Minutes of the Fifth Meeting of Senate
Held Friday, January 8, 2010
ITEC Lecture Theatre, Robertson Library, 3:00 p.m.


Regrets: B. Davetian, F. Gray, J. MacAulay, S. MacDonald, J. Taylor

Absent: P. Callbeck, M. Doyle, R. MacDonald, M. O’Halloran, A. Trivett

Guests: P. Hooper, K. McKenna

The Chair welcomed the new members, Jennifer Taylor, Greg Keefe and Neb Kujundzic replacing Senators who are on sabbatical for this semester.

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved (D. Seeler/L. Edwards): that the agenda be approved with the removal of #7 - Proposed Amendment to Academic Calendar Dates, 2010-2011. This will be forwarded to the February 5 agenda. Carried

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF DECEMBER 4, 2009

Moved (D. Seeler/K. Schultz): that the minutes of December 4 be approved. Carried

3. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF DECEMBER 4, 2009

None

4. PRESIDENT’S REPORT

• Welcome back everyone and Happy New Year - Best wishes for the new semester.
• Islander Day will be celebrated on February 15. The University will be “closed”.
• On January 7, UPEI Faculty of Arts held a public book launch to celebrate the publications of ten books. Congratulations to all colleagues involved.
• The Campus Christmas celebration was a great success, an opportunity to enjoy the new Student Learning Commons and classrooms in AVC and to recognize Heather Russell with the UPEI Staff Achievement Award for 2009. Congratulations Heather.
• UPEI graduate Laura Archer will be the first presenter in a new speakers’ series that features inspiring alumni; this series is organized by the Student Union. Laura is a nurse committed to international humanitarian action; she is also an accomplished professional artist.
• International Development Week will be held February 8 - 12, the Luncheon will be held on Friday, February 12.
• The VP Academic Search has had an affirmative response. The Search Committee will come forward before the end of January with a short list of candidates, including opportunities for the campus community to participate in the process.
• All Honorary Degree Recipients have accepted and the two speakers have agreed to address the Convocation.
• A presentation regarding the 2010-2011 Budget will occur later in today’s meeting. The signals from government appear to be aimed at lowering expectations.
5. NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

Moved (S. Thomas/T. Goddard): that the following name be approved:
Questions Committee - Joe Velaidum

6. ACADEMIC REVIEW AND PLANNING COMMITTEE

1. Moved (R. Herbert/T. Goddard): that Senate approve the following calendar entry change for the
International Baccalaureate Program -

Proposed amendment to Calendar Entry: “International Baccalaureate”

Admissions

International Baccalaureate (IB) students are eligible for admission on the basis of successful completion of the IB Diploma. In addition, applicants must satisfy the admission criteria of the requested faculty by presenting the specific course requirements (see below). At least three subjects must be successfully completed at the Higher Level (HL), while the remaining three subjects may be successfully completed at the Standard Level (SL).

Completion of the IB Diploma with a score of 24 grants admission to UPEI. Applicants must satisfy the admission criteria of the requested Faculty by presenting the specific course requirements identified for that Faculty. Grades below 3 are not accepted for admission assessment.

Students who complete a Certificate or individual IB subjects may also be assessed for admission using each HL and SL subject being considered in meeting the Faculty-specific admission requirements. For applicants who complete both the IB subjects and senior matriculation/secondary school graduation requirements, admission will be based on the credential which is to the greatest advantage of the student.

Transfer Credit

UPEI awards a full year of credit (10 courses, each at 3 credit hours) for a completed IB Diploma with a minimum score of 28. Specific course credit for HL courses is awarded as outlined below. The balance of the credit required to bring the total to 10 three (3) credit hour course equivalents will be at the introductory unassigned elective level. Please note: Applicability of transfer credit awarded may vary depending on degree program sought.

To be awarded 10 three semester hour courses, students must achieve: a completed IB Diploma with an overall score of 28, 3 HL level subjects with grades in each subject of 4, unless otherwise noted, and above, 3 SL level subjects and satisfactory completion of the Extended Essay, Theory of Knowledge and CAS. All courses used to meet specific admission requirements must be at a score of 3 or above.

Specific higher level (HL) subjects completed with grades of 4, unless otherwise noted, or higher on the official IB (HL) exams within the International Baccalaureate program will be granted transfer credit.

Approved IB subjects (HL) and transfer credit equivalency at UPEI

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**NOTE:** Courses numbered 199 or 299 are unassigned credits in the noted subject area.

*Students presenting Physics with a grade of 4 may challenge for credit.

**Each UPEI course is 3 credit hours**
Credit for IB (HL) courses will only be assessed if presented on an official IB transcript. Please note that this table is provided as a guide, and transfer credits are assessed on an individual basis.

