

Senate Minutes

June 10, 2010
Senate Chamber

Chair, P. MacIntyre, called the meeting to order at 1:45 pm.

Acknowledgements and welcome

The Chair recognized the following members who will not be returning to Senate next year. The members were reminded that their term does not expire until August 31.

Tracey Harris	Ed LeBlanc
Mary Tanya Brann Barrett	Catherine O'Brien
Todd Pettigrew	Bernie MacLennan
Sherry Finney	Geoff Carre
Chester Pyne	Godwin D'Cunha

It was noted that Coleen Moore Hayes is completing Randy Bower's term (2009-2011) and Lauren Lavoie will complete Mark Silverberg's term (2009-2011)

The Chair announced the new members of Senate whose term will begin September 1:

Faculty representatives:

Bernard Mulo Farenkia	Maureen Finlayson
Steve Martell	Karen Harroun
Joe Parish	David McCorquodale
Patrick Delamirande	Michael Tanchak
Joanne Pyke	

Library representative:

Ron Rooth

Students' Union Representatives (term begins May 1 and expires April 30):

Allison Haley	Adam Jamieson
Phillip Campbell	Jennifer Howarth
Brian MacMillan	Andrew Mortimer
Tim Damon	

Returning Students' Union members: Stephanie Bagnell and Kristen MacNeil

1. Roll Call and Declaration of Quorum

Present: Matthias Bierenstiel, Allen Britten, Philip Campbell, Geoff Carre, Cathy Chisholm, Godwin D'Cunha, Allan Fraser, Allison Haley, Tracey Harris, Adam Jamieson, Diane Janes, David Johnson, Ed LeBlanc, Jane Lewis, Peter MacIntyre, Gordon MacInnis, John MacKinnon, Bernie MacLennan, Brian MacMillan, Alexis Manley, Lindsay Marshall, Coleen Moore Hayes, Patricia Morrison, Andrew Mortimer, Rod Nicholls, Catherine O'Brien, Todd Pettigrew, Chester Pyne, Claudette Taylor, Wendy Wadden, Tuma Young

Via teleconference: Robert Bailey

Regrets: Stephanie Bagnell, Mary Tanya Brann-Barrett, Keith Brown, Robert Campbell, Anita Delazzer, Sherry Finney, Louis Guimond, President John Harker, Jennifer Howarth, Harvey Johnstone, Kristen MacNeil, Willena Nemeth, Mark Silverberg, Eileen Smith-Piovesan, Tom Urbaniak,

Absent: Tim Damon, Princely Ifinedo, Geoffrey Lee-Dadswell, Gary Nicklason,

The Secretary declared a quorum present.

The Chair asked guests present at today's meeting to excuse themselves from the meeting so that Senate may conduct its' confidential business

2. Matters to be Considered in Closed Session

Motion:

It was moved by D. Janes, seconded by W. Wadden to move into 'closed session' for the purpose of approving the April 30, 2010 Minutes of the Confidential Session and to approve the list of CIC graduands.

Motion carried.

Motion:

Following the discussions in Closed Session, **it was moved** by W. Wadden, seconded by G. D'Cunha to move back to Open Session.

Motion carried.

3. Matters Forwarded for Information

Vice-President Student Services & Registrar, A. Manley circulated a document listing the additions/deletions to the May, 2010 graduation list for information purposes only.

4. Special Presentations – there were no special presentations at this meeting.

5. Report of President and of the Vice-President, Academic & Research

Vice-President Bailey reported on behalf of President Harker:

- Dr. Dale Keefe has accepted the position of Dean of Research effective July 1, 2010.
- Dr. Harvey Johnstone, outgoing Dean of Research, was recognized for his work over the past several years.
- Dean Jane Lewis, who is stepping down as Dean of the School of Education, Health & Wellness effective July 1, 2010, was also recognized for her contributions to the School over the past several years.
- As of July 1, 2010, the School of Education, Health & Wellness will evolve into the School of Graduate & Professional Studies. A search committee will be struck to find a Dean of Graduate and Professional Studies. Dr. Robert Bailey will assume the position of Interim Dean until such time as a full-time Dean has been hired.

