

**Minutes of the Third Meeting of Senate
Friday, November 28, 2014
3:00 – 5:00 pm
AVC Rooms 286-287N**

- Present:** A. Abd-El-Aziz (Chair), R. Bissessur, D. Buck, B. Campbell, L. Chilton, G. Conboy, B. Davetian, L. Edwards, T. Gordon, K. Gottschall-Pass, S. Graham, K. Kielly, J. Krause, N. Kujundzic, C. Lacroix, M. Leggott, L. MacArthur, P. MacAulay, R. MacDonald, A. MacFarlane, D. MacLellan, S. Myers, S. Opps, L. Poirier, C. Ryan, J. Sentance, T. Speelman, S. St. Hilaire, M. Sweeney-Nixon and L. Wisener
- Regrets:** Jason Doiron, Margaret Doyle, Robert Gilmour, Dan Hurnik, Greg Irvine, Betty Jeffery, Richard Lemm, and Jackie Podger
- Absent:** A. Braithwaite, Rosemary Herbert, Amanda Johnson, Sandra McConkey and Colleen Parker
- Recorder:** D. MacLean, Administrative Assistant to Senate

President Alaa Abd-El-Aziz thanked everyone for coming and noted that it was the last day of classes for this term. He wished the students and Faculty good luck with exams. Best wishes for the holiday season were also extended as we head into a new and exciting year in 2015.

1. **Approval of Agenda**
MOTION (L. Edwards/C. Ryan) to approve the agenda as presented. CARRIED

2. **Approval of Minutes – October 17, 2014**
An amendment was required under item number 5 (b) – Academic Regulation #17. “Appeal: Amend the words “Both the standing and the conditions of academic probation” to read, “The conditions of academic probation.....”.
MOTION (D. Buck/L. Edwards) to approve the minutes of October 17, 2014 as amended. CARRIED

3. **Business Arising from Minutes**
There was no business arising from the minutes.

4. **President’s Report:**
The President informed Senators of the University Update held yesterday and also thanked everyone who attended the School of Engineering announcement earlier today. Federal Minister Gail Shea and Provincial Minister Allen Roach attended, along with a large number of supporters from the University, industry and the Island. The President thanked Senate members for their encouragement and support in bringing this project to reality.

5. **Senate Reports**
 - a) **Senate Steering and Nominating Committee Report**
The Committee brought forward a number of nominees for committees and there being no further nominations from the floor, the following motions were presented:

MOTION (K. Gottschall-Pass/S. Graham) that Cathy Ryan, Faculty of Arts be appointed to the Board/Senate Liaison Committee to replace Laurie McDuffee who is on sabbatical until June 30, 2015. CARRIED

MOTION (K. Gottschall-Pass/M. Sweeney-Nixon) that Melissa MacEachern, School of Business, and Perlene Morrison, Alumni Association, be appointed to the Honorary Degree Committee, each for a three-year term ending on June 30, 2017. CARRIED

MOTION (K. Gottschall-Pass/P. MacAulay) to receive the following three nominations for two positions on the Professor Emeritus Committee – Ann Braithwaite, Faculty of Arts; Shannon Murray, Faculty of Arts; and Tim Carroll, School of Business. CARRIED

The Professor Emeritus Committee was in need of two (2) faculty members (one from Faculty of Arts and

one from School of Business). As two faculty members were nominated from the Faculty of Arts, a vote was carried out to determine who would represent the Arts faculty on the Professor Emeritus Committee. Shannon Murray received the most votes. After the vote, the following motion was made:

MOTION (L. Chilton/M. Sweeney-Nixon) that Shannon Murray, Faculty of Arts, and Tim Carroll, School of Business be appointed to the Professor Emeritus Committee, each for a three-year term ending June 30, 2017. CARRIED

MOTION (K. Gottschall-Pass/M. Sweeney-Nixon) that Tracy Doucette, Faculty of Arts, be appointed to the Research Grants Committee for a three-year term ending on June 30, 2017. CARRIED

MOTION (K. Gottschall-Pass/S. Opps) that Amy MacFarlane, School of Business, be appointed to the Senate Academic and Student Discipline Appeals Committee for a two-year term, ending on June 30, 2016. CARRIED

MOTION (K. Gottschall-Pass/J. Krause) that Adam Fenech, School of Business, Richard Lemm, Faculty of Arts, Christina Murray, School of Nursing and Mark Leggott, Librarian, be appointed to the Senate Committee on the Enhancement of Teaching, each for a three-year term, ending on June 30, 2017. CARRIED

