Senate Minutes

November 18, 2016 Senate Chamber CE-339

The Chair called the meeting to order at 1:35 pm.

1. Roll Call and Declaration of Quorum

Present:

Amar Anwar, Pat Bates, Dannie Brown, Taylor Burton, George Chen, Cathy Chisholm, Eddie Davis, Jane Farnsworth, Barb Glassey, Odette Griscti, Derrick Hayes, Katie Hillman, Patrick Howard, John Hudec, Stephanie Inglis, Pierre Jean, Carolin Kreber, Allison MacDonald, Brandon MacDonald, Kyle MacDonald, Bernie MacLennan, Stewart McCann, Ron McCarron, David McCorquodale, Martin Mkandawire, Sean Modesto, Joseph Parish, Matt Shallo, Wei Shang, Wendy Wadden, Audrey Walsh, Derek Zhang, Shawn Bethke, Terry MacDonald, Norm Smith

Regrets:

Sylvia Burrow, Tanya Brann-Barrett, Roy Karam, George Karaphillis, Dale Keefe, Brendan MacDonald, Gordon MacInnis, Erna MacLeod, Elaine MacNeil, Mary Jane Morrison, Arja Vainio-Mattila, David Wheeler

Absent:

Stephen Augustine, Ron McCarron, Richard MacKinnon, Esrra Mostafa, Claudette Taylor

Welcomes were offered to Pierre Jean, Director of Studies at the Canadian Coast Guard College in attendance today.

It was moved by M. Shallo, seconded by E. Davis, to approve the agenda as circulated. Motion carried.

2. Consent Agenda – N/A

3. Matters to be Considered in Closed Session

It was moved by W. Wadden, seconded by B. MacDonald to move in to closed sessions for the purposes of conducting confidential business. **Motion carried.**

Following the discussion in closed session, **it was moved** by W. Wadden, seconded by P. Howard to move back in to open session. **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) - N/A

7. Question Period – N/A

8. Approval of Minutes

7.1 It was moved by M. Shallo, seconded by A. Ammar, the approval of the minutes from the October 20, 2016 meeting. With the noted amendments to attendance, motion carried.Abstention: 6

9. Business Arising from the Minutes – N/A

10. Report of the Executive Committee

The Chair reported that the Executive Committee met on November 4th to set the agenda for this meeting of Senate. The committee also discussed a possible presentation for the December meeting.

11. Students' Union Report

On behalf of the Students' Union President, B. MacDonald gave a verbal report with the following highlights:

- R. Karam is currently presenting recommendations for changes to the CFS organization.
- A well-attended Students' Nova Scotia Advocacy Week was held in early November
- MyWellness launch is being very well received a
- The Orange Army point system official launch is currently underway.
- Congratulations were offered to the men's and women's soccer teams.

It was also noted that some students have not been contacted to attend committee meetings and they requested Committee chairs ensure they have the correct email address. It was also suggested that the student could also contact the Chairs.

12. Reports of Other Committees

- (a) Bylaws Nothing to report.
- (b) **Research** On behalf of the Chair, O. Griscti referred to the informational report circulated with the meeting material noting there was nothing further to add to it.
- (c) TLEC Chair, J. Hudec, noted that items are being finalized and will be presented during the December meeting, including the Lab Evaluation Survey.
- (d) P&R On behalf of the Chair, S. Inglis referred to the report as circulated. In the absence of the senior administrative Senators, it was requested that the report be tabled to the next meeting. She provided members with a brief overview of the document and she urged members to fully read the document to allow for a full conversation on the recommendations during the December meeting of Senate.

- (d) QA Nothing to report.
- (f) Academic On behalf of the chair, B. MacDonald noted the committee has nothing to report at this time but requested to submit a Notice of Intent for the Emergency Management program proposal. Pending finalization of Academic Committee's review the document will be circulated in advance of the next meeting to ensure members have adequate time to review the proposal.

13. Board of Governors' Report

S. Inglis reported that the Board of Governors met on October 28th and highlighted the following from the meeting:

- President Wheeler gave a presentation titled CBU Global with exciting possibilities of a new University in a new capital district in Egypt as well as UK Masters programs being offered at CBU in the Spring and Summer months.
- A presentation on Fundraising detailed the goals of the department over the next several years.
- T. Brann-Barrett presented the Open Digital Learning and detailed the many possibilities of the new technologies in online learning.
- The 2016/17 deficit budget was presented and approved.

14. Confidential Business – N/A

15. Adjournment

D. Hayes noted this was Norm Smith's last meeting of Senate and many warm wishes were expressed to him for his retirement.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:05 pm.

Martin/Mkandawire, Secretary