568TH MEETING

MONDAY, APRIL 13, 2015
7:00 P.M.
TOMLINSON HALL, MCGREER 100

REVISED AGENDA

568/1 Approval of Agenda

568/2 Approval of Minutes
   2.1 Minutes of 567th Meeting of Senate

568/3 Communications from the Chair

568/4 Business Arising

568/5 Committee Items
   5.1 Recommendations from Academic Standing & Admissions Policy (ASAP Committee–Hans Rouleau)
      5.1.1 Change to University Regulation: number of credits allowed for Spring and Summer Registration. Doc 568/5.1.1

   5.2 Senate Nominating Committee. –Gilbert Gagné
      5.2.1 Research and Space Committee: Nomination of Francine Turmel.
      5.2.2 Graduate Studies Committee: Nominations of Miles Turnbull and a Graduate Student.
      5.2.3 Ad Hoc Committee for the review of the University Librarian: Nomination of one faculty member of Senate named by the Senate.
568/6 Other business

568/7 Recommendations

7.1 Williams School of Business

7.2 Arts and Science – Michele Murray
   7.2.1 Division of Humanities
   7.2.2 Division of Natural Sciences and Mathematics
   7.2.3 Division of Social Sciences
      7.2.3.1 Recommendation for a New Course Proposal: Energy and the
               Environment. Doc 568/7.2.3.1
      7.2.3.2 Recommendation for a New Course Proposal: Environmental Impacts of
               Climate Change and Human Activities on the Oceans. Doc 568/7.2.3.2
      7.2.3.3 Recommendation for a New Course Proposal: Arctic and Antarctic
               Environmental Change. Doc 568/7.2.3.3
      7.2.3.4 Recommendation for a New Course Proposal: Tropical Environments and
               Climate Change. Doc 568/7.2.3.4

7.3 School of Education
   7.3.1 Recommendation for Second Year Practicum. Doc 568/7.3.1 (proposal) – Marie-
      Josée Berger

7.4 Continuing Education

568/8 Information items
568th Meeting of the Senate of Bishop's University

Minutes

The 568th meeting of Senate took place on April 13th 2015, at 7:00 p.m. in McGreer 100.

Chair: Principal Michael Goldbloom

Present: Dr. Hafid Aggouram, Dr. Marie-Josée Berger, Ms Kelly Brown, Dr. Stefan Bruda, Dr. Gilbert Gagné, Ms Tirza Harris, Kerry Hull, Dr. Sunny Lau, Dr. Jean Manore, Ms Chelsea McLennan, Dr. Adrianna Mendrek, Dr. Michele Murray, Dr. Cranmer Ruthinda, Mr. Joel Semujanga, Ms. Ananya Srivastava, Ms Alessandra Tiano, Dr. Sylvain Turcotte, Dr. Francine Turnel, Dr. Miles Turnbull, Dr. Trygve Ugland, Dr. Marianne Vigneault

Regrets: Dr. Bruce Gilbert, Mr. Bruno Gnassi, Dr. Laurie Milner, Dr. Michael Richardson, Mr. Hans Rouleau

Secretary: Victoria Meikle

The Principal called the 568th meeting of Senate to order at 7:05 p.m.

Item 568/1 Approval of Agenda
Subject to the addition of a discussion of sessional appointments under s. 568/8, Information Items, the agenda was approved as circulated.

Item 568/2 Approval of Minutes
2.1 Minutes of 567th Meeting of Senate
The approval of the minutes of the 567th meeting of Senate was deferred to the May meeting of Senate.
ITEM 568/3 COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CHAIR
The Principal welcomed the Stefan Bruda of the Department of Computer Science to Senate.

He reported that Jason Earl, a third-year Education student, had earned a 3M National Student Fellowship, the first time a Bishop’s student had received the award. The award is given to full-time undergraduate students at Canadian universities and colleges who have demonstrated outstanding leadership in their lives and at their institution.

The University Singers gave another outstanding performance at Centennial Theater on April 5th and 6th.

