563RD MEETING

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2013
7:00 P.M.
TOMLINSON HALL, MCGREER 100

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  5.2 Report of Senate Planning Committee on Tenure Stream Hires – Doc 563/5.2 – M. Turnbull
  5.3 Report of Senate Planning Committee on program, course and housekeeping proposals – M. Turnbull

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   7.2.1 Division of Natural Sciences and Mathematics
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8.2 Arts and Science – M. Murray
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      8.2.2.1 Adjunct status for a six-year period for: Dr. Faycal Hammad (Physics) and Dr. Wendy King (Biology) – C.V.’s to follow
   8.2.3 Division of Social Sciences
      8.2.3.1 Adjunct status for a six-year period for: Dr. Stuart McKelvie (Psychology)
         - C.V. to follow

8.3 School of Education – M.-J. Berger

8.4 Continuing Education – M. Turnbull

Information Items

9.1 Report on work of faculty council ad hoc income generating ideas committee – J. Manore
563rd Meeting of the Senate of Bishop’s University

Minutes

The 563rd meeting of Senate took place on November 17th 2014, from 7:00 p.m. to 8:20 p.m., in McGreer 100.

Chair: Principal Michael Goldbloom

Present: Dr. Hafid Agourram, Dr. Darren Bardati, Dr. Marie-Josée Berger, Ms Kelly Brown, Dr. Gilbert Gagné, Dr. Bruce Gilbert, Mr. Bruno Gnassi, Ms Tirza Harris, Dr. Sunny Lau, Dr. Jean Manore, Ms Chelsea McLennan, Dr. Adrianna Mendrek, Dr. Michele Murray, Dr. Michael Richardson, Mr. Hans Rouleau, Dr. Cranmer Rutihinda, Mr. Joel Semujanga, Ms Ananya Srivastava, Ms Alessandra Tiano, Dr. Francine Turmel, Dr. Miles Turnbull, Dr. Sylvain Turcotte, Dr. Trygve Ugland, Dr. Marianne Vigneault

Regrets: Dr. Estelle Chamoux, Dr. Laurie Milner

Secretary: Ms Victoria Meikle

The Principal called the 563rd meeting of Senate to order at 7:05 p.m.

Item 563/1 Approval of Agenda

The agenda was approved as circulated.
ITEM 563/2  APPROVAL OF MINUTES

2.1  Minutes of 562nd Meeting of Senate
Subject to the correction of two typographical errors, on pages 2 and 3, Michele Murray moved approval of the minutes of the 562nd meeting of Senate, and Jean Manore seconded the motion.

The motion carried.

ITEM 563/3  COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CHAIR

Donald lecture
The Principal urged Senators to attend the Donald lecture to be given by Edward Burtynsky, on November 26, 2014. Mr. Burtynsky is known as one of Canada's most respected photographers.

Further budget cuts for Universities
At the time of the 562nd Senate meeting, press speculation on the size of announced cuts to university operating budgets had them at $25M for the réseau. The Ministry of Higher Education had since confirmed to universities that the cuts would amount to $31M for the réseau. Bishop's could expect an additional cut of about $300,000 in 2014-15 as a consequence.

The Ministry had agreed to look for funds that might reduce the proposed cuts to university grants. It was unclear whether this would be the end of the cuts to university operating budgets for the 2014-15 operating budgets.

Heads of institutions had indicated to the Ministry that it would not be possible to absorb additional funding cuts halfway through the fiscal year, and that these cuts would be added to operating deficits. They had argued that Institutions which would not have been in deficit but for this latest cut should not be required to produce a Financial Recovery plan. This waiver would not affect Bishop's, since we had budgeted a deficit before the latest cuts.

Space issues
Bishop’s had begun discussions with the Ministry with a view to securing funding to renovate Divinity and to expand and renovate the library. At a meeting with members of the administration, Ministry representatives had expressed some sympathy for the argument that the space norms aren’t well adapted to a campus consisting of a large number of small buildings, most of which were built before 1978.

One challenge is that the Ministry regards Bishop’s as over-spaced in all categories of space, with the exception of the library, and it was clear that the Ministry would not support plans for a learning commons unless we bring our use of space into better compliance with government space norms. We will take
steps to remove unused space, and space that we cannot use for academic purposes, from our surplus.

