The 476th meeting of Senate took place on Thursday 12 May 2005, at 9:00 a.m. in Tomlinson Hall, McGreer 100.

Present: Dr. Jonathan Rittenhouse was in the Chair, Dr. H. Agourram, Mrs. C. Beauchamp, Ms. P. Cove, Prof. P. Cunningham, Mr. E. Desrosiers, Prof. R. Drolet, Dr. A. Drumheller, Dr. C. Grogan, Ms. H. Koh, Prof. B. Robson, Dr. C. Rose, Dr. W. Stephan, Mrs. S. Teasdale, Ms. C. Viens, Dr. M. Vigneault, Dr. G. Wickens, Dr. B. Willms, Dr. Yeats

Absent: Dr. A. deMan, Mr. E. Favelle, Dr. K. Hull, Ms. V. Liston, Ms. J. Molineux, Dr. R. Poupart, Prof. S. Sheeran, Mr. R. Sowerby, Prof. J. Wilson

1/476 AGENDA

The Agenda was approved with the addition of 2 items under Recommendations (changes with MSc Biology and Chemistry). Cunningham/Beauchamp.

2/476 MINUTES

The Minutes were approved as circulated. Vigneault/Viens

3/476 COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CHAIR

Regrets from the Chair

4/476 BUSINESS ARISING

Dr. B. Willms was asked if the McConnell Student Opportunity Fund Committee Annual Report was ready, as mentioned at the April meeting. Dr. Willms stated that it was not yet ready for distribution.

Dr. J. Rittenhouse was asked if Senate Planning Committee had discussed Dr. G. Wickens’ request that full-time positions be automatically replaced as per the April meeting. Dr. Rittenhouse stated that SPC had not met since the April meeting and therefore it had not been discussed.

5/476 COMMITTEE ITEMS

i) Committee on Prizes and Scholarship report

Prof. P. Cunningham presented the list of Prizes 2004-2005, for graduating students and undergraduate students university-wide. These prizes will be awarded at the Spring Convocation of June 11, 2005. It was moved that Senate accept the recommendation of the Committee on Prizes and Scholarship. (Stephan/Drolet). Carried.

ii) SPARC
Dr. J. Rittenhouse presented the external review of Sociology and Anthropology, with its numerous recommendations. Dr. Rittenhouse indicated that there was no motion specific to the review or the recommendations contained in it but that he would move a motion for Senate to receive the Review. (Rittenhouse/Viens) Carried

There was some discussion as to whether anthropology should continue to be listed in the Department of Sociology and Anthropology and it was moved that the Department be asked to have that discussion and come back to Senate with a decision. (Rose/Grogan) Carried

iii) Senate Planning Committee Report

Dr. J. Rittenhouse presented an SPC report addressing the request of two departments to review their cases. As per the report, Dr. Rittenhouse put forward a motion that Senate approve the Department of Physics’ request for a three year temporary position. (Rittenhouse/Yeats) Carried

The report did not wish to revisit the funding recommendations previously approved by all the proper authorities and therefore had no recommendation in this report. Dr. R. Yeats stated that by not offering next year a course which is currently being offered, it would penalize students who now need this course to graduate. It would also mean losing the instructor. Finally, Dr. Yeats pointed out that this request had the backing of the Dean. Several members of Senate felt that all the appropriate processes had been followed and that Senate should not revisit this issue.

Dr. Yeats moved that Senate approved an extra-ordinary request for an extra sessional for Chemistry in 2005-2006 (Yeats/Stephan) The motion was lost; 2 for, 12 against, 4 abstentions.