- A committee comprised of Edwin MacLellan, Paul MacDougall, Kelli White, Bill Bailey, Lucia MacIsaac, Geoffrey Lee-Dadswell and Ross McCurdy are in the process of developing programming ideas for the Centre for Sustainability in Energy and the Environment. Consultations will be held with the CBU community and a report is to be submitted to Dr. Bailey by December, 2010.
- MPHEC will hold its' regular Commission meeting at CBU in September. Also, at this time meetings will be held with MPHEC members to discuss not only a review of new and revised programming at the undergraduate level but also to talk about the development of proposals for graduate programming.
- Dr. Bailey thanked members of Senate for their welcome and support over the past year.

Mr. G. MacInnis, Vice President, Finance and Operations commented President Harker recently participated in a meeting with the Premier and Cabinet members regarding the O'Neil Report. He noted there is still no definitive date for the release of the Report. The discussions revolved primarily around the role of the universities in terms of the economic renewal in Nova Scotia. The two primary points are: 1) how much money is Government going to have next year for universities and 2) how are they going to distribute the money.

6. Question Period – no questions received.

7. Approval of Minutes

May 1, 2010 - It was moved by J. MacKinnon, seconded by L. Marshall approval of the Minutes of May 1, 2010 as presented.

Motion carried. Abstentions: 4

8. Business arising from the Minutes – N/A

9. Report of the Executive Committee

A. Fraser reported the Committee met on May 28th and discussions focused on setting the agenda for today's meeting.

10. Reports of the Standing Committees of Senate

(a) Teaching, Learning & Evaluation committee – Chair, M. Bierenstiel, referred to the report circulated with the agenda package and to the two additional handouts circulated at the meeting.

i. Public discussion forums and workshops: The Teaching, Learning & Evaluation Committee conducted a series of three workshops/discussion forums regarding the service, community, and teaching component of the CBU Teaching Policy. A report on the proceedings entitled, "Discussion Series: Teaching and Community", submitted by Dr. Peter MacIntyre, was circulated to Senate members for information purposes. It was noted that the workshops/discussion forums were very well received.

ii. CBU Policy on the Use of Recordings of Course Presentations

Motion:

It was moved by M. Bierenstiel, seconded by P. Morrison to approve the CBU Policy on the Use of Recordings of Course Presentations.

On the question: Following in-depth discussion on the matter a motion was made to refer the matter back to the committee in order to seek legal advice regarding the policy.

Motion to Refer

It was moved by C. Pyne, seconded by J. MacKinnon to refer this policy back to the committee to seek legal consultation.

Motion carried. Nays – 6

iii. CBU Course Syllabus Policy

Motion:

It was moved by M. Bierenstiel, seconded by D. Janes that Senate approve the Cape Breton University Course Syllabus Policy.

Motion carried.

iv. Report on Standard Teaching Evaluation

Motion:

It was moved by M. Bierenstiel, seconded by D. Janes that Senate approve the following: "the Teaching, Learning and Evaluation Committee shall have a wider mandate for the development of a comprehensive Course and Teaching Evaluation Policy containing a standard teaching evaluation instrument. The 'Course and Teaching Evaluation Policy', if approved by Senate, will be amended to the CBU Teaching Policy and will be subject to the Memorandum of Understanding for Standard Teaching Evaluation.

On the question: It was noted that NSGEU and CBUFA lab instructors are not required to complete course evaluations. In response to the question as to when this policy would be implement, Dr. Bierenstiel indicated it is expected to implement the policy in November, 2010; it was also suggested that questions 1 to 6 should be designated as 'optional' to protect the student's identity; and a suggestion was made to remove the section regarding "Identification of Excellence in Teaching Ability" from the document.

Motion carried.

(b) Academic Committee – The Chair, T. Pettigrew referred to the report circulated with the agenda package.

