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DALHOUSIE UNIVERSITY

***A P P R O V E D* MINUTES**

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S E N A T E M E E T I N G

Senate met in regular session on Thursday, 10 October 2002, at 10:00 a.m., in University Hall, MacDonald Building.

Present with Mr. M. El-Hawary in the chair were the following members:

Binkley, Breckenridge, Caldwell, Caley, Cochrane, Coughlan, Emodi, Finley, Fraser, Galarneau, Huebert, Jost, Kwak, B. MacDonald, N. MacDonald, MacInnis, Macrae, Maes, McGrath, McIntyre, Mitchell, Moore, Neumann, Neves, Parpart, Pelzer, Rathwell, Rowe, Schroeder, Sommerfeld (recording secretary), Starnes, Stroink, Traves, Watters, Whyte.

Regrets: Cercone, Corke, Earl, Grantmyre, Guppy, Hart, Jalilvand, Lahey, McNiven, Rajora, Scully, Stuttard, Ugursal, Workman.

2002:101.

Adoption of Revised Agenda

On the revised agenda, agenda item 8i was amended to read "Faculty of Science Co-operative Programs" . The revised agenda was adopted as AMENDED.

2002:102.

Draft Minutes of Previous Meeting

a) The minutes of the meeting of September 23, 2002 were ADOPTED.

b) Matters Arising:

Mr. Traves commented that in response to material presented at the previous Senate meeting and questions surrounding the source of data for that presentation, he was circulating a document prepared by the Maritime Provinces Higher Education Commission and taken from a recent report on faculty recruitment and retention in the Maritime Provinces. That document provided student-faculty ratios for Maritime Universities. At that previous meeting, data presented was in relation to comparator universities with medical schools and doctoral programs.

2002:103.

Chair's Remarks

Mr. El-Hawary reported that at it's September 16, 2002, meeting, the MPHEC approved the Cooperative Undergraduate Diploma in Disability Management, the Bachelor of Science

(Occupational Therapy), the Master of Health Informatics, and the Graduate Diploma in Prosthodontics with Master of Applied Science (Biomedical Engineering) programs.

As prescribed in the "*Guidelines for Centres and Institutes at Dalhousie*", annual reports have been received from the inter-Faculties Atlantic Health Promotion Research Centre, the Health Law Institute and the Neuroscience Institute. Dr. Steven Barnes has replaced Ian Meinertzhagen as Director of the Neuroscience Institute.

Mr. El-Hawary also reported on hearing the Minister of Education comment in relation to the issue of the double cohort from Ontario and admission criteria to Nova Scotian universities such that Nova Scotia students should not be denied access because of that external demand. He stated that the Senate Academic Planning and Budget Committee would be examining the criteria under which Dalhousie currently functions, in relation to this issue.

2002:104.

Question Period

Mr. El-Hawary observed that some recent messages on the Senate listserv commented on a perceived lack of debate at Senate. He suggested that one small way of encouraging more discussion would be to have questions that might be directed specifically at a particular senator or member of the Administration submitted ahead of time so that if background preparation was needed, it could be done before the question was raised at Senate. Mr. Whyte commented that this might enable senators a better opportunity to represent their various faculties and to gather some input from their faculties to bring to Question Period.

Mr. El-Hawary indicated that members wishing to submit questions in advance could do so through the Senate Office. Members would also be free to follow the existing practice of asking questions during Question Period

2002:105.

Awarding of Degrees

College of Arts and Science

Mr. Chris Moore, Provost of the College of Arts and Science, recommended the following degrees and diplomas:

Bachelor of Arts	111
(Distinction 3; Honours 8; First Class Honours 3; Adv.Major 23; 20-Credit Major 3; Concentration 13; Major 61)	
Bachelor of Arts Advanced Major Conversion	3
Bachelor of Arts Honours Conversion.....	3
Diploma in Costume Studies	2
Bachelor of Music.....	3
Bachelor of Science	67
(Distinction 7; Honours 6; First Class Honours 5; Adv.Major 20; 20-Credit Major 1;	

Concentration 3; Major 32)	
Bachelor of Science Advanced Major Conversion	3
Bachelor of Science Honours Conversion	1
	TOTAL 194

Faculty of Architecture and Planning

Mr. Tom Emodi, Dean of the Faculty of Architecture and Planning, recommended degrees be awarded as follows:

Bachelor of Environmental Design Studies	47
(Distinction 5)	

Faculty of Computer Science

On behalf of the Faculty of Computer Science, Mr. Allan Jost recommended degrees be awarded as follows:

Bachelor of Computer Science	13
Bachelor of Computer Science with Honours	1
Bachelor of Science 20 Credit, Major in Computer Science	3
Bachelor of Science 15 Credit	1
	TOTAL 18

