

**Minutes of a meeting of Senate held on the above date at 1:30 p.m. in the Senate Chamber, Room E3-262 Engineering and Information Technology Complex**

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**Members Present**

Dr. J. Keselman,  
Acting Chair  
Prof. S. Alward  
Prof. John Anderson  
Prof. Judy Anderson  
Prof. J. Asadoorian  
Dean J. Beddoes  
Prof. P. Blunden  
Ms. C. Bone  
Prof. T. Booth  
Very Rev. R. Bozyk  
Prof. M. Brabston  
Rector D. Bracken  
Prof. T. Chen  
Prof. L. Coar  
Prof. E. Comack  
Prof. K. Coombs  
M. G. Csepregi  
Dean N. Davies  
Dean E. Dawe  
Prof. R. Desai  
Ms. A. Ducas  
Prof. M. Edwards  
Prof. B. Elias  
Ms. S. Enns  
Dr. E. Etcheverry  
Mr. A. Fazaluddin  
Mr. L. Ford  
Dean H. Frankel  
Prof. M. Gabbert  
Mr. O. Gagne  
Rectrice R. Gagné  
Ms. S. Gottheil  
Prof. J. Guard  
Ms. J. Guise  
Dean N. Halden  
Prof. J. Hanesiak  
A/Dean B. Hann  
Prof. P. Hultin

Dean T. Iacopino  
Prof. E. Judd  
Mr. A. Karrum  
Mr. J. Kearsey  
Prof. S. Kouritzin  
Prof. J. Linklater  
Mr. R. Lucenkiw  
Dean R. MacMillan  
Mrs. D. McCallum  
Prof. D. McMillan  
Mr. R. McQuire  
Prof. B. McIlwraith  
Prof. A. McIntosh  
Prof. J. Morrill  
A/Dean C. Mossman  
Prof. S. Palahicky  
Prof. S. Pistorius  
Prof. K. Plaizier  
Prof. T. Podolsky  
Prof. M. Pritchard  
Dr. I. Ripstein  
Prof. L. Sader  
Ms. D. Salem  
Dean G. Sevenhuysen  
Prof. W. Simpson  
Prof. D. Smyth  
Dean R. Stern  
Prof. L. Strachan  
Ms. C. Tapp  
Dr. R. Tate  
Dean J. Taylor  
Dr. C. Trott  
Prof. J. Trottier  
Prof. J. Van Rees  
Prof. C. Van Winkle  
Prof. P. Venkatesh  
Dean L. Wallace  
Prof. D. Watt  
Ms. M. Wayne  
Ms M. Wetzel  
Dean M. Whitmore  
Prof. E. Worobec

Prof. K. Wrogemann  
Prof. A. Young  
Mr. J. Leclerc,  
University Secretary  
  
Ms. S. Foster,  
Recording Secretary

Dean B. Postl  
Ms. J. Sealey  
Mr. H. Sector  
Dean M. Trevan  
Dean L. Turnbull  
Prof. K. van Ineveld  
Prof. D. Wirtzfeld

**Assessors Present**

Ms. J. Chen  
Dr. D. Collins  
Mr. P. Dueck  
Dr. G. Glavin  
Mr. N. Marnoch  
Prof. C. Morrill  
Ms. N. Rashid  
Dr. L. Smith  
Dr. M. Torchia

**Regrets**

Ms. K. Adams  
Dr. D. Barnard  
Prof. I. Davidson-Hunt  
Dean J. Doering  
Prof. M. Eskin  
Prof. J. Gilchrist  
Dr. K. Grant  
Prof. R. Hechter  
Prof. P. Hess  
Prof. J. Hughes  
Prof. J. Irvine  
Mrs. S. Jasper  
Dr. D. Jayas  
Prof. W. Kinsner  
Mr. E. Kuz  
Prof. D. Mann  
Prof. K. Matheos  
Prof. K. Polyzois

**Absent**

Mr. R. Akther  
Prof. B. Bacon  
Dean D. Crooks  
Prof. J. Embree  
Prof. M. Enns  
Prof. M. Freund  
Dr. D. Jayas  
Mr. P. Karari  
Dr. A. Katz  
Ms. J. Krahn  
Ms. C. Laforge  
Mr. W. Liang  
Mr. P. Panchhi  
Prof. S. Prentice  
Dr. J. Ristock  
Prof. M. Scanlon  
Prof. L. Simard  
Dr. D. Smith  
Prof. H. Soliman  
Prof. M. Vrontakis  
Dean J. Watkinson

**Also Present**

Dr. S. Coyston  
Mr. J. Danakas  
Mr. S. Dorge  
Ms. J. Graham  
Ms. M. Matthews  
Mrs. L. Leonhardt  
Prof. A. McNicol  
Ms. T. Daodu

The Chair informed Senate that the speaker of the Senate Executive Committee was Professor Mary Brabston.

**I      PRESENTATIONS**

Mr. Marvin Kocay, Co-Chair of the 2011 United Way campaign at the University of Manitoba introduced Mr. Doug Finkbeiner, a volunteer Board member with the United Way and the incoming chair for the 2012 United Way Campaign in Winnipeg. Mr. Finkbeiner noted that the University of Manitoba community contributed over \$516,000 to the United Way in 2010 and has 131 leadership donors who contributed over \$1200, the most of any organization in Manitoba. He provided a summary of the programming supported by the United Way and encouraged members of Senate to contribute and to encourage their colleagues to do so as well.

