

May 17, 2006

Minutes of a Meeting of Senate held on the above date at 1:30 p.m. in the Senate Chamber, Room E3-262 Engineering Building

Members Present

Dr. E.J.E. Szathmáry,
Chair
Prof. S. Abeyssekera
Prof. J. Anderson
Prof. T. Anna
Prof. U. Annakkage
Prof. T. G. Berry
Very Rev. R. Bozyk
Prof. M. Brabston
Mr. T. Bzura
Dean Care
Dean J. Cooper
Dean J. Doering
Ms. E. Dyck
Prof. E. Etcheverry
Prof. J. Embree
Prof. E. Epp
Dean G. Feltham
Prof. M. Gabbert
Rectrice R. Gagné
Prof. J. Ghomeshi
Ms. E. Goldie
Prof. G. Hatch
Ms. J. Horner
Dr. J. Hoskins
Dean D. Hrycaiko
Prof. P. Hultin
Mr. S. Ima
Prof. J. Irvine
Prof. T. Ivanco
Dr. R. Kerr,
Dr. J. Keselman
Dean L. King
Prof. P. King
Prof. S. Kirby
Prof. G. Krause
Ms. M. Kuzmeniuk
Prof. K. MacKay
Ms. D. McCallum
Prof. M. McKay

Mr. B. Miller
Dr. D. Morphy
Dean R. Mullaly
Mr. S. Neethirajan
Mr. S. Norosky
Dr. W. Norrie
Dean A. Percival
Prof. S. Prentice
Dr. C. Rabinovitch
Dean D. Sandham
Dean H. Secter
Dean G. Sevenhuysen
Dean R. Sigurdson
Mr. D. Smith
Mr. G. Sran
Rector J. Stapleton
Prof. T. Sullivan
Prof. C. Taylor
Mr. G. Thompson
Mr. D. Vincent
Prof. L. Wallace
Prof. J. Welsh
Dean M. Whitmore
Dean J. Wiens
Dean D. Witty
Prof. P. Zahradka
Mr. R. Zegalski
Dean S. Zelenitsky
Mr. J. Leclerc,
University Secretary
Ms. N. Schneider,
Recording Secretary

Assessors Present

Prof. C. Blais
Mr. P. Dueck
Ms. M. Gallant
Dr. K. Grant
Prof. N. Hunter
Dr. R. Lobdell
Mr. N. Marnoch

Prof. K. Matheos

Regrets

Prof. R. Baydack
Prof. M. Birouk
Ms. T. Burrows
Prof. K. Clare
Dean J. de Vries
Dean I. Diallo
Prof. B. Dronzek
Prof. Y. Gong
Mr. N. Joseph
Prof. L. Kirshenbaum
Prof. S. Kouritzin
Prof. C. Kristjanson
Prof. B. Law
Prof. J. Long
Prof. S. Mai
Prof. R. Mazurat
Prof. A. McNicol
Prof. P. Nickerson
Prof. J. Page
Prof. S. Pistorius
Mr. S. Reddy
Dean D. Ruth
Mr. T. Sargeant
Prof. P. Singal
Prof. S. Taylor- Henley
Dean M. Trevan
Prof. J. Van Rees
Prof. K. Wrogemann

Absent

Prof. W. Akinremi
Ms. C. Baker
Ms. N. Bhullar
Prof. T. Booth
Mr. C. Butera
Dr. P. Cattini
Mr. D. Collister

Prof. L. Connor
Prof. K. Coombs
Ms. T. Dickson
Ms. A. Dufour
Prof. C. Eyland
Prof. E. Forget
Prof. G. Geller
Dr. G. Gerbrandt
Prof. P. Hawranik
Ms. A. Huminicki
Dr. D. Jayas
Prof. E. Judd
Ms. J. Karpyza
Prof. S. McLachlan
Mr. A. Moreau
Prof. J. Nagy
Prof. D. Polyzois
Ms. C. Presser
Dr. J. Raymond
Prof. D. Smyth
Ms. C. Steer
Prof. C. Trott
Prof. M. Vrontakis
Prof. A. Young
Mr. D. Zhang

Also Present

Prof. F. Aoki
Mr. D. Barbour
Prof. R. Britton
Mr. S. Dorge
Mrs. J. Gripp
Ms. D. Kaspersion
Mrs. L. Leonhardt
Mr. G. Miller
Mr. A. Okaja
Ms. V. Unrau
Ms. B. Wiebe

Dr. Szathmáry advised Senate that the speaker of the Senate Executive was Professor Mary Brabston.

