

Senate Minutes

March 23, 2018
Senate Chamber CE-339

E. MacLeod, Vice Chair, called the meeting to order at 1:30 pm.

1. Roll Call and Declaration of Quorum

Present:

Stephen Augustine, Pat Bates, Shania Boucher, Tanya Brann-Barrett, Debbie Brennick, Ian Brodie, Dannie Brown, Geoff Carre, Cathy Chisholm, Ed Davis, Brooklyn Galbraith, Barb Glassey, Jordan Gracie, Stephanie Inglis, George Karaphillis, Mary Keating, Dale Keefe, Angela Keylor, Carolin Kreber, Jane Lewis, Nat Leach, Bernie MacLennan, Erna MacLeod, Stewart McCann, Katelyn McPherson, Martin Mkandawire, Martin Moy, Rick Pierrynowski, Chester Pyne, Vicky Salazar, Eleanor Sidley, Tom Urbaniak, Wendy Wadden, Audrey Walsh, Shawn Bethke, Terry MacDonald

Regrets:

Amar Anwar, Jacob Daley, Odette Griscti, Derrick Hayes, Pierre Jean, Stuart Heath, Richard MacKinnon, Gordon MacInnis, Elaine MacNeil, Mary Jane Morrison, Kennedy Semple

Absent:

John Hudec, Brendan MacDonald, Kelsey Storimans

The Vice Chair declared quorum and began with the acknowledgement that Cape Breton University is located in Mi'kma'ki, the ancestral and unceded territory of the Mi'kmaq People. This territory is covered by the "Treaties of Peace and Friendship" which Mi'kmaq and Wolastoqiyik (Maliseet) people first signed with the British Crown in 1726. The treaties did not deal with surrender of lands and resources but in fact recognized Mi'kmaq and Wolastoqiyik (Maliseet) title and established the rules for what was to be an ongoing relationship between nations.

It was moved by E. Davis, seconded by G. Karaphillis, to accept the agenda as presented. An addition to 5.1 to present the book Elements of Indigenous Style: A Guide for Writing By and About Indigenous Peoples was accepted. **Motion carried as amended.**

2. Consent Agenda – N/A

3. Confidential Business

It was moved by W. Wadden, seconded by D. Brennick, to move in to Closed Session for the purpose of conducting confidential business. **Motion carried.**

10. Business Arising from the Minutes – N/A

11. Report of the Executive Committee

M. Mkandawire reported that the Executive Committee met on March 9th to set the agenda for this Senate meeting.

12. Students' Union Report

Students' Union President, E. Sidley, reported the election for the next President and Vice President was held on February 14th and expressed congratulations to Nagy Abdou, President Elect and Parteek Brar, Executive Vice President Elect on their successful campaigns. She also noted they have been busy lobbying in both Halifax and Ottawa and working toward their \$15,000 goal for their Capers Helping Capers campaign. Discussions with Cape Breton Transit continue in efforts to provide better public transit to and from campus. In closing, on behalf of the student Senators, she thanked Senate for their support and welcome during their tenure.

E. MacLeod, on behalf of Senate, thanked all of the student Senators (Eleanor Sidley, Brooklyn Galbraith, Jordan Gracie, Katelyn McPherson, Shania Boucher, Jacob Daley, Stuart Heath, Kelsey Storimans, and Kennedy Semple) for time and dedication to Senate.

13. Reports of Other Committees

(a) Planning and Review – G. Carre noted that the committee, with the agreement of the Executive Committee, decided that their review each of the policies would not be of the policy itself but rather the review date. Once a policy reaches its review date, like the process of the department bylaws, the committee will advise the respective individual/department/committee.

(b) TLEC – J. Hudec referred to the informational report circulated with the meeting material. He noted that the committee continues to explore possible revisions to the process of teaching evaluating at CBU.

(c) QA – J. Gerrie referred to the informational report circulated with the meeting material with detailed the status of the QA reviews for BACS, ORGS and MBA-CED.

(d) Research – M. Mkandawire reported that the committee has unanimously approved the renaming of the Research Policy Grant name. **It was moved** by M. Mkandawire, seconded by I. Brodie, to change the name of the Research Policy (RP) Grant to the Research, Innovation, Scholarship, and Exploration (RISE) Grant. **Motion carried.**

(e) Academic – B. MacLennan referred to the report circulated with the meeting material and presented the following recommendations:

Recommendations:

1) Proposed Graphic that represents the New Course/Pilot vs Special Topic Course Approval Process.

It was moved by B. MacLennan, seconded by W. Wadden, to approve the proposed graphic that

14. Board of Governors' Report

W. Wadden reported that the Board of Governors met on March 9th when changes to bylaws were approved, the Investment Committee reported that investments doing well, gratitude expressed to Interim President Keefe. She noted that the Installation for the new President will be held on April 6th. The residence occupancy rate is doing much better than it has been in some time and an unexpected intake from India is reflecting positively and Dr. Brann-Barrett provided members with her annual Research Report.

15. Adjournment

There being no further business, it was moved by W. Wadden to adjourn the meeting at 3:10 pm.



Martin Mkandawire, Secretary