

Bishop's University

MINUTES OF THE 497th MEETING OF SENATE

The 497th meeting of Senate took place on Monday September 24, 2007 at 7:00 pm in Tomlinson Hall, McGreer 100.

Present: Dr. R. Poupart was in the Chair, Dr. C. Beauchamp, Dr. L. Bentabet, Prof. S. Bequet, Prof. R. Brown, Dr. V. Faraoni, Dr. T. Fletcher, Dr. R. Harries, Mr. D. Horne, Mr. Y. Jodoin, Dr. E. Levac, Mr. A. P. Martinez, Prof. L. McRae, Mr. T. Posie, Dr. J. Rittenhouse, Ms. Alyson Rowe, Mr. J. Sangster, Prof. S. Sheeran, Mr. D. Thomas-Anderson, Dr. T. Ugland, Prof. C. Viens, Dr. M. Vigneault, Mr. J. Wald, Prof. D. Westman, Dr. B. Willms.

Regrets: Dr. T. Bruestle, Dr. A. Johnson, Ms. S. Teasdale, Dr. L. Zubieta.

1/497 AGENDA

Move item 7/497/I to 8/497/i/c)
Add Dean's report: Sparc Report on Chemistry to 4/497/i)
Add amendment to brought to 7/497/7.1/i)
Add 1995-2007 student enrollment data to 6/497/i)
Add Approval of a Degree to 6/497/ii)
The Agenda was approved after modifications. (Béquet/Vigneault) Motion
Carried

2/497 MINUTES

The Minutes of the 495th meeting of Senate were approved as circulated. (Béquet/Vigneault) **Motion Carried**

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3/497 COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CHAIR

The Principal reported on the following items:

- Very successful Townshipper's Day held Bishop's University the previous day under the joint leadership of SRC President Jocelyn Molyneux and Vice-Principal Administration & Finance Mark McLaughlin. It was a joint venture of Bishop's University, Champlain Regional College and the Borough of Lennoxville.
- His satisfaction about the SPC (Senate Planning Committee) letter that puts Senate and the Academic Community at center of transformation of the University. A copy of this letter to be forwarded to all Senators.
- On-going discussions with MELS (Ministry of Education) are nearing the end.
- Successes of the Bishop's Football team. These might help the student recruitment because of all public attention arising from a successful team.

4/497 BUSINESS ARISING

Natural Sciences and Mathematics Dean Willms moved, seconded by Senator Faraoni the acceptance by Senate of the Sparc Report on Chemistry. Some questions arose about the Scientific Literacy project discussed at Senate in the past, about the small number of students in the 45 credits graduate program; some graduate courses are cross-listed with undergraduate courses, supervision of graduate student's work is done pro-bono. The government grant at the graduate level is about three times the size of the grant at the undergraduate level. A Senator suggested that science courses could be repackage to make them more attractive to students. **Motion Carried**

5/497 COMMITTEE ITEMS

i) Animal Care Committee Membership

It was moved (Rittenhouse/Béquet) that Dr. B. Bacon and Dr. C. Charpentier be added to the Animal Care Committee. **Motion Carried**

ii) Senate Nominating Committee Updated Report

With the addition of Dr. L. Bentabet to the Senate Committee on Graduate Studies, and the naming of two students, Vincent Light and Lindsay Eisinger on the Senate Academic Appeals Committee, it was moved (Ugland/Brown) to accept the updated Senate Nominating Committee report. **Motion Carried**

6/497 OTHER MATTERS

i) 1995-2007 student enrollment data

The Registrar circulated Fall semesters student enrolment data for from 1995 to 2007. A discussion arose about enrollment about scholarships policy in the past, about conversion rates from admitted students to registered students, about understanding preferential choices of students. This year's drop was expected, but the University's enrolment needs to grow to avoid serious financial problems.

ii) Approval of a Degree

The Registrar presented the case of a student who urgently needed a degree. The Registrar explained that today's students don't follow the traditional path of being admitted and be awarded their degrees three or four years later in May or June. Students are being admitted for Winter Semesters, students lighten their course loads leading to students to finish their program in Spring, Summer or Fall Semesters. He also mentioned that the Records Office had about forty students having finished their program since last June and awaiting for their diplomas. This issue will be brought to the Degree Committee of Convocation.

