

Minutes of the Sixth Meeting of Senate
Held Friday, February 5, 2010
ITEC Lecture Theatre, Robertson Library, 3:00 p.m.

Present: D. Buck, P. Callbeck, D. Coll, T. Cullen, B. Davetian, G. Doran, G. Evans, T. Goddard, F. Gray, R. Herbert, K. Kielly, N. Kujundzic, R. Kurial, C. Lacroix, A. López, J. MacAulay, J. MacDonald, R. Macdonald, S. MacDonald, B. MacDonald, W. MacLauchlan, D. Reynolds, K. Schultz, J. Sentance, M. Shaver, D. Sims, M. Sweeney-Nixon, S. Thomas, J. Taylor, A. Trivett

Regrets: L. Edwards, C. MacQuarrie, D. Seeler, J. Velaidum

Absent: G. Bradshaw, M. Brinklow McKnight, K. Critchley, M. Doyle, J. Faria, G. Keefe, M. Leggott, M. O'Halloran, A. Smith, C. Song,

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved (M. Shaver/C. Lacroix): that the agenda be approved with the exception of #7 Student Retention Findings for 2009-2010 compared to 2008-2009. This item will be moved forward to the March 5 meeting.

Carried.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF JANUARY 8, 2010

Moved (T. Goddard/D. Sims): that the minutes be approved as circulated. **Carried.**

3. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES OF JANUARY 8, 2010

None

4. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

- Search Committee for the VP Academic will continue to receive feedback from the University Community until Monday, February 8. It is anticipated that an appointment will be recommended by March 1.
- The inaugural recipients of the new John J. Sark Memorial Scholarship have been announced and recognized at a special ceremony.
- The Centre for Veterinary Epidemiological Research celebrated its first year of success on Friday, January 22.
- A new round of Atlantic Innovation Fund research and development projects on PEI have been announced - three of which are innovative projects of UPEI researchers - *Discovery Space*, led by Mark Leggott; *Veterinary Laboratory Quality Assurance Program Expansion*, led by C. Ann Muckle; *Biomedical Infrared Technologies* led by Dr. Christopher Riley.
- UPEI celebrated its Second Annual Diversity Week - January 18 - 22.
- There are a number of faculty searches underway. We wish them well as they proceed.
- There are a number of music recitals over the next few weeks. Mark your calendars.
- UPEI is proud to host the 2010 AUS Swimming Championship, February 5-7, 2010.
- Students in the Master of Business Administration program will be hosting a "Be a Locavore" Challenge on Saturday, February 6.
- The Vagabond Production presents "The Path of True Love" from February 10-13. Free admission
- International Development Week is being held the week of February 8
- The International Education students will be holding their silent auction and dinner on Thursday, Feb. 4
- Dr. Greg Fleming, UPEI/AVC Alumnus, will speak about his work as a veterinarian with Disney's Animal Kingdom on Tuesday, February 9th at 7:30. He is the second speaker in the UPEI Student Union's Inspiring Speakers Series.
- Stacy MacKinnon will talk about forgiveness and revenge on Tuesday, February 9th at this month's Research on Tap.

- MPHEC has reported on trends looking at student progression. Patterns are substantially similar across Canada and US. Approximately sixty percent of the students are now taking six years to complete their degrees and less than eighty percent of students move from first year into second year.

5. SENATE MEMBERSHIP

The Senate Steering Committee would like to bring forward to Senate, from ARPC, the question of Dr. Brian Wagner becoming a member of Senate. There is provision in the *University Act* for the following: “the Vice-President or Vice-Presidents of the University shall be *ex officio* members of Senate.” With the addition of the Assistant Vice President Graduate Studies as an *ex officio* member of Senate, there will be one additional “faculty at large” to be elected and the vacancy will be filled through the normal electoral process when a call for Senators goes out in the next few weeks.

T. Cullen stated that the Student Union is currently working to designate one of the student positions on Senate for a Graduate Student.

The Chair commented that within the *University Act* representation of faculty on Senate is outlined. As UPEI has grown since the Act was incorporated in 1969, there may be some imbalance in the representation based upon current student enrolments within the faculties. For example, Education and Business have about 900 students per Senator, AVC, Arts and Nursing have about 300 students per Senator and Science is slightly above that number. In response to a question from the floor, the Chair indicated that the composition of Senate when created would have been reflective of the composition and demographics of the University at the time.