Faculty of Engineering

On behalf of the Faculty of Engineering, Dean William Caley recommended degrees and diplomas be awarded as follows:

Bachelor of Engineering	10
(Biological 1; Civil 1; Electrical/Computer 5; Industrial 1; Mechanical 2)	
Diploma in Engineering	15
	TOTAL 25

Faculty of Health Professions

On behalf of the Faculty of Health Professions, Dean Lynn McIntyre recommended degrees and diplomas be awarded as follows:

Diploma in Disability Management.....	1
Bachelor of Health Sciences	23
(Diagnostic Cytology 6; Diagnostic Medical Ultrasound 1; Nuclear Medicine Technology 3; Radiological Technology 5; Respiratory Therapy 8)	
Bachelor of Science (Nursing - Basic)	1
Bachelor of Science (Nursing - Post RN).....	2
(Distinction 1)	
Diploma in Nurse Practitioner Studies for Remote & Under-Serviced Communities	8

Bachelor of Science (Kinesiology)	5
Bachelor of Social Work.....	12
(Distinction 4)	
Bachelor of Science (Occupational Therapy).....	2
Bachelor of Science (Physiotherapy).....	1
	TOTAL 55

Faculty of Law

On behalf of the Faculty of Law, Mr. Stephen Coughlan recommended degrees be awarded as follows:

Bachelor of Laws	3
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Faculty of Management

On behalf of the Faculty of Management, Mr. Bertrum MacDonald recommended degrees be awarded as follows:

Bachelor of Commerce	20
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Faculty of Medicine

On behalf of the Faculty of Medicine, Dean Noni MacDonald recommended degrees be awarded as follows:

Doctor of Medicine	2
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Ms. MacDonald indicated there is a third student who will not have completed until November 1, 2002.

Faculty of Graduate Studies

On behalf of the Faculty of Graduate Studies, Dean Jan Kwak recommended degrees be awarded as follows:

Doctor of Philosophy	35
Master of Laws	3
Master of Arts (includes 5 Joint M.A.'s in Women's Studies)	35
Master of Applied Computer Science.....	1
Master of Applied Science (MASC).....	15
Master of Architecture (First Professional)	17
Master of Architecture (Post Professional).....	2
Master of Business Administration (MBA).....	16
Master of Business Administration - Financial Services (MBA-FS)	67
Master of Business Administration - Information Technology (MBA-IT)	2

Master of Computer Science.....	15
Master of Development Economics.....	2
Master of Electronic Commerce.....	5
Master of Engineering.....	13
Master of Environmental Design Studies (MEDS).....	1
Master of Environmental Studies.....	10
Master of Health Services Administration (MHSA).....	1
Master of Marine Management.....	16
Master of Nursing.....	2
Master of Nursing and Master of Health Services Administration (MN/MHSA).....	1
Master of Public Administration (MPA).....	3
Master of Public Administration (Management).....	23
Master of Science.....	43
Master of Social Work (MSW).....	22
Master of Urban & Rural Planning (MURP).....	5
	TOTAL 355

Mr. Whyte moved, seconded by Ms. Binkley :

That Senate approve the awarding of degrees to the candidates identified in correspondence to the Secretary of Senate.

The motion was CARRIED.

Mr. Rowe moved, seconded by Mr. McGrath:

That the appropriate Dean or the Provost of the College of Arts and Science, and the Registrar, in consultation with the Chair of Senate, be authorized to amend the graduation list to correct any errors or omissions discovered before the relevant Convocations; and that each amendment and its explanation be reported to Senate.

The motion was CARRIED.

2002:106.

Nominations to the University Tenure & Promotions Panel

Mr. El-Hawary reported that in the October 7, 2002 memo to Members of Senate from Denise Sommerfeld, "Architecture" should have read "Architecture & Planning", and surname "Riordon" should have read "Riordan". Mr. El-Hawary also noted that should Helen Powell be elected to the Panel, she was willing to serve during her six-month sabbatical, January 2003 through June 30, 2003. Further, he stated that should today's nominees be approved, the outstanding vacancies on the Panel would be one from the Faculty Architecture & Planning, for the term 2002 through June 30, 2003; two from the Faculty of Health Professions, one for the term 2002 through June 30, 2004, and one for the term 2002 through June 30, 2003. Continuing

Panel members are: Robin Howell (Dentistry), Ezz El-Masry (Engineering), Paul Brown (Management), David Hoskin (Medicine), Barry Ruddick (Science), Christina Luckyj (Arts & Social Sciences), Peter Allen (Engineering), Joanne Clovis (Dentistry), Stephen Coughlan (Law), Jeff Dahn (Science).

