# Senate Minutes

Chair, D. Lionais, called the meeting to order at 1:12 pm.

# 1. Roll Call and Declaration of Quorum

#### Present:

Judy Bailey, Ed Barre, Tanya Brann-Barrett, Keith Brown, Dannie Brown, Geoff Carre, George Chen, Ed Davis, Brandon Ellis, Barb Glassey, Louis Guimond, Sarah Hines, Jane Lewis, Doug Lionais, Gordon MacInnis, Bernie MacLennan, Erna MacLeod, Elaine MacNeil, Pat Maher, Alexis Manley, Ron McCarron, David McCorquodale, Scott Moir, Martin Moy, Mary Jane Morrison, Sheila Profit, Mark Silverberg, Laura Syms, Amar Tayeb, Tom Urbaniak, Arja Vainino-Matilla, David Wheeler

#### Regrets:

Debbie Brennick, Allen Britten, Godwin D'Cunha, Odette Griscti, Derrick Hayes, Mike Henick, Rany Ibrahim, Dale Keefe, Brittany MacAulay, Cyril MacDonald, David Rae, Eileen Smith-Piovesan, Shawn Bethke

#### Absent:

Hosam Al-Arabi, Stephen Augustine, Margaret Dechman, Mitch Mader, Wei Shang, Tuma Young

#### 2. Matters to be Considered in Closed Session

**It was moved** by D. Brown, seconded by J. Bailey to move into Closed Session for the purpose of conducting confidential business. **Motion carried.** 

**It was moved by** D. McCorquodale, seconded by S. Moir to move to Open Session following the completion of confidential business. **Motion carried.** 

# 3. Matters Forwarded for Information

Thee enrollment report included in the meeting material was presented for information and received no questions or comments.

#### 4. Special Presentations/Updates - N/A

## 5. Report of the President and Vice-President Academic & Professional Studies (Provost)

# 5.1 Report of the President

President Wheeler gave a verbal report with the following highlights:

Many thanks and congratulations were offered to those involved in the upcoming Convocation

- ceremony and encouraged faculty & staff to attend. Fifty-four students graduated from the ACK and we 62 will be graduating 62 from CIC in Egypt on October.
- Enrolment numbers have rebounded from late summer projections.
- Articulation agreements were signed earlier in the week with NSCC to make it easier for college graduates to transfer their credits to CBU.
- Deep sadness was expressed at the passing of friend and supporter, Mr. Purdy Crawford.
- The Accountability Report has been completed and circulated to various external members of the CBI and NS communities. Copies are available for Senators from the Office of the President.

#### 6. Question Period – N/A

# 7. Approval of Minutes

**8.1** It was moved by E. Davis, seconded by E. Barre, the approval of the minutes from the September 19, 2014 meeting. **Motion carried.** Abstentions: 6

# Business Arising from the Minutes – N/A

## 9. Report of the Executive Committee

On behalf of the Vice Chair, S. Profit reported the Executive Committee met on October 3, 2014 to set the agenda for this meeting of Senate. The committee also discussed follow-up items from the Senate retreat and various committee items. Committees Chairs have been charged with reviewing their terms of reference with regard to the proposed changes from the retreat.

Also as a follow-up item from the retreat, the committee suggested that Senate add a consent agenda item to the standard agenda. The item was described as a manner of expediting Senate meetings by way of lumping any items from all committees that will not evoke any conversation or debate on one agenda item and they would be passed all at once. If any Senator wishes to speak to any of the items listed under this item or have any questions on an item listed, the item would be removed from the consent agenda and will be discussed during the regular committee reports. It was moved by S. Profit, seconded by J. Bailey to add a consent agenda item to the regular Senate agenda. Motion carried.

On the question of a joint Senate, Board of Governors, and CBU executive committee, D. Lionais replied that the Executive Committee was in favour of moving forward with this committee. D. Wheeler let Senate know that he will bring this forward to the Board of Governors during their October meetings. It was further noted that student representation be identified on the committee, either through Senate, the Board of Governors or another mechanism.

# 10. Students' Union Report

Students' Union President, B. Ellis reported verbally with the following highlights:

- The new Student Engagement Centre will soon open in the Cape Zone.
- The International Student Centre continues successfully to engage international students with various events.
- Higher Education Panel discussions presentations were very productive and hold much potential.
- Mitch-Mader Ramsey diligently continues work on the Honours Society banquet.
- SU executive members spoke about their views of the future facing young people in Cape Breton at a breakfast hosted by Business Cape Breton.
- A weekly event called Pub, Grub, & Politics is being planned for November.

In reply to a question on the status of the ongoing legal status with CFS, B. Ellis replied that there have been no further developments. A more detailed status can be expected during the November or December meeting of Senate.

#### 11. Reports of Other Committees

(a) Academic – On behalf of *Pro-tem* Chair, D. Hayes, A. Manley referred to report circulated with the meeting documents.

#### **Items for Information:**

**1. Course name change -** General Anthropology I (ANTH 1104) to Introduction to Socio-Cultural Anthropology (ANTH 1104)

#### **Recommendations:**

1. Approve the Access To And Release Of Student Information policy

**It was moved,** A. Manley, seconded by B. Ellis to approve the updated to the Access To And Release of Student Information policy as presented. **Motion carried.** 

- **(b) Research** Chair, E. Barre, noted the report circulated with the meeting material with nothing further to add to the report.
- **(c) Nominating** Pro-temp chair, D. McCorquodale reported that the committee met and welcomed M. Moy to the committee who was also elected as committee chair. Mark Silverberg has been appointed as a replacement Senator for SASS and to the QA Committee.
- **(d) TLEC** Chair, P. Maher reported that the committee met on October 2<sup>nd</sup> where the committee brainstormed the items the committee hopes to achieve in the 2014/2015 academic year; discussed articulating the function & purpose of different groups related to teaching and learning at CBU; and the posting of teaching-related positions and awards.

- (e) Planning and Review No report.
- (f) QA No report.
- **(g) Bylaws** Chair, J. Bailey reported that the committee met to review the terms of reference and the review scheduled for Schools and Departments. Those identified as non-compliant with the review scheduled have been contacted to submit updated bylaws.
- 12. Board of Governors' Report N/A
- 13. Confidential Business N/A
- 14. Adjournment

The next Senate meeting is scheduled for Friday, November 14, 2014. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:13 pm.

Sheila Profit, Secretary