



## **Bishop's University**

### **MINUTES OF THE 486th MEETING OF SENATE**

The 486th meeting of Senate took place on Monday September 25, 2006, at 7:00 p.m. in Tomlinson Hall, McGreer 100.

**Present:** Dr. R. Poupart in the Chair, Dr. C. Beauchamp, Dr. L. Bentabet, Prof. S. Béquet, Prof. R. Brown, Dr. T. Brüstle, Mr. M. Cestnik, Mr. R. Csernyik, Ms. M. Dumont, Dr. V. Faraoni, Dr. T. Fletcher, Dr. S. Harvey, Mr. Y. Jodoin, Dr. A. Johnson, Ms. C. Lazarova, Mr. B. Lemenchick, Ms. J. Molyneux, Dr. J. Rittenhouse, Ms. R. Sheeran, Prof. S. Sheeran, Dr. L. Standing, Dr. T. Ugland, Dr. C. Valsan, Prof. C. Viens, Dr. M. Vigneault, Prof. D. Westman, Dr. G. Wickens, Dr. B. Willms.

**Regrets:** Ms. S. Teasdale

#### **1/486 AGENDA**

The Agenda was approved ( Beauchamp/Wickens ) **Carried**

#### **2/486 MINUTES**

The Minutes of the 485th meeting of Senate were approved.  
( Béquet/Beauchamp ) **Carried**

#### **3/486 COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CHAIR**

The Principal reported on various topics including the long term budget perspectives and the declining enrolment at Bishop's University. In addition the Vice-Principal noted the number of important conferences that Bishop's is hosting, all of which have been externally funded.

#### **4/486 BUSINESS ARISING**

i) a) Student Senator Molyneux brought forward the following motion:

Whereas at the 483<sup>rd</sup> Meeting of Senate on March 27<sup>th</sup>, 2006, Senate moved to adopt in principle a one-credit course entitled: : “Introduction to Information Literacy and Critical Thinking” with the understanding that the course will be optional.

Whereas it has become to the students’ attention that this course is a required course in both Business and Education divisions and as such the students believe that proper Senate procedure has not been followed.

It was moved ( Molyneux/Cestnik ) to reaffirm Senate’s jurisdiction over all academic policies, specifically that no program can be changed without Senate’s explicit approval nor can a course be introduced into the academic calendar without Senate’s explicit approval of all aspects of said course.

A very long discussion followed dealing with the minutes of a previous meeting and Senate’s understanding of the phrase “the course will be optional”, to discussion of collective agreement issues. **Motion Carried**

b) It was moved ( Rittenhouse/Willms ) to approve the description of the Introduction to Information Literacy and Critical Thinking courses. **Motion Carried**

ii) The Vice-Principal gave notice that since Senate had instructed a Senate committee to do a follow-up on The Task Force on Academic Integrity, that he would present a motion at the next meeting of Senate.

#### **5/486 COMMITTEE ITEMS**

i) It was moved ( Rittenhouse/Sheeran) to approve the External Reviewers for History. **Motion Carried**

ii) It was moved ( Rittenhouse/Béquet ) to approve the Research Ethics Board: 2005-2006 Report. **Motion Carried**

iii) It was moved ( Willms/Béquet ) that Senate add one faculty member from the School of Education as voting members of the Senate Planning Committee, effective immediately. **Motion Carried**

## **6/486     OTHER MATTERS**

- i) The Registrar presented two reports on Academic Dishonesty (2004-2005) and (2005-2006).
- ii) The Registrar reported there was a Tuesday missing in the Fall 2006 Sessional Dates for day classes. After discussion, a proposed motion to add a day to the Fall 2006 Sessional Dates was rejected. Instead, it was agreed that making up of that Tuesday class will be left to the good sense of individual instructors and with the agreement of two-thirds of the students, and according to the academic integrity convention at Bishop's that a session has 36 contact hours for a 3 credit course.