6. ACADEMIC REVIEW AND PLANNING COMMITTEE

FOURTH ARPC REPORT

Moved (R. Herbert/C. Lacroix): that the University offer, through the Faculty of Science, a program of study leading to a PhD in Environmental Sciences, the content and structure of which shall be described in the attached proposal for a new program. **Carried** with 2 abstentions

Moved (R. Herbert/T. Goddard): that the University offer, through the Faculty of Education, a program of study leading to a Certificate in Educational Leadership in Nunavut, the content and structure of which shall be as described in the attached proposal for a new program. **Carried.**

FIFTH CURRICULUM REPORT

Faculty of Arts

Department of History

Moved (R. Kurial/D. Coll): to approve the following new courses -
 History 310 - Tudor English 1485-1603: Creation of a Nation
 History 404 - Monsters, Gold and Glory: Travel, Trade and the Problem of Discovery in
 Premodern Europe

Carried.

Moved (R. Kurial/D. Coll): to change the title of History 311 - Science, Magic, Witchcraft and the Occult, 1300 - 1700 to Science, Magic, Witchcraft and the Occult in Premodern Europe. **Carried.**

Island Studies

Moved (R. Kurial/B. Davetian): to approve the following changes to electives on page 163 of the 2009-2010 Academic Calender -

Electives

Prince Edward Island Courses

<u>Biology 222</u>	<u>General Ecology</u>
<u>Biology 423</u>	<u>Land Use on Prince Edward Island</u>
<u>English 333</u>	<u>L. M. Montgomery</u>
<u>English 331</u>	<u>Literature of Atlantic Canada</u>
<u>Env 201</u>	<u>Introduction to Environmental Studies</u>
<u>History 331</u>	<u>History of PEI - Pre-Confederation</u>
<u>History 332</u>	<u>History of PEI - Post Confederation</u>
<u>History 489</u>	<u>20th Century PEI</u>
<u>Philosophy 371</u>	<u>Community-based Inquiry in Agriculture and Globalization</u>
<u>Political Studies 202</u>	<u>The Politics and Government of PEI</u>

Comparative Courses

<u>Acadian Studies 201</u>	<u>Introduction to Acadian Studies</u>
<u>Biology 452</u>	<u>Biogeography and Macroecology</u>
<u>Anthropology 332</u>	<u>Social Organization</u>
<u>Business 373</u>	<u>Tourism Management</u>
<u>Canadian Studies 201/History 231</u>	<u>The Atlantic Region I</u>
<u>Canadian Studies 202/History 232</u>	<u>The Atlantic Region II</u>
<u>Economics 212</u>	<u>Regional Economics: Less Developed Areas</u>
<u>Economics 331</u>	<u>International Trade</u>
<u>Economics 341</u>	<u>Economic Development Theory</u>
<u>Education 462</u>	<u>International Education</u>
<u>Education 465</u>	<u>International Development</u>
<u>Education 463</u>	<u>Culture and Society in Education</u>
<u>Engineering 211</u>	<u>Introduction to Geology</u>
<u>English 331</u>	<u>The Literature of Atlantic Canada</u>
<u>Physics 261</u>	<u>Energy, Environment, and the Economy</u>
<u>Political Studies 282</u>	<u>Introduction to International Politics</u>
<u>Political Studies 343</u>	<u>Comparative Politics in South Asia</u>
<u>Political Studies 362</u>	<u>Comparative Politics of Latin America and Caribbean</u>
<u>Political Studies 422</u>	<u>Ethnic Nationalism in Comparative Perspective</u>
<u>Political Studies 481</u>	<u>Small States and Micro-States in International System</u>
<u>Sociology 311</u>	<u>Small Groups</u>
<u>Sociology/Anthropology 374</u>	<u>Tourism</u>

Carried.

Department of Psychology

Moved (R. Kurial/B. Davetian): to change contact hours for Psychology 313 - Introduction to Neuropsychology **from** three hours a week class, one hour a week laboratory **to** three hours a week class, two hours a week laboratory

Carried.

Moved (R. Kurial/D. Sims):to change the first sentence under prerequisites on page 205 of the 2009 - 2010 calendar - "The Psychology Department strongly recommends that ~~Global Issues 151~~ English 101 be completed before taking 300 and 400 level Psychology courses." **Carried.**

Moved (R. Kurial/B. Davetian): to approve the following new course -Sociology 462 - Approaches in Applied Sociology **Carried.**

Moved (R. Kurial/B. Davetian): to cross list the following course and include a prerequisite - cross list SAN 374 - Tourism with IST 374 and include a prerequisite of IST 201 for IST 374. **Carried.**

Faculty of Education

Moved (T. Goddard/S. Thomas): to approve the following new course - Education 630 - Perspectives in Ecology and Sustainable Leadership **Carried.**

Faculty of Science

Moved (C. Lacroix/J.Taylor): to approve the following new course - FN 431 - Evidence-based Practice in the Health Sciences **Carried.**

Moved (C. Lacroix/J. Taylor): to change course description, prerequisites, and contact hours for FN 382 - Program Planning and Evaluation - In this course, students develop competency in planning, implementing, and evaluating ~~health promotion~~ programs for health promotion and family education. Topics include theories and models commonly used for program planning and behaviour change ~~health promotion~~, assessing needs, selecting appropriate intervention strategies, identification and allocation of resources, the marketing process, and evaluation models and design.