On behalf of the Senate Nominating Committee it is *moved*:

THAT the following people who have received the requisite approval of the President and the Dalhousie Faculty Associated be re-appointed to serve on the University Tenure and Promotions Panel: Susan Guppy, Faculty of Architecture & Planning, and Grant MacDonald, Henson College, both for the term October 2002 to June 30, 2005.

THAT the following people who have received the requisite approval of the President and the Dalhousie Faculty Associated be appointed to serve on the University Tenure and Promotions Panel:

For the term October 2002 to June 30, 2005: Jill Grant (Architecture & Planning), Jennifer Smith (Arts & Social Sciences), Melissa Furrow (Arts & Social Sciences), Jack Gerrow (Dentistry), William Phillips (Engineering), Patricia Melanson (Health Professions), Horand Gassmann (Management), Duane Guernsey (Medicine), and Rebecca Jamieson (Science).

For the term October 2002 to June 30, 2004: Denis Riordan (Computer Science), Helen Powell (Universities Libraries), Andrews Oppong (Management).

For the term October 2002 to June 30, 2003: Peter Hitchcock (Computer Science), Dianne Pothier (Law).

For the term January 2003 to June 30, 2004: Anita Unruh (Health Professions). Her term as Acting Director, School of Occupational Therapy, finishes December 31, 2002.

For the term January 2003 to June 30, 2003: Judith Thompson (Arts & Social Sciences).

The motion was CARRIED.

2002:107.

Library Acquisitions

Messrs. Loudon and Scott had asked that the Senate discuss the University's Libraries' acquisitions and future implications. As Mr. Loudon was not present to open the discussion, Mr. El-Hawary invited Mr. Maes to address the issues.

Mr. Maes, using *Power Point* slides (copies distributed), addressed the major issues currently facing the University in terms of the Library. He indicated that the major problem was, that over the last sixteen years, the Library has been faced with an 8-10% overall inflationary cost increase on its acquisitions budget for serials. At the same time, the serials budget has not increased enough to sufficiently address these inflationary costs. He discussed the rising costs of information in terms of the added value of purchasing some electronic issues such as *Science* which may have high costs but also have increased benefits in terms of accessibility. He also spoke of issues related to decision-making in maintaining both electronic and print versions of the same title; the time and effort to negotiate consortium deals that could save money; the practice of publishers passing on to libraries the costs of moving to electronic versus print text to libraries; an emerging consolidation within the publishing industry whereby with fewer choices to customers, a greater monopoly evolves and subsequently publishers can charge higher prices; and finally, "aggregators", that is vendors who serve as distributors between the publisher and customer, with deals that combine several titles (desired or not) for one price. Mr. Maes gave examples of several high-cost serials that could be deemed to be essential to the Library, such as those included in the Web of Science. He described strategies that could be seen to affect the rising costs, for example, moving to electronic publishing where "they deliver, you print", and huge package deals of titles which can be purchased for an increase in fee. He suggested that consortia amongst research groups for example, might develop an alternative that is a less expensive model of publishing. Another option could be further improving document delivery services. Mr. Maes presented short-term options such as continuing cancellation of serials every year, and/or raising library funding and increasing participation in consortial deals. In terms of long-term options, he suggested encouragement and support for new models of scholarly publishing. Mr. Maes then described the consequences of each option. He concluded by suggesting that a fundamental change is needed in the scholarly communications model, for scholars to become more familiar with how publishers operate, to become more knowledgeable regarding the negotiation of copyright issues as presented by publishers for scholarly work; and to support alternative publishing models being developed by research groups and societies. In terms of the University, Mr. Maes suggested developing a plan for the next few years that will enable time to achieve change in the current model operation.

Mr. El-Hawary began the discussion by stating that there is a question of credibility within each discipline that impacts on whether one can choose to publish or not in a particular journal. He indicated that there should likely be a federal initiative, through its science and technology policies, to help address these problems of university libraries. Mr. Maes responded that he is President of the Canadian Association of Research Libraries and that organization has been lobbying government to allow them to participate in conjunction with AUCC, in indirect costs discussions, however, the longer term problem will continue to persist in the meantime.

