

BISHOP'S UNIVERSITY

MINUTES OF THE 466TH MEETING OF SENATE

The 466th meeting of Senate was held on Thursday 13 May 2004, at 9:00 a.m., in Tomlinson Hall, McGreer 100.

Present: Mrs. J. Hodder, in the Chair; Prof. H. Agourram, Prof. P. Cunningham, Dr. A. de Man, Mr. G. Dempsey, Dr. A. Drumheller, Mrs. W. Durrant, Dr. C. Grogan, Mr. C. Léveillé, Ms. V. Liston, Ms. A. Montgomery, Dr. J. Rittenhouse, Dr. C. Rose, Prof. S. Sheeran, Mr. R. Sowerby, Dr. A. Stritch, Prof. C. Viens, Prof. S-L. Ward, Dr. G. Wickens, Dr. B. Willms, Dr. R. Yeats

Absent: Prof. R. Drolet, Mr. E. Favelle, Dr. M. Richardson, Prof. B. Robson, Dr. M. Scarlete

1/466 AGENDA

4/466/i This motion was withdrawn.

4/666/iv Add: report from the Faculty Council

7/466/7.2 Add: approval of a new course ENG 288

8/466/iii Add: new instructor Michelle Ariss, M.A., to teach ENG 104, 015, 108.

The agenda was approved as amended (de Man/Wickens).

2/466 MINUTES

The minutes of the 463rd meeting of Senate, held on 5 April 2005, were approved as presented (Léveillé/Durrant).

It was moved (Rittenhouse/Wickens) that the minutes of the 464th meeting of Senate, held on 22 April 2004, be approved. After some discussion, Dr. Stritch moved, seconded by Dr. Rose, to table these minutes on the grounds that they did not adequately reflect the nature of the debate which had taken place at that meeting. **Motion carried.** It was agreed that Mrs. Durrant (who had acted as Recording Secretary) and Dr. Rose would collaborate in the preparation of a new draft of these minutes.

The minutes of the 465th meeting, held on 29 April 2004, were also tabled (Cunningham/Grogan).

3/466 COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CHAIR

The Principal reported that as of this date applications and admissions were at a comparable level to those of the two years before the arrival of the double cohort, though we are seeing a drop in applications to programmes in Natural Sciences and Mathematics. She expressed the view that priority should be given to the development of a web-based

application system, to reduce processing times and to keep Bishop's competitive with other universities processing admissions on-line. At her request, the Registrar informed Senators that a proposal for an on-line application package was being developed by her office, in consultation with the Information Technology department, and would soon be presented to the Vice-Principal Finance.

Mrs. Hodder said that she had no news so far from the MEQ about changes to the funding rules, but that the Minister had been encouraging in a recent meeting.

The Principal, chairing her last meeting of Senate, thanked Senators for their dedicated participation in the work of Senate, for their commitment to the University, and for their support of the Chair during sometimes difficult situations. The Senators responded with a round of applause for Mrs. Hodder.

4/466 BUSINESS ARISING

ii) 5/463/iv Dr. Willms withdrew his motion regarding funding for summer research projects, noting that additional funds will be sought for next year's competition.

iii) It was moved (Léveillé/Sheeran) that Senate establish a Task Force on Academic Integrity, to report to Senate no later than the February 2005 meeting, with the following mandate:

To assess the current climate of Academic Integrity at Bishop's University, review current procedures for educating, processing, and enforcing matters of Academic Integrity, consult broadly both inside and outside the University community on these matters, and make recommendations to Senate.

and the following composition:

- 1 member of faculty from each of the four Divisions and the School of Education;
- 2 full-time students, appointed by the SRC;
- 1 part-time student, appointed by the Council of Part-time Students;
- 1 academic officer, selected by the Principal.

Motion carried.

iv) Dr. Yeats informed Senators of two motions pertaining to the appointment of a new Principal, which had been adopted by the Faculty Council at its recent meeting.

5/466 COMMITTEE ITEMS

i) Committee on Prizes and Scholarships

The Registrar reported that the Committee had met on 12 May to consider the prizes and

scholarships to be awarded for the academic year now ending, and she read out the names of the major prize winners. It was moved (Yeats/Cunningham) that Senate accept the recommendations of the Committee on Prizes and Scholarships. **Motion carried.**

ii) Nominating Committee

Mrs. Durrant informed Senators of several changes which had been made to the list of committee memberships for 2004-05. It was moved (Durrant/Rittenhouse) that these changes be approved by Senate. **Motion carried.**

iii) SPARC

Dr. Rittenhouse presented the following proposals for SPARC reviews for the coming year: a) that the programme in Chemistry be reviewed in the Fall semester 2004; b) that Senate approve the slate of reviewers and alternates for the programmes in Political Studies, and Sociology and Anthropology; and c) that the programmes in Études françaises and québécoises, History, and Philosophy be reviewed in the Winter semester 2005.

It was moved by Dr. Rittenhouse, seconded by Dr. Willms, that the recommendations from SPARC for 2004-2005 be approved. **Motion carried.**

iv) Senate Planning Committee

Dr. Rittenhouse referred to the report of the Senate Planning Committee which had been circulated. He indicated that the recommendations for sessional appointments and part-time course credits were in compliance with the general financial guidelines set for the academic budget; he regretted that the SPC had, as before, not been able to accommodate all of the requests made to it.