Dr. Szathmáry noted that this was the last meeting for the following Faculty members: Bernie Dronzek (Agricultural & Food Sciences), Tammy Ivanco (Arts), Chris Trott (Arts), Lori Wallace (Extended Education), Stephane McLachlan (Clayton H. Riddell Faculty of Environment, Earth, and Resources), Carol Steer (Libraries), Evelyn Forget (Medicine), Sabine Mai (Medicine), James Nagy (Medicine), and Gary Thompson (Physical Education and Recreation Studies).

Dr. Szathmáry noted that Professor Dronzek has served on Senate for 26 consecutive years. This was met with a round of applause.

Dr. Szathmáry advised Senators that the next Senate meeting will be held on June 28, 2006 in Room 343 Drake.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED IN CLOSED SESSION

In keeping with past practice, the minutes of this agenda item are not included in the circulated minutes. They appear in the original minutes which are available for inspection by members of Senate.

I CANDIDATES FOR DEGREES, DIPLOMAS AND CERTIFICATES - MAY 2006

Mr. Marnoch, the Registrar, noted that the Graduands Report hand-out lists 2,853 graduands for May, yet the summary of potential graduands is 2966. The discrepancy is due to the Medicine graduates that were approved at the special Senate meeting in April. The total for the year will be corrected once the Medicine graduates are included.

Mr. Marnoch noted that there were two requests for degrees to be granted notwithstanding. The first was in the School of Art, for the Bachelor of Fine Arts degree to be granted posthumously, the second was in the Faculty of Social Work for a Bachelor of Social Work, notwithstanding not meeting the Mathematics requirement.

It was MOVED by Professor Brabston, on behalf of the Senate Executive Committee, that the list of candidates recommended for degrees notwithstanding a deficiency be approved.

CARRIED

It was MOVED by Professor Brabston, on behalf of the Senate Executive Committee; that the list of graduands provided to the University Secretary by the Registrar be approved, subject to the right of Deans and Directors to initiate late changes with the Registrar up to May 19, 2006.

CARRIED

II REPORT ON MEDALS AND PRIZES TO BE AWARDED AT THE MAY CONVOCATION

In speaking to the report, Mr. Dueck, the Executive Director of Enrolment Services noted that there is now a full slate of Governor General's Medals, including two silver medals and two bronze medals.

It was MOVED by Professor Brabston, on behalf of the Senate Executive Committee, THAT the report on medals and prizes provided to the University Secretary be approved by Senate.

CARRIED

III ELECTION OF SENATE REPRESENTATIVES

The Chair asked the University Secretary to conduct the elections

**1. Election of Senate Member
To the Board of Governors**

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The University Secretary opened nominations. Professor Mary Brabston was nominated by Professor King. Professor Anderson was nominated by Professor Cooper. Mr. Youcef Soufi was nominated by Mr. Sran. Dean Doering moved that nominations close, seconded by Dr. Norrie. Ballots were distributed to the voting members of Senate. Professor Anderson was **ELECTED** to the Board of Governors for a three-year term ending May 31, 2009.

**2. Election of Senate Members
To the Senate Executive Committee**

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a) From amongst Vice-Presidents, Deans of Faculties and Directors of Schools:

One representative needed to be elected from among the Vice-Presidents, Deans of Faculties and Directors of Schools to replace Dean Mark Whitmore (Science), whose term will end on May 31, 2006.

