The 493rd meeting of Senate took place on Monday April 23, 2007, at 7:00pm in Tomlinson Hall, McGreer 100.

Present: Dr. R. Poupart was in the Chair, Dr. C. Beauchamp, Prof. S. Bequet, Prof. R. Brown, Mr. R. Csernyik, Dr. V. Faraoni, Dr. R. Harries, Mr. Y. Jodoin, Dr. A. Johnson, Ms. C. Lazarova, Ms. J. Molyneux, Dr. J. Rittenhouse, Mr. J. Sangster, Prof. S. Sheeran, Dr. L. Standing, Mrs. S. Teasdale, Dr. T. Ugland, Dr. C. Valsan, Prof. C. Viens, Dr. M. Vigneault, Prof. D. Westman, Dr. B. Willms.

Regrets: Dr. L. Bentabet, Dr. T. Bruestle, Mr. M. Cestnik, Ms. M. Dumont, Dr. T. Fletcher, Mr. B. Lemenchick, Dr. L. Zubieta.

1/493  AGENDA

The Agenda was approved as after adding two items under Other Matters. (Beauchamp/Béquet)  Motion Carried

2/493  MINUTES

The Minutes of the 492nd meeting of Senate were approved as circulated. (Molyneux/Béquet)  Motion Carried

3/493  COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CHAIR

Dr. Poupart introduced the Mr. John Sangster, the part-time students representative.
The Principal also announced good news about faculty:

- confirmation of major research grants for the following professors:
  - Dr. J. Manore
  - Dr. L. Bentabet
  - Dr. S. Harvey
  - Dr. L.G. Harvey
  - Dr. E. Bures
  - Dr. D Bardati

- Professor D. Fortier got a significant sum for a doctoral scholarship.

4/493 BUSINESS ARISING

i) 5/487/i - Academic Integrity Committee Report

Report deferred to a later date.

ii) 6/490/ii - Privacy Guidelines for Student Markers, Readers and Demonstrators Report

This issue was to be covered by the following item.

6/492/i - Academic Responsibilities of Academic Staff Motion from the Students

The following was moved (Molyneux/Csernyk)

That the provisions of Section 3.2.2. of the policy on Academic Responsibilities of Academic Staff to Students, will henceforth also apply to all students hired as readers, markers and demonstrators, with the exception of item A, “Course Admissions” & item D, “Office Hours”. Academic Staff are responsible for ensuring that their markers, readers and demonstrators are aware and adhere to the following guidelines.

In item C, “Renumeration”, the last sentenced amended to read: “This clause, however, shall not prevent part-time instructors from accepting payment for tutoring or marking in courses/sections which do not fall within the present scope of their University employment”. Motion Carried

iii) 6/490/ii - Course Texts on Reserve at the Library Motion

It was moved (Lazarova/Teasdale) that the Senate Library Committee recommend to all faculty that required texts and readings for their classes be placed on reserve at the Circulation desk in the library. Motion Carried
iv) 6/492/i - Task Force on Recruitment and Retention - Presentation to the Finance Committee

Vice-Principal Rittenhouse reported that the Task Force on Recruitment and Retention made a recommendation to Finance Committee that further funds be allocated next year for Recruitment and Retention.

5/493 COMMITTEE ITEMS

i) Senate Planning Committee Report

The following was moved (Rittenhouse/Béquet):

That the priority list for 2007-08 tenure-stream positions not already approved by Executive Committee be:

- Education (resignation)
- English (retirement)
- Fine Arts (retirement)
- Business (retirement 2008)
- Philosophy ½ (new position)

Motion Carried

6/493 OTHER MATTERS

i) Special meeting of Senate on May 3rd 2007

Vice-Principal Rittenhouse explained the need to have a Special meeting of Senate on Strategic Planning on May 3rd 2007.

ii) Senate Nominating Committee

Membership of the Senate Nominating Committee was discussed. Ms. J. Molyneux, Mr. J. Sangster and Dr. T. Ugland volunteered.

It was moved (Rittenhouse/Molyneux) to name Ms. J. Molyneux, Mr. J. Sangster and Dr. T. Ugland to the Senate Nominating Committee. Motion Carried

It was moved (Rittenhouse/Beauchamp) to have a representative of Education on Senate Nominating Committee. Motion Carried
7/493   RECOMMENDATIONS

7.1   Williams School of Business

7.2   Division of Humanities

The following was moved (Sheeran/Brown):

i)    Department of Modern Languages: International Major in German Studies

Concerns were expressed about this proposal. The motion was subsequently tabled until the May 17, 2007 meeting.

7.3   Division of Natural Sciences and Mathematics

7.4   Division of Social Sciences

7.5   School of Education

The following was moved:

i)    Course Description Change: EDU115/116 Introduction to Professional Practice (Beauchamp/Béquet) Motion Carried

ii)   Course Title & Description Change: EDU275 Managing Classrooms and Student Behaviours (Beauchamp/Teasdale) Motion Carried

iii)  Course Description Change: EDU215/216 Reflective Practicum Change to a pass/fail result only (Beauchamp/Teasdale) Motion Carried

iv)   New Course: EDU420 Interdisciplinary Teaching and Learning at the Secondary Level (Beauchamp/Teasdale) Motion Carried

v)    New Course in the M.Ed. - GSE575 Educational Leadership Theories (Beauchamp/Béquet) Motion Carried

7.6   Continuing Education

8/493   BRIEF INFORMATION

i)     Report on the McConnell Student Opportunity Fund [B. Willms]

ii)    New Instructor for History: Jean Benoit (Ph.D.)
iii) Suggested Dates for Senate Meetings (2007-2008)

The meeting adjourned at 7:55 pm

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Dr. Robert Poupart, Chair    Mr. Yves Jodoin, Secretary