599th Meeting of Senate  
Monday, December 17, 2018  
7:00 p.m.

Minutes

Chair: Principal Michael Goldbloom

Present: Dr. Jim Benson, Dr. Gregory Brophy, Ms. Jessica Caputo, Dr. Jenn Cianca, Dr. Mary Ellen Donnan, Dr. Bruce Gilbert, Dr. Corinne Haigh, Dr. Michele Murray, Ms. Angie Petitclerc, Mr. Hans Rouleau, Dr. Maxime Trempe, Dr. Francine Turmel, Dr. Miles Turnbull, Dr. Yanan Wang, Dr. Brad Willms, Dr. Dawn Wiseman

Regrets: Mr. Cameron Banton, Mr. Yotam Baum, Dr. Layachi Bentabet, Ms. Kassandra Johnson-Desnoyer, Ms. Catherine Lavallée-Welch, Dr. Robert Palmer, Mr. Ryan Small, Ms. Helen Tintpulver, Mr. Graham Williams

Secretary: Dr. Trygve Ugland

The Principal called the 599th meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Item 599/1 Approval of Agenda

Brad Willms asked that AGR 130 Environmental Implications of Agriculture be added to the agenda for the Division of Social Sciences curriculum changes (7.2.3.5i.).

Brad Willms moved the approval of the agenda with the addition of item 7.2.3.5i. Jim Benson seconded the motion.  
Motion carried.
ITEM 599/2   APPROVAL OF MINUTES

No corrections or modifications were requested. Jenn Cianca moved the approval of the Minutes of the 598th meeting of Senate. Maxime Trempe seconded the motion.

Motion carried.

ITEM 599/3   COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CHAIR

Dr. William “Bill” Shearson passed away on December 12th, 2018. The Principal extended his deepest sympathies to Dr. Shearson’s partner and our colleague, Dr. Andrea Drumheller, and to his family. A memorial minute in honour of Dr. Shearson will be presented at the February Senate meeting.

There are ongoing discussions between Quebec universities and the Ministry of Higher Education concerning the de-regulation of tuition fees for international students.

The Principal reminded everyone that Dr. Matthew Peros’ exhibit on the Discovery of prehistoric sloth remains in underwater caves will be at the Musée de la nature in Sherbrooke from the 20th of December, 2018 to the 7th of January, 2019.

The Principal invited everyone to participate in the traditional Annual Holiday lunch in the Dewhurst Dining Room on Friday the 21st of December.

ITEM 599/4   BUSINESS ARISING

There was no business arising from the 598th meeting of Senate.

ITEM 599/5   COMMITTEE ITEMS

5.1 Report of the Senate Planning Committee

Miles Turnbull presented the report of the Senate Planning Committee (SPC). On behalf of the Senate Planning Committee, Dr. Turnbull moved that Senate approve two additional courses to make a total of 37.3 part-time course credits for Spring-Summer 2019. Bruce Gilbert seconded the motion.

Motion carried.
On behalf of the Senate Planning Committee, Dr. Turnbull moved that Senate approve a two- year full-time sessional position in Organic Chemistry, beginning July 1, 2019, and ending June 30, 2021. Brad Willms seconded the motion.

Motion carried.

ITEM 599/6 OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business

ITEM 599/7 RECOMMENDATIONS

7.1 Williams School of Business

The Dean of Williams School of Business, Francine Turmel, moved the approval of 7.1.1 and 7.1.2. The motion was seconded by Jessica Caputo.

Motion carried.

7.2 Arts and Science

7.2.1 Division of Humanities

The Dean of Arts and Science, Michele Murray moved the approval of 7.2.1.1, for the Liberal Arts Program, on the recommendation of the Division of Humanities. Jenn Cianca seconded the motion.

Motion carried.

Michele Murray spoke to the recommendations 7.2.1.2 to 7.2.1.4, for the department of English on the recommendation of the Division of Humanities. Francine Turmel noted BMK 372 International Marketing Strategy has been replaced by BMG 345 International Marketing and Export Management. Dr. Murray accepted the friendly amendment on behalf of the Division of Humanities and moved approval of 7.2.1.2 to 7.2.1.4. Gregory Brophy seconded the motion.