It was moved (Ugand/Viens) that Senate receive the candidate for the degree of Bachelor of Arts in Social Sciences, as presented by Mr. Jodoin, and that these candidates be recommended to the Business Meeting of Convocation.

Motion Carried

7/497 RECOMMENDATIONS

7.1 Williams School of Business

i) BBA Program: - New Concentration (Entrepreneurship)

The Dean of the Williams School of Business explained the new concentration and added BHR 224 Human Resources Management to the concentration as the fifth required course. This concentration would be available starting in January 2008. It was moved (Béquet/ McRae) that the Entrepreneurship Concentration be added to the BBA program.

Motion Carried

7.2 Division of Humanities

i) New Program: International Major in German

It was moved (Sheeran/Brown) to approve the International Major in German. **Motion Carried**

ii) New Courses:

It was moved (Sheeran/Brown) to approve the following new course in Classics: LAT101 Beginners Latin I, LAT102 Beginners Latin II; English: Lab Component for Film Courses. **Motion Carried**

It was moved (Sheeran/Brown) to add a lab component for Film Courses in the English making them 3-3-3. These courses are:

ENG 280: Classics of Post-War Cinema

ENG 281: Films of Marlon Brando

ENG 282: Film Adaptation

ENG 283: Documentary

ENG 284: Film Noir

ENG 288: Gangster Film

ENG 289: Film History

ENG 291: Film Theory

ENG 292: Polish Cinema

ENG 293: Films of Leigh and Greenaway. Motion Carried

It was moved (Sheeran/Brown) to approve the following new course in Fine Arts: FIN201 Aspects of Renaissance and/or Baroque Art. **Motion Carried**

It was moved (Sheeran/Brown) to approve the following new course in Modern Languages: Japanese JSE311 Independent Studies II: Topics in Japanese Language and Culture II. **Motion Carried**

7.3 Division of Natural Sciences and Mathematics

7.4 Division of Social Sciences

i) New Courses:

It was moved (Ugland/Horne) to approve the following new course in POL346 Politics of Global Finance.

Since the course was prepared by a sessional professor and is part of a larger program modification being drafted, a discussion ensued on the viability of the course and its context. **Motion Carried**

It was moved (Ugland/Viens) to approve the following new course in SOC307 Sociology of Health. **Motion Carried**

ii) Cross-Listed Course: Classical Studies 223b/POL223b Democracy in the Ancient World

7.5 School of Education

7.6 Continuing Education

8/497 BRIEF INFORMATION

i) School of Education

- a) Ministry of Education Agreement re: Bachelor of Education in Kindergarten and Elementary Education and Bachelor of Education
- b) New Instructors:

Dr. Adeela Arshad-Ayaz - EDU402

Mr. Richard Orzechowski (M.Ed.) EDU422 & EDU423

Ms. Wendy King (DAS in Education) EDU411

ii) Department of Mathematics:

New Instructor: Prof. Charles Paquette (M.Math.) MAT221a01

iii) New Instructors in Humanities:
1. Department of English:
B. Gilchrist (M.A.) to teach:
ENG 234 Contemporary Literacy Theory
2. Department of Modern Languages
a) Italian
M. Ruccolo (M.A.) to teach ITA 201 Intermediate Italian in Knowlton
b) German
i) T. Lornsen (M.A.) to teach:
GER 201a Intermediate German I
GER 305a Advanced German Language: Texts and Contexts I
GER 306b Advanced German Language: Texts and Contexts II
ii) V. Mainka (M.A.) to teach:
GER 101 Introductory German Language I
3. Liberal Arts
D. Dombowsky (PhD.) to teach:
LIB 100a Introduction to the Study of Western Culture
4. Department of Religion
R. Chadwick (PhD.) to teach:
REL 231 The Origins of Religion and Spiritualism in Ancient Times
The meeting adjourned at 8:40 pm

Dr. Robert Poupart, Chair

Mr. Yves Jodoin, Secretary