

SENATE MINUTES

September 5, 2001



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Minutes of a meeting of Senate held on the above date at 1:30 p.m. in the Senate Chamber, Room 245 Engineering Building.

Those Present:

Dr E J E Szathmáry,
Chair
Prof M Abrahams
Prof D Amundson
Prof J Anderson
Prof A Angel
Mr S Bajaj
Dean R Bird
Dean H Bjarnason
Prof M Bowring
Prof J Boyd
Prof B Bright
Prof D Chow
Prof J Cooper
Dean F de Toro
Dean J de Vries
Mr A Dixon
Prof B Dronzek
Prof H Duckworth
Prof M Feld
Prof H Friesen
Dean D Fuchs
Prof M Gabbert
Dr J Gardner
Prof S Gessler
Ms E Goldie
Prof L Graff
Dean D Gregory
Prof L Guse
Dean B Hennen
Prof T Hogan
Warden J Hoskins
Dean D Hrycaiko
Dean J Jamieson
Prof L Kaminski
Mr A Kaushal
Dr J Keselman
Prof E Kroeger
Mr J Kuffner
Prof J Long
Prof D Lonis
Mr N Louizos
Prof A Louka
Prof S Ludwig
Mr M McAdam
Prof G McClarty
Prof K Markstrom
Ms Michaud-Oystryk

Prof C Mossman
Ms P Nicholls
Dr W Norrie
Mr B Nurbakhsh
Dean R O'Kell
Dr V Olender
Prof B Payne
Ms C Presser
Prof D Punter
Dean D Ruth
Prof A Secco
Dean H Sector
Prof G Sevenhuysen
Prof K Simons
Prof P Singal
Prof D Smyth
Rector J Stapleton
Prof M Stern
Prof B Stimpson
Prof D Strong
Prof J Svenne
Prof G Tabisz
Prof A Tate
Prof L Taylor
Mr G Teti
Prof M Thomas
Mr K Toyne
Prof R van Acker
Prof J van Rees
Prof E Walz
Prof J Whiteley
Prof R Wiest
Dean D Witty
Prof K Wrogemann
Mr C Yeung
Prof A Young
Prof P Zahradka
Ms M Zirk
Ms B Sawicki,
University Secretary
Ms S Plett,
Recording Secretary

Assessors Present:

Mr P Dueck
Prof N Halden
Mr J Kusie
Mr R Levin
Dr R Lobdell

Prof K Ogden

Also Present:

The Bulletin:
Mr D Barbour

Regrets:

Prof D Bose
Prof B Cameron
Prof P Choy
Prof W Christie
Dean D Collins
Prof P Fortier
Ms A Jones
Prof E Judd
Prof W Kops
Ms A Lawson
Dean A Percival
Prof W Rennie
Mr D Smith
Prof L Wallace
Prof J Williams

Absent:

Ms M Alcock
Mr D Azuelos
Mr J Bhamra
Mr G Bhatt
Ms L Bissett
Prof B Blakley
Mr N Chadha
Prof G Crow
Prof J Gartner
Dr G Gerbrandt
Prof G Giesbrecht
Prof A Gole
Prof L Grant
Prof E Haque
Ms J Henderson
Ms L Herzog
Prof T Howarth
Prof J Irvine
Ms C Isaak
Dr D Jayas
Mr S Kemp
Prof B Law
Mr P Lomza

Mr V Mattheos
Dr D Morphy
Mr M Niziol
Mr J Raftis
Dr J Raymond
Recteur P Ruest
Ms R Singh
Mr P Sliwowski
Mr J Spark
Prof L Spearman
Mr M Teclemariam
Dr R Théberge
Ms W Thiessen
Ms C Vatamaniuck
Dean J Wiens

membership.

When the bylaw revisions were reviewed, it was noted that a number contain specific provisions (such as the eligibility to be elected to Senate and the eligibility to vote for Senate representatives) which conflict with the Standing Rules of Senate (which take precedence over Council bylaws). Accordingly, the University Secretary will be asking Councils to make further revisions to their bylaws as necessary.

Professor Chow expressed concern about the varying terms of membership on Faculty and School Councils (in some cases, the term is for one year, in others for two), whereas terms of Senate are for three years. This may mean that individuals will be unable to gain the experience necessary to participate fully in the affairs of Senate and its committees.

The University Secretary agreed that deans and directors will be apprised of these concerns.

3. **Program Accreditation: 2001 Annual Update** Page 29

This information provides details with respect to each accredited program. There are 13 programs which show accreditation review dates in 2001.

