# MINUTES OF SENATE ALGOMA UNIVERSITY Third Regular Meeting of 2012-2013 October 5, 2012

#### **Humanities Division**

M. DiSanto, D. Innes, W. Johnston, T. O'Flanagan, A. Pinheiro, A. Ridout, C. Ross, H. Webkamigad (regrets: L. Burnett, R. Isard, W. Newbigging, R. Rutherdale; on leave: A. Bondar, N. Boyle)

#### **Social Sciences**

G. Broad, R. Cameron, J. Clarke, K. DeLuca, D. Jackson, N. Shaw, L. Turner, D. Woodman (regrets: N. Cruickshank, S. Gruner, J. Hermida, K. Kadiyala, P. Matthews, A. Vaillancourt; absent: H. Hornstein)

#### **Sciences**

D. Brodbeck, P. Dupuis (Speaker), Y. Feng, J. Foote, M. Garcia-Ruiz, I. Imre, I. Molina, W. Osei, C. Reed-Elder, B. Schamp, S. Xu, C. Zhang (regrets: P. Antunes, L. Bloomfield, E. James)

#### **Other Members**

T. Fabiano, K. Hernden, R. Linklater, D. Marasco, H. Mclure, R. Myers, A. Oluwatosin, A. Perlini, J. Reid, R. Totime, L. Williams (regrets: D. Schantz; absent: E. Benton-Benai, K. Drew, R. Rickard)

#### Guests

M. Atkin, D. Boissoneau, D. Kennedy

The Speaker called the meeting of Senate to order at 1:02pm.

#### 12.10.01 APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Moved (Brodbeck/Schamp): that Senate approve the agenda for the October meeting of Senate.

Motion carried.

#### 12.10.02 APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES from the meeting of September 7, 2012

Moved (Brodbeck/Xu): that Senate approve the minutes from the meeting of September 7, 2012.

Marasco informed Senate of changes to the minutes including recording Dr. Newbigging as 'regrets' and the omission of the following comment by Ken Hernden:

Hernden commented that for the past year Senate has grilled the work of its committees. Senate either needs to allow its committees to do their work or else simply decide everything in Senate. If there is an issue of not trusting the committees, then this should be said.

Reed-Elder requested that the name of the college be struck from the minutes.

Motion carried.

## **12.10.03** BUSINESS ARISING (for action or information)

12.10.03.01 ARP – Exceptional Transfer Credit Agreement (CESD)

Moved (Broad/Marasco): that Senate approve the exceptional transfer credit agreement between Algoma University and Sault College as submitted.

Broad spoke to the agreement indicating there was a thorough consultation process with faculty and dean of the Peace and Conflict Department at Sault College.

Motion carried.

#### 12.10.04 DECISION ITEMS (for action)

12.10.04.01 Office of the Registrar – Fall Graduands 2012

Moved (Marasco/Perlini): that Senate admit to their respective degrees in-course the following students who have completed all the requirements of their respective degrees and that diplomas for the degrees be awarded at Fall Convocation 2012 for the conferring of degrees.

#### **Bachelor of Fine Arts**

Hunt, Alicia\* Fine Arts

#### **Bachelor of Arts (General)**

Bonsu, Pierre Community Development

Chaput, Chelsea Music

Chong, Senh KhongComputer ScienceDu, ZifengEconomicsDuggan, AlisonPsychologyGuan, XiaoMathematics

Holkko, Katrina Community Economic & Social Development

Lavallee, MeaganLaw & JusticeOster, Sherry-LynnGeographyPadda, ShajinderComputer ScienceSewell, TerriGeographyTahti, MisterMusicTessier, KaylaPsychologyZhe, Lei\*Mathematics

#### **Bachelor of Business Administration (Honours)**

Ayub, Muhammad Accounting Baig, Amina Accounting

Boulos, Jad Human Resources/Marketing

Gaffuri, Ariyan Business Administration

Guo, Xiaoshan Marketing

Hassan, Zuhaib Human Resources/Marketing

Hussain, Aun Ali Accounting
Mardamuthu, Rathjeef Human Resources
Shortell, Christopher\* Accounting
Waraich, Waleed Accounting