## **7/486     RECOMMENDATIONS**

### **7.1     Williams School of Business**

It was moved ( Béquet/Beauchamp ) that Senate approve that ILT 100 be required in conjunction with BMG 112 as voted by the division on May 4, 2006.

Another long discussion followed about procedural issues, about qualifications and evaluations of teachers, about the wishes of a division, about hiring practices of librarians.

**Motion Carried, Mr. M. Cestnik voting against**

### **7.2     Division of Humanities**

New Courses/New Programmes/Changes

i) Department of Classics:

a)     It was moved ( Sheeran/Westman ) to approve the new New Honours Programme. **Motion Carried**

b)     It was moved ( Sheeran/Rittenhouse ) to approve a new course:

CLA125ab Democracy in the Ancient World     **Motion Carried**

c)     It was moved ( Sheeran/Béquet ) to approve a new course: CLA400a Honours Thesis Preparation     **Motion Carried**

d)     It was moved ( Sheeran/Béquet ) to approve a new course: CLA401b Honours Thesis     **Motion Carried**

ii) Department of Religion: It was moved ( Sheeran/Béquet ) to approve changes to Honours Thesis     **Motion Carried**

### **7.3 Division of Natural Sciences and Mathematics**

i) It was moved ( Willms/Lemenchick ) to approve the M.Sc. Programme in Chemistry.

**Motion Carried**

ii) Department of Computer Science:

a) It was moved ( Willms/Béquet ) to approve three new courses :

- CSC506ab Parallel Models and Algorithm
- CSC113ab Digital Imaging for Photography
- CSC205ab Data Mining for Scientist

**Motion Carried**

iii) Department of Physics:

a) It was moved ( Willms/Béquet ) to approve two new courses :

- PHY 274ab Data Mining for Scientist
- PHY 474ab Relativistic Astrophysics

**Motion Carried**

iv) It was moved ( Willms/Béquet ) to give Adjunct Status for Dr. G. Craig in the Mathematics Department and & Professor Wendy King in the Biology Department . **Motion Carried**

### **7.4 Division of Social Sciences:**

Department of Environmental Studies and Geography -

It was moved ( Johnson/Béquet ) to approve a new course: ESG367 - Climate Change. **Motion Carried**

### **7.5 School of Education**

It was moved ( Beauchamp/Sheeran ) that Senate approve that ILT 101 be a required in conjunction with **EDU115** and **EDU116**, Introduction to Professional Practice. **Motion Carried**

### **7.6 Continuing Education**

## **8/486 BRIEF INFORMATION**

New Instructors:

i) Humanities:

a)English: Chad Gibbs (MA) - ENG286

b)Fine Arts: Marie C. Bouthillier (MFA) - FIN303; L. Milner (PhD) - FIN102 (St.Lambert)

c)History: Frédérique Denis (PhD) - HIS104a; Claude Leclair - HIS266; G Barker (PhD) -HIS357

d)Modern Languages: Marisa Ruccolo (MA) - ITA101a (Knowlton); D. Hernandez - SPA313a  
e)Philosophy: Claude Charpentier (PhD) PHI150a, PHI278a; D. Dombowsky (PhD) - PHI142a  
f)Religion: K. McDaniel (MA) - REL256, REL328,329; P. Carpenter (PhD) REL125

ii)School of Education:  
Richard Oszechowski (MSc) - EDU432; Ronald Ewing (PhD) - EDU200,215

iii) Business:  
Daniel Chamberland-Tremblay (MBA) - BCS212,220; Hamid Dekhel (MBA) - BMA141; Sylvain Favreau (MBA) - BCS214

iv) Sabbatical Leave Reports Available at the University Secretary's Office for:  
Dr. J.Crooks, Dr. N. Khouzam, Dr. R. Sproule

v) Dates for 2006-2007 Senate Meetings - Reminder:  
Sept 25, Oct 23, Nov 20, Dec 11, 2006; Jan 22, Feb 19, Mar 26, Apr 23, May 16,2007

The meeting was adjourned at 9:44 pm

Dr. Robert Poupart, Chair

Mr. Yves Jodoin, Secretary