Motion carried.

Michele Murray moved the approval of 7.2.2.1 to 7.2.2.6, for the department of Biochemistry, on the recommendation of the Division of Natural Sciences and Mathematics. Angie Petitclerc seconded the motion.

Motion carried.
Michele Murray moved the approval of 7.2.2.7 to 7.2.2.17, for the department of Biological Studies, on the recommendation of the Division of Natural Sciences and Mathematics. Brad Willms seconded the motion.

Motion carried.

Michele Murray moved the approval of 7.2.2.18 to 7.2.2.23, for the department of Chemistry, on the recommendation of the Division of Natural Sciences and Mathematics. Brad Willms seconded the motion.

Motion carried.

Michele Murray moved the approval of 7.2.2.24, for the department of Mathematics, on the recommendation of the Division of Natural Sciences and Mathematics. Brad Willms seconded the motion.

Motion carried.

Michele Murray moved the approval of 7.2.2.25 and 7.2.2.26, for the department of Physics, on the recommendation of the Division of Natural Sciences and Mathematics. Angie Petitclerc seconded the motion.

Motion carried.

Michele Murray moved the approval of 7.2.3.1 and 7.2.3.2, for the department of Economics, on the recommendation of the Division of Social Sciences. Maxime Trempe seconded the motion.

Motion carried.

Michele Murray invited Brad Willms and Darren Bardati to present the proposed Sustainable Agriculture and Food Systems program. Dr. Bardati said that idea for the program grew out of the Sustainability Task Force recommendations and explained that the process of developing the program has taken three years.

When asked about the challenges of developing a new program, Dr. Bardati replied that he felt the SPC process was easy to understand and follow, and the Social Sciences’ division was supportive of their efforts. Dr. Bardati explained that the program now needs to find donors to support future infrastructure requirements.

Dr. Bardati clarified that both B.A. and B.Sc. students will be able to Major in Sustainable Agriculture and Food Systems.
Michele Murray moved the approval of 7.2.3.3 to 7.2.3.33, for the creation of a new Major - Sustainable Agriculture and Food Systems, on the recommendation of the Division of Social Sciences. Mary Ellen Donnan seconded the motion.
Motion carried.

Maxime Trempe moved that Senate formally recognize the quality and quantity of work undertaken by Dr. Bardati, Dr. Willms and their team, in creating the Sustainable Agriculture and Food Systems program. Angie Petitclerc seconded the motion.
One abstention.
Motion carried.

Michele Murray moved the approval of 7.2.3.34 and 7.2.3.35, for the department of Environment and Geography, on the recommendation of the Division of Social Sciences. Jenn Cianca seconded the motion.
Motion carried.

Michele Murray moved the approval of 7.2.3.36 and 7.2.3.38, for the department of Psychology, on the recommendation of the Division of Social Sciences. Jessica Caputo seconded the motion.
Motion carried.

Michele Murray moved the approval of 7.2.3.39 to 7.2.3.55, for the Sports Studies program, on the recommendation of the Division of Social Sciences. Maxime Trempe seconded the motion.
Motion carried.

Michele Murray moved the approval of 7.2.3.56 to 7.2.3.61, for the Department of Politics and International Studies, on the recommendation of the Division of Social Sciences. Mary Ellen Donnan seconded the motion.
Motion carried.

Michele Murray moved the approval of 7.2.3.62 to 7.2.3.64, for the Department of Sociology, on the recommendation of the Division of Social Sciences. Mary Ellen Donnan seconded the motion.
Motion carried.

7.3 School of Education
There were no recommendations from the School of Education
7.4 Continuing Education

There were no recommendations from the Division of Continuing Education.

In closing, the Principal noted that it is the 175th anniversary of Bishop’s University. The next meeting, February 11th, will be the 600th Senate meeting since Senate was first convened in 1947.

There being no additional business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Michael Goldbloom, Chair

Trygve Ugland, Secretary