MOTION (K. Gottschall-Pass/N. Kujundzic) to receive the following three nominations for two positions on the Senate Committee on Scholarships and Awards – Sophie St. Hilaire, AVC; Jason Stevens, Faculty of Arts; and Derek Lawther, Faculty of Science. CARRIED

The Senate Committee on Scholarships and Awards was in need of two faculty members (not from Business), and we received three nominations for these two positions. Therefore a vote was required, and Sophie St. Hilaire and Derek Lawther received the most votes. As a result, the following motion was proposed:

MOTION (K. Gottschall-Pass/D. MacLellan) that Sophie St. Hilaire, AVC, and Derek Lawther, Faculty of Science be appointed to the Senate Committee on Scholarships and Awards, each for a two-year term, ending June 30, 2016. CARRIED

MOTION (K. Gottschall-Pass/B. Campbell) that Adam Fenech, School of Business and Lisa Chilton, Faculty of Arts be appointed to the Senate Research Advisory Committee, each for a three-year term, ending on June 30, 2017. CARRIED

There were also a number of membership renewals and student representatives, brought forward for information, as noted below:

Board/Senate Liaison Committee

Student Representative

Travis Speelman – student

Honorary Degree Committee

Student Representative

Anastasia McCarvill - student

Research Grants Committee

Membership Renewal

Rob Hurta – (Science) – renewed for 3 years, to June 30, 2017

Student Representative

Kate Rundle – student

Senate Academic and Student Discipline Appeals Committee

Student representatives

Lucas MacArthur – student senator

Stephen Wilfred – student in residence

Senate Committee on the Enhancement of Teaching

Membership Renewal

Sheldon Opps (Science) – renewed for 1 year, to June 30, 2015

Senate Committee on Scholarships and Awards

Student Representatives

Alexandra Heighington - student

Senate Research Advisory Committee

Student representative

Anastasia McCarvill – senior undergraduate student

b) **Senate Academic Planning and Curriculum Report**

MOTION (C. Lacroix/R. MacDonald) that Senate approves a new program proposal for a degree in Bachelor of Science in Biotechnology (BSCBT) to be jointly offered by Holland College Bioscience Technology and the UPEI Faculty of Science, Departments of Chemistry and Biology. CARRIED

MOTION (C. Lacroix/R. MacDonald) that Senate approves the new calendar entry for the Bachelor of Science in Biotechnology (BScBT). CARRIED

The Vice-President Academic also provided for information the Academic Business Plan for the Bachelor of Environmental Studies program which was approved by Senate in November 2012 and by the MPHEC in July 2013.

i) **Third Curriculum Report**

Faculty of Education

MOTION (C. Lacroix/R. MacDonald) to revise English admission requirements for the Bachelor of Education degree

at least 6 semester hours of credit in English or equivalent (at least 3 of which ~~must~~ are recommended to be in Composition).

CARRIED

MOTION (C. Lacroix/J. Krause) to approve the new course description for Ed 366

ED 366 EDUCATIONAL TECHNOLOGY AND THE ADULT LEARNER

This course explores the implications, both theoretical and practical, of the new abundance of tools, information, knowledge and connections that are possible to support learning in the internet age. Critical classroom topics such as openness in online education, student assessment, academic integrity and collaboration are combined with theory and significant hands on experience. No prior technical knowledge is expected and students will leave the class with strategies customized to their own contexts. CARRIED

MOTION (C. Lacroix/R. MacDonald) to approve the following new course –

ED 692 HIGHER EDUCATION TEACHING

This course introduces the pedagogies, practices, and instructional alternatives that foster acquisition of the knowledge, skills, and attitudes critical to successful teaching at the post-secondary level. It examines topics such as the teaching-learning process, instructional and curriculum design, addressing student needs, and learning characteristics.

PREREQUISITES: The minimum standard for admission would be the successful completion of an undergraduate degree, as per the admission requirements for graduate programs at UPEL.

