



586TH MEETING OF SENATE

THURSDAY, MAY 18TH 2017, 4:00 P.M.

MINUTES

Chair: Vice-Principal Miles Turnbull for Items 1 to 3; Principal Michael Goldbloom for Items 4 to 9

Present: Dr. Marie-Josée Berger, Dr. Stefan Bruda, Mr. Kevin-John Chaplin, Dr. Claude Charpentier, Dr. Bruce Gilbert, Dr. Kerry Hull, Dr. Jean Manore, Mr. Gary McCormick, Mr. Anthony Martin, Dr. Adrianna Mendrek, Dr. Michele Murray, Ms Erica Phillips, Mr. Tayler Ross, Mr. Hans Rouleau, Ms Stephanie Sisam, Dr. Sylvain Turcotte, Dr. Francine Turmel, Dr. Trygve Ugland,

Regrets: Dr. Jenn Cianca, Dr. François Huard, Dr. Sunny Lau, Ms Alyson Loach, Dr. Robert Palmer, Dr. Yanan Wang

Secretary: Ms Victoria Meikle

The Vice-Principal called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. He welcomed incoming SRC Vice-President Academic Erica Phillips and Students' Representative Council Natural Sciences Senator Anthony Martin.

Item 1: Approval of Agenda

Kerry Hull moved the approval of the agenda as distributed and Jean Manore seconded the motion.

The motion carried.

Item 2: Approval of Minutes

The Secretary General suggested a modification to the Minutes of the 585th meeting of Senate to add the words « in accordance with Senate practice » following the words « Dr. Turnbull appointed Kerry Hull as Chair » at the beginning of the Minutes. Subject to this modification, Francine Turmel moved approval of the minutes and Claude Charpentier seconded the motion.

The motion carried.

Item 3: Closed session – consultation on the renewal of the Principal and Vice-Chancellor – Confidential Documents 586/3 and 586/3i attached - R. Hall

Jean Manore moved that Senate move into closed session for the consultation by the Chair of the Board of Governors on the renewal of the Principal; Michele Murray seconded the motion.

The motion carried.

Item 4: Communications from the Chair

The Principal joined the meeting and assumed the chair.

Government relations

The Principal reported that Victoria Meikle, Isabelle Goyette and he had met with Assistant Deputy Minister, Higher Education, Simon Bergeron. Mr. Bergeron had advised him that additional recurring funding would be made available for Bishop's University that would allow us to balance our operating budget.

Item 5: Business Arising

There was no business arising.

Item 6.1: Report of the Senate Planning Committee on the Resource Allocation Model

The Vice-Principal Academic Miles Turnbull summarised the new process of the Senate Planning Committee to come to grips with the realities of program delivery. Departments will be asked to provide requests for full-time faculty and part-time credits at the same time, and Senate Planning Committee will meet with each Chair to review these requests.

Dr. Turnbull moved that Senate approve of the modified process for tenure-stream and part-time credit allocation recommended by Senate Planning Committee and outlined in Document 586/6.1.

He further moved that the timing for the approval process of new and modified programs be revised as recommended by Senate Planning Committee and outlined in Document 586/6.1. The new timeline would have Senate approve additions and modifications to courses and programs in the spring, so that they could be communicated to potential students during the recruitment cycle the following Fall and be offered as of the Fall a year after Senate approval. Bruce Gilbert seconded the motions.

The motions carried.

During the course of discussion, the importance of ensuring that the Senate Nominating Committee start work over the summer months was raised. The Vice-Principal Academic undertook to use his influence to make this happen.

Item 6.2: Report of the Senate Program Academic Review Committee on 2017-18 program evaluations

The Vice-Principal moved that Senate adopt the schedule recommended by the Senate Program Academic Review Committee for reviews during the Fall 2017 semester. The Committee had recommended the review of the following Department and Programs:

- History
- Religion
- Fine arts (studio)
- English Writing Proficiency program.

Erica Phillips seconded the motion.

The motion carried.

The Vice-Principal moved that Senate approve the revisions to the procedures for the review of existing programs recommended by the Senate Program Academic Review Committee and set out in document 586/6.2.

Adrianna Mendrek seconded the motion.

The motion carried.

Item 7.1: Approval of Revised Guidelines for Postdoctoral Fellows

In his introduction to this item, the Vice-Principal Academic noted that the Collective Agreement with Faculty for 2017 to 2020 provides for a Parity Committee to look at a potential role for teaching fellows.

Dr. Turnbull then moved that Senate approve the recommendations of the revised Guidelines for Postdoctoral Fellows approved by the Senate Research Committee and set out in Document 586/7.1. Stefan Bruda seconded the motion.

The motion carried.

Item 7.2: Approval of Degrees, Diplomas and Certificates to be awarded at Convocation, June 3, 2017

The Registrar presented the list of 672 graduating students for Convocation 2017, explaining that the names on the list had been reviewed by the relevant Department and Division, as well as by the Registrar's Office.

Approval of undergraduate degrees

Dean of the Williams School of Business Francine Turmel moved that the University Senate receive the list of candidates for the following undergraduate degrees: Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Business Administration, Bachelor of Science and Bachelor of Education, as presented by Mr. Hans Rouleau, Registrar, and that these candidates be awarded their degree(s) at the 189th Bishop's Convocation. Bruce Gilbert seconded the motion.

