Minutes of the Second Meeting of Senate
Held Friday, October 16, 2009
ITEC Lecture Theatre, Robertson Library, 3:00 p.m.


Regrets: G. Bradshaw, B. Davetian, R. Herbert, K. Kielly, J. MacAulay, B. MacLaine, M. Murray, D. Reynolds, J. Sentence, S. Thomas, A. Trivett


Guests: Tamara Leary

1. Approval of Agenda
The agenda was approved with one item carried forward to the next meeting. The election of a Board representative will take place in November, as there were no nominations at this time. Moves (M Shaver/ Dave Seeler) Carried.

2. Approval of Minutes of September 18, 2009
The minutes of September 18 were approved with the correction to the spelling of K. Gottschall-Pass’ name. Moves (K. G. Pass/D. Buck) Carried.

3. Business Arising from September 18, 2009 Minutes
There was no business arising from the September 18 meeting.

4. Selection of Vice Chair
The Chair nominated S. Thomas for Vice Chair of Senate. Moves (W. MacLauchlan/D. Seeler) Carried.

5. President’s Report
- A Poetic Symposium is taking place this weekend with both UPEI and PEI well represented.
- Congratulations to the Library on the opening of the Language lab and Collaboratory, and to the Library in general. Both are getting a great deal of use.
- There were 3100 participants in the AVC Open House this year during homecoming weekend, which is the largest group ever. Congratulations to all who make this event happen each year.
- AVC teaching hospital has had its official re-opening.
- There was a good turnout for this year’s Founders Day and a positive reception for distinguished alumni.
- Field hockey championships are being held on UPEI turf field this weekend. The UPEI team has been regional champions over the past few years. As well, soccer women won a national leadership award recently – congratulations to the team and to Captain M. McKenna
- Congratulations to all involved in the Gardiner lecture for high school students. This is intended to become an annual event and it is good for UPEI to be a part of this.
- Congratulations to all involved with Deans honours and awards night, and AVC awards night.
- AAU data will be discussed later in this meeting. Overall report for UPEI reflects well on our reputation and word of mouth marketing.
- Deirdre Kessler has published her first book of poetry which is being launched next week.
- Please note that October 19-23 is Sustainability week, with a public forum on October 19th at 7 pm.

6. Nominating Committee Report
The Nominating Committee Report was presented as follows by D. Seeler on behalf of S. Thomas.

*The Senate Nominating Committee brings forward the following names as nominees for the committees indicated:
Scholarships & Awards Committee  
Jeanette MacAulay (Centre for Life Long Learning) re-offered

Honorary Degrees Committee  
Ian Dowbiggin (Arts) re-offered

Senate Committee on Enhancement of Teaching (SCENT)  
Susan Dawson (Veterinary Medicine)  
Betty Jeffery (Library) re-offered  
Debra Younker (Arts)  
Cory Stevenson (Undergraduate Student, Education)

Senate Research Advisory Committee  
Jason Pearson (Chemistry)

Research Grants Committee: Sub-Committee of the Research Advisory  
Christina Murray (Nursing)

Student Discipline Appeals  
Kimberly Goslin (Education)

Vice President Academic Search Committee  
Nola Etkin (Science)  
Larry Hale (Science)  
Jeanne Lofstedt (Veterinary Medicine)  
Judy Lynn Richards (Arts)  
Wendy Shilton (Arts)  
Jim Sentance (Arts)

Senate Representative Board of Governors  
No nominations received

Moved (D.Seeler/K. Gottschall Pass) Carried.

One additional nomination as then put forward:  
Library Committee  
Seán Hennessey and Jane McGrath Moved (D.Seeler/M Leggott) Carried

Election of Membership for Vice President Academic Search Committee
Following the Report of the Nominating Committee, the Senate voted to elect the following members to the VP Academic Search Committee:  
Jim Sentance  
Nola Etkin.

