

# Bishop's University

#### MINUTES OF THE 484th MEETING OF SENATE

The 484<sup>th</sup> meeting of Senate took place on Monday April 24, 2006, at 7:00 p.m. in Tomlinson Hall, McGreer 100.

**Present:** Dr. R. Poupart was in the Chair, Dr. C. Beauchamp, Prof. S. Béquet, Prof. R. Brown, Dr. T. Fletcher, Dr. S. Harvey, Mr. R. Kennedy, Mr. Y. Jodoin, Mr. A. Lachambre, Mr. J. Morrison, Dr. J. Rittenhouse, Dr. J. Savage, Prof. S. Sheeran, Dr. L. Standing, Dr. W. Stephan, Mrs. S. Teasdale, Dr. T. Ugland, Dr. C. Valsan, Prof. C. Viens, Dr. M. Vigneault, Dr. G. Wickens, Dr. B. Willms

**Regrets:** Dr. H. Agourram, Dr. A. Johnson, Ms. S. Limpert, Mr. S. Lougheed, Mr. D. Moon, Mr. J. Morrison, Dr. M. Vigneault, Prof. J. Wilson

#### 1/484 AGENDA

The Agenda was approved after Dr. G. Wickens mentioned that he wanted to add notices of motion to Business Arising. (Béquet/Teasdale) **Carried** 

#### **2/484 MINUTES**

The Minutes of the 483<sup>rd</sup> meeting of Senate were approved. (Béquet/Savage) **Carried** 

#### 3/484 COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CHAIR

Principal attended the Canadian Universities Alumni meeting in Washington and introduced former Prime Minister Joe Clark, the guest speaker. Joe Clark mentioned that South America is in full development and that universities should take that into account. This year's meeting in Washington was organized by Bishop's Alumni over there.

In the Throne Speech, Higher Education was not mentioned. And as far as the Research in concerned, the feeling is that the new Federal Government will fund research to applied sciences, not social sciences. The Auditor General is auditing the Canadian Fund for Innovation.

Principal met with alumni, donors and prospective new students in Ottawa, Calgary and Vancouver. These events are usually organized with the collaboration of local Bishop's alumni. The Deans were present at the Ottawa meeting. Highly qualified prospective students came to these meetings.

### 4/484 BUSINESS ARISING

There was no business arising.

#### 5/484 Committee Items

i) 5/481/i- 4/483 Senate Committee on Defining & Promoting Bishop's

Dr. Wickens presented the six recommendations found in the appendix. He added the Division of Humanities approved all six. The Division of Natural Sciences approved two. There is a need to hear from the other Divisions. Dean Willms explained the reasons why the Natural Sciences approved only two recommendations. The Division proposed changes to other recommendations taking into account the needs of the Natural Sciences Division. Dr, Wickens in accordance with the Principal thought these six recommendations should now be included in the Strategic Planning process.

# ii) SPARC - Mathematics Review

There was a discussion on teaching statistics at Bishop's in a Liberal Education. Statistics is a universal discipline similar to language in today's society. It was moved to accept the SPARC committee's Report to Senate (Rittenhouse/Willms) **Carried** 

It was moved (Béquet/Harvey) that the Vice-Principal present to the next meeting of Senate his recommendations on the establishment of a Standing Committee on Statistics including mandate and membership.

Carried

## 7/484 Recommendations

- 7.1 Williams School of Business
- 7.2 Division of Humanities
- 7.3 Division of Natural Sciences and Mathematics
- i) It was moved to approve the following new courses:
  - o BIO107 Birds and Behaviour (Willms/Savage) Carried
  - CHE100a Maple-Assisted Representation of Scientific Concepts and Digital Design (Willms/Béquet) This course is a one credit laboratory. It will become a prerequisite for CHE 103.

Remove: CHE289 Instrumental Analysis Laboratory II Carried

- ii) 7/482/7.3/i Correction to Recommendation #1 "BCC" will be used as a code for Biochemistry, Concentration Chemistry Program
- iii) Discussion and Notice of Motion for Bachelor of Science and Arts Program [for Approval at the Next May Meeting]
- 7.4 Division of Social Sciences
- 7.5 School of Education
- 7.6 Continuing Education

#### 8/484 Brief Information

- i) Next Fall Memberships for Senate Committees [G. Wickens]
- ii) New Instructors in Sociology: Dr. Elizabeth Such - SOC220b; Barbara Hunting (MA) SOC205a
- iii) New Instructor in Environmental Studies & Geography: Tara Holland (MA) ESG100a
- iv) Dates for 2006-2007 Senate Meetings:Sept 25, Oct 23, Nov 20, Dec 11, 2006;Jan 22, Feb 19, Mar 26, Apr 23, May 14, 2007

The meeting was adjourned at 9:05 pm

## Important notice

The next meeting of Senate was moved from May 15, 2006 to May 17, 2006 at 4:00 p.m. in McGreer 100

Dr. Robert Poupart, Chair

Mr. Yves Jodoin, Secretary