



## **Bishop's University**

### **MINUTES OF THE 521<sup>st</sup> MEETING OF SENATE**

The 521st meeting of Senate took place on Monday, December 7, 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, Ms. G. Grant, 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, Dr. R. Osmun, Dr. C. Rutihinda, Ms. R. Sheeran, Dr. J. Savage, Ms. S. Wuite

**Regrets:** Prof. L. McRae, Dr. W. Marcantoni, Mr. S. Taylor.

#### **1/521 AGENDA**

The agenda was approved after adding the following item:

- 5.4 Senate Nominating Committee

( Beauchamp/Childs ) **Motion Carried**

#### **2/521 MINUTES**

The Minutes of the 520th meeting of Senate were approved as amended.

( Charpentier/Rutihinda ) **Motion Carried**

#### **3/521 COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CHAIR**

The Principal, Mr. M. Goldbloom, reported that a Bishop's graduate (who wishes to remain anonymous) has committed to an annual gift of \$50,000 for three years to fund Experiential Learning projects by students. An official announcement is forthcoming.

#### **4/521 BUSINESS ARISING**

- a. Report of the Task Force on Academic Integrity**  
(document 521/4.a)
- b. Student concerns with respect to Academic Integrity**  
(document 521/4.b)
- c. Extract of the Minutes of the 474 meeting of Senate**  
(document 521/4.c)

Following discussion at the previous Senate meetings, the Registrar, Mr. Y. Jodoin, circulated three documents from Senate meetings a few years ago. The Vice-Principal, Dr. Childs, said that a Committee of Academic Integrity is fully staffed and chaired by Dean J. Crooks.

It was moved ( Childs/Sheeran ) that Senate instruct Committee of Academic Integrity to review the documentation and report back to Senate in early 2010. **Motion Carried**

#### **5/521 COMMITTEE ITEMS**

- 5.1 Senate Research Committee (SRC)**
  - Guidelines for Grant Applications 2009-2010**  
(documents 521/5.1.a & 521/5.1.b)

Dr. Harvey, Dean of the Williams School of Business and Chair of the SRC, presented the SRC guidelines changes.

It was moved ( Harvey/Childs ) that Senate approve the 2009-2010 Guidelines for Grant Applications and the proposed changes to the SRC Research Grants.  
**Motion Carried**

- Strategic Research Plan Amendments**  
(document 521/5.1.c)

Dr. Childs presented the Strategic Research Plan for 2009-2012.

It was moved ( Childs/Wuite ) that Senate adopt the amended Strategic Research Plan  
**Motion Carried**

## 5.2 Senate Planning Committee (SPC) (document 521/5.2)

Dr. Childs presented in details the SPC report. This report deals only with tenure stream requests.

It was moved ( Childs/Faria )that Senate approve the following tenure stream appointments for 2010-11 in order of priority, and that these positions be converted into sessional positions should Finance and Executive Committees fail to approve them:

1. one replacement position in Sociology
2. one replacement position in Economics
3. one replacement position in Williams School of Business
4. one new position in Psychology
5. one new position in Education
6. one new position in Political Studies
7. one replacement position in Williams School of Business
8. one new half position in Philosophy

**Motion Carried**

It was moved ( Harvey/Harries) that Senate ask Finance Committee to approve these appointments with an 18-month window to fill them. **Motion Carried**

It was moved ( Childs/Grant ) that Senate approve the following sessional appointments for 2010-2011:

1. one in Hispanic Studies
2. one in Italian Studies
3. one in Physics

**Motion Carried**

### 5.3 CRC Allocation Committee Report (Canada Research Chair) (document 521/5.3.

Dr. Childs presented the CRC Allocation Committee Report. This is ad hoc Committee created by Senate in October 2009 to distribute the three Tier II Canada Research Chairs.

It was moved ( Childs/Ho ) that one of the Tier II Canada Research Chairs be allocated to the Multi-Scale Climate and Environmental Change (MUSCLE) Research Cluster.  
**Motion Carried**

It was moved ( Childs/Savage ) that one of the Tier II Canada Research Chairs be allocated to the Psychological Health and Well-Being Research Cluster.  
**Motion Carried**

It was moved ( Childs/Crooks ) that one of the Tier II Canada Research Chairs be allocated to the Crossing Borders Research Cluster. **Motion Carried**

It was moved ( Childs/Faria ) that hiring committees for Canada Research Chairs be constructed according to the terms of the Letter of Intent of December 2009 signed between the University and the APBU, and that the advertisements for these Chairs be consistent with the aims and parameters contained within the December 2009 Report of the Canada Research Chair Allocation Committee. **Motion Carried**

### 5.4 Senate Nominating Committee (document 521/5.4)

Ms. Ruth Sheeran, chair of the Senate Nominating Committee, presented two motions to be approved.

It was moved ( Sheeran/Hull ) that Senate approve the appointment of Prof L. McRae to the Research Ethics Committee. **Motion Carried**

It was moved ( Sheeran/Faria ) that Senate approve that the membership of the Senate Nominating Committee include a contract faculty Senator. **Motion carried**

## **6/521      OTHER MATTERS**

### **6.1      Motion from the deans and VP (document 521/6.1)**

Dr. Childs briefly explained the need to review programs created in recent years.

It was moved ( Childs/Beauchamp ) that

- Senate asks departments, program committees and divisions, as appropriate, to start a self- study of programs created in recent years to evaluate whether these programs are effectively meeting enrolment and educational expectations and to determine whether it is appropriate to modify, maintain or eliminate programs with an aim that all approved programs achieve success and that BU maintains a clearly articulated, manageable and focused set of program offerings.
- Senate Planning Committee develops a process for receiving and commenting on these self-study evaluations.

**Motion Carried**

## **7/521      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 (Document 521/7.3.a)

It was moved ( Beauchamp/Kingsley ) that Senate approve the change to the Double Majors – Mathematics and Secondary Teacher Education. **Motion Carried**

It was moved ( Beauchamp/Rutihinda ) that Senate approve the change to the Double Majors – Social Studies (History component) and Secondary Teacher Education.  
**Motion Carried**

### 7.4 Continuing Education

#### 8/521 BRIEF INFORMATION

- 8.1 New instructors:  
Prof. Emily Evans, ENG 204 Creative Writing: The Long Poem  
Prof. Osire Glacier: HIS 389 Women in the Islamic World

The meeting adjourned at 8:38 pm.

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Mr. Michael Goldbloom, Chair

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Mr. Yves Jodoin, Secretary