The University Secretary opened nominations. Dean Cooper nominated Dean Doering. Mr. Sran nominated Dean Whitmore. Ballots were distributed to the voting members of Senate. Dean Whitmore was **ELECTED** to the Senate Executive for a three-year term ending May 31, 2009.

b) From amongst faculty members:

Three faculty representatives are to be elected for a three year terms to replace Professors Kelly MacKay (Physical Education and Recreation Studies), Kevin Coombs (Medicine), and Peter King (Science), whose terms on the Executive Committee expire on May 31. Professors MacKay

and Coombs are eligible for re-election for three year terms ending May 31, 2008. One faculty representative is to be elected for a one year term ending May 31, 2007 to replace Professor Dronzek, who chose not to seek re-election to Senate.

The University Secretary opened nominations. Professors MacKay, Coombs, and Berry were duly nominated. Professor Wiens moved that nominations close, seconded by Professor Gabbert.

Professors MacKay, Coombs, and Berry were **ELECTED** to three-year terms ending May 31, 2009. The one-year term was not filled. Senate will deal with this matter at the June meeting.

**3. Election of a Student Member
To the Senate Executive Committee Page 21**

Mr. Sran, President of UMSU advised the Senate that the Student Senate Caucus had nominated Mr. Tommy Bzura as the voting student member of the Senate Executive.

It was MOVED by Mr. Sran, on behalf of the student senate caucus THAT Mr. Bzura be elected as the voting student Senator to the Senate Executive Committee.

CARRIED

Mr. Sran also advised Senate that Mr. Suresh Neethirajan would be the student assessor to the Senate Executive Committee.

IV MATTERS RECOMMENDED FOR CONCURRENCE WITHOUT DEBATE

1. Report of the Senate Committee on Curriculum and Course Changes re Minor Course and Curriculum Changes Page 22

This report deals with minor course and curriculum changes in the following units: Agricultural and Food Sciences, Architecture, Art, Dentistry, Education, Engineering, Human Ecology, Law, I.H. Asper School of Business, Physical Education and Recreation Studies, Science, and University 1.

The report also contains the undergraduate course change timetable for 2006-07 and changes to the Course Change Form.

In speaking to the report, Dean Cooper noted that there were two errors contained within the report. The first was on page 23, course "052.265 Option in Aging" should be "051.265 Social Aspects of Aging". The second was on page 33. The list of courses to be added to University 1 contains course 051.265 which is being deleted. It was pointed out that on page 31 under Human

Nutritional Sciences the course to be deleted was listed as 030.344 and should be 030.334. On page 25, 051.265 is listed under University 1 and should be removed. On page 27, 052.265 should be 051.265. Course 132.167 is listed as “English for Non-Native Speaking (NNS)” and should be titled “English for Non-Native Speaking (NNS) Teachers of English”.

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

It was MOVED by Professor Cooper, on behalf of the Committee. THAT Senate approve the report of the Senate Committee on Curriculum and Course Changes [dated April 6, 2006].

CARRIED

V MATTERS FORWARDED FOR INFORMATION

**1. Report of the Senate
Committee on Awards**

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At its meeting on April 13, 2006, the Senate Committee on Awards approved 13 new awards, 18 award amendments and 4 award withdrawals [as set out in the report of the Senate Committee on Awards dated April 13, 2006]. All these award decisions comply with the published guidelines of November 3, 1999, and were reported to Senate for information.

2. Annual Reports of Standing Committees of Senate

Section 8.3.1 of the Senate Handbook (2000) reads as follows: “Standing Committees of Senate are required to report at least once a year unless otherwise specified in the terms of reference”.

The following annual reports for standing committees of Senate for the year 2005-2006 were submitted:

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b) <u>Academic Dress</u>	Page 60
c) <u>Academic Freedom</u>	Page 61
d) <u>Academic Review</u>	Page 62
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u)	<u>Planning and Priorities</u>	Page 83
v)	<u>Rules and Procedures</u>	Page 85
x)	<u>University Research</u>	Page 86

It was noted that the Admission Appeals and Appeals annual reports listed the incorrect year in observation section listing the committee members.

