Chair), R. Vernescu

Recording Secretary: S. Landriault

The Dean of Arts & Science chaired the meeting in the absence of the Chair and Vice-Chair.

The purpose of the meeting was to set the agenda for the May 27, 2016 Senate meeting.

Elections for the Chancellor's and CASBU Teaching Award selection committees will be added to the agenda as quorum was lost at the May 13, 2016 Senate meeting.

Elections to replace the Senate Speaker and Deputy Senate Speaker will be added to the May 27, 2016 Senate Agenda.

Quorum for the May 27, 2016 Senate meeting was discussed. Several faculty members have advised of regrets due to attendance at conferences. The Senate Secretary will send an e-mail to Senators regarding availability.

The following items were identified as items of urgency on the May 27, 2016 Senate agenda: approval of the graduates, approval of the Graduate Studies Report (Doctoral Dissertation process) and approval of the PPC Report (SWLF-SSW Collaborative program).

A discussion regarding leaves and the replacement of Senators took place. It was agreed that further clarity of the Bylaws was required. The Chair of the Bylaws and Elections Subcommittee will look into and report back.

A request was made for an announcement advising of the members of the Provost and Vice-President, Academic and Research Search Committee. The Senior Academic Appointment Policy posted on the Board of Governors' website indicates that, "Following the first meeting of the Search Committee, the Chair shall notify the University community of the names of the members of the Committee for informational purposes."

Respectfully submitted,

Original signed by:

M. Tuncali, Acting Chair
Senate Executive Committee

MOTION 1: That the Report of the Senate Executive Committee dated May 19, 2016 be received.

Nipissing University
Annual Report of the Planning and Priorities Committee

May 20, 2016

During the academic year 2015-16, nine PPC meetings were scheduled; however, PPC met on eight occasions on the following days: September 18, December 11, January 22, February 19, March 18, April 22 and May 13. An additional meeting was scheduled for April 1. There was no quorum at the October 16 meeting and the November 20 meeting was cancelled. PPC membership and attendance at the nine meetings were as follows:

<u>Membership</u>	<u>Attendance</u>
Harley d'Entremont, Chair	8
Nancy Black	7
Glenn Brophay	7
Greg Brown	7
Christine Cho	6
Jordan Dempster ¹	1
Jamie Graham	4
Chris Hachkowski	7
Blaine Hatt	7
Alex Karassev	6
Laurie Kruk	6
Sydney Lamorea	6
Aroha Page ²	5
Carole Richardson	7
Matti Saari	5
Kerri Sawyer ³	1
Trevor Smith ²	1
Murat Tuncali	7
Rick Vanderlee	6
Janet Zimbalatti	5

¹ Attending on behalf of NUSU May 2016

² Re-appointed to PPC in January 2016 to replace Trevor Smith

³ Resigned from PPC January 2016

PPC discussed the following matters during the year:

Stage 1 New Program Proposals

- BA & BSc Honours Specialization (recommendation to Senate)
- Joint Degree/Diploma Bachelor of Arts in Social Welfare and Social Development (SWLF) Nipissing University and Canadore College (recommendation to Senate)
- Bachelor of Arts, Child and Family Studies program (recommendation to Senate)
- BBA Finance Stream (recommendation to Senate)
- Stream in Statistics to be added to the Mathematics Department (recommendation to Senate)
- Environment Chemistry (recommendation to Senate)
- Biomedical Science (recommendation to Senate)
- Media Studies (recommendation to Senate)

Stage 2 New Program Proposals

- BEd in Adult Education (recommendation to Senate)

- BA Human Rights and State Violence with the understanding that all references to new faculty be removed from the proposal (recommendation to Senate)
- Nipissing University-Canadore College SWLF-SSW Collaborative Program (recommendation to Senate)

Stage 1 Major Modifications

- Bachelor of Arts, Child and Family Studies Program (recommendation to Senate)
- Child and Family Studies (CHFS) (recommendation to Senate)
- BBA Finance Stream (recommendation to Senate)

IQAP Reviews

The following programs are scheduled for cyclical review in 2016-17:

- Sociology (Arts & Science)
- Physical and Health Education (Schulich School of Education)

Cyclical Reviews – Final Assessment Reports

Final Assessment Reports for the following programs were recommended to Senate for approval and sent to Quality Council:

- Political Science
- Economics
- Religion and Cultures
- Child and Family Studies
- Gender Equality and Social Justice
- Psychology
- Biology and Chemistry
- Philosophy
- Classical Studies
- History
- Mathematics and Computer Science
- Native Studies
- Social Welfare and Social Development

Other

- Dean and Committee responses to the external reviewers' report for the proposed Human Rights and State Violence program were reviewed.
- Department and Dean responses to the external reviewers' report of the Political Science program cyclical review, conducted in March 2015, were reviewed.
- The draft self-study templates for program and cyclical reviews were reviewed.
- The Strategic Enrolment Management Final Report received from HESA was reviewed.
- An external review was held on the MA in Sociology program.
- Quality Council, at its meeting of April 22, 2016, accepted the recommendation of the Appraisal Committee that the proposed Sociology – Applied Social Research (MA) program be approved to commence.
- The Director of Aboriginal Initiatives gave an overview of the Office of Aboriginal Initiatives and shared several of the many available resources.