6/476 OTHER MATTERS

i) Approval of Degrees and Certificates in Course

Ms. S. Gallichon presented the list of potential graduates for the Convocation to be held on 11June 2005. 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 (Beauchamp/Wickens), that Senate receive the list of candidates for the degree of Master of Arts, The School of Education as presented by Ms. Gallichon, and that these candidates be recommended to the Business Meeting of Convocation. Carried

It was moved (Beauchamp/Viens), that Senate receive the list of candidates for the degree of Master of Education, as presented by Ms. Gallichon, and that these candidates be recommended to the Business Meeting of Convocation. Carried

It was moved (Willms/Yeats), that Senate receive the list of candidates for the degree of Bachelor of Science, as presented by Ms. Gallichon, and that these candidates be recommended to the Business Meeting of Convocation. Carried

It was moved (Robson/Agourram), that Senate receive the list of candidates for the degree of Bachelor of Business Administration Honours, as presented by Ms. S. Gallichon, and that these candidates be recommended to the Business Meeting of Convocation. Carried
It was moved (Robson/Yeats), that Senate receive the list of candidates for the degree of Bachelor of Business Administration, as presented by Ms. S. Gallichon, and that these candidates be recommended to the Business Meeting of Convocation. Carried

It was moved (Robson/Cunningham), that Senate receive the list of candidates for the degree of Bachelor of Arts in Business, as presented by Ms. S. Gallichon, and that these candidates be recommended to the Business Meeting of Convocation. Carried

It was moved (Rittenhouse/Wickens), that Senate receive the list of candidates for the degree of Bachelor of Arts in Humanities, as presented by Ms. S. Gallichon, and that these candidates be recommended to the Business Meeting of Convocation. Carried

It was moved (Willms/Yeats), that Senate receive the list of candidates for the degree of Bachelor of Arts in Natural Sciences and Mathematics, as presented by Ms. S. Gallichon, and that these candidates be recommended to the Business Meeting of Convocation. Carried

It was moved (Johnson/Cunningham), that Senate receive the list of candidates for the degree of Bachelor of Arts in Social Sciences, as presented by Ms. S. Gallichon, and that these candidates be recommended to the Business Meeting of Convocation. Carried

It was moved (Beauchamp/Yeats), that Senate receive the list of candidates for the degree of Bachelor of Arts in Education, as presented by Ms. S. Gallichon, and that these candidates be recommended to the Business Meeting of Convocation. Carried

It was moved (Beauchamp/Robson), that Senate receive the list of candidates for the degree of Bachelor of Education, as presented by Ms. S. Gallichon, and that these candidates be recommended to the Business Meeting of Convocation. Carried

It was moved (Rittenhouse/Grogan), that Senate receive the list of candidates for Certificates in Continuing Education, as presented by Ms. S. Gallichon, and that these candidates be recommended to the Business Meeting of Convocation. Carried

It was moved (Cunningham/Yeats), that Senate receive the list of candidates for the degree of Bachelor of Arts, Thomas More Institute, as presented by Ms. S. Gallichon, and that these candidates be recommended to the Business Meeting of Convocation. Carried

It was moved (Agourram/Robson), 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. Carried

7/476  RECOMMENDATIONS

7.2 Division of Humanities
i) It was moved (Wickens/Cove), that HIS352 A History of the Arab Israeli Conflict be approved as a new course. Carried

ii) It was moved (Wickens/Grogan), that the new program English Major: Film Studies Concentration be approved. Carried

7.3 Division of Natural Sciences and Mathematics

Dean B. Willms indicated that the Departments of Physics and Computer Science and possibly Chemistry are ready to accept students in September and also indicated that further to the presentation which was made at the April 2005 Senate meeting, documentation relating to the Math Department would come at a later date. Dean Willms also indicated that all requests coming to Senate have been approved at the Division level. Dr. C. Rose noted that these graduate programs would create the opportunity for appeals and that procedures should be developed to handle those eventualities. He pointed out that it would also increase the workload for the Dean. Dr. J. Rittenhouse noted that we are still awaiting MEQ approval for these programs. It was moved (Willms/Yeats), that all three programs be approved. Carried

8/476 BRIEF INFORMATION

i) Prof. C. Beauchamp circulated a list of graduate courses that will be offered in the Spring and Summer Sessions of 2005 by the School of Education. The information was received as circulated.

ii) Dr. R. Yeats circulated the Chemistry Department’s Regulations for the Master of Science (M.Sc.) Degree for information stating that these are the regulations currently on the books (except for #1,2,8,9)

The meeting adjourned at 10:50 am

Dr. Robert Poupart, Chair
Sylvia Teasdale, Secretary