3. Statement of Intent: Aboriginal Design and Planning Baccalaureate Degree Page 90

The Faculty of Architecture has submitted a Statement of Intent to the Council on Post-Secondary Education for the establishment of a baccalaureate degree in Aboriginal Design and Planning. This program will focus on the development of skill sets for designers and planners within a broad understanding of aboriginal community governance, society and cultural considerations. The Department of Native Studies in the Faculty of Arts will be a key partner in this program.

4. Correspondence from the Vice-President (Academic) & Provost

a) Aboriginal Design and Planning Baccalaureate Degree Page 96

The Council on Post-Secondary Education (COPSE) has approved the statement of intent for the Aboriginal Design and Planning baccalaureate degree and authorized the development of a full program proposal.

b) Master of Fine Arts Page 97

The Council on Post-Secondary Education (COPSE) has approved the statement of intent for the Master in Fine Arts and authorized the development of a full program proposal.

VI REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT

Dr. Szathmáry noted that her report was handed out at the beginning of the Senate meeting. She highlighted several items in her report. She noted that there will be five sessions of Spring Convocation at the Fort Garry Campus, as well as the convocation that was held for the graduates of the Faculty of Medicine. Dr. Szathmáry noted that the

following persons will receive honorary degrees and that all are University of Manitoba Alumni: Yude Henteleff, Peter Herrndorf, Robert Ledingham, Les Wardrop, and Lois Wilson.

Dr. Szathmáry reported that there had been a brief visit to the University from the President of the Association of Universities and Colleges of Canada (AUCC), Ms. Claire Morris. Ms. Morris was able to tour some of the research facilities.

Dr. Szathmáry reported that the next section on Academic matters is comprised of items that Deans have forwarded. The section only contains items that have happened, not items that will be happening. She then highlighted items from the four sections of the report, which reflects the portfolios for the four vice-Presidents. The President then asked each vice-president to augment the written report if any wished to do so.

Dr. Kerr, Vice-President (Academic) and Provost, reported that there will be decanal searches required for the following faculties: Dentistry, Music, Nursing, and Physical Education and Recreational Studies. He also noted that the Director of the Libraries has been re-appointed for a two-year term.

Dr. Kerr noted that Aurora Student Information System will be going live shortly. A website has been created to improve communication with the users of this system. There is a link from the University's main web page. A listing of training sessions can be found on the website.

Dr. Keselman, Vice-President (Research) reported that on April 28, the Government of Canada announced appointments of new Canada Research Chairs. Seven of the Chairs pertained to the University of Manitoba, six were new recruits to the University. This now brings the total of Canada Research Chairs at the University of Manitoba to 43. Dr. Keselman noted the research chairs as follows: Dr. Diana Brydon, English, coming from the University of Western Ontario, Dr. Michelle Driedger, Community Health Sciences, recently recruited from the University of Ottawa, Dr. Ehab El-Salakawy, Civil Engineering, coming from l'Université de Sherbrooke, Dr. Joyce Green, Native studies/Political Studies, coming from the University of Regina, Dr. Kiera Ladner, Political Studies, coming from the University of Western Ontario, Dr. Mario Tenuta, Soil Sciences, Dr. Quan Wang, Mechanical and Manufacturing Engineering, coming from the University of Central Florida.

Dr. Keselman noted that the new federal government delivered its first budget, allocating \$100 million for research funds. This money is to be disbursed three ways: \$40-million to the three granting agencies, \$40-million for indirect costs of research, and \$20-million for the Canadian Foundation for Innovation. The Government also announced that it will develop a science and technology strategy.

Mrs. McCallum, Vice-President (Administration), reported that the committee charged with IT planning with an academic focus has prepared a draft report. It has been presented to Deans & Directors, and will be posted on the IST website for comments.

Mrs. McCallum encouraged everyone read the report and provide feedback.