Pending Items

- Two motions regarding the Strategic Enrolment Management Report recommendations be accepted in principle and a committee (or PPC) will be formed.
- The criteria used in decisions to suspend enrolment was discussed and recognizing the importance of the process PPC recommended that the report be deferred until after the Board of Governors Governance Report is available to inform its deliberations on this matter.

The Chair acknowledges and thanks the PPC members for their diligence and commitment.

Respectfully submitted,

Original signed by:

Harley d'Entremont, PhD
Provost and Vice-President, Academic & Research
Chair, Planning and Priorities Committee

Motion 1: That Senate receive the 2015-16 Annual Report of the Planning and Priorities Committee, dated May 20, 2016.

**Report of the
 PLANNING AND PRIORITIES COMMITTEE**

Friday, May 13, 2016

COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

Harley d'Entremont (Chair)	Chris Hachkowski	Carole Richardson
Glenn Brophey	Blaine Hatt	Murat Tuncali
Greg Brown	Alex Karassev	Rick Vanderlee
Jordan Dempster	Laurie Kruk	

Regrets: Nancy Black, Christine Cho, Jamie Graham, Aroha Page, Matti Saari, Janet Zimbalatti

Guests: Jordan Andrews

Recording Secretary: S. Landriault

The Provost advised that eight of the Final Assessment Reports had been sent to Quality Council. The names of any identified faculty were removed. The motion to expand PPC's mandate to include oversight of a Strategic Enrolment Management Plan will be presented at the May 13th Senate meeting. If Senate agrees with the PPC recommendation, a meeting to discuss the report will be planned for June.

Tanya Lukin-Linklater, the Director of Aboriginal Initiatives, gave a broad overview of the Office of Aboriginal Initiatives and shared several of the many available resources. She advised that the IQAP review commended our Aboriginal Summer Education Programs, Aboriginal Advantage Program and Anishinaabe focus for being at the leading edge in curriculum in Indigenous Studies. The Provost suggested that the statement, "please describe the Aboriginal content in this program and if there is none or very little, explain why" be added to the template for program approval.

The Provost reported that the Media Studies Program proposal received Stage 1 approval, and the Nipissing University-Canadore College SWLF-SSW Collaborative Program received Stage 2 approval.

The Provost presented examples of IQAP templates provided by Brock University. The templates will simplify the process as well as act as a reminder as to what should be included in the reports.

The Provost advised that the Academic Plan process won't be completed until September. The Academic Plan will be included in the Business Plan and will be presented to the Board of Governors for adoption. The Provost reminded that it is an MTCU obligation to post the Business Plan by October. The MTCU is looking for measurable, achievable objectives. Next year a report will be written and posted to our website.

Respectfully submitted,

Harley d'Entremont, PhD
 Chair, Planning and Priorities Committee

Motion 1: That the Report of the Planning and Priorities Committee dated May 13, 2016, be received.

Motion 2: That Senate grant approval of the Stage 1 Media Studies Program Proposal as outlined in the attached document.

Motion 3: That Senate grant approval of the Stage 2 Nipissing University-Canadore College SWLF-SSW Collaborative Program Proposal as outlined in the attached document.

Annual Report of the Undergraduate Studies Committee

May 10, 2016

The Undergraduate Studies Committee met 8 times between July 1, 2015 and May 10, 2016.

The following is an outline of its membership and attendance.

<u>Membership</u>	<u>Attendance</u>
Sharon Rich (Chair – Oct. 14 - Dec. 2/15)	2
Murat Tuncali (Chair – Dec. 3/15 - May 10/16)	7
Carole Richardson (Vice-Chair)	7
Rick Vanderlee	7
Jamie Graham	7
Daniel Jarvis	6
Reehan Mirza	8
Tony Parkes	5
Roxana Vernescu	7
Anne Wagner	7
Sydney Lamorea	3
Kerri Sawyer	2
Pavlina Radia	1
Jane Barker	1
Rebecca Roome-Rancourt	1

The Undergraduate Studies Committee approved a total of 228 motions.