Plan de redressement
The Principal reported that he had met with Associate Deputy Minister Lise Verreault and five other senior officials in the Ministry of Education to discuss the analyses carried out in support of our financial recovery plan and help Ministry officials better understand the financial challenges that Bishop’s faces.

ITEM 568/4 BUSINESS ARISING
There was no business arising.

ITEM 568/5 COMMITTEE ITEMS

5.1 Recommendation from the Academic Standing and Admissions Policy Committee on credits for Spring and Summer, Doc 568/5.1.1– Hans Rouleau
The Vice-Principal Academic moved that Senate approve the recommendation of the Academic Standing and Admissions Policy Committee that the maximum number of credits that undergraduate students are permitted to register for in the Spring session be increased from 9 to 12. Jean Manore seconded the motion.

The motion carried.

During the course of discussion the Vice-Principal Academic indicated that the motion did not affect Master’s students.

5.2 Report of Senate Nominating Committee
Gilbert Gagné, the Chair of Senate Nominating Committee, moved two appointments to Senate Committees, and Chelsea McLellan seconded the motion:

- that Tegan Maharaj be appointed as the graduate student member of the Graduate Studies Committee; and
that Hafid Agourram be named by Senate to the Ad Hoc Committee for the review of the University Librarian.

The motions carried.

Dr. Gagné advised Senate that the Vice-Principal Academic would chair the Graduate Studies Committee.

ITEM 568/6 OTHER BUSINESS
There was no other business.

ITEM 568/7 RECOMMENDATIONS
7.1 Williams School of Business
There were no recommendations from the Williams School of Business.

7.2 Arts and Science
7.2.1 Division of Humanities
There were no recommendations from the Division of Humanities.

7.2.2 Division of Natural Sciences and Mathematics
There were no recommendations from the Division of Natural Sciences and Mathematics.

7.2.3 Division of Social Sciences, Docs 568/7.2.3.1 to 7.2.3.4
Dean Michele Murray moved that Senate approve the four new course proposals described in Documents 568/7.2.3.1 to 568/7.2.3.4, and Kelly Brown seconded the motion. The Vice-Principal Academic confirmed that Senate Planning Committee (SPC) had reviewed the four courses and that the descriptions had been amended in accordance with the recommendations of SPC.

• New Course Proposal: Energy and the Environment, Doc 568/7.2.3.1;
• New Course Proposal: Environmental Impacts of Climate Change and Human Activities on the Oceans, Doc 568/7.2.3.2;
• New Course Proposal: Arctic and Antarctic Environmental Change, Doc 568/7.2.3.3;
♦ New Course Proposal: Tropical Environments and Climate Change. Doc 568/7.2.3.4

The motion carried.
7.3 School of Education

7.3.1 Second Year Practicum, Doc 568/7.3.1

During the 2012 accreditation process for the School of Education, the accrediting body, CAPFE (Comité d’agrément des programmes de formation à l’enseignement), asked for changes in the second year practicum.

Dean Marie-Josée Berger moved that Senate approve a modification to the second year practicum so that students would spend 5 full days within a 6-day window in the classroom during the first week of November, in addition to ten half-days throughout the year, in order to meet CAPFE’s requirements in relation to continuous teaching. Sunny Lau seconded the motion.

The motion carried.

7.4 Continuing Education

There were no recommendations from Continuing Education.

ITEM 568/8 INFORMATION ITEMS

Sessional positions

Concerns were expressed about the importance of sessional positions in attracting outstanding faculty. Senators emphasised the need to maintain these positions despite the financial challenges the University is facing.

Chancellor’s Convocation Dinner

The Principal urged Senators to attend the Chancellor’s dinner on Friday, June 5th 2015.

He announced that Honorary Doctorates would be awarded to:

- The Right Honourable Beverley McLachlin, P.C., Chief Justice of Canada;
- Ms. Clayton Spencer, President of Bates College in Lewiston, Maine; and
- Mr. Louis Vachon, President and CEO of the National Bank of Canada.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:58 p.m.

Michael Goldbloom, Chair

Victoria Meikle, Secretary