

BISHOP'S UNIVERSITY

MINUTES OF THE 458TH MEETING OF SENATE

The 458th meeting of Senate was held on Thursday, October 9th, 2003, at 4:00 p.m., in Tomlinson Hall, McGreer 100.

Present: Dr. J. Rittenhouse in the Chair; Prof. P. Cunningham, Dr. A. de Man, Mr. G. Dempsey, Prof. R. Drolet, Dr. A. Drumheller, Ms. C. Dubois, Mrs. W. Durrant, Mr. E. Favelle, Ms. L. Kane, Mr. C. Léveillé, Dr. K. McLean, Dr. J. Norman, Mr. C. Quinn, Dr. M. Richardson, Prof. B. Robson, Dr. C. Rose, Dr. M. Scarlete, Prof. S. Sheeran, Mr. G. Stephens, Dr. A. Stritch, Dr. L. Thomas, Ms. C. Viens, Ms. S-L. Ward, Dr. B. Willms, Prof. J. Wilson, Dr. R.B. Yeats.

Regets: Mrs. J. Hodder, Ms. A. Montgomery

Mrs. Durrant took the minutes in the absence of the Registrar.

1/458 AGENDA

Moved (deMan/Wilson) that the agenda be approved. **Carried.**

2/458 MINUTES

The minutes of the 457th meeting of Senate were amended to read under 3/457: “she thanked the Deans, the Director of the School of Education...” and were **approved as amended** (Drumheller/Thomas).

3/458 COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CHAIR

The Chair extended the Principal's regrets. He then welcomed and introduced the new Senators.

4/458 BUSINESS ARISING

There was none.

5/458 COMMITTEE ITEMS

i) SPARC - Dr. Rose assumed the Chair.

a) It was moved (Rittenhouse/Robson) that the proposed list of reviewers and alternates for the Biological Sciences be approved. **Motion carried.**

5/458 b) It was moved (Rittenhouse/Viens) to defer the SPARC review for the Department of Sociology and Anthropology until Fall 2004. **Motion Carried.**

ii) Senate Planning Committee.

It was moved (Rittenhouse/Sheeran) that Senate recommend to the Executive Committee to authorize the fourth tenure-stream position in History and the sixth tenure-stream position in the School of Education. **Motion carried.**

Dr. Rittenhouse resumed the Chair.

iii) Nominating Committee.

Mrs. Durrant presented the current memberships of Senate Committees. It was noted that the Ad Hoc Committee on Gender and Diversity had been disbanded. Vacancies are to be filled for the Continuing Education Committee, the Students with Special Needs Committee and part-time student positions. There was a discussion on the mandate and advisability of filling the vacancies on the Research Ethics Committee. Dr. Stritch, Dr. Yeats and Ms. S-L. Ward were persuaded to volunteer.

It was moved (Durrant/Willms) that Senate approve G. Dempsey and C. Quinn as members of the Student Appeals Committee, and C. Leroux and D. Marcotte as alternates. **Motion carried.**

It was moved (Durrant/Willms) that Senate adopt the report of the Nominating Committee. **Motion carried.**

iv) Academic Standing Appeals Committee

Dr. Rose assumed the Chair.

Dr. Rittenhouse proposed a slight revision to the policy which would require an 82% average for students from Ontario entering Educational Studies, and reflect varying amounts for the second/third year scholarships.

It was moved (Rittenhouse/Robson) that Senate approve “The Scholarship Programme at Bishop’s” policy (effective 2004-2005). **Motion carried.**

5/458 v) Student Academic Appeals Committee.

The Chair of the Student Academic Appeals Committee, Dr. Michael Childs, commented

on the facts in the report. Dr. L. Thomas provided clarifications on the periodic evaluations given to the student.

It was moved (Willms/Thomas) that Senate accept the decision of the Committee:

“That the decision of the School of Education to withdraw the appellant from EDU428 was justified by the appellant’s performance in the course, and was carried out in conformity with the Academic Calendar; that the appellant’s appeal is therefore dismissed; that the status of the appellant is that of a student under a “must withdraw” decision (Academic Standing Section of the Academic Calendar); that the appellant is entitled to reapply and be reconsidered for admission after a period of 12 months beginning with Bishop’s Summer School 2003”. Motion carried.

vi) Environment and Land Use Committee.

Dr. Rittenhouse assumed the Chair.

A draft policy was presented to Senate for information. Dr. Bardati and Mr. Grégoire welcome comments and suggestions. Concerns were raised about Curriculum (2.1, 4.1-4.1.3).