Mrs. McCallum reported that the City of Winnipeg will be upgrading Chancellor Matheson Boulevard starting June 20. Changes include improving the turning lanes on the east end and creating an extra turning lane at the west end, where vehicles turn south onto Pembina Highway. This new lane will cut into the Boulevard. The shoulders of the boulevard will also be paved. Mrs. McCallum noted the completion date of the upgrade is unknown at this time.

Mrs. Goldie, Vice-President (External), reported that the fundraising result for 2005/06 was \$23.4 million. This total came from 15,127 donors. This is 2,200 more donors than the prior year. Mrs. Goldie noted that there had been a gift announcement of \$500,000 for St. John's College.

Mrs. Goldie reported that the opening of the Richard Centre for Functional Foods and Nutraceuticals on May 16, 2006 provided great opportunities for press coverage. There was an article in the *Winnipeg Free Press*, as well as an interview on CJOB with Dr. Peter Jones.

Mrs. Goldie reported that the alumni events held in British Columbia were well attended. There were over 200 attendees in Vancouver, and over 100 in Victoria. The alumni journal, *OnManitoba*, was sent to 128,000 alumni. Included in it were directions for online voting for the alumni representative to the Board of Governors. She noted that the annual general meeting of the Alumni Association will be held on June 21, 2006.

VII QUESTION PERIOD

No questions were received prior to 10:00 a.m. on the day preceding the meeting, nor were any raised on the floor of Senate.

VIII CONSIDERATION OF THE MINUTES

a) MEETING OF APRIL 5, 2006

It was **MOVED** by Dean Wiens, seconded by Dean Cooper, **THAT** the minutes of the Senate meeting held on April 6, 2005 be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

b) SPECIAL MEETING OF APRIL 27, 2006

It was **MOVED** by Professor Anderson, seconded by Dean Doering, **THAT** the minutes of the Senate meeting held on April 6, 2005 be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

X BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

The business arising from the last Senate meeting will be dealt with under the Senate Executive Committee report.

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

1. Report of the Senate Executive Committee

a) Monthly Report Page 98

The Senate Executive Committee elected Professor Archie McNicol for a three-year term as Chair of the Senate Committee on Appeals. The Committee acknowledged and thanked Professor Hoskins for her commitment to the Senate Committee on Appeals. She had served as the chair for over 15 years. This was met with a round of applause.

**b) Concerns raised at the April 5, 2006 Senate surrounding
the Limited Access Policy Page 99**

At the last Senate meeting April 5, 2006 Senate meeting, Professor Hultin raised concerns over a memo that Deans and Directors, Associate Deans and Student Services Coordinators had received from the Registrar. This memo discussed the Limited Access Policy. Information in the memo seemed to contravene the authority of Senate, which had passed a statement on the limited access policy at the December 7, 2005 meeting. The Acting Chair of Senate agreed that the matter should be referred to the Senate Executive Committee for consideration.

In speaking to the report, Professor Brabston noted that it was originally believed that the Limited Access Policy, revised at the December 7, 2005 meeting of Senate could be supported by the Aurora Student Information System. Voluntary withdrawals (VW) would be considered a “grade”, but without grade point value. The grade of “VW” would block students from trying to register for the same course. In February, 2006, it was discovered that including a “VW” grade would impact a student’s grade point average, as a “VW” would replace the last grade received for the course.

Attempts were made by the implementation team and the vendor to solve the problem, but a solution was not possible. Due to the urgent need to inform students of changes, before they left campus for the summer, discussion took place between the Registrar and the Provost’s Office. It was determined that to lessen the impact on students, there was a need to suspend the Limited Access Policy.

The Provost's Office recognized that acting in a moment of exigency, his office may have inadvertently overstepped its authority and so apologized to Senate. The Vice Provost (Programs) noted his regret that Senate's approval was not sought.

The Senate Executive Committee, after discussing the matter, feels that a temporary suspension of the Limited Access Policy is warranted, as it will ensure that students GPAs are not adversely affected, and will provide time for the Registrar's Office to pursue a solution with the vendor. The Committee feels that the Registrar should be in a position to report to Senate in December, 2006 on whether or not a solution is possible and provide further recommendations at that time.