A second challenge is that our residences, which are now 50 to 60 years old, need major renovations. In order to get Ministry permission to invest in the campus, we will have to have a plan to deal with deferred maintenance in our residences. The University would explore possibilities, including a public-private partnership.

As for Divinity, we would have to find a new vocation for the building that would attract funding for renovations and operations. Something involving the Anglican Church, minority languages or Aboriginal communities had been suggested, but all ideas were welcome.

ITEM 563/4 BUSINESS ARISING
There was no business arising.

ITEM 563/5 COMMITTEE ITEMS
5.1 Report of Senate Research Committee
Vice-Principal Academic Miles Turnbull moved that Senate approve revised Senate Research Committee Guidelines set out in Document 563/5.1.2, Note on Guidelines for Grant Applications.

He then moved that Senate approve the revised name and eligibility criteria for the Bishop’s New Scholar Award, set out in Document 563/5.1.4, Note on Bishop’s New Scholar Award.

Trygve Ugland seconded both motions.

The motions carried.

5.2 Report of Senate Planning Committee on Tenure Stream Hires
At the 563rd meeting, Senate had requested that Document 563/5.2, the Report of Senate Planning Committee (SPC) on Tenure Stream Hires, be revised and circulated to Departmental and Program Chairs.

The Vice-Principal reported that he had invited Chairs to make a presentation to Senate Planning Committee. Three units had responded to his invitation: Sports Studies, Business and Political and International Studies. The Chair of Art History submitted additional information to the Committee by e-mail.
Following the meetings with Chairs, SPC reconsidered its ranking, and slight changes were made. The revised report was circulated, for information, to all Chairs in advance of the 563rd meeting of Senate.

Approval of Tenure-Stream Positions, 2015-16

Vice-Principal Academic Miles Turnbull moved that Senate recommend the following tenure stream positions, in order of priority, for approval by the Board of Governors and for consideration as sessional positions for 2015-16 in the event that the Board does not approve them as tenure-stream positions.

1. Business - Entrepreneurship
2. Psychology
3. Biology
4. Business - Human Resources
5. Sociology
6. Sports Studies
7. Education
8. Business - Management
9. Modern Languages - Italian
10. Political and International Studies

The Vice-Principal further moved that a sessional appointment of at least five months be approved in the Département d'études françaises et québécoises, if the Evaluation committee approves a six-month sabbatical for Dr. Levasseur. Adrianna Mendrek seconded both motions.

During the course of discussion, several Senators questioned the prioritisation of a position in Italian, on the ground that targets set by Senate Planning Committee in 2012 had not been met. The Vice-Principal indicated that, according to the information he had, the requirements set out in the minutes of Senate had in fact been met by the Department. He added that it would be premature to reject the recommendation of Senate Planning Committee before the Program Analysis process had been completed.

The motions carried, one Senator opposed, two abstentions.

Position in History

Given the exceptional circumstances surrounding the appointment of Dr. Gordon Barker to the History Department half-time, Vice-Principal Academic Miles Turnbull moved that Dr. Barker's position be regularized as a full-time tenure-stream appointment, and that this decision be considered independently of the Board process for considering other tenure-stream requests. In the event
that the funding for a full tenure-stream position is not approved by the Board, this position should be considered for approval as a sessional position.

Adrianna Mendrek seconded the motion.

During the course of discussion, Senators raised concerns about the risk of setting a precedent in approving this half-position outside the priority-setting process of Senate Planning Committee, as there are other half-time positions in the Drama and Mathematics Departments.

The motion carried, two Senators opposed, two abstentions.

5.3 Report of Senate Planning Committee on Divisional recommendation for new programs and program changes, new courses and modifications to calendar text

The Vice-Principal Academic thanked Departmental and Program Chairs for their work in bringing forward program and new course proposals.

In order to allow Senate Planning Committee to carry out a thorough review of the material submitted by the Divisions, he had decided to present proposals from the Williams School of Business and the Divisions of Natural and Social Sciences to the 563rd meeting of Senate. Proposals from the School of Education and the Division of Humanities would be brought to the 564th meeting.

ITEM 563/6 OTHER MATTERS
There was no other matter.

ITEM 563/7 RECOMMENDATIONS: NEW PROGRAMS, PROGRAM MODIFICATIONS, NEW COURSES, AND CALENDAR MODIFICATIONS

7.1 Williams School of Business

Dean of Business Francine Turmel moved that Senate approve the changes related to the School of Business as set out in Item 7.1.1 of the detailed agenda and in Document 563/7. Cranmer Rutihinda seconded the motion.