1. The following items were presented as informational items:

1. Rename POLS 100 as Politics, Law, and Social Justice: Canadian and International Perspectives
2. Renumber SOCO 285 as SOCO 3xx.
3. Rename FOLK/ETHM 203 as Atlantic Canadian Folk Music
4. Remove "FINA" cross-listing from all courses offered by Heritage and Culture
5. Renumber ETHM 205 as ETHM 3xx.
6. Minor changes to ETHM course descriptions as indicated below:

ETHM 125: Experiencing Music

This course introduces musical fundamentals such as pitch, rhythm, timbre, texture and other elements. By using a wide cross-section of world musics as exemplars, this course helps students to develop listening and music analysis skills. Students will be introduced to musics both familiar and unfamiliar, providing a culturally diverse musical environment in which to build their vocabularies for describing musical sound and performance. Through hands-on in-class activities and individual analysis assignments, students receive grounding in the basics of music theory and practice as it is relevant to musical traditions in many parts of the world.

ETHM 201: Music and Culture

An introduction to the discipline of ethnomusicology, this course focuses on the issues confronting those who study music across cultures. Through the course, students discover the ways in which sounds, settings and significances interlock in diverse musical cultures. Through case studies and the major course assignment, students discover how fieldwork is done, including the process of participant observation, ethnographic interviewing, thick description, and research ethics. In the process, broader issues in ethnomusicology are studied, such as movement across distances (e.g., migration), commercial and economic issues (e.g., recordings, tourism), ritual (e.g., religion, life cycle ceremonies), and politics (e.g., nationalism, protest). Each of these issues is discussed theoretically and then examined in several specific (and different) case studies involving music cultures from around the world.

ETHM 205: Musics of the World

This course provides in-depth study of a small number of non-Western musics, each studied during its own module. Music offers, in many ways, a window on society, giving us the opportunity to see how music is defined, how it is evaluated, how it is made and performed, and its role within a given community. Music can be studied as a reflection of society, mirroring social and political structures, gender relations, cultural values, religious beliefs, and other aspects. However, music is also an active force in the creation of society, as when it is used for protest purposes or to call upon a deity to change the community's circumstances. Students will discover how music is more than entertainment in many cultures and is instead a form of human expression that is a meaningful aspect of daily life.

2. Proposed revised Course Proposal Template

Motion:

It was moved by T. Pettigrew, seconded by W. Wadden that Senate approve the proposed revised Course Proposal Template as presented.

Motion carried.

3. Proposed revised Policy on English Language Proficiency

Motion:

It was moved by T. Pettigrew, seconded by A. Manley that Senate approve acceptance of the revised Policy on English Language Proficiency.

Motion carried.

4. ELEC 442: Medical Instrumentation

Motion:

It was moved by T. Pettigrew, seconded by B. MacLennan that Senate approve ELEC 442: Medical Instrumentation.

Motion carried.

5. MBAD 6XX: Public Policy

Motion:

It was moved by T. Pettigrew, seconded by W. Wadden, that Senate approve MBAD 6XX: Public Policy.

Motion carried.

6. MBAD 6XX: Government, Business, and Third Sector Relations

Motion:

It was moved T. Pettigrew, seconded by W. Wadden, that Senate approve MBAD 6XX: Government, Business and Third Sector Relations.

Motion carried.

7. MBAD 6XX: Energy, Environment and the Economy

Motion:

It was moved by T. Pettigrew, seconded by P. Morrison, that Senate approve MBAD 6XX: Energy, Environment and the Economy.

Motion carried.

8. MBAD 6XX: Sustainability Marketing

Motion:

It was moved by T. Pettigrew, seconded by W. Wadden, that Senate approve MBAD 6XX: Sustainability Marketing.

Motion carried.

9. MBAD 6XX: Marketing Strategy

Motion:

It was moved by T. Pettigrew, seconded by T. Young, that Senate approve MBAD 6XX: Marketing Strategy.

Motion carried.

10. BUSS 4XX: Social Media Marketing

Motion:

It was moved by T. Pettigrew, seconded by P. Morrison, that Senate approve MBAD 6XX: Social Media Marketing.

Motion carried.

11. BUSS 4XX: Retail Management

Motion:

It was moved by T. Pettigrew, seconded by W. Wadden, that Senate approve MBAD 6XX: Retail Management.