It was MOVED by Professor Brabston on behalf of the Senate Executive Committee, THAT Senate approve the report of Senate Executive [dated May 3, 2006].

CARRIED

**2. Report of the Senate
Planning and Priorities Committee**

Professor Hunter reported that since the April 5th Senate meeting, the Committee has met once on April 10. The Committee discussed the Bachelor of Health Sciences/Health Studies programs and a Faculty of Graduate Studies course proposal, both of which are in this Senate agenda. Professor Hunter also noted that the Committee has approved in principle the "Sport and Active Living Precinct" and will present a report at the next Senate meeting.

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

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| 1. <u>Proposal for a Bachelor of Health Sciences/
Bachelor of Health Studies</u> | Page 102 |
| a) <u>Report of the Senate Planning and
Priorities Committee</u> | Page 144 |
| b) <u>Report of the Senate Committee on
Course and Curriculum Changes</u> | Page 146 |

The Faculties of Arts, Science, and Human Ecology have proposed the introduction of a Bachelor Health Science and a Bachelor of Health Studies programs. These programs are related as they share the same broad objectives: to provide an understanding of health and wellness in the context of the individual, the community, and society, with a particular focus on Manitoba and

its peoples; to instill critical thinking and ability to evaluate evidence; and to develop knowledge, skills, and attitudes necessary for collaborative interdisciplinary employment related to health. The proposal has been endorsed by both the Senate Planning and Priorities Committee and the Senate Committee on Course and Curriculum Changes.

In speaking to the proposal, Dean Sevenhuysen noted he was pleased to introduce the programs. The concept came from the strategic planning committee two to three years ago. Dean Sevenhuysen noted that Dean Cooper was instrumental in developing the proposal. He also noted that care had been taken to meet the needs of potential employers. The programs are seen by many as an important bridge which justifies its interdisciplinary nature. The programs can also be used to enter professional faculties.

The two programs have necessary overlaps, but are distinct programs. The Health Sciences program will focus on health care providers while the Health Studies will focus on health care administration and planning.

Dean Sevenhuysen noted that Ms. Wiebe, the student advisor coordinator was also present to assist with answering questions.

A question was asked regarding the expected intake for the programs and if the numbers could be accommodated. Dean Sevenhuysen replied that in the initial stages of the programs, the intake is expected to be about 20 students and grow to about 40 in each program. This number is based on the capacity of faculties and the market.

Professor Hunter, Chair of the Senate Planning and Priorities Committee, in speaking to the report from the Committee, noted that in observation four of the report, \$120,000 is required for the programs. The Committee had raised concerns regarding the complexity of student advising for the proposed programs, but is confident that this complexity is understood by the proposers.

Dean Cooper, a member of the Senate Committee on Curriculum and Course Changes, in speaking to the report from the Committee, noted that the Committee was pleased to see the governance of the programs had been well thought out. The structure will meet the needs of the programs. She also noted that the Committee had been concerned about advising, but monies were built into the proposal. As well, the library supports for the new courses were all in place.

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

It was MOVED by Dean Sevenhuysen, seconded by Dean Whitmore, THAT Senate approve and recommend that the Board of Governors approve the

proposal of the Faculty of Human Ecology to introduce a Bachelor of Health Sciences/Bachelor of Health Studies [as endorsed by the Faculty Council of Human Ecology on December 8, 2005, the report of the Senate Planning and Priorities Committee dated March 8, 2006, and the Senate Committee on Curriculum and Course Changes, dated January 26, 2006].

CARRIED

2. Report of the Programs and Planning Committee of the Faculty of Graduate Studies on course proposals/modifications/deletions

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a) Report of the Senate Planning and Priorities Committee

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The Faculty of Graduate Studies is proposing the introduction of one course (+20 credit hours) to enhance hands-on training in autopsy and surgical pathology. At the inception of the Pathologists' Assistant Program, a Field Practicum had not been clearly defined. This course will allow differentiation between the Practicum courses and the Field Practicum course.