The Annual Report of the Undergraduate Standing & Petitions Subcommittee was received.

The following new degree, certificate and program requirements, including amendments and revisions were approved:

Faculty of Applied & Professional Studies:

School of Business
School of Criminology and Criminal Justice
School of Nursing
Social Work

Faculty of Arts and Science:

Biology and Chemistry
Computer Science and Mathematics
English Studies
Political Science
Religion and Cultures

Schulich School of Education

Bachelor of Education
Bachelor of Physical and Health Education

New courses, course revisions, banking or deletions were approved in the following degrees/disciplines:

Faculty of Applied & Professional Studies:

School of Business
School of Criminology and Criminal Justice
School of Human and Social Development
School of Nursing
Social Work

Faculty of Arts and Science:

Biology and Chemistry
Computer Science and Mathematics
English Studies
Fine and Performing Arts
Geography
History
Political Science
Psychology
Religion and Cultures
Sociology
University Success

Schulich School of Education:

Adult Education
Bachelor of Education
Bachelor of Physical and Health Education
In-Service Offerings

Other Business:

Admission Policy: Aboriginal Advantage Program
Admission Policy: Bachelor of Science in Nursing – Scholar Practitioner Program
Admission Policy: Bachelor of Social Work
Admission Policy: Concurrent Grade 12 Applicants
Admission to a Degree Program from the Aboriginal Advantage Program
Advanced Standing Policy: Biotechnology Technician and Technologist Diploma
Advanced Standing Policy: Environmental Technician – Protection and Compliance Diploma
Exam Policy Revision
Ancillary Fees: Guidelines pertaining to learning resources and fieldtrips
Guidelines for Instructors on textbooks, clickers, field trips and the use of online resources

Respectfully submitted,



Dr. Murat Tuncali
Dean, Faculty of Arts and Science
Chair, Undergraduate Studies Committee

MOTION 1: That Senate receive the Annual Report of the Undergraduate Studies Committee, dated May 10, 2016.



**ANNUAL REPORT OF THE
UNDERGRADUATE STANDING AND PETITIONS SUBCOMMITTEE**

May 10, 2016

The Senate Subcommittee on Undergraduate Standing and Petitions Subcommittee met a total of 19 times between July 1, 2015 and May 10, 2016.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS	ATTENDANCE
Jamie Graham (Chair)	17
Carole Richardson	14
Pavlina Radia	16
Rick Vanderlee	12
Richard Wenghofer	15
Nancy Maynes	17
Karey McCullough	16
Barb Olmsted	3
Sydney Lamorea	9
Jordan Andrews	4
Murat Tuncali	3
Brittany Fisher	3
Kerri Sawyer	3
Jane Barker	1

The S&P Subcommittee heard a total of 251 petitions. These included consideration of late registrations, honourable withdrawal from courses and variations in degree requirements, Senate regulations, and admission requirements.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Jamie Graham'. The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Jamie Graham, Chair
Undergraduate Standing and Petitions Subcommittee

Motion 1: That the Undergraduate Studies Committee receive the Annual Report of the Undergraduate Standing and Petitions Subcommittee dated May 10, 2016.



**ANNUAL REPORT OF THE
STUDENT APPEALS COMMITTEE**

May 10, 2016

The Student Appeals Committee Individual Appeal Panels met 10 times between July 1, 2015 and May 10, 2016.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Jamie Graham (Chair)
Andrew Ackerman
Anahit Armenakyan
Lanyan Chen
Todd Horton
Toivo Koivukoski
Jeff Scott
Sydney Lamorea

Six appeals were submitted to the Student Appeals Committee, as follows:

4 – Faculty of Applied and Professional Studies
2 – Schulich School of Education

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Jamie Graham'.

Jamie Graham, Chair
Student Appeals Committee

Motion 1: That the Annual Report of the Student Appeals Committee dated May 10, 2016, be received by Senate.

Nipissing University

Annual Report of the Library Advisory Senate Subcommittee – 2015/2016

May 9, 2016

The Library Advisory Senate Subcommittee met twice: January 18, 2016 and March 1, 2016.

Membership List and attendance.