CREDIT HOURS: 3

CARRIED

Faculty of Veterinary Medicine

MOTION (C. Lacroix/T. Gordon) to approve changes to VHM 484 - Veterinary Chiropractic Techniques

VHM - 484 Veterinary Chiropractic Techniques (Cooperative Section)

In this rotation, students learn the fundamentals of veterinary chiropractic medicine and apply its principles to the management of patients with problems of gait, posture, and movement. Lectures and laboratories in the biomechanics and neurophysiology of manipulative therapeutics are supplemented with clinical cases admitted to the Veterinary Teaching Hospital. Students are introduced to the basic skills, instrumentation, and examination methods required for successful treatment of animal patients by using chiropractic medicine. This course includes students from other veterinary colleges and encourages cooperative learning of a specialty discipline.

CARRIED

MOTION (C. Lacroix/G. Conboy) to approve the following new course -

VGA 824 Advanced Medicine of Neuromuscular, Joint, Hematopoietic, and Immune Mediated Disorders and Oncology

This course is a detailed study of the physiology, pathophysiology, diagnosis, and management of neuromuscular, joint, hematopoietic, and immune mediated disorders of companion animals. Issues in medical oncology are included. Areas of current interest or controversy, as well as recent advances in knowledge and management, are emphasized. Requirements for the course include critical evaluation of current literature and presentation of seminars on selected topics.

PREREQUISITE: Undergraduate courses in physiology, pathophysiology, and medicine and permission of the instructor

Credit hours (lecture, labs and/or seminar) HOURS OF CREDIT: 2

LECTURES: 2 hours

CARRIED

Motion (C. Lacroix/G. Conboy) to approve AVC academic dates for 2015-2016 (as presented). CARRIED

Motion (C. Lacroix/G. Conboy) to approve AVC tentative dates for 2016-2017 (as presented). CARRIED

Motion (C. Lacroix/S. St. Hilaire) to approve AVC tentative dates for 2017-2018 (as

presented). **CARRIED**

- c) **Senate Scholarships and Awards Committee Report**
The following new awards were brought to Senate for approval:

i) **MOTION (S. Graham/L. MacArthur) to approve the following new award, as per the Terms of Reference of the Committee:**

UPEI Alumni Association Legacy Award

Inaugural Cycle: 2014/2015

Background:

For generations families have been attending UPEI and its predecessor institutions Prince of Wales College (PWC) and St. Dunstan's University (SDU). The UPEI Alumni Association understands the impact that education has created for these families. We would like to hear firsthand about the legacy that UPEI plays in the lives of our current students.

Criteria:

This award will be granted to a student entering their first year at UPEI (not necessarily their first year in university studies). AVC students and graduate students are also eligible if they are entering UPEI for the first time. All applicants will write an essay (max 500 words) about the impact UPEI (or SDU/PWC) has had on their family. Selection of the successful candidate will occur in October of each year excluding year one (2014/2105) when the award will be granted in November. In all subsequent years, the award will be granted during the standard fall cycle.

The UPEI Alumni Association will adjudicate applications and recommend a recipient for approval by the Senate Scholarships and Awards Committee

CARRIED

ii) **MOTION (S. Graham/T. Gordon) to approve the following new award, as per the Terms of Reference of the Committee:**

Phibro Animal Health Award in Aquaculture

Inaugural Cycle: 2014/2015

Background:

Phibro Animal Health Corporation is a diversified global developer, manufacturer, and marketer of a broad range of animal health and nutrition products to the poultry, swine, cattle, dairy and aquaculture markets.

Criteria:

This award will be given annually to a graduating student in veterinary medicine at the Atlantic Veterinary College demonstrating aptitude and enthusiasm in aquaculture.

The successful recipient will be recommended by the AVC Awards and Scholarships Committee in consultation with faculty members involved in 4th year aquaculture rotations. The recommended recipient will be approved by the UPEI Senate Scholarships and Awards Committee.

CARRIED (2 abstentions)

iii) **MOTION (S. Graham/R. MacDonald) to approve the following new award, as per the Terms of Reference of the Committee:**

The Rathlyn Renewable Scholarships at AVC

Inaugural Cycle: Fall 2015

Background:

The Rathlyn Foundation, through its benefactors, has been exceptionally generous to the Atlantic Veterinary College (AVC) at the University of Prince Edward Island (UPEI). The Foundation's support has allowed for the continuation of the Chinook Project, one of AVC's most visible activities, and one that has made a real difference to northern Canadian communities. We are deeply grateful to the Rathlyn Foundation for the impact it has had on the educational experience of AVC students.

