

# Senate Minutes

October 22, 2015  
Senate Chamber CE-339

Vice Chair, G. d’Cunha, called the meeting to order at 1:34 pm.

## 1. Roll Call and Declaration of Quorum

### Present:

Stephen Augustine, Judy Bailey, Pat Bates, Tanya Brann-Barrett, Keith Brown, George Chen, Eddie Davis, Godwin D’Cunha, Margaret Dechman, Brandon Ellis, Barb Glassey, Odette Griscti, Louis Guimond, Derrick Hayes, Patrick Howard, John Hudec, George Karaphillis, Dale Keefe, Carolin Kreber, Jill Ellsworth, Catherine Levetin-Reid, Brittany MacAulay, Gordon MacInnis, Bernie MacLennan, Erna MacLeod, David McCorquodale, Mary Jane Morrison, Arlene Mullan, Willena Nemeth, Elizabeth Quirk, Vielka Salazar, Wei Shang, Liam Shannon, Laura Syms, Claudette Taylor, Arja Vainio-Mattila, , Wendy Wadden, Richard Watuwa, David Wheeler, Shawn Bethke

### Regrets:

Saleh Alghamdi, Brennan Boudreau, Debbie Brennick, Allen Britten, Sylvia Burrow, Kenzie Cameron, Jane Farnsworth, Roy Karam, David Mullan, Norm Smith, Eileen Smith-Piovesan

### Absent:

Elaine MacNeil, Tuma Young

The vice chair welcomed new student Senator Jill Ellsworth.

## 2. Consent Agenda

**It was moved** by G. D’Cunha, seconded by J. Bailey to accept and approve the following items submitted by the Academic Committee as presented:

### 2.1 Academic Committee

- a) 2015 May 15 Algonquin College Articulation Agreement BBA
- b) Digital Cit for Global Com Course Proposal
- c) 2015 Dawson College Articulation Agreement BET

**Motion carried.**

## 3. Matters to be Considered in Closed Session

**It was moved** by E. Davis, seconded by B. Ellis to move into Closed Session for the purpose of conducting confidential business. **Motion carried.**

**It was moved by** B. Ellis, seconded by E. Quirk to move to Open Session following the completion of confidential business. **Motion carried.**

**4. Matters Forwarded for Information – N/A**

**5. Special Presentations/Updates – N/A**

**6. Report of the President and Vice-President Academic & Research (Provost)**

**6.1 Report of the President**

President Wheeler gave a verbal report with the following highlights:

- Congratulations were extended to those involved in bringing the graduates just approved to this very momentous event in their lives and to those being awarded with honorary degrees: Eleanor Bernard & Eileen Pottie-Forrester.
- A spectacular convocation took place at the Canadian International College on October 11<sup>th</sup> where an honorary doctoral degree was also conferred on Dr. Niazi Sallam.
- Following the confirmed enrolments in early 2016 a special senate retreat should take place to further discuss enrolments numbers and the shifts in the characteristics of a post-secondary student.

VP Brown was invited to give Senators the status of the enrolment numbers to date. He noted that these numbers are fluid and only accurate to the point in time from which they were reported. The overall enrolment numbers were reported as down 2.3% and the maritime average is down 2.2%. The make-up of the CBU enrolments has shifted in that the percentage of Nova Scotian students has increased 8% and has been realized primarily through articulation agreements. The local high school numbers continue to decline along with a significant decline in the Saudi Arabian cohort. Currently there is no indication that CBU will be reinstated with the Saudi Arabian Cultural Bureau. It was also noted that for budget purposes the number of three credit course enrolments has also dropped.

On the question of the revised Mission Vision Values statement circulated, President Wheeler responded that the statement will be presented to the Board of Governors for ratification during their October meeting and from there will be implemented as the new statement.

In response to the time line for the logo competition, President Wheeler replied that competition set out to local high school students did not receive the responses they had hoped for. The process will proceed with contacting graphics designers to develop potential logos within the coming weeks.

## 6.2 Report of the Vice-President Academic & Research (Provost)

D. Keefe gave a verbal report with the following highlights:

- The enrolments numbers will continue to be monitored but a budget shortfall is likely.
- Faculty and staff town hall is scheduled for October 23<sup>rd</sup> and one with students on October 27<sup>th</sup>.
- The voluntary suspension of new courses and programs to MPHEC until the quality assurance report has been finalized will also include any submissions already with MPHEC; including the SPAL program. This suspension does not include modifications to current programs.