In speaking to the report, Dean Doering noted that the name of the course was going to be Pathologists' Assistant Practicum, not Program as indicated in the report.

Professor Hunter, Chair of the Senate Planning and Priorities Committee, in speaking to the report, noted it was unusual for a course to be 20 credit hours long, but with the new Aurora Student Information System, it would not be a problem.

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

It was MOVED by Dean Doering, seconded by Professor Epp, THAT Senate approve the Report of the Faculty of Graduate Studies, [dated February 27, 2006].

CARRIED

3. Report of the Senate Committee on Instruction and Evaluation re: modifications to rules for academic standing

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With the implementation of the Aurora Student Information System, faculties have had the opportunity to reconsider their rules for assessing academic standing of students. While some faculties have chosen not to change their

rules, several faculties and schools have decided to modify their academic standing rules.

Mr. Marnoch noted that a hand-out was provided to Senators, to replace pages 166-167 of the Senate agenda.

In speaking to the report, Dr. Grant, Chair of the Senate Committee on Instruction and Evaluation noted that the committee had received information from some faculties on Gold Medals and honours lists. As this information was not requested, it was not dealt with in this report. It will be brought to a subsequent Senate meeting.

Dr. Grant noted that many of the changes that were made to the rules for academic standing are cosmetic, reflecting the changes in terminology. Some faculties have chosen not to make any changes, and will rely on reports to do assessments..

A discussion took place surrounding the ability of students from University 1 to transit into Science or Arts. Concern was raised over students reaching the 30 credit hours limit and therefore being required to transit, yet their grades would not allow them to be accepted into the Faculty of Science.

Dr. Kerr commented that another change soon coming to Senate will be that a student can transit and then may be suspended from a faculty. The current rule is that a student must transit and up to now faculties have had the same rules and regulations so a student on "probation" would transit with on "probation". Under the proposal, students on probation would transit to the Faculties of Arts and Science on "academic warning".

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

It was moved by Dr. Grant, on behalf of the Committee, THAT Senate approve the Report of the Senate Committee on Instruction and Evaluation regarding the modifications to rules for academic standing [dated April 27, 2006].

CARRIED

4. Report of the Senate Committee on Admissions-

- a) re: Faculty of Education to change the breadth requirement for its B.Ed. Program
– Early and Middle Years**

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In May 2004, The Minister of Education, Citizenship and Youth for the Province of Manitoba informed the Faculty of Education that Early and

Middle Years teachers would be required to have a “breadth requirement” for teacher certification purposes. The new requirements would include: 6 credit hours in English or French literature, 9 credit hours in Mathematics and Science, and 6 credit hours of Geography or History. As well, applicants would require 18 credit hours for a major and 12 credit hours for a minor.

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

It was moved by Dr. Morphy, on behalf of the Committee; THAT Senate approve the report of the Senate Committee on Admissions concerning a proposal from the Faculty of Education to change the breadth requirement for its B.Ed. Program, Early and Middle years, for students entering in September 2007 [dated March 14, 2006].

CARRIED

b) re: Faculty of Medicine to remove the requirement for English or French literature

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The Faculty of Medicine has been reviewing admission criteria for the past two years and is considering recommending a number of changes. At this time one change is being proposed. The Faculty proposes removing the specific requirement of English or French literature and replacing it with a requirement for 6 credit hours of Social Sciences/Humanities.

In speaking to the proposal, Dr. Morphy, Chair of the Senate Committee on Admissions noted that students will still be required to write the MCAT which has four components, including oral reasoning and a written section.

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

It was moved by Dr. Morphy, on behalf of the Committee, THAT Senate approve the report of the Senate Committee on Admissions concerning a proposal from the Faculty of Medicine to remove the requirement for English or French literature, for students entering in September 2007 [dated March 14, 2006].

CARRIED

XII ADDITIONAL BUSINESS -None

XIII ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 3:20 p.m.

These minutes, pages 1 to 16, combined with the agenda, pages 17 to 175, distributed earlier, comprise the minutes of the meeting of Senate held on May 17, 2006.

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