The motion carried.

Approval of graduate degrees

Dean of Arts and Science Michele Murray moved that the University Senate receive the list of candidates for the following graduate degrees: Master of Education and Master of Science, as presented by the Registrar, and that these candidates be awarded their degree at the 189th Bishop's Convocation. Jean Manore seconded the motion.

The motion carried.

Approval of certificates, graduate certificates and microprograms

Dean of Education and Associate Vice-Principal Continuing Education Marie-Josée Berger moved that Senate receive the list of candidates for Certificates, Graduate Certificates and Micro-programs, as presented by the Registrar, and that these candidates be awarded this certificate at the 189th Bishop's Convocation. Erica Phillips seconded the motion.

The motion carried.

Kerry Hull moved that the Vice-Principal Academic, the Academic Deans, and the Registrar be authorized by the University Senate to add the names of students to the

graduating list, subject to satisfactory completion of program requirements, or to delete candidates who do not meet their program requirements by the date of Convocation. Claude Charpentier seconded the motion.

The motion carried.

Item 7.3: Policy on the posthumous award of degrees in course

Registrar Hans Rouleau proposed a policy for the award of posthumous degrees in course.

The Policy provides that a posthumous undergraduate or graduate degree in course may be awarded at the discretion of the Division / School on the recommendation of the relevant Department.

In order to be eligible for the award of a posthumous degree, the student must have:

- passed away within 12 months of their last registration
- been a student in good academic standing within their respective division / school
- normally completed at least 24 credits at Bishop's University

Procedure:

- 1) Upon recommendation of the Principal or Vice-Principal Academic the request to award a posthumous degree will be presented to the University Senate.
- 2) The Principal or his/her designate will communicate with the family.
- 3) The diploma will be presented at the following Convocation Ceremony.
- 4) The notation "Awarded Posthumously" will be noted on the student's transcript.

Miles Turnbull moved the approval of the policy and Tayler Ross seconded the motion.

The motion carried.

Kevin-John Chaplin and Stephanie Sisam joined the meeting at this point.

The Vice-Principal Academic moved that posthumous B.A. degrees be awarded to Tuan Loo and Clinton Munkittrick at the 2017 Convocation. Claude Charpentier seconded the motion.

The motion carried.

Item 8.1.1.1: Recommendation from the Division of Humanities for a Pre-Law Certificate and Minor

Dean Michele Murray moved that Senate approve the recommendation of the Division of Humanities that a Pre-Law Certificate and Minor be established. Senate Planning Committee had endorsed the recommendation. Trygve Ugland seconded the motion.

Dean of the Williams School of Business Francine Turmel proposed an amendment to remove Business courses which will no longer be offered and substitute others as follows:

BMG221 Business Law should substitute for BMG222 international business law, which is no longer offered; and

BMG214 Introduction to Entrepreneurship: New Venture Creation should substitute for BMG318 The Successful New Venture, which is no longer offered.

The amendment was accepted as friendly by the mover and seconder.

The amended motion carried.

During the course of discussion it was suggested that, before a course release was offered to the coordinator of the Pre-Law program, a review of other interdisciplinary programs that require coordination be carried out in order to ensure equity. It was also suggested that the Committee consider for the future a list of Science courses that might qualify for the Pre-Law program and/or minor.

Item 8.1.1.2: Proposal for a Major in Études françaises et québécoises

Dean Murray moved that Senate approve the recommendation of the Division of Humanities that a Major in *Études françaises et québécoises* be established as set out in document 586/8.1.1.2. The Major would be made up of a minimum of six courses (18 credits) with the "FRA" label at Bishop's University, combined with French courses taken over one or two semesters of immersion in a partner university in France (or in another French-speaking country) and/or a francophone university in Québec. The recommendation had been endorsed by Senate Planning Committee. Jean Manore seconded the motion.

During the course of discussion, the Dean acknowledged that the course description should be amended to specify that 30 credits at other institutions were required to complete the Major. It was pointed out that the Departmental Chair must approve the courses for credit in the context of each particular student's program, and that in the case of a double major in French and Education both Chairs must approve the course.

The motion carried.

Item 8.2: Adjunct Professorship

Dean Murray moved that Senate approve Adjunct status for six years in the Department of Physics and Astronomy for Dr. Jean-Sébastien Gagnon. Anthony Martin seconded the motion.

The motion carried.

Item 9: Information items

Dean Murray announced that Dr. Adrianna Mendrek would replace Dr. Dale Stout as Chair of the Department of Psychology, and that Dr. Darren Bardati would replace Dr. Tom Fletcher as Chair of the Department of Environment and Geography.

Dean Berger advised Senate that Dr. Corinne Haigh will replace Dr. Avril Aitken as Chair of Education during Dr. Aitken's six-month sabbatical.


Dean Turmel informed Senate the Dr. Robert Palmer had been re-elected as Chair of the Williams School of Business.

Dr. Berger added that the Explore program would start at the end of the month of May, though with fewer students than anticipated.

The Secretary General noted that Senate dates for 2017-18 had been distributed to Senators.

The Principal concluded by inviting faculty to attend Convocation on June 3rd in large numbers.

There being no further business, the 586th meeting of Senate adjourned at 5:28 p.m.



Michael Goldbloom, Chair



Victoria Meikle, Secretary