Motion carried.

12. BUSS 4XX: Sustainable Marketing

Motion:

It was moved by T. Pettigrew, seconded by W. Wadden, that Senate approve BUSS 4XX: Sustainable Marketing.

Motion carried.

13. HATM 3XX: International Tourism Management

Motion:

It was moved by T. Pettigrew, seconded by P. Morrison, that Senate approve HATM 3XX: International Tourism Management.

Motion carried.

14. PHYS 1XX: Elements of Physics I and PHYS 1XX: Elements of Physics II

Motion:

It was moved by T. Pettigrew, seconded by C. Pyne, that Senate approve PHYS 1XX: Elements of Physics I and PHYS 1XX: Elements of Physics II - conditional upon receiving the signature of the Department Chair on the New Course Proposal form.

Motion carried.

It was noted that these two new courses were created in exclusion of one old one.

15. RELS 397: Special Topics

Motion:

It was moved by T. Pettigrew, seconded by A. Manley, that Senate approve RELS 397: Special Topics.

Motion carried.

16. RELS 398: Special Topics

Motion:

It was moved by T. Pettigrew, seconded by A. Manley, that Senate approve RELS 398: Special Topics.

Motion carried.

(b) Bylaws and Procedures Committee – The Committee Chair was not at this meeting, however, a written report was circulated with the agenda package for information purposes.

(c) Nominating Committee – The Chair, C. Taylor referred to the report circulated with the agenda package. A proposed slate of nominations for the standing committees of Senate was circulated at the meeting. It was noted that nominations for committee vacancies would be presented for approval at the September meeting.

Motion:

It was moved by C. Taylor, seconded by W. Wadden, that Senate approve the slate of committee members as presented.

Motion carried.

(d) Planning & Priorities Committee – The Chair, C. Pyne, reported there was no written report for this meeting.

- (e) **Quality Assurance Committee** – The Chair, W. Wadden, noted the committee’s report was circulated with the agenda package.
- (f) **Research Committee** – The Chair, G. Carre, referred to the report circulated with the agenda package.

Motion:

It was moved by G. Carre, seconded by G. D’Cunha that Senate endorse the “Animal Care Committee – Mandate and Terms of Reference as presented.

On the question: Following a brief discussion on the matter a motion was made to refer the document to the Bylaws committee for review.

Motion to Refer:

It was moved by W. Wadden, seconded by P. Morrison to refer the document 'Animal Care Committee – Mandate and Terms of Reference' to the Bylaws and Procedures Committee for review.

Motion carried.

11. Additional Business

11.1 Students' Union report

A. Haley, President, Students' Union referred to the written report circulated with the agenda package. She advised that the Frosh Concert will be held on Friday, September 17.

11.2 Board of Governors' report

Dr. T. Pettigrew reported that the Board met on April 26. Highlights include:

Approval of the University's 2010–2011 budget of \$40.9 million dollars. The budget assumes a 5% decline in enrollment for next year.

There were discussions regarding the increase in international student enrollment. The budget discussion raised the question of what we want the overall level of international student enrollment to be.

The budget also provided for increased funding for the art gallery, a new position in the Writing Centre, a new position to lead the proposed Unama'ki College.

The Investment Committee, in its report, recommended minor changes in the management strategy of the University's Endowment fund.

11.3 Other

The Chair asked the following Senators to act as '*Chair pro-tem*' of the various sub-committees for the purpose of calling the first Committee meeting in September:

Academic - Rod Nicholls

Bylaws and Procedures	-	Tom Urbaniak
Nominating	-	Claudette Taylor
Planning & Priorities	-	Allan Fraser
Quality Assurance	-	Wendy Wadden
Research	-	Joanne Pyke
Teaching, Learning & Evaluation	-	Matthias Bierenstiel

It was noted that Dean John MacKinnon will act as '*Chair pro-tem*' for the Appeals Committee until such time as the Committee calls its first meeting.

Debbie MacAulay will notify the Executive Committee members of the September meeting.

12 **Adjournment**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3:50 pm.



 Tracey Harris, Secretary