It was moved (Rittenhouse/Rose) that Senate approve sessional appointments for 2004-2005, as listed in the report, for the following departments: Economics, Environmental Studies and Geography, Psychology, Political Studies, Sociology and Anthropology (2), Computer Science, Chemistry, Mathematics (2), Fine Arts, and Modern Languages (Spanish). **Motion carried.**

It was moved (Rittenhouse/Rose) that Senate approve the allocation of part-time course credits for 2004-2005 recommended by the SPC, as follows:

Williams School: 45 credits (15 courses)

School of Education: 48 credits (16 courses)

Division of Humanities: 132 credits (44 courses)

Division of Natural Sciences and Mathematics: 55.5 credits (18.5 courses)

Division of Social Sciences: 21 credits (7 courses)

Dr. de Man expressed his disappointment at the allocation recommended for Social Sciences, noting that in light of replacement courses he was required to provide in Psychology and Sociology, he would be left with only 10 useable course credits rather than the 21 mentioned in the report. During the discussion that ensued, some Senators expressed sympathy with Dr. de Man's position; others pointed out that changes to the allocation for Social Sciences should be made only in the context of a re-evaluation of the whole package.

Dr. Stritch, seconded by Dr. de Man, moved to amend the motion as follows: that Senate approve the proposal of the SPC for part-time course credits, with the addition of a request to the Finance Committee for sufficient extra funding to permit two additional courses in Social Sciences. **Amendment defeated.**

The question was called on the original motion, which was **carried.** Dr. de Man asked that his displeasure at this outcome be recorded.

Mrs. Hodder left the meeting at this point; Dr. Rittenhouse took the Chair.

6/466 OTHER MATTERS

i) Approval of Degrees and Certificates in Course

The Registrar presented the list of potential graduates for the Convocation to be held on 29 May 2004. The Deans were asked to indicate cases where the final results of spring courses, courses being taken elsewhere, or supplemental examinations were still outstanding.

It was moved (Willms/Rose) that Senate receive the list of candidates for the degree of Bachelor of Science, as presented by the Registrar, and that these candidates be recommended to the Business Meeting of Convocation. **Motion carried.** (Mr. Dempsey abstained from the vote.)

It was moved by Prof. Cunningham, seconded by Dr. Grogan, that Senate receive the list of candidates for the degree of Bachelor of Business Administration, as presented by the Registrar, and that these candidates be recommended to the Business Meeting of Convocation. **Motion carried.** (Mr. Dempsey abstained from the vote.)

It was moved by Prof. Cunningham, seconded by Mrs. Durrant, that Senate receive the list of candidates for the degree of Bachelor of Arts in Business, as presented by the Registrar, and that these candidates be recommended to the Business Meeting of Convocation. **Motion carried.**

It was moved by Prof. Sheeran, seconded by Mr. Dempsey, that Senate receive the list of

candidates for the degree of Bachelor of Arts in Humanities, as presented by the Registrar, and that these candidates be recommended to the Business Meeting of Convocation. (Mr. C. Brown 981148 was deleted from the list.) **Motion carried.**

It was moved by Dr. Willms, seconded by Mr. Léveillé, that Senate receive the list of candidates for the degree of Bachelor of Arts in Natural Sciences and Mathematics, as presented by the Registrar, and that these candidates be recommended to the Business Meeting of Convocation. **Motion carried.**

It was moved by Dr. de Man, seconded by Dr. Stritch, that Senate receive the list of candidates for the degree of Bachelor of Arts in Social Sciences, as presented by the Registrar, and that these candidates be recommended to the Business Meeting of Convocation. (Mr. C. Brown 981148 was deleted from the list.) **Motion carried.**

Dr. Yeats took the chair at this point.

It was moved by Dr. Rittenhouse, seconded by Prof. Cunningham, that Senate receive the list of candidates for the degree of Bachelor of Arts in Education, as presented by the Registrar, and that these candidates be recommended to the Business Meeting of Convocation. **Motion carried.**

It was moved by Dr. Rittenhouse, seconded by Prof. Ward, that Senate receive the list of candidates for the degree of Bachelor of Education, as presented by the Registrar, and that these candidates be recommended to the Business Meeting of Convocation. **Motion carried.**

It was moved by Dr. Rittenhouse, seconded by Mrs. Durrant, that Senate receive the list of candidates for Certificates in Continuing Education, as presented by the Registrar, and that these candidates be recommended to the Business Meeting of Convocation. **Motion carried.**

It was moved by Dr. Rittenhouse, seconded by Prof. Sheeran, that Senate receive the list of candidates for the degree of Bachelor of Arts, Thomas More Institute, as presented by the Registrar, and that these candidates be recommended to the Business Meeting of Convocation. **Motion carried.**

Dr. Rittenhouse resumed the Chair.

It was moved (Léveillé/Viens), that the Deans, the Director of the School of Education, and the Registrar be authorized by Senate to add the names of students to the graduating list, subject to satisfactory completion of programme requirements, or to delete candidates who do not meet their programme requirements by the date of Convocation. **Motion carried.**

ii) Changes to the Secondary Teaching Programme

Prof. Beauchamp, acting Director of the School of Education, reminded Senators that it had approved changes to the Secondary Teacher Education Programme in October of 2003. Since then, a review by CAPFE (*comité d'agrément des programmes de formation à l'enseignement*) had raised some issues which had resulted in additional changes which were now provided to Senate for information.

Senators were asked to provide Prof. Beauchamp with any further clarifications and corrections that might be needed.

7/466 RECOMMENDATIONS

7.2 Division of Humanities

It was moved (Sheeran/Wickens) that Senate approve a new course ENG 288 Crime Pays: The Gangster Film Genre. **Motion carried.**

The meeting adjourned at 11:00 a.m.

Janyne Hodder/Jonathan Rittenhouse, Chairs Ann Montgomery, Secretary