**Bachelor of Business Administration** 

Brlecic, Petra Human Resources Haidar, Dean Marketing

**Bachelor of Computer Science (Honours)** 

Wang, Ruixuan Computer Science

**Bachelor of Computer Science** 

Afsar, Mushfeq Computer Science

**Bachelor of Science (Honours)** 

Palazzi, Erica Biology
Pietrzakowski, Ryan\* Biology
Vernelli, Daniel\* Biology

**Bachelor of Science (General)** 

Wardlaw, Ashlyn Biology

\*cum laude

Moved (Schamp/Linklater): that Senate admit to their respective degrees in-course the following students who have completed all the requirements of their respective degrees and that diplomas for the degrees be awarded at Fall Convocation 2012 for the conferring of degrees.

**Bachelor of Arts (General)** 

Beaupre, Daniel Fine Arts Studies

Marques, Corey English

**Bachelor of Business Administration** 

Chiarot, Blake Marketing

**Bachelor of Computer Science** 

Hayes-Sheen Computer Science

Moved (Broad/Imre): that Senate approve the following students who have completed the requirements of their respective certificates and that certificates be awarded at Fall Convocation 2012.

Eddy, JoshuaBusinessHorsman, Sheena MarieBusinessMa<sup>c</sup>Intyre, KellyBusiness

# 12.10.05 INFORMATION ITEMS (for action) 12.10.05.01 Senate Executive – Appeals Committee

Moved (Reed-Elder/Perlini): that Senate grant the Appeals Committee the authority to review a specific, current, student scholarship appeal in the absence of other prescribed procedures to address this case. This authority is granted on a one time basis and does not imply that the Appeals Committee is responsible for handling similar cases in the future.

The Speaker informed Senate a student intends to file an appeal in relation to a decision of the Scholarship committee. Under our current structure, there is no mechanism to launch this type of appeal.

Motion carried.

## 12.10.06 STANDING REPORTS 12.10.06.01 Board of Governors Representative Report

Galotta submitted a written report.

### 12.10.06.02 President's Report

The President reported on the following items:

- White paper on post-secondary transformation requesting the authority for colleges to offer undergraduate degrees;
- Seven universities in Ontario have worked together to launch a credit transfer initiative where students will be able to count any first year arts/science course taken for credit at a participating university for general credit at their home institution;
- The fiftieth anniversary of Algoma University is soon approaching and plans are underway to mark the significant milestone;
- Exhibition basketball games were held Thursday against Laurentian and Windsor with over 500 fans in attendance;
- A fall convocation ceremony will take place in Brampton on October 20, 2012 the Honourable William Davis will deliver the convocation address;
- The date for the reconstruction of university web site has been extended;
- OUF in Toronto went very well with a record number of prospective students requesting more information;
- R4 (residence) move-in went smoothly. It should be noted that the facility can handle conferences;
- Visiting China next week to sign international cooperation agreements with North University of China and the University of Jinan with 2+2 agreements in Computer Science. Also, a visit to Japan to attend the 50th anniversary of Hokusei Gakuen University is planned;
- Instruction space at the university is at a premium and other venues are being explored.

#### 12.10.06.03 Dean's Report

The Dean submitted a written report.

Reed-Elder asked about the transition courses and if consideration was given to allow not only international student but also students with disabilities, medical conditions, transfer students that require transition programming.

Perlini replied with the significant increase in international enrolment in business, it was necessary to make adjustments. Students are lacking the literacy and numeracy skills to succeed and therefore, were afforded foundation courses as a gateway to further their studies.

Myers added that the idea with the transition courses is to articulate course content slowly as the curriculum remains the same – this is a progressive method in addressing student academic challenges.

#### 12.10.07 DISCUSSION AND QUESTION PERIOD

Darrell Boissoneau addressed Senate with some of the development at SKG.

#### 12.10.08 OTHER BUSINESS/NEW BUSINESS

None.

#### 12.10.09 AJOURNMENT

Moved (Broad/Brodbeck): that Senate adjourn.

Motion carried. (Senate adjourned at 2:37)