In response to a comment that it would be helpful to know the period of the accreditation, the Vice-Provost (Programs) solicited further suggestions for future reports.

IV **REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT**

Dr Szathmáry indicated that she had travelled to Iceland in August with the Premier's delegation, and while there had signed a memorandum of agreement with the University of Akureyri.

The Chair advised that an orientation session had been held just prior to the Senate meeting.

The Vice-President (Academic) and Provost reported that preliminary telephone registration figures show an increase of 7% over last year in undergraduate enrolment, with University 1 increasing by 11%, and undergraduate credit hour registration up by 5%. While this will generate additional income for the University, it will also increase the strain on the institution's resources in terms of adequate laboratory and classroom space, teaching resources, etc.

The Vice-President (Research) noted this is a busy time of the year in research areas, with a series of upcoming deadline dates with respect to major competitions of the national granting councils. The new Scientific Director of the CIHR Institute on Healthy Aging will

visit the University of Manitoba during the next few weeks, as will the Scientific Director of the Population Health Institute and the President of the Canadian Institutes of Health Research.

The Vice-President (Administration) indicated that a five-year period of capital renewal is underway, thanks primarily to the largesse of the provincial government, and that all the contractors have been asked to try to avoid infringing on the academic processes of the institution as much as possible. The University is beginning the annual budget process, with the *Estimates* to be forwarded to the Council on Post-Secondary Education following the Board of Governors meeting on September 25th.

The Vice-President (External) invited members of the University community to attend the Homecoming activities on September 22-24, 2001. The University is planning the launch of a major capital campaign on November 22nd. In addition, many special events are being planned to celebrate the University's 125th anniversary during the year 2002.

V **QUESTION PERIOD**

No questions were submitted to the University Secretary by 10:00 a.m. of the day preceding the meeting.

VI **CONSIDERATION OF THE MINUTES
OF THE MEETING OF AUGUST 15, 2001**

The following amendments were suggested:

- 1) to the last two sentences of the last paragraph under "Report of the President" (page 3): "Professor Duckworth noted that the individual endowment funds (including the size) are not listed in the report, **and that it might be an advantage for these data to be more widely known.** Mr McAdam responded that the information is available in a supplementary report ~~and that he will look at the possibility of providing this information on the University's web server.~~ **The information for last year is already on the University's web server, and the information for the current year will soon be placed on the web site.**" [changes shown in bold face]; and
- 2) Dean J Wiens should be shown as being present.

It was **MOVED** by Professor Dronzek, seconded by Professor Secco, **THAT** the minutes of the Senate meeting held on August 15, 2001 be approved as amended.

CARRIED

VII **BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES** - none

VIII **REPORTS OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF SENATE
AND THE SENATE PLANNING AND PRIORITIES COMMITTEE**

1. **Report of the Senate Executive Committee** Page 50
2. **Report of the Senate
Planning and Priorities Committee**

Professor Halden reported that the Planning and Priorities Committee is reviewing the *Estimates*, as well as proposed course changes in the Department of Physics and Astronomy.

IX **REPORTS OF OTHER COMMITTEES OF SENATE,
FACULTY AND SCHOOL COUNCILS**

1. **Report of the Senate
Committee on Instruction and Evaluation
on an Amendment to
the Attendance Policy in the Faculty of Nursing** Page 51

The Senate Committee on Instruction and Evaluation considered a recommendation from the Faculty of Nursing which will state that students who have missed class due to illness may be required to provide a certificate of illness, to be signed by a recognized health care provider. One-day absences will not require the certificate.

Professor Feld advised that the Senate Executive Committee endorses the report to Senate.

It was MOVED by Professor Ogden THAT Senate approve the report of the Senate Committee on Instruction and Evaluation regarding an amendment to the attendance policy in the Faculty of Nursing dated June 20, 2001.

CARRIED

2. **Report of the Senate
Committee on Nominations** Hand-out

This report deals with a number of remaining vacancies on various committees of Senate.

It was MOVED by Professor Dronzek THAT Senate approve the report of the Senate Committee on Nominations dated September 5, 2001.

CARRIED

X **ADDITIONAL BUSINESS** - none

XI **ADJOURNMENT**

 The meeting adjourned at 2:40 p.m.

These minutes, pp 1 to 6, together with the material handed out at the door as well as the agenda, pp 7 to 51, distributed earlier, comprise the minutes of the meeting of Senate held on September 5, 2001.

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