<u>Membership</u>	<u>Attendance</u>
Nancy E. Black (Chair)	2
Sarah Winters (Vice Chair)	2
Paul Millar	2
Dennis Geden	2
Jordan Andrews - Student representative	2
Adam Adler	1
Manuel Litalien	1
Kurt Clausen	1
Tom Waldock	1

Janet Coates (minute taker)

The terms of reference for this committee had been reviewed last year (2015/2016) and the proposed changes had been forwarded to Chris Hachkowski, Chair of Teaching and Learning Committee, and also forwarded to Sal Renshaw and Christine Jenkins for review by the Senate Bylaws Committee. For whatever reason, it appears that the revisions had not been received for approval. Nancy E. Black followed up on this during the fall of 2015; the revised terms were forwarded again and were brought to the March 11, 2016 Senate as a notice of motion. The revised terms were approved by Senate at the April Senate meeting.

This past year, this committee again focused attention on the NUFA Donation as well as the Special Acquisitions Fund. Following previous practice, faculty members were invited to submit recommendations for purchase for the donation and for the fund. The committee reviewed the suggestions, which were then purchased; the items arrived before end of fiscal 2015/16. A report summarizing the process and outcome was provided to NUFA.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy E. Black

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Chair, Library Advisory Subcommittee

Motion 1: That the Teaching and Learning Committee receive the Annual Report of the Library Advisory Subcommittee dated May 9, 2016.

Annual Report of the Graduate Studies Council 2015-16

May 10, 2016

During the year, The Graduate Studies Council met on five occasions: Sept. 18, 2015, October 16, 2015, January 26, 2016, April 5, 2016 and May 3, 2016. An electronic vote was held in October to send the MSc Kinesiology courses, contained in the IQAP proposal, to Senate.

Membership	Attendance
Sharon Rich, Chair until December 2015	2
Harley d'Entremont, Provost/VPAR, Chair from January 2016	1
Murat Tuncali, Dean, A&S	5
Carole Richardson, Dean Education	5
Nancy Black, Library	4
Jamie Graham, Registrar	5
Lorraine Frost	4
Michelann Parr	1
Hilary Earl	3
Stephen Connor	2
Mark Wachowiak	1
Dan Walters	4
John Kovacs	3
Jim McAuliffe from January 2016	2
Mark Bruner from January 2016	3
Suzanne McGinn, Recording Secretary	

The Graduate Studies Council discussed the following matters during the year:

1. The following student counts were presented:

Program	Students
Med Course Work	142
MEd Research	40
PhD	35
MA History	10
MES/MESc	25
MSc Math	2

2. A new process for hiring and paying Graduate Assistants was developed.

3. The Graduate Studies website is under revision.
4. A policy for Graduate Student Travel Funding continues to be revised.
5. MSc in Kinesiology courses were approved and sent for Senate approval.
6. Concerns with limited response from international students to Student Opinion Surveys in the MEd program
7. Academic Calendar changed to reflect changes to “Course Enrolment Per Term.”
8. Changes made to the prerequisites for EDUC 5186.
9. A process for the Doctoral Dissertation Process was approved and sent for Senate approval.

Respectfully submitted,

Dr. Harley d’Entremont
Provost and Vice President Academic and Research

Motion: That Senate accept the report of Graduate Studies Council for 2015-16 as submitted

Nipissing University
Report of the Graduate Studies Council
May 5, 2016

The meeting of the **Graduate Studies Council** was held on Tuesday, May 3, 2016 at 2:00 p.m.

Present:

Harley d'Entremont (Chair)
Murat Tuncali Carole Richardson
Jamie Graham Jim McAuliffe
Nancy Black Michelann Parr
Lorraine Frost Mark Bruner

Absent with Regrets:

Dan Walters
Hilary Earl
Mark Wachowiak
Stephen Connor
John Kovacs
Stephen Tedesco

Suzanne McGinn – Recording Secretary

Guests:

R. Roome-Rancourt, Louise Ells, Jessica McMillan

The following motions were passed by the Graduate Studies Council:

Motion: That the Degree Requirements for the MSc in Kinesiology read as follows:

To graduate with a Master of Science in Kinesiology degree, students must:

- a. satisfy all stated requirements for the degree;
- b. complete the specified courses, with a minimum overall average of 70%, and a minimum grade of 70% in each course after no more than one attempt

Motion: That the Doctoral Dissertation Process be accepted as per attachment.

Respectfully submitted,



Dr. Harley d'Entremont
Provost and Vice-President Academic and Research
Chair, Graduate Studies Council

Motion 1: That the report of the Graduate Studies Council, dated May 5, 2016, be accepted.

Motion 2: That the Degree Requirements for the MSc in Kinesiology read as follows:

To graduate with a Master of Science in Kinesiology degree, students must:

- a. satisfy all stated requirements for the degree;
- b. complete the specified courses, with a minimum overall average of 70%, and a minimum grade of 70% in each course after no more than one attempt

Motion 3: That the Doctoral Dissertation Process be accepted as per attachment.