The motion carried.

Dean Turmel moved that Senate approve the changes related to the School of Business as set out in Item 7.1.2 of the detailed agenda and in Document 563/7. Hafid Aggouram seconded the motion.

The motion carried.
7.2 Arts and Science – M. Murray

7.2.1 Division of Natural Sciences and Mathematics
Dean of Arts and Science Michele Murray moved that Senate approve the changes related to the Department of Biology as set out in Item 7.2.1.1 of the detailed agenda and document 563/7. Michael Richardson seconded the motion.

The motion carried.

Dean Murray moved that Senate approve the changes related to the Department of Biochemistry as set out in Item 7.2.1.2 of the detailed agenda and document 563/7. Michael Richardson seconded the motion.

The motion carried.

Dean Murray moved that Senate approve the changes related to the Department of Chemistry as set out in Item 7.2.1.3 of the detailed agenda and document 563/7. Hafid Aggouram seconded the motion.

The motion carried.

Dean Murray moved that Senate approve the changes related to the Department of Mathematics as set out in Item 7.2.1.4 of the detailed agenda and document 563/7. Michael Richardson seconded the motion.

The motion carried.

7.2.2 Division of Social Sciences
Dean Murray moved that Senate approve the changes related to the Department of Economics as set out in Item 7.2.2.1 of the detailed agenda and document 563/7. Marianne Vigneault seconded the motion.

The motion carried.

Dean Murray moved that Senate approve the changes related to the Department of Politics and International Studies as set out in Item 7.2.2.2 of the detailed agenda and document 563/7. Trygve Ugland seconded the motion.

The motion carried.

Dean Murray moved that Senate approve the changes related to the Department of Psychology set out in Item 7.2.2.3 of the detailed agenda and document 563/7. Adrianna Mendrek seconded the motion.

The motion carried.

Dean Murray moved that Senate approve the changes related to the Department of Sociology as set out in Item 7.2.2.4 of the detailed agenda and Document 563/7.
and that the following two courses, described in Document 563/7.2, be added to the Sociology package:

- SOC 301 The response to Marx (Formerly SOC 301 Aspects of Social Inquiry)
- SOC 361 Qualitative Studies (Formerly SOC 361 Ethnographics)

Adrianna Mendrek seconded the motion.

The motion carried.

Dean Murray moved that Senate approve the changes related to the Department of Sports Studies Program as set out in Item 7.2.2.5 of the detailed agenda and document 563/7. Chelsea McLennan seconded the motion.

The 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 Continuing Education.

ITEM 563/8 OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS
8.1 Williams School of Business
There were no recommendations from the Williams School of Business.

8.2 Arts and Science
  8.2.1 Division of Humanities
  There were no recommendations from the Division of Humanities.
  
  8.2.2 Division of Natural Sciences and Mathematics
    8.2.2.1 Adjunct Status Dr. Faycal Hammad and Wendy King
    Dean of Arts and Science Michele Murray moved that Senate approve Adjunct status for a six-year period for Dr. Faycal Hammad (Physics) and Wendy King (Biology). Sylvain Turcotte seconded the motion.
    The motion carried.
8.2.3 Division of Social Sciences

8.2.3.1 Adjunct status for a six-year period for: Dr. Stuart McKelvie (Psychology)

Dean Murray moved that Senate approve adjunct status for a six-year period for Dr. Stuart McKelvie (Psychology). Adrianna Mendrek seconded the motion.

The motion carried.

8.3 School of Education

There were no recommendations from the School of Education.

8.4 Continuing Education

There were no recommendations from Continuing Education.

ITEM 563/9 INFORMATION ITEMS

9.1 Report on the work of an Ad Hoc Committee of Faculty Council on revenue-generating ideas

Jean Manore reported that the Ad Hoc Committee of Faculty Council on revenue-generating ideas had conducted brainstorming sessions on a number of topics: e-courses, spring and summer sessions, retention, a pre-law program and that the Committee is looking for project leaders in these areas.

Jessica Riddell had sent regular messages to the community on the work of the Ad Hoc Committee, which will continue into January.

There being no further business, the 563rd meeting of Senate adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Michael Goldbloom, Chair

Victoria Meikle, Secretary