**Degree specific admission requirements:**
- **ARTS:** English, a Language or Social Studies and three other academic subjects
- **BUSINESS:** English, Math, 2 Social Studies, Sciences or Languages, and one other academic subject
- **SCIENCE:** English, Math, 2 Sciences (Chemistry should be present at least at the grade 11 level) and one other academic subject
- **NURSING:** English, Math, Biology, Chemistry and one other academic subject

B. MacLaine asked how the equivalents were decided upon and what standard was used. The Registrar indicated that the course equivalents were confirmed through the respective Deans.

Carried.

2. **Moved** (R. Herbert/L. Edwards): that Senate approve the following calendar entry change for the Advanced Placement Program -

Acceptable Advanced Placement Program courses with scores achieved on the national level exam of 3(C) or higher may be presented for admission purposes. Acceptable Advanced Placement courses with scores achieved on the national level exam of 4(B) or 5(A), may be assessed for credit transfer. The applicability of transfer credit is subject to individual degree regulations. Students wishing to obtain transfer credit must have an official transcript of their national AP exam results forwarded directly to UPEI from College Board. Students will receive a notice of assessment once an assessment has been completed. A maximum of 30 semester hours of credit may be awarded for eligible AP results.

**Approved AP subjects and transfer credit equivalency at UPEI:**

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European History 2 Unassigned 1st Yr electives  
French (language) Assigned credit by placement  
French (literature) 2 Unassigned 1st Yr French electives  
Geography (Human) 2 Unassigned 1st Yr electives  
German GERM 101 and GERM 102  
Greek GR 101 and GR 102  
History (US) 2 Unassigned 1st Yr History electives  
History (World) 2 Unassigned 1st Yr History electives  
Latin LAT 101 and LAT 102  
Microeconomics EC 101  
Macroeconomics EC 102  
Physics B Students may challenge for 2 Unassigned 1st Yr Physics electives  
Physics C (Mechanics & Electricity) Students may challenge for credit PHYS 111 and PHYS 112  
Psychology PSY 101 and PSY 102  
Spanish SPAN 101 and SPAN 102  
Statistics MATH 221 and Unassigned 1st Yr Math elective

* Each UPEI course is 3 semester hours  
* Credit for AP examined subjects can only be assessed if presented on an official transcript of AP national exam results.  
* Please note that this table is provided as a guide, and transfer credits are assessed on an individual basis and may vary depending on each students program of study.

Carried.

3. **Moved** (R. Herbert/T. Goddard): that Senate, through the Faculty of Education, approve the modification and name change of the current B.Ed Specialization in Teaching and French Immersion program currently offered jointly by the University of Prince Edward Island and Université de Moncton. The proposed name change will be the Bachelor of Education (B.Ed), Éducation en français and the programme will be offered only at the University of Prince Edward Island.

D. Coll asked if there would be an impact on the Department of Modern Languages. She also asked if Education students would be using the language lab. The Dean indicated that more undergraduate students may be interested in taking French courses and by way of introducing the potential of a (BEd) Education en français, there are two Education courses that are open to all undergraduate students to see if they are interested in Education, Education 211 - Introduction to Education, and Education 213 - Introduction a l’éducation en français au Canada.

Points of clarification resulted in slight amendment of the wording - in section 2.3.4, page3, within the first footnote, should read ‘three semester hours’; and on page 8 (ii) 3, add at the end of the sentence “or writing intensive course.”

Carried.

7. **PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO ACADEMIC CALENDAR DATES, 2010-2011**

This item will be brought forward on the February 5 Agenda.

8. **BUDGET PREVIEW REPORT**

The University Comptroller presented an update on the University budget with a focus on Main Campus. The 2010-11 budget is being developed on a status quo basis and core increases only are being considered. This is due to uncertainties concerning the Main Campus operating grant in light of the Provincial government’s budget deficit. Enrolment numbers remain strong; however, a predicted decline in high school graduates over the next few years
necessitates a cautious approach when making revenue assumptions that support core operating costs. In summary, Mr. Hooper predicted that Main Campus will need about $2 million in increased funding from the operating grant or from increased tuition in order to balance the core budget for 2010-11.

9. OTHER BUSINESS

R. Herbert presented enrollment figures. Total registrants in Spring 2010 is 4242, an increase of 4.4% from this time last year. As of today, January 8, there are 3,551 full time students and 691 part time students. Of the total student body, 491 students are International students coming from 49 different countries.

421 students enrolled in Sept 2009 did not return in January 2010. J. Velaidum indicated that each of these students will be contacted as to their reasons for leaving.

The Chair commented that at the next meeting of Senate we will have additional information regarding our retention rates from this year compared to last year.

10. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen Kielly, Registrar
Secretary of Senate