Mr. Breckenridge stated that the issue has not been part of the discussions amongst the Vice-Presidents Research group, but he would raise it in future discussions. Mr. Traves commented that the Site-Licensing Agreements have been a start in beginning to address some of the issues. Nevertheless, he re-iterated Mr. Maes' comments that the issue of the model of scholarly publishing and distribution needs to be addressed. Mr. Mitchell commented that efforts should be taken to lobby government to initiate efforts to address the publishing monopolies. Mr. Moore commented on the issue as it affects and can be affected by scholars as individuals and at

an institutional level, for example, in tenure and promotions considerations. Ms. Parpart suggested the discussion served as a “wake up call”, and that the issue is a global one in terms of setting standards for what is considered an acceptable standard for a research university. Mr. Whyte questioned the practice of providing electronic access as part of the Library’s role versus simply having a place where print journals are provided. Mr. Maes responded by describing issues of equitable accessibility. Ms. Macrae commented that students value the accessibility provided through electronic journals, as well as Novanet access and improved document delivery. Mr. Cochrane commented that Universities are the source of information to be published and should have some power over how that information is distributed. Ms. Neves commented that the most frequent question from students is in regard to how to access journals from home to enable their academic work to fit in with other responsibilities such as employment, and hence having electronic journals is an asset from that perspective.

Mr. Maes was thanked for his presentation and participation in the discussion.

2002:108.

SAPBC

i) Faculty of Science Co-op Education Program

On behalf of the Senate Academic Priorities and Budget Committee, Mr. El-Hawary moved :

THAT Senate re-approve the Faculty of Science Cooperative programs.

The motion was CARRIED.

ii) Program Termination: Master of Information Technology Education

On behalf of Senate Academic Priorities and Budget Committee, Mr. El-Hawary moved :

THAT Senate approve the termination of the Master of Information Technology Education program.

The motion was CARRIED.

2002:109.

SCAA

i) Parchment Principles & Practices

On behalf of the Senate Committee on Academic Administration, Ms. Sommerfeld moved:

THAT Senate approve the Parchment Principles and Practices policy, as approved by SCAA on September 4, 2002.

The motion was CARRIED.

ii) Approval of Academic Costumes

On behalf of the Senate Committee on Academic Administration, Ms. Sommerfeld moved:

THAT Senate approve the academic costume colour emerald green, bordered with silver and white piping for the Master of Applied Computer Science; academic costume colour scarlet silk with an emerald green silk border for the Master of Health Informatics; academic costume colour silver silk with a white silk border for the Bachelor of Health Science; and academic costume colour golden with white corded border and blue piping for the Bachelor of Applied Science (Food Science).

The motion was CARRIED

2002:110.

Steering

i) Annual Joint 6 + 6 Meeting:

The 2002 fall Joint Board & Senate Statutory (6 + 6) meeting was scheduled for Wednesday, October 30. Senate participants were to be Lloyd Fraser, Dave Mitchell, David Schroeder, Denise Sommerfeld, Robin Whyte and Mo El-Hawary. Senators were asked to suggest possible agenda items at the meeting or to forward suggested agenda items to Denise.Sommerfeld@dal.ca, on or before Tuesday, October 15.

ii) For Information.

Proposed Health Care of the Elderly Residency Training Program

Mr. El-Hawary reported that both the Steering Committee and the Senate Academic Priorities and Budget Committee agreed to forward the proposed Health Care of the Elderly Residency Training Program to the Board of Governors for its consideration. Approval by the Senate was not required since no Dalhousie diploma or degree is awarded. However, for funding purposes, approval by the Board and MPHEC was required.

2002:111.

Report of the President:

Mr. Traves congratulated all those who were to receive degrees at the upcoming convocation on October 12, 2002. He announced that honorary degrees would be awarded at the morning convocation to Mr. Ian Thompson and Mrs. Donna Thompson in recognition of their commitment and community efforts in relation to Cystic Fibrosis, and in the afternoon convocation, to Mr. Frank McKenna, former Premier of New Brunswick.

Mr. Traves reported on the enrolment data for this academic year as compiled by the Atlantic Association of Universities. He indicated that a complete report would be forthcoming from Vice-President Scully. Mr. Traves presented a few highlights: at Dalhousie, undergraduate

enrolments were up by 8.9%, graduate enrolment was up by 10.5 %, and international students enrolment was up by 24.2 %. This results in a total of 9.2% additional students. He noted that Dalhousie students comprise 51% of university students in Nova Scotia. He also noted that as there was no increase in the provincial operating grant this year, the academic needs of the additional 1048 full-time and 195 part-time students were being addressed with the same provincial grant resources as last year.

Mr. Traves congratulated Professor Brian Hall on being named a finalist for the prestigious 2002 Gerhard Herzberg Canada Gold Medal for Science and Engineering. Another finalist is Dr. Barrie Frost, a Dalhousie PhD graduate, of Queen's University.

2002:112.

In Camera.

Reports to Senate of SAAC Hearing Panels

Following the *In Camera* consideration of the reports of the Senate Academic Appeals Committee's hearing panels, the Chair reported that Senate had ratified the decisions of the SAAC hearing panels.

2002:113.

Other Business

There was no other business.

2002:114.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 11:45 a.m.