**Annual Senate Report
Research Council**

The **Research Council** (RC) for the 2015/16 academic year met three (3) times, October 30, 2015, January 21, 2016 and March 29, 2016. The membership and attendance are outlined as follows:

<u>Membership</u>	<u>Attendance</u>
Harley d'Entremont, Chair	3
Nancy Black	3
Mark Bruner	2
Robin Gendron	3
Logan Hehn	3
April James	3
Kristina Karvinen	3
John Nadeau	3
Carole Richardson	2
Dan St. Georges	2
Murat Tuncali	3
Rick Vanderlee	3
Kevin Wilcox	0

Research Achievement Award

The Research Achievement Award selection committee received and reviewed three (3) nominations. The selection committee met and agreed that Drs. Logan Hoehn, Michelann Parr and Steven Arnocky would be the award recipients for 2016-17.

Creation of Centre (IWRC)

The Research Council reviewed and approved the creation of the Integrative Watershed Research Centre (IWRC).

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Harley d'Entremont', with a long, sweeping flourish extending to the right.

Harley d'Entremont, Ph.D., Chair
Research Council

Motion #1: That Senate receive the Annual Report of the Research Council dated May 18, 2016.

Nipissing University
Annual Report of the Bylaws and Elections Subcommittee

May 13, 2016

During the 2015-16 academic year, the Bylaws and Elections Subcommittee met on September 15, 2015; January 8 and February 5, 2016. Membership and attendance at the meetings are as follows:

<u>Membership</u>	<u>Attendance</u>
Sal Renshaw, Chair ¹	2
Nathan Colborne, Chair ²	3
Jordan Andrews	2
Harley d'Entremont (non-voting)	3
Diane Davis	2
Janet McIntosh	3
Christine Jenkins (recording secretary) (non-voting) ³	1
Sandy Landriault (recording secretary) (non-voting) ³	2

1 As Senate Speaker, Sal Renshaw chaired the first meeting but resigned as Speaker after this meeting. She was elected as Deputy Speaker and attended the final meeting.

2 As Deputy Senate Speaker, Nathan Colborne chaired the meetings after the resignation of the Speaker.

3 Christine Jenkins was replaced by Sandy Landriault as recording secretary after the retirement of the former.

The subcommittee recommended several substantive changes to Senate bylaws. In particular, the Technology and Infrastructure Subcommittee was made a full committee of Senate and changes were made to the terms of reference of the Library Advisory Subcommittee. Other bylaw changes clarified language or made position titles consistent.

The subcommittee also received several communications on Senate Reform including a Senate Reform Report prepared by an ad hoc committee of the previous year's Bylaws and Elections Subcommittee and a memo from the Constitution Committee of the Faculty of Education Council. In light of these reports, the subcommittee constituted an ad hoc committee to develop a survey to collect data from faculty members regarding the governance of the University. The survey was distributed and a report based on the data and making recommendation is before the subcommittee and should come to the final Senate of the academic year.

Pressing business for the next Bylaws and Elections Subcommittee should be developing ways to increase and broaden participation in Senate and its committees and subcommittees, addressing a broad perception of a lack of transparency in governance in the University, and regularizing and improving the functioning of Faculty Councils.

Respectfully submitted,

Nathan Colborne
Chair, Bylaws and Elections Subcommittee

MOTION 1: That Senate Executive receive the Annual Report of the Bylaws and Elections Subcommittee dated May 13, 2016.

NIPISSING UNIVERSITY

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE HONORARY DEGREES SUBCOMMITTEE

May 20, 2016

Members

M. DeGagné (Chair)

H. d'Entremont (Vice-Chair)

N. Brown

J. Allison

O. Atari

M. Berubé

M. Tuncali

S. Feretycki

*I. Hall (NUSU)

*J. Andrews (NUSU)

* The representatives from the Nipissing University Student Union changed during the academic year.

A meetings was held on February 5, 2016 to consider candidates for honorary degree designation for Convocation 2016. Members were advised that it was Nipissing University's turn to select the honorary degree recipient for the Brantford convocation.

As per past practice, an e-mail was sent out to the university community in August to solicit names of potential candidates to add to the master list.

At the meeting in February, three additional names were received from the solicitation and the committee agreed to forward these suggestions to Senate for approval.

The list of approved names from which the committee has to work currently stands at 24. This includes the names designated for June 2016.

There were no nominations received for professor emeritus.

Respectfully submitted,



Mike DeGagné, Chair
Honorary Degrees Subcommittee

MOTION #1: That Senate Executive receive the Annual Report of the Honorary Degrees Subcommittee dated May 20, 2016.