# MINUTES OF SENATE ALGOMA UNIVERSITY Eleventh Regular Meeting of 2013-2014 June 6, 2014

#### **Humanities Division**

N. Boyle, W. Johnston, T. O'Flanagan, A. Pinheiro, A. Ridout (regrets: A. Bondar, L. Burnett, M. Caswell, E. Turgeon; absent: R. Izard, H. Webkamigad; on leave: C. Ross, R. Rutherdale)

#### **Social Sciences**

H. Allen, G. Broad, J. Clarke, N. Cruickshank, K. DeLuca, D. Galotta, K. Kadiyala, P. Matthews, A. Vaillancourt (regrets: R. Cameron, C. Denomme, S. Gruner, D. Jackson; absent: M. Graydon, N. Shaw)

#### Sciences

P. Antunes, D. Brodbeck, P. Dupuis, M. Garcia-Ruiz, I. Imre (Speaker), I. Molina, B. Schamp, C. Zhang (regrets: N. Cameron, J. Foote, W. Osei, C. Reed-Elder, S. Xu; absent: Yi Feng, C. Zhang)

## **Other Members**

K. Hernden, S. Kitts, M. Lajoie, D. Marasco (Secretary), B. McKinnon, R. Myers, B. Peltsch, A. Piaskoski (regrets: R. Linklater, A. Perlini, D. Schantz, L. Wurdemann; absent: E. Benton-Benai, L. Connor, B. Peltsch, N. Stratton)

#### Guests

M. Rossetto

The Speaker called the meeting of Senate to order at 1:05pm.

#### 14.06.01 APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Moved (Allen/Brodbeck): that the agenda for the June 2014 meeting of Senate be approved.

Motion carried.

# 14.06.02 APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES from the meeting of May 2, 2014

Moved (Lajoie/Galotta): that Senate approve the minutes from the meeting of May 2, 2014.

Motion carried.

14.06.03 BUSINESS ARISING (for action or information) 14.06.03.01 Senate membership 2014 – 2015

Moved (Brodbeck/Broad): that Senate approve the Senate membership for the 2014 senate year as submitted.

Motion carried.

14.06.03.02 Senate committee membership 2014 – 15

Moved (Brodbeck/Lajoie): that Senate approve the Senate Committee membership for the 2014 senate year as submitted.

Motion carried.

The Speaker informed Senate that the President asked the Senate Executive to make an announcement in a closed session of the Senate. The Speaker entertained a motion to move in camera.

Moved (Marasco/Brodbeck): that Senate move in camera.

Motion carried.

Moved (Brodbeck/Galotta): that Senate move out of camera.

Motion carried.

Senators are reminded that the deliberations while in-camera should not be made public knowledge by any member for any reason.

14.06.04 DECISION ITEMS (for action)
14.06.04.01 APPCOM – final assessment report – BIOL

Moved (Marasco/Brodbeck): that the Academic Planning and Priorities Committee recommends to Senate the Final Assessment Report – External Program Review – Biology.

Schamp requested a minor amendment to the first recommendation, (1b) revising the current language to 'reduce the number of 3000 and 4000 level required courses' to 'consider reducing the number of 3000 and 4000 level required courses'.

The mover and seconder were amenable to the amendment.

Motion carried.

## 14.06.04.02 APPCOM – final assessment report – FAST

Moved (Boyle/Broad): that the Academic Planning and Priorities Committee recommends to Senate the Final Assessment Report – External Program Review – Fine Arts Studies.

Motion carried.

14.06.04.03 APPCOM – final assessment report – MATH

Moved (Broad/Lajoie): that the Academic Planning and Priorities Committee recommends to Senate the Final Assessment Report – External Program Review – Mathematics.

Motion carried.

14.06.04.04 ARP – certificate proposal

Moved (Marasco/Matthews): that Senate adopt the block transfer credit policy for students who have completed a college certificate (minimum two semesters) with a minimum overall GPA of 3.0 (70%) or 'B' average. Upon completion of the college certificate program, students are admissible to Algoma University's Bachelor of Arts degree programs with 15 credits recognized as, typically, non-equivalent transfer credits. The University Registrar will assess the student's previous record to ensure that they have completed ENGL4U, and without receipt of ENGL4U, students would be required to complete ENGL 1501/1502 during their first year of academic study or within the first 30 credits of their academic program. Students who apply for admission with a college (two-year) diploma or (three-year) advanced diploma or a first-degree along with a college certificate will not receive course recognition for the latter.

Motion carried.

14.06.04.05 Office of the Registrar – spring graduands 2014

Moved (Marasco/Brodbeck): that Senate admit to their respective degrees in-course the following students (as submitted) who have completed all the requirements of their respective degrees and that diplomas for the degrees be awarded at Spring Convocation 2014 for the conferring of degrees.

Motion carried.

14.06.04.06 Office of the Registrar – certificates

Moved (Marasco/Allen): that Senate approve the following students (as submitted) who have completed the requirements of their respective certificates and that certificates be awarded at Spring Convocation 2014.

Motion carried.

#### 14.06.04.07 Curriculum Committee – course addition

Moved (Schamp/Marasco): that Senate approve MATH 1912BE <u>Elementary Calculus</u> as a course addition to the winter 2015 roster.

Motion carried.

14.06.04.08 APPCOM – St. Thomas extension

Moved (Brodbeck/Marasco): that the Academic Planning and Priorities Committee support the suspension of the first year intake for the fall/winter 2014-15 academic year and to continue second year offerings for the fall (2014) and winter (2015) terms in St. Thomas.

Motion carried.

14.06.04.09 Senate Executive – Professor Emeritus

Moved (Broad/Myers): that Senate grant Professor Emeritus status to Professor Don Jackson.

Matthews commented that Professor Emeritus status is granted once a faculty member is officially retired.

Myers suggested that the motion be tabled until January 1, 2015.

Moved (Brodbeck/Lajoie): that Senate table the motion until the January meeting of Senate to grant Professor Emeritus status to Professor Don Jackson.

Motion carried.

14.06.05 INFORMATION ITEMS

14.06.05.01 Office of the Registrar – Convocation report

Marasco spoke to the report.

14.06.06 STANDING REPORTS

**14.05.06.01** Board of Governors Representative

Johnston commented that the board has not met since the last meeting of Senate and that a meeting is planned for Thursday June 19th. Senators are encouraged to attend the open session of the annual meeting.

14.05.06.02 Dean

The Dean submitted a written report.

14.05.06.03 VPAR

14.05.06.04 President

The President submitted a written report.

14.06.07 DISCUSSION AND QUESTION PERIOD

None.

14.06.08 OTHER BUSINESS / NEW BUSINESS

The Decanal Search committee reported that it may have a recommendation to the Senate for the position of Academic Dean as early as next week. Members of the committee suggested a special meeting of the Senate be held with a tentative date of June 20, 2014.

Broad reminded Senators that if meeting was held prior to July 1 it would involve current members.

Galotta asked for clarification of voting process.

Myers commented that it is the obligation of the Decanal Search Committee to bring forward the name of the candidate to Senate for voting.

Moved (Boyle/Clarke): that Senate allow proxy voting for the special meeting of Senate tentatively scheduled for June 20.

There was some discussion about the motion of proxy voting.

Hernden stated that most senate bylaws do not allow for proxy voting as it undermines the work of the search committee.

Boyle withdrew the motion.

Galotta acknowledged and thanked Dr. Imre for serving as Speaker for the past year.

14.06.09 ADJOURNMENT

Moved (Brodbeck/Schamp): that Senate adjourn.

Motion carried. (Senate adjourned at 2:00pm)