

**BISHOP'S UNIVERSITY**

**MINUTES  
OF THE 412th MEETING OF SENATE**

The 412th meeting of Senate took place on Monday 11 January 1999 at 7:00 p.m. in the Conference Room, McGreer Hall.

**Members present:** Mrs. Bandrauk, Dr. Black, Dr. Crooks, Ms. Cruikshank, Dr. Dean, Mrs. Durrant, Dr. Forrest, Dr. Johnson, Dr. N. Jones, Mr. M. Jones, Ms. Keirstead, Dr. Khouzam, Dr. Lustigman, Mr. McKelvie, Dr. McLean, Ms. Montgomery, Mr. Saunders, Prof. Siddiqui, Dr. Stritch, Dr. van Hulst, Dr. Wickens, Dr. Zubieta. Dr. Cook was in the Chair.

**Absent:** Dr. Harvey, Mrs. Hodder, Prof. Robson, Mr. Roy, Dr. Sproule

**Guest:** Dr. N. Ferguson, School of Education

Dr. Cook welcomed two new Senators: Dr. Nellie Khouzam replacing Prof. Carman for Natural Sciences and Mathematics, and Dr. Norman Jones replacing Dr. Childs for Faculty Council.

1/412      AGENDA

7/412/7.2      Add 1.c Changes to core curriculum  
8/412      Add v: SPA 321; vi: French requirements for  
                    B.A./B.Ed.

It was moved by Prof. Siddiqui, seconded by Mrs. Durrant, that the agenda be approved as amended.

**Motion carried.**

2/412      MINUTES

It was noted that Dr. Bernath's name had been spelt incorrectly in the list of guests present.

5/411/i(b) The second sentence was changed to read "concern was expressed that there would be no follow-up...".

It was moved by Dr. Dean, seconded by Ms. Cruikshank, that the minutes of the 411th meeting be approved as amended.

**Motion carried.**3/412 COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CHAIR

Dr. Cook advised Senators that a Special Meeting had been scheduled for Monday 18 January 1999, for the purpose of receiving and discussing the recommendations of the Senate Planning Committee.

4/412 BUSINESS ARISING

7/411/7.2/iii Dr. Forrest presented a revised course description for GER236.

5/412 COMMITTEE ITEMS

i) Committee on Plagiarism.

Dr. Black presented a revised proposal for regulations dealing with academic dishonesty and plagiarism, noting that the Committee had tried to strike a balance between the very firm and the very lenient, and to provide procedures which would be both clear and flexible. He indicated that there was a new provision for the keeping of records, which the Committee felt to be important. He moved, seconded by Dr. van Hulst, that Senate accept the recommendations of the Committee.

After some preliminary discussion, it was moved by Prof. Siddiqui, seconded by Mr. Saunders, that the motion be divided to deal with the recommendations individually.

**Motion carried.**

In response to a concern expressed by Dr. Khouzam, the wording of the last bullet in 2.1 was changed to read "Submitting as one's own work written in whole or in part by another individual".

It was agreed that Section 1 and Section 2 as altered were accepted for publication in the Calendar.

On a motion proposed by Mr. Saunders and seconded by Mr. McKelvie, with friendly amendments by Dr. Jones, the following text for Section 3 was approved:

"3. The instructor will meet with the student and reach a decision concerning the matter. In the event that a sanction beyond a warning is required, the following procedure will

apply.

In a repeated or particularly serious case, or if the student disputes the decision of the instructor, the Dean will be informed. If necessary, the Dean will meet with the student and the instructor. Another member of the University community may accompany the student. The Dean will make the final decision in the case, including the assignment of a penalty, if any. If the decision is that the student is guilty of academic dishonesty, the Dean will inform the Records Office in writing, and send a copy of the letter to the student and the instructor. The student may appeal the decision to the Student Academic Appeals Committee."

It was moved by Dr. Crooks that Section 3 not appear in the Academic Calendar; this motion was not seconded.

It was moved by Dr. Wickens, seconded by Dr. Forrest, that the final sentence of Section 4 be struck.