## 7. Question Period – N/A

## 8. Approval of Minutes

**8.1 It was moved** by W. Wadden, seconded by C. Taylor, the approval of the minutes from the September 25, 2015 meeting. **Motion carried.** Abstentions: 7

## 9. Business Arising from the Minutes – N/A

## 10. Report of the Executive Committee

The secretary, L. Syms reported that the Executive Committee met on October 9<sup>th</sup> to set the agenda for this Senate meeting. The committee also discussed vacancies on various committees. As part of the new responsibilities for the Executive Committee to address any vacancies, **it was moved**, by L. Syms, seconded by B. Ellis to approve John Hudec as the SASS representative on the TLEC Committee and Willena Nemeth as the SPS representative on the Bylaws Committee. **Motion carried.**

## 11. Students' Union Report

B. Ellis also expressed best wishes and speedy recovery to Ray Ivany and Debbie Brennick. New student Senator Jill Ellsworth was welcomed. The new services of Asperia are being well received and many positive comments are being expressed. The Women's Centre, the Pride & Ally Centre and the International Student Centre are extremely active and doing wonderful work with and for the students. An appeal to the CFS lawsuit has been initiated and negotiations with CFS have begun in the hopes to minimize the financial impacts to the students' union.

## 12. Reports of Other Committees

**(a) Academic Committee** – On behalf of the Chair, A Mullan referred to the informational report circulated with the meeting material.

### Items for Information:

1. MUSI 2911; 2913; 2915 & 2917
2. FRNC 2301 & 2303

3. FRNC 3301
4. DRAM 1101
5. Dram2101; 2201; 2203; 2621 & 2623
6. DRAM 3105
7. History Calendar clean up change to RADAR

**Recommendations:**

1. NURS Professional Formation of Nursing I
2. NURS Foundations of Nursing I
3. NURS HEALTH PROMOTION AND ASSESSMENT I
4. NURS Pathophysiology in Diverse Populations across the Lifespan
5. NURS Nursing Practice Integration I: Foundational Concepts in Nursing
6. NURS HEALTH AND ILLNESS I
7. NURS Foundations of Nursing II
8. NURS HEALTH PROMOTION AND ASSESSMENT II
9. NURS Pharmacotherapeutics, Alternative and Complementary Therapies across the Lifespan
10. NURS Nursing Practice Integration II: Care of Persons and Families in Transition across the Lifespan
11. NURS Professional Formation of Nursing II
12. NURS HEALTH AND ILLNESS II
13. NURS HEALTH AND ILLNESS III
14. NURS Nursing Practice Integration III: Acute Health Challenges Across the Lifespan
15. NURS HEALTH AND ILLNESS IV
16. NURS Nursing Practice Integration IV: Nursing Practice of Persons and Families Experiencing Chronic Illness Across the Lifespan
17. NURS Professional Formation of Nursing III
18. NURS NURSING THEORY AND PRACTICE SYNTHESIS
19. NURS Nursing Practice Integration V: Synthesis of Professional Nursing Concepts
20. NURS Nursing Practice Integration VI: Transition to Nursing Practice

**It was moved**, by A. Mullan, seconded by E. Quirk to approve the nursing courses as circulated. It was explained that these courses are to move in line with new nursing curriculum as mandated by the province. It was further noted that the Academic Committee did accept and approve the courses as presented with the acceptance of the course numbers which will be further discussed with Registrar's office should Senate approve the courses.

On the question of concept curriculum and why some of the courses do not have these codes it was noted that this is a concept based curriculum and the concept of integration is inherent. The concept would be defined only once in the curriculum and noted by the '©' in the remainder.

It was noted that the school and degree committee consultation approvals missing from any of the proposals was an input error and were voted on.

**Motion carried.**

The efforts of the Nursing Department lead by W. Nemeth were commended and many thanks were offered to them in the accomplishment of this update for the nursing curriculum update.

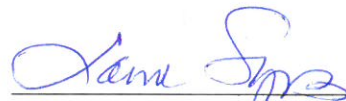
- (b) **Planning and Review** – Chair, V. Salazar referred to the informational report circulated with the meeting material noting there was nothing further to add. On the question of how the school plans relate to the duties of the committee, V. Salazar replied these were to provide further input for the pre-budget discussion.
- (c) **QA** – Chair, MJ Morrison referred to the informational report circulated with the meeting material, noting there was nothing further to add.
- (d) **TLEC** – Chair, C. Kreber reported the committee met on October 21<sup>st</sup> where she accepted the position of Chair for the first semester. The committee reviewed the terms of reference, the work of the committee from last year and discussed a possible agenda for the coming year. Online evaluations
- (e) **Research** – Nothing to report.
- (f) **Bylaws** – Nothing to report.

**13. Board of Governors' Report – N/A**

**14. Confidential Business – N/A**

**15. Adjournment**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:56 pm.

  
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Laura Syms, Secretary