

## BISHOP'S UNIVERSITY

### MINUTES OF THE 468<sup>TH</sup> MEETING OF SENATE

The 468<sup>th</sup> meeting of Senate was held on Monday 27 September 2004, at 7:00 p.m., in Tomlinson Hall, McGreer 100.

**Present:** Dr. R. Poupart, in the Chair; Dr. H. Agourram, Prof. C. Beauchamp, Ms. P. Cove, Prof. P. Cunningham, Dr. A. de Man, Mr. E. Desrosiers, Prof. R. Drolet, Dr. A. Drumheller, Mr. E. Favelle, Dr. C. Grogan, Dr. K. Hull, Ms. V. Liston, Ms. J. Molineux, Ms. A. Montgomery, Dr. J. Rittenhouse, Prof. B. Robson, Dr. C. Rose, Mrs. R. Sheeran, Prof. S. Sheeran, Mr. R. Sowerby, Dr. W. Stephan, Dr. A. Stritch, Prof. C. Viens, Dr. G. Wickens, Dr. B. Willms, Prof. J. Wilson, Dr. R. Yeats

**Absent:** Mr. C. Léveillé

Dr. Poupart opened the meeting, saying that he felt honoured to be presiding over this body, the highest academic decision-making group in the University. He indicated that he would use Roberts Rules of Order as a procedural guide.

#### 1/468 AGENDA

4/468 Business Arising: Dr. Stritch asked that "Consultation regarding the University Librarian" be added.

8/468 iv Brief Information: Dr. Yeats requested that the resolutions from Faculty Council be appended to the minutes of the 466<sup>th</sup> meeting of Senate.

The agenda was approved as amended (Robson/Wickens).

#### 2/468 MINUTES

It was moved (Grogan/Rittenhouse) that the minutes of the 464<sup>th</sup> meeting of Senate, held on 22 April 2004, be approved. **Motion carried.**

It was moved (Wilson/Viens) that the minutes of the 465<sup>th</sup> meeting of Senate, held on 29 April 2004, be approved. **Motion carried.**

It was moved (Robson/Yeats) that the minutes of the 466<sup>th</sup> meeting of Senate, held on 13 May 2004, be approved. **Motion carried.** Dr. Yeats requested that the motions from Faculty Council referred to in 4/446/iv be appended to these minutes.

The minutes of the 467<sup>th</sup> meeting of Senate, held on 29 June 2004, were not approved, as a quorum of the members had not been present.

3/468 COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CHAIR

The Principal reminded Senators that a Business Meeting of the Convocation would take place immediately following Senate, and asked that those who were members of the Convocation stay for this meeting.

Dr. Poupart informed Senate that a report is being prepared for submission to the *Commission parlementaire de l'éducation*, as required by their three-year reporting cycle for all Québec universities. Our report will be based on issues raised previously in the Performance Contract, and our *Mémoire* to the Commission on financing of universities. A draft will be made available for comment as soon as possible.

4/468 BUSINESS ARISING

i) Task Force on Academic Integrity (4/466/iii).

Mr. Sowerby reported that he and Chris Léveillé had been named to this Task Force by the SRC. Dr. Tom Fletcher has agreed to represent the Division of Social Sciences. Mr. Ed Favelle will represent the Council of Part-time Students.

The Principal, the Divisions of Humanities and Natural Science and Mathematics, the Williams School and the School of Education are to designate their members as quickly as possible, and provide the names to the Chair of the Nominating Committee. The Nominating Committee will bring these to the October meeting of Senate.

ii) Nomination of the University Librarian.

It was moved by Dr. Stritch, seconded by Professor Robson, that Senate considers that it has been consulted with regard to the appointment of Ms. Sylvia Teasdale as University Librarian, and that it endorses fully the recommendation of the Search Committee.

**Motion carried unanimously.**

5/468 COMMITTEE ITEMS

i) Nominating Committee. Dr. Drumheller agreed to call the first meeting of this Committee, for the purpose of electing a Chair.

ii) SPARC.

Dr. Rittenhouse tabled the SPARC external review committee's report on the programme in Biology, along with the department's response and the SPARC committee's disposition of the recommendations. It was noted that the external reviewers were concerned about two issues external to the University: the potential route of Highway 410, and the rental of lab space to Champlain Regional College.

Dr. Yeats asked that the following comment be included in the record of the SPARC report on Biology: "The course content of CHE 105 prior to 1998 did indeed meet accepted requirements for Biology students. CHE 105 at Bishop's was based upon selections from a full-year course (CHE 203) that I taught 19 times in 23 years at the University of Western Ontario. CHE 203 was course specifically for Biology students and was quite different in course content from the UWO organic chemistry course taken by Chemistry students."

