



Bishop's University

MINUTES OF THE 498th MEETING OF SENATE

The 498th meeting of Senate took place on Monday October 22, 2007 at 7:00 pm in Tomlinson Hall, McGreer 100.

Present: Dr. J. Rittenhouse was in the Chair, Dr. L. Bentabet, Prof. S. Béquet, Prof. R. Brown, Dr. T. Bruestle, Dr. V. Faraoni, Dr. T. Fletcher, Dr. R. Harries, Mr. D. Horne, Mr. Y. Jodoin, Mr. A. P. Martinez, Dr. A. Johnson, Prof. L. McRae, Mr. T. Posie, Ms. A. Rowe, Mr. J. Sangster, Prof. S. Sheeran, Ms. S. Teasdale, Mr. D. Thomas-Anderson, Dr. T. Ugland, Dr. M. Vigneault, Mr. J. Wald, Prof. D. Westman, Dr. B. Willms, Dr. L. Zubieta.

Regrets: Dr. C. Beauchamp, Dr. E. Levac, Dr. R. Poupart, Prof. C. Viens.

1/498 AGENDA

Strike "New" in front of program, add "New Target Market" in item 7/498/7.1/iii)
Remove in item 7/498/7.2/ii) Calendar Changes LIB400f & Phi401f; Deletion of LIB400f & PHI401f

The Agenda was approved after modifications. (Martinez/Béquet)

Motion Carried

2/498 MINUTES

The Minutes of the 497th meeting of Senate were approved as circulated.

(Bentabet/Posie) **Motion Carried**

3/498 COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CHAIR

The Vice-Principal gave an update on SPC (Senate Planning Committee) process. The SPC had a long meeting with Finance Committee. SPC might be ready for a presentation to next Senate.

4/498 BUSINESS ARISING

Dean Willms moved, seconded by Dean Béquet that Senate to modify motion 7/496/7.3/i) that Dr. Ariel Edery Adjunct Professor Status in the Department of Physics be extended by five years, instead of three years, permitting him to apply to NSERC for research funding. **Motion Carried**

Referring to Senate 496 discussions, Dean Willms reiterated his Division's dissatisfaction with the current staffing of Liaison Office. Other Senators also expressed their concerns.

5/498 COMMITTEE ITEMS

i) Committee on Academic Integrity

Dean Johnson reported about upcoming meeting of the Committee and a report to Senate by December.

ii) Senate Nominating Committee

Senator Vigneault moved, seconded by Senator Fletcher

i) that all Senate committees and task forces have representation from all Divisions and the School of Education,

ii) and that the Senate Nominating Committees be charged with soliciting and bringing forward nominations for all Senate committees and task forces,

iii) and that Senate and other governance bodies employ established Senate committees whenever possible. **Motion Carried**

Nomination to Committee on Academic Integrity

It was moved (Ugland/Brown) that Senate approve the nomination of Dr. Steven Woodward from the Division of Humanities to the Committee on Academic Integrity. **Motion Carried**

iii) Academic Structures Committee

The Vice-Principal, Dr. Rittenhouse, briefly introduced the report to Corporation from the Academic Structures Committee. A student Senator said the report didn't answer the request to bring the School of Education in line with other Divisions. Discussions followed on the title of the head of the School of Education and on the report. Senators were reminded that this report was an interim report.

It was moved (Teasdale/Béquet) that Senate recommend to the Academic Structures Committee that the Director of the School of Education be made Dean of the School of Education, and that the School of Education be made similar to other Divisions in this University, and that the Dean of the School of Education get the same privileges that go with the position of Dean. **Motion Carried**

6/498 OTHER MATTERS

i) Ombudsperson Report for 2006-2007

The Ombudsperson, Prof. K. Baxter, circulated his report that included ten recommendations and concerns. He highlighted and explained his major concerns.

Since there is no clear and common policy about student markers, a Senator recommended that a more formal procedure should be adopted by the University in the case of student markers.

Following up on a concern from the Ombudsperson, another Senator wondered who was in charge of making sure that Senate motions and recommendations are followed through. The Ombudsperson said the Chairs of Committee should be made responsible to ensure motions and recommendations are implemented.

ii) Acceptance of Grade 12 Students from private Quebec Institutions into a 4-year Program

At present, Bishop's doesn't accept Grade 12 Students from private Quebec Institutions the Vice-Principal reported, while students applying from the rest of Canada are admitted to Bishop's University after Grade 12. Since the creation of CEGEP, Quebec students have been advised to go to CEGEP. Most of those Grade 12 Students from Quebec Institutions do not choose the CEGEP route, but instead go to other provinces for University studies. Should Bishop's admit those students ? There was agreement that a pilot project with Stanstead College and Bishop's College School should be considered. The Vice-Principal will also take up the issue with Champlain Regional College.

iii) The Importance of the Role of Senate within the Strategic Plan

Dean Béquet wondered if in the future that approval of new courses fit within the Strategic Plan instead of rubber-stamping approvals. Questions arose about the availability of the Strategic Plan on the Bishop's Web site.

It was moved (McRae/Bentabet) that Senate recommends the latest version of the Strategic Plan be made available on the public part of Bishop's Web site.

Motion Carried

7/498 RECOMMENDATIONS

7.1 Williams School of Business

It was moved (Béquet/McRae) that Senate approve the following:

- i) New Course: BMK350 - Marketing Strategies for Environmental Sustainability with the proviso that a version without typos be submitted.

There was discussion about the importance for students to have scientific and numeric literacy.

and

- ii) Calendar Change: BMK 333 - Physical Distribution to be removed from Calendar.

Motion Carried

- iii) Program: BBA (Professional) with a new target market

This program is for three year diploma students coming from Ontario colleges. There was discussion about the 45 credits minimum requirement instead of 60 credits, about math prerequisite, about admission requirements, about professorial resources.

It was moved (Béquet/McRae) that Senate approve the BBA (Professional) program. **Motion Carried**

7.2 Division of Humanities

The following was withdrawn until next meeting:

- i) New Courses: ENG358 Approaches to Indigenous Literary Culture in Canada; ENG359 Approaches to Canadian Culture; ENG352 Canadian Literature and Theories of Globalization; ENG353 American Literature and the “New Woman”; ENG252 English- Canadian Literature to the First World War; ENG253 English-Canadian Literature from the First World War to the Present.

It was moved (Sheeran/Brown) that Senate approve the following:

- ii) Calendar Changes - Course Numbers CLA125 to CLA223.

Motion Carried

7.3 Division of Natural Sciences and Mathematics

7.4 Division of Social Sciences

It was moved (Johnson/Horne) that Senate approve the following:

- i) Change in Program: Bachelor of Arts (Major and Honours) in International Political Economy. **Motion Carried**

7.5 School of Education

It was moved (Johnson/Rowe) that Senate approve the following:

- i) Approval of Instructor: Ms. Wendy King (B.A. - DAS in Education) EDU411

7.6 Continuing Education

8/498 BRIEF INFORMATION

- i) New Instructor: M. Durocher (M.A.)FIN182 - Photography

ii) Sabbatical Reports Available for Consultation at the University
Secretary's Office from: Dr. J. Benson, Dr. J. Bowey, Dr. G. Coulter, Dr.
G. Englebretsen, Dr. J. Manore, Dr. W. Stephan

The meeting adjourned at 9:27 pm

Dr. Robert Poupart, Chair

Mr. Yves Jodoin, Secretary