**Motion carried.**

It was moved by Ms. Cruikshank, seconded by Dr. Jones, that Section 5 be withdrawn, and that the text concerning transcript notations which is presently in the Calendar (p.27) be retained.

**Motion carried.**

The additional recommendations concerning procedure are to be revised by Dr. Cook, Dr. Black and the Registrar, in light of revisions just approved, and returned to Senate at its February meeting.

6/412      OTHER MATTERS

There were none.

7/412      RECOMMENDATIONS

7.1      Williams School of Business and Economics

There were none.

7.2      Division of Humanities

a) Major in Modern Languages. Dr. Forrest indicated that this was a modified version of the former Major in Foreign Languages, which would permit students to study two languages among those

offered, at 30 credits each. He moved, seconded by Dr. Crooks, that the Major in Modern Languages be approved.

Questions were raised about the nature of the courses in French which would be part of the new programme. Senators were also interested in seeing a list of the courses in Spanish, Italian, German and English as a Second Language which would be offered as part of this programme.

It was moved by Prof. Siddiqui, seconded by Mr. Jones, that the motion be tabled until this information is available.

**Motion carried.**

b) It was moved by Dr. Forrest, seconded by Mr. Saunders, that the proposed changes to the Calendar copy for the Division of Humanities Major be approved.

**Motion carried.**

c) It was moved by Dr. Forrest, seconded by Dr. Wickens, that 101-level language courses no longer be accepted to meet the Humanities core curriculum requirement.

**Motion carried.**

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### 7.3 Natural Sciences and Mathematics

i) It was moved by Dr. Dean, seconded by Dr. Khouzam, that CSC 111 Programming Methodology and CSC116 Low Level Programming Language be increased from 3 credits to 4. Dr. Dean explained that this would bring these courses into line with other laboratory courses, with the additional lab credit being incorporated rather than listed separately.

**Motion carried.**

ii) It was moved by Dr. Dean, seconded by Dr. van Hulst, that the Major and Honours programmes in Biology be changed from 84 to 90 credits, excluding labs. This will bring Bishop's programme into conformity with other universities. In the Major, 2 Biology options will be added; in the Honours programme, 2 Science options will be added.

**Motion carried.**

### 7.4 Social Sciences

i) It was moved by Dr. Johnson, seconded by Dr. Jones, that the following new courses in Geography be approved:

- GEO265 The Atmosphere and Weather
- GEO364 Geography Field Course
- GEO162 Canada: A Nation of Regions

**Motion carried.**

ii) It was moved by Dr. Johnson, seconded by Dr. Stritch, that Senate approve a title change and new course description for POL202 Introduction to Contemporary Political Ideologies.

**Motion carried.**

iii) It was moved by Dr. Johnson, seconded by Dr. Dean, that a new minor in Environmental Studies be approved. This minor is a co-operative effort of the Departments of Biology and Geography; appropriate courses in other disciplines can be added in due course. The new programme has been endorsed by both the Social Sciences and Natural Sciences Divisions.

**Motion carried.**

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7.5 School of Education

i) It was moved by Prof. Siddiqui, seconded by Dr. Johnson, that the proposed changes to the programme for the Master of Arts in Education be approved.

**Motion carried.**

ii) It was moved by Prof. Siddiqui, seconded by Mrs. Durrant, that the proposed changes to the programme for the Master of Education be approved.

**Motion carried.**

iii) A list of the areas of expertise of Education instructors was presented for information.

iv) It was moved by Mr. Saunders, seconded by Prof. Siddiqui, that new academic standing regulations for the Concentration in Education, the B.A. in Educational Studies, and the Bachelor of Education be approved for inclusion in the Calendar.

In the paragraph referring to the graduation requirement for the Bachelor of Education, the words "cumulative average" were

deleted from the text.

**Motion carried.**

7.6 Continuing Education

There were none.

8/412 BRIEF INFORMATION

Dr. Forrest referred Senators to a title change and revised course description for SPA321 History of Peninsular Spanish.

He also noted changes to the B.A./B.Ed. requirements for students graduating with a French Major.

The meeting adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

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Robert Cook, Chair

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Ann Montgomery, Secretary