6/458 OTHER MATTERS

i) Research Ethics Board

Dr. Rose assumed the Chair

a) Dr. Rittenhouse suggested changes to the text of the Research Ethics Policy so that it may be in compliance with the Tri-Council Policy. It was moved that Senate approve these changes (Rittenhouse/Drumheller). **Motion carried.**

b) It was moved (Rittenhouse/Drumheller) that Senate approve Me Sébastien Lebel-Grenier to sit on the Research Ethics Board. **Motion carried.**

c) It was moved (Rittenhouse/Ward) that Senate approve Margo E. Fletcher as community representative on the Research Ethics Board. **Motion carried.**

d) It was moved (Rittenhouse/Ward) that Senate approve the following members to sit on the 2003-2004 Research Ethics Board.: Dr. A.Drumheller (Chair), Dr. C. Charpentier, Dr. P. Gallina, Me. S. Lebel-Grenier, Ms. Margo Fletcher. **Motion carried.**

6/458 ii) Notice of Motion Re: Add/Drop Date.

Dean Sheeran presented the notice of motion that the Add/Drop Date be moved to the

Friday of the second week of classes.

iii) Annual Report from the Ombudsman.

Dr. Rose mentioned that for Recommendation #5: The Executive Committee of Corporation had struck a committee to deal with this point.

It was moved (deMan/Léveillé) that Senate approve Recommendation #1 part A.
Motion carried.

Difficulties were noted from the absence of guidelines on the front of exam booklets, accessibility of these booklets to students, and invigilation activities. After discussion, it was moved (Léveillé/Yeats) that Senate approve Recommendation #2. **Motion carried.**

After various solutions were discussed concerning the problems with regulations governing the evaluation of students in the internship course, it was moved (Rose/Dempsey) that Senate approve Recommendation #3. **Motion carried.**

Dr. Rose expressed concerns about the re-evaluation of course components which comprise less than a third of the final mark. It was then moved (Rose/Cunningham) that Senate approve Recommendation #4. **Motion carried.**

iv) Report on Academic Dishonesty.

Senate received the report on Instances of Academic Dishonesty.

v) Possible Sessional Dates for the Years 2004-05 to 2006-07.

It was proposed to table this item until the return of the Registrar.

vi) Consultation for a Motion to be Presented at the Executive Committee Concerning the Composition of the Review Committee for the Vice-Principal

Dr. Rose assumed the Chair.

It was moved (McLean/Norman) that Senate recommend Faculty Council name 4 faculty members plus a representative of the School of Education.

A friendly amendment to this motion was moved (Robson/Drolet) that Senate recommend that the faculty representation on the Committee be 4 faculty plus 1 representative of the School of Education elected by their respective constituencies. **Motion carried.**

- 6/458/ vii/a This item followed after (b) and (c).
- vii/b Time of Senate Meetings.
Dr. Yeats presented a notice of motion that Senate return to an evening meeting.
- vii/c Recording of Senate Meetings.
Dr. Yeats presented a recommendation from Faculty Council that the proceedings of Senate be recorded and that the Recording Secretary be responsible for this.
- vii/a Visiting Professor of Chemistry.
It was moved (Yeats/Dempsey) that Senate accord Dr. A.D. Broadbent the status of Visiting Professor of Chemistry. **Motion carried.**

7/458/RECOMMENDATIONS

- 7.2 Division of Humanities
i/a) It was moved (Sheeran/McLean) that Senate approve a new course ENG286. Concerns were raised about the relationship between the web-newspaper and The Campus, and legal implications. The motion was **tabled**.
i/b) Moved (Sheeran/Dempsey) that Senate approve Ross Murray (BA) as a new instructor for ENG285. **Motion carried.**
ii) Moved (Sheeran/Quinn) that Senate approve the new courses in History. **Motion carried.**
- 7.4 Division of Social Sciences
It was moved (deMan/Stritch) that Senate approve new courses in Political Studies. **Motion carried.**
- 7.5 School of Education
i) It was moved (Thomas/Yeats) that Senate approve the request that every student registered in a program in the School of Education must have a minimum cumulative average of 70% in order to remain in good academic standing. **Motion carried.**
This change will go into effect January 2004.
ii) It was moved (Thomas/Norman) that Senate approve the proposed New Secondary Program. **Motion carried.**
The School will report back any changes.

The meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

Jonathan Rittenhouse, Chair

Wendy Durrant, Secretary