7. Enrolment Comparison Analysis AAU Stats

The Chair gave a brief review of the 2009-2010 AAU Preliminary Survey of Enrolments. UPEI total enrolment increased by 4.5% over last year. Total Maritime enrolment was up by 1.7% and Atlantic up by 2.1%. UPEI had no increase in full-time 1st year 1st entry students. Maritime and Atlantic totals were also close to par in this category.
UPEI full-time Visa students increased by 27.7% and transfer students by 47.9%. Overall Maritime and Atlantic totals showed increases in both of these categories as well. A copy of the Survey will be posted on the VRE.

8. Academic Review and Planning Committee

In the absence of Vice President Herbert, Dean Critchley brought forward two motions from the Academic Review and Planning Committee:

Moved (K Critchley/T Goddard): That the Assistant Vice President of Graduate Studies be included as a member of the Academic Review and Planning Committee. Carried

Moved (K. Critchley/D. Seeler): That Academic Regulation #13 - Examination Regulations be revised as follows:

1d) Students may be required to present their valid UPEI ID card at all examinations scheduled during the official examination periods and sign the signatures list when used.

e) No articles such as books, papers, or other materials may be taken into the examination room unless provision has been made by the examiner. Specifically, without such permission, no laptops, electronic computing, data storage or communications devices may be in the possession of a student in the examination room. Calculators may be used at the discretion of the instructor. Any jackets, hats, bags, knapsacks, etc, are to left at the front or back of the examination room and may be picked up at the end of the examination.

f) Students who speak English as a second language may be allowed to use one bilingual dictionary (paper) to assist them in writing quizzes and examinations. The use of electronic translators is not permitted under any circumstances.

g) Students may not leave their seats during an examination except with the consent of the invigilator.

h) Food is not permitted in the examination room.

Carried

Second Curriculum Report

M. Leggott called on the Dean of Arts to introduce his motion:

Faculty of Arts

Department of Philosophy
Moved (R. Kurial/D. Buck) 1Motion to approve the following new course - Philosophy 207 - Philosophies of War and Peace.

Carried

M. Leggott brought forward for approval the 2010-2011 Calendar dates.

Moved (M. Leggott/D. Seeler) Motion to approve the 2010-2011 Academic Calendar dates with the addition of the Victoria Day holiday on May 23rd to the AVC Calendar dates. Carried.


K Shultz presented the Second Report of the Research Advisory Committee and the following motions:

Moved (K. Shultz/M Shaver) That the proposed revisions to the policy entitled “Animal Care Committee Policy” be adopted, and this revised policy recommended to the Board of Governors for approval. Carried

Moved (K. Shultz/R. Kurial) The proposed revisions to the policy entitled “Centres Policy” be adopted, and this revised policy recommended to the Board of Governors for approval. Carried

Moved (K. Shultz/M. Shaver) The Membership of the Research Advisory Committee be amended to include the Assistant Vice President, Graduate Studies as an ex-officio member and the number of faculty members of the Research Advisory Committee be increased from four to six. Carried.

10. Annual Reports

(i) Scholarship & Awards Committee

T. Leary presented the report as submitted. She thanked committee for all their work. With their continued effort and support the scholarship and awards program granted 106 UPEI entrance scholarships and awards and 74 financial aid bursaries (primarily 2nd+ year students).

Report received.

(ii) Student Academic Appeals Committee

G. Evans presented the report as submitted, and corrected the Appeals of Suspension Overturned number to 18. There was a brief discussion on the number of overturned decisions and it was noted that this number includes any modifications made to academic standing. T. Cullen noted that discussions of potential future use of GPA could impact the number of students put on probation or suspended.

Report received.

(iii) Discipline Committee

No report submitted.
11. **Election of Membership for Presidential Search Committee**

The Chair reported that the Board of Governors elected the following members at their September meeting: Fred Hyndman, Pat Mella, Tom Cullen, Lynn Murray.

The election of Senate’s representatives to the Committee then took place with the following results:

- **Student** - Jillian Stewart (by acclamation)
- **Administrator** – Christian Lacroix (by acclamation)
- **Faculty** – Nebosja Kujundzic,
  Marva Sweeney-Nixon
  Alfonso Lopez
  Barb Campbell

12. **Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 4:40 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mark Leggott

Acting Secretary of Senate