In its desire to contribute to an even greater cohort of AVC students, the Rathlyn Foundation has established the Rathlyn Renewable Scholarships at AVC. These scholarships will hold a place of prestige at the Atlantic Veterinary College, ultimately providing some of the most generous scholarships available. The university is immensely grateful for the support the Foundation provides, and the confidence it has placed in what our students achieve.

Criteria:

Beginning in the fall of 2015, the Rathlyn Scholarships at AVC Fund will support DVM student(s) at the Atlantic Veterinary College.

Applicants will be selected based on the following criteria:

- Financial need
- Strong academic record, and

Well-rounded with interests and activity in a variety of areas

All scholarship recipients will qualify for the renewable portion of these scholarships if they remain in good academic standing. If in any given year a student is disqualified, the scholarship will be awarded to a student in the same year and be renewable for the remainder of their DVM degree if they remain in good academic standing.

When a Rathlyn Scholarship recipient receives the scholarship in their fourth year, up to \$1,000 of the scholarship value may be used for travel expenses associated with a fourth year rotation. The application process will follow standard Atlantic Veterinary College procedure.

Applications will be submitted to the AVC Awards and Scholarships Committee (AVCASC). The AVCASC will recommend a successful recipient to the Senate Scholarships and Awards Committee for approval.

Scholarship(s) Value and Awarding Schedule:

The Rathlyn Renewable Scholarships at AVC Fund will begin to support DVM students in 2015 forward as follows:

Academic Year	New DVM Student(s)	Renewable DVM Students	Value	Total number of awards
2015/16	One 3rd year student	None	Based on approved expenditure	One
2016/17	One 2nd year student and one 3rd year student	One renewable (2015/16 recipient)	Based on approved expenditure divided by 3	Three
2017/18	One 1st year and one 2nd year student	Two renewable (2nd and 3rd year recipients in 16/17)	Based on approved expenditure divided by 3	Four
2018/19 and each academic year thereafter in perpetuity	One 1 st year student	Three renewable (1st, 2nd, and 3rd year recipients in 17/18)	Based on approved expenditure divided by 4	Four

Starting in academic year 2018/19, there will be a total of four students each year on a Rathlyn Scholarship. A new entrance student will be selected each fall and three students in their second, third, and fourth year who are in good academic standing will have their Rathlyn Scholarship renewed.

In future years, if the endowment permits and the UPEI Board of Governors determine it advisable, additional Rathlyn Renewable Scholarships may be offered. The scholarship values will be determined by the approved expenditure from endowments each year.

CARRIED (2 abstentions)

There was much discussion on the awards/scholarships approval process, the role of Senate, and the level of detail coming forward, particularly the monetary amounts for students in the award cycle. The President requested that an invitation be extended to Rosie O'Malley-Keyes, Manager, Donor Relations and the Chair of the Senate Scholarships and Awards Committee to come to the next Senate meeting to present information on the scholarships and awards process.

d) Senate Committee on Admissions and Degrees Report

C. Lacroix reported that there was one additional student to add to the 2014 Graduating Class. This was a Bachelor of Science in Biology student who received approval from the Dean, the President, and the Registrar. The total number of graduates for 2014 now stands at 1014 students.

6. Decanal Search Committees' Update and Decanal Search Review – School of Nursing

a) Dean Search – Atlantic Veterinary College

Vice-President Lacroix provided an update on the AVC Dean Search. He confirmed that three candidates are vying for the position and all have provided public presentations and have been interviewed by the Search Committee. Feedback from the campus community is now being collected and reviewed. The Search Committee will be meeting again in the next two weeks and a recommendation should follow soon afterwards.

b) Dean Search – Faculty of Science

Senate members were informed that an advertisement had been posted and the Search Committee met earlier today to short list applicants. A further update on the progress of this Search will be provided at the next Senate meeting..

c) **Dean Search – School of Nursing**

Vice-President Lacroix proposed the following motion to Senate:

MOTION (K. Gottschall-Pass/L. MacArthur) that Senate initiate the “Procedures for Choosing a Dean” for the School of Nursing, as per the policy. CARRIED

7. **Other Business**

Senator Opps raised a concern about Senate Committees and the regularity with which they may be meeting. The Chair thanked the Senator for his question and indicated that information on Senate Committee meeting dates will be brought forward to the next meeting of Senate.

8. **Adjournment**

MOTION (T, Gordon/J. Krause) to adjourn meeting at 4:15 p.m. CARRIED

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen Kielly
Registrar and Secretary to Senate