PREREQUISITES: ~~Fourth year standing in the~~ Foods and Nutrition program 212 or permission of the instructor.

Carried.

Moved (C. Lacroix/J. Taylor): to change course description, prerequisites and contact hours for FSC-382 - Program Planning and Evaluation - ~~This course will focus on providing students with the knowledge and skills to assess the need for educational programs for children and families; to design appropriate courses and programs to meet these needs, and to implement and evaluate the effectiveness of the programs. Students will become familiar with community resources available to support children and families who participate in family education programs.~~

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PREREQUISITE: Family Science 381

Three lecture hours per week and ~~approximately 20 hours of field work with a community agency for the~~ development, implementation and evaluation of a project program.

Carried.

Department of Biology

Moved (C. Lacroix/M. Sweeney-Nixon): that the following new course be approved - Biology 413 - Conservation Genetics

Carried.

Moved (C. Lacroix/M. Sweeney-Nixon): to approve the deletion of the following courses -
Biology 341 - Biology of Insects
Biology 354 - Field Biology
Biology 412 - Wildlife Biology II
Biology 423 - Land Use on Prince Edward Island
Biology 432 - Developmental Plant Morphology

Carried.

Moved (C. Lacroix/M. Sweeney-Nixon): to change the title, course description and prerequisite for Biology 462 - Limnology (Freshwater Ecosystems) to Watershed Ecology - The focus of this course is the study of watersheds, with emphasis on those found on Prince Edward Island. Lectures focus on the physical, chemical, and biological characteristics of streams and their surrounding riparian zones, and labs will include practical application of stream sampling methods.

Prerequisites - Biology ~~204~~ and 222 or equivalent

Carried.

Moved (C. Lacroix/M. Sweeney-Nixon): to change the course description and prerequisite for Biology 862 - Advanced Freshwater Ecology - This course provides advanced study in the ecology of freshwater habitats, particularly those found on Prince Edward Island. The first part of the course concentrates on the physical, chemical, and biological characteristics of fresh waters, ~~classification of freshwater habitats, and applied limnology.~~ A laboratory/field component includes an introduction to water analysis techniques and field equipment, field water analysis, the collection and analysis of biological samples, and the physical properties of water. The second part is a field/lab project on a ~~limnological~~ topic tailored to the student's individual program, and consists of an experimental or observational study coupled with a comprehensive literature review, project write-up, and oral presentation.

Carried.

Faculty of Veterinary Medicine

Moved (D. Reynolds/A. López): to approve the following new courses:

VPM 854 - Diagnosis of Wildlife Diseases I
VPM 855 - Diagnosis of Wildlife Diseases II
VPM 856 - Diagnosis of Wildlife Diseases III
VPM 857 - Diagnosis of Wildlife Diseases

Carried.

School of Business

Moved (R. MacDonald/G. Evans): to edit the #5 Note in the Bachelor of Business in Tourism and Hospitality - 5. For the English elective, students are recommended to take English 381 (which requires the prerequisite of Eng. 101) or Bus. 211.

Carried.

Moved (R. MacDonald/G. Evans): to add Business 211 to sequence of courses for Bachelor of Business Administration and Accelerated Bachelor of Business Administration on page 93 of 2009-2010 Academic Calendar to the following: English 381 or Business 211

7. STUDENT RETENTION FINDINGS FOR 2009-2010 COMPARED TO 2008-2009

Held over to March 5, 2010 meeting.

8. RECRUITMENT UPDATE OVERVIEW

T. Leary and G. Clements Smith were invited to give an overview of the recruitment and communication strategies that UPEI has been using in the past few years. The power point presentation, referencing strategies, committee structures, facts and figures, and monitoring processes, was very informative and led to good discussion through questions from Senators. The communication plan and ongoing commitment to excellence re-enforce that all members of the UPEI community are ambassadors for the University.

9. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 4:25 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted

Kathleen Kielly, Registrar
Secretary to Senate