Dr. Rittenhouse tabled the SPARC external reviewers' report on the programme in Business, with its recommendations. Several Senators commented on the absence of a departmental response to the comments and recommendations of the reviewers. Professor Robson undertook to ask the Department of Business to provide a response for circulation to Senators.

Dr. Rittenhouse tabled the SPARC external review committee's report on the programme in Music, as well as the department's response. It was noted that some of the recommendations have already been acted upon, including the addition of a third tenure-stream position.

#### 6/468 OTHER MATTERS

i) Approval of Degrees and Certificates.

It was moved (Willms/Yeats) 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.**

It was moved (Robson/Agourram) 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.**

It was moved (Robson/Wilson) that Senate receive the name of the candidate for the degree of Bachelor of Arts in Economics, as presented by the Registrar, and that this candidate be recommended to the Business Meeting of Convocation. **Motion carried.**

It was moved (S. Sheeran/Grogan) 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. **Motion carried.**

It was moved (de Man/Viens) 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. **Motion carried.**

It was moved (Beauchamp/Rittenhouse) 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 (Beauchamp/Wilson) 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 (Rittenhouse/Viens) 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 (Robson/de Man) 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) The Registrar deposited a report on instances of academic dishonesty for the academic year 2003-04.

iii) Dr. Drumheller presented a report from the Research Ethics Board for 2003-04, outlining the requests for approval of research projects which had been considered by the Board.

iv) Dr. Rittenhouse brought forward a proposed Policy for Managing Intellectual Property at Bishop's University. He noted that although this issue is mentioned in the Collective Agreement with the APBU, there is need for a wider policy which will cover researchers other than faculty and professional librarians. The text of the policy was amended to include professional librarians in the first two paragraphs.

It was moved by Dr. Rittenhouse, seconded by Dr. Agourram, that the policy as amended be tabled, and referred to the Divisions, the Williams School, and the School of Education for review.

## 7. RECOMMENDATIONS

### 7.2 Division of Humanities

- i) Certificate in Cultural and Media Studies. Dean Sheeran indicated that this proposal was withdrawn pending its consideration by the Senate Continuing Education Committee.
- ii) It was moved (Sheeran/Cove) that Senate approve the following new courses in History: HIS 279 The Middle East in the Twentieth Century; HIS 272 A History of Modern India; and HIS 430 Gender and Sexuality in the Pre-Modern World. **Motion carried.**

### 7.3 Division of Natural Sciences and Mathematics

- i) It was moved by Dr. Willms, seconded by Dr. Hull, that Senate approve the granting of Adjunct Professor status in the Division for a period of three years to Dr. Edmund Ziomek of the Biotechnology Research Institute, National Research Council of Canada. **Motion carried.**

Dr. Willms explained that this status would enable Dr. Ziomek to apply for funding jointly with Dr. Elizabeth Prusak for research projects on which they are collaborating.

- ii) It was moved by Dr. Willms, seconded by Dr. Yeats, that Senate approve the establishment of a formal research partnership between the Polysilanes Synthesis Laboratory, Institute of Macromolecular Chemistry of the Romanian Academy of Science, and the Thin Film Research Laboratory (Dr. Mihai Scarlete), Bishop's University. **Motion carried.**

- iii) (a) It was moved (Willms/Agourram) that Senate approve new course descriptions for BIO/BIL 115 Diversity of Life I and BIO/BIL 116 Diversity of Life II. **Motion carried.**

It was moved (Willms/S. Sheeran) that Senate approve the following new courses in Biology: BIO 138 The Genetics Revolution, BIO 260 Climate Change in a Plant Eco-Physiological Perspective, and BIO 221 Biogeography. **Motion carried.**

- (b) It was moved (Willms/Yeats) that Senate approve two new courses in Chemistry: CHE 131 Liberal Arts Chemistry: Some Chemistry from Everyday Life, and CHE 132 Chemistry of Art Conservation and Restoration (to be cross-listed with the department of Fine Arts). **Motion carried.**

- (c) It was moved (Willms/Drolet) that Senate approve a new course in Mathematics: MAT 224 Cryptography. **Motion carried.** It was noted that this course would be open to non-Science students who had the prerequisites.

7.5 School of Education

It was moved by Prof. Beauchamp, seconded by Dr. Rittenhouse, that Senate approve two instructors in Education, who have qualifications other than Master's degrees: Jackie Keeley-Lougheed to teach EDU 431 Methods in Teaching Language Arts II; and Patricia Picker De Escudero to teach EDU 418 Methods in Teaching Second Languages. **Motion carried.**

The meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

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Dr. Robert Poupart, Chair

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Ann Montgomery, Secretary