

Bishop's University

MINUTES OF THE 518th MEETING OF SENATE

The 518th meeting of Senate took place on Monday, September 21, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. in McGreer 100.

Present: Mr. M. Goldbloom was in the Chair, Ms. K. Allen, Dr. C. Beauchamp, Dr. C. Charpentier, Dr. M. Childs, Dr. J. Crooks, Ms. S. Faria, Dr. G. Gagné, Dr. R. Harries, Dr. S. Harvey, Mr. S. Ho, Mr. Y. Holton Dr. K. Hull, Mr. Y. Jodoin, Dr. J.A. Kingsley, Dr. E. Levac, Prof. L. McRae, Dr. R. Osmun, Dr. C. Rutihinda, Ms. R. Sheeran, Dr. J. Savage, Mr. S. Taylor, Ms. S. Wuite

Regrets: Dr. W. Marcantoni.

1/518 AGENDA

The agenda was approved. (Beauchamp/Kingsley) Motion Carried

2/518 MINUTES

The Minutes of the 517th meeting of Senate were approved as circulated. (Harries/Child) Motion Carried

3/518 COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CHAIR

The Principal, Mr. M. Goldbloom, welcomed everyone to a new academic year of Senate meetings.

He spoke about about the major announcements concerning the funds made available by the Federal, Provincial and Municipal authorities to build a new Sports and Wellness Complex and to renovate the labs in the Johnson Building.

Dr. E. Levac presented the following motion of congratulations:

"To underline and praise the relentless efforts of our Principal, Michael Goldbloom, and thank him for facing Bishop's University challenges with us".

Applause

4/518 BUSINESS ARISING

There was no business arising.

5/518 COMMITTEE ITEMS

5.1 Senate Nominating Committee

(document 518/5.1)

Ms. Ruth Sheeran presented the report and presented two motions.

It was moved (Sheeran/McRae) that Senate approve the report of the Senate Nominating Committee as circulated. **Carried**

It was moved (Sheeran/Hull) that Senate instructs all Senate Committees to meet and review their mandates and composition and report back with recommendations for any revisions and changes by the November meeting of Senate. **Carried**

5.2 Senate Planning Committee (SPC)

Report of the Dean of Arts & Science on the administrative structure of the Fine Arts Department (document 518/5.2)

Dr. J. Crooks, Dean of Arts and Science, presented a report about an Administrative Structure supporting the Study of Fine Arts at Bishop's. The Department of Fine Arts has been faced with some serious internal problems for some time. SPC already sanctioned the splitting of Art Studio and Art History in Spring 2008. This report proposes a new administrative structure to separate of Art Studio and Art History as cleanly as possible.

It was moved (Crooks/Hull) that Senate approves the propose administrative structure supporting the study of Fine Arts at Bishop's. **Carried**

5.3 a. Senate Program Review Committee (SPARC) Report (document 518/5.3.a)

Dr. M. Childs, Vice-Principal, presented an update on the motion passed by Senate in April approving the external review of the Computer Science, Liberal Arts, Modern Languages and Physics programs in Fall 2009 and Winter 2010. The review of Computer Science is delayed by a year while Physics will join Fine Arts as the programs to be reviewed in Winter 2010.

Winter 2010 Reviews

It was moved (Childs/Levac) that Senate approve the SPARC Review of the Fine Arts and Physics programs in Winter 2010. **Carried**

Fall 2009 Reviews

Fine Arts

It was moved (Childs/Mcrae) that the Program Review Committee of Fine Arts be expanded to include a non-Fine Arts person with extensive administrative experience. **Carried**

Liberal Arts

It was moved (Childs/Crooks) that Senate approve Dr. Ian Cameron, Carleton University's College of the Humanities and Dr. Ariela Freedman, Concordia University's College of the Liberal Arts as the Program Review Committee. **Carried**

Modern Languages

It was moved (Childs/Crooks) that Senate approve Drs. Judith Kearns, University of Winnipeg, Rudiger Mueller, University of Guelph, and Catherine Vallejo, Concordia University as the Program Review Committee. **Carried**

Winter 2009 Reviews

During the Winter semester, three departments underwent external review: Drama, English and Psychology. All reviews went smoothly and the external reports were received in a timely fashion. The follow up by departments was less rapid by comparison, due to the reception of the reviews towards the end of the semester and the difficulties of departments meeting as a group during the summer. In the case of the Department of Psychology, the review/response cycle is complete. Those for Drama and English will follow in October.

b. SPARC: Psychology

- i Psychology Programme Review Report (document 518/5.3.b.i)
- ii Comments of the Psychology Department (document 518/5.3.b.ii)
- iii Reviewers reply to Department Response (document 518/5.3.b.iii)

Dr. Childs deposited and briefly commented the reports. From these reports, he said that it would make the Psychology Department an even better department.

5.4 Research Ethics Board – Two Reports : 2008 and 2009 (document 518/5.4)

Dr. M. Childs deposited two reports from the Research Ethics Board.

5.5 Senate Planning Committee

(document 518/5.5)

Dr. Childs reminded Senators that last December the SPC recommended, and Senate approved a list of nine tenure stream positions for 2009-10. Finance and Executive Committee in early 2009 approved the first six of these, and later added the seventh when MELS funding for that position became available. The last two positions in Business and in Psychology were converted to sessional appointments. The departments concerned held searches and all of the tenure stream positions were filled except for the very first one in Education. No suitable candidate was found, and the School therefore declined to fill the post.

Numbers in Education remain very strong and the SPC criteria of 1 to 25 for an automatic replacement of an existing position are more than met. EDU is still over 30 students/faculty member. Senate Planning Committee at its meeting of September 1, 2009 therefore passed a motion that it recommends that the School of Education be granted a tenure stream position in Special Needs/Educational Foundations/Curriculum for the academic year 2010-11.

It was Moved (Childs/Allen) that Senate approve a tenure stream position for 2010-11 in Education: Special Needs/Educational Foundations/Curriculum. **Carried**

6/518 OTHER MATTERS

6.1 Renewal of Prof. Wendy King's status as Adjunct Professor

It was moved (Crooks/Sheeran) that Senate approve the renewal of Professor Wendy King's status as Adjunct Professor for a period of five years. **Carried**

6.2 Adjunct Professor status for Dr. Ambrose Leung

It was moved (Crooks/Faria) that Senate approve the granting of Adjunct Professor status for Dr. Ambrose Leung for a period of five years. **Carried**

7/518 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 7.1 Williams School of Business
- 7.2 Arts & Science
 - 7.2.1 Division of Humanities
 - 7.2.2 Division of Natural Sciences and Mathematics
 - 7.2.3 Division of Social Sciences
- 7.3 School of Education
- 7.4 Continuing Education

8/518 BRIEF INFORMATION

8.1 Division of Natural Sciences and Mathematics New Instructor in Biology – Marylene Boulet

8.2 School of Education:

New Instructor: Canjita Gomes-Fernandez, Ph.D., EDU 414, Methods in the Teaching of Social Studies

8.3 Williams School of Business New Instructor in the School of Business: Nicole Bérubé, Ph.D. candidate (Concordia)

The meeting adjourned at 8:13 pm

Mr. Michael Goldbloom, Chair

Mr. Yves Jodoin, Secretary