**II      CANDIDATES FOR DEGREES,  
DIPLOMAS AND CERTIFICATES - OCTOBER 2011**

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This report and the list of graduands was distributed at the Senate meeting. Mr. Marnoch informed Senate of two posthumous degrees to be granted notwithstanding a deficiency. This report was also distributed at the Senate meeting.

**Professor Brabston MOVED, on behalf of the Senate Executive Committee, THAT Senate approve the list of candidates recommended for degrees notwithstanding a deficiency. CARRIED**

**Professor Brabston MOVED, on behalf of the Senate Executive Committee, THAT Senate approve the list of graduands provided to the University Secretary by the Registrar, subject to the right of Deans and Directors to initiate late changes with the Registrar up to October 7, 2011. CARRIED**

**III      REPORT ON MEDALS AND PRIZES  
TO BE AWARDED AT THE OCTOBER CONVOCATION**

This report was available at the front table in the Senate Chamber for examination by members of Senate.

**Professor Brabston MOVED, on behalf of the Senate Executive Committee, THAT Senate approve the report on medals and prizes provided to the University Secretary. CARRIED**

**IV      MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED IN CLOSED SESSION**

**1.      Report of the Senate Committee on Honorary Degrees**

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

V **MATTERS RECOMMENDED FOR CONCURRENCE WITHOUT DEBATE** - none

VI **MATTERS FORWARDED FOR INFORMATION**

1. **Report of the Senate Committee on Awards** Page 4  
**Part A [August 31, 2011]**

Professor Hultin expressed his thanks to Dr. Shannon Coyston who has served as secretary to the Committee on Awards and who will be leaving to join the Office of the University Secretary.

Professor Hultin also reported on the Aboriginal Students Association Scholarship, which might have appeared discriminatory as it was restricted to members of the Aboriginal Students' Association. Professor Hultin reported that the Committee looked into this and he noted that as the membership in this association is not limited to Aboriginal people, the award is not discriminatory.

2. **Report of the Senate Committee on Awards** Page 16  
**Addendum to May 11, 2011**

3. **Establishment of the Palliative Care Research Group** Page 18

4. **Establishment of the Education for Sustainable** Page 25  
**Well-Being Research Group**

5. **Report on Research Contract Funds Received** Page 37

6. **Report of the Senate Committee on Appeals**

The Committee has dealt with a number of appeals since my last report to Senate in March 2011. In keeping with convention I will summarise these Hearings without compromising the confidentiality of the appellant.

1. Appeal by a student against a decision by the Faculty of Nursing to remove them from the programme. The grounds for the appeal were compassionate. The appeal was denied.
2. Appeal by a student against a decision by the Faculty of Nursing Professional Unsuitability Committee to require them to withdraw from the Faculty indefinitely. The grounds for the appeal were procedural. The appeal was denied.
3. Appeal by a student against a decision by University 1 to deny Retroactive Authorised Withdrawals. The grounds for the appeal were medical. The Committee determined that there were no grounds to hear the appeal.
4. Appeal by a student against a decision by the Faculty of Engineering to deny a Retroactive Authorised Withdrawal. The Committee determined that there were no grounds to hear the appeal.

5. Appeal by a student against a decision by the Faculty of Science to deny a request for a retroactive deferred exam. The grounds for the appeal were medical. The appeal was granted.
6. Appeal by a student against a decision by the Faculty of Science to deny a request for a retroactive deferred exam. The grounds for the appeal were medical. The appeal was denied.
7. Appeal by a student against a decision by the Faculty of Science to deny a request for two retroactive deferred exams. The grounds for the appeal were medical. The appeal was granted.
8. Appeal by a student against a decision by the Faculty of Science to be reinstated into the BSc (General) programme. The Committee determined that there were no grounds to hear the appeal.
9. Appeal by a student against a decision to by the Faculty of Nursing to deny an Authorised Withdrawal. The Committee determined that the grounds offered were not substantiated by the submitted documentation and therefore declined to hear the appeal. However the student was advised to seek advice from Human Rights and Advisory Services regarding the Respectful Workplace and Learning Environment Policy.
10. Appeal by a student against a decision to by the Faculty of Social Work to deny reinstatement into the Bachelor of Social Work programme. The Committee determined that there were no grounds to hear the appeal.

One appeal by a student against a decision by the Faculty of Graduate Studies was withdrawn by the appellant.

One appeal by a student against a decision by the Faculty of Engineering was withdrawn by the appellant.

One appeal by a student against a decision by the Faculty of Science was withdrawn by the appellant.

The Committee has closed the file on a student who appealed against a decision by the Faculty of Engineering to deny retroactive authorised withdrawals with the subsequent academic suspension. The grounds for the appeal were medical. However, despite repeated attempts, the student could not be contacted by the Office of the University Secretary.

Currently the Committee has 2 open files.

## **VII REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT**

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Dr. Keselman reported that the University had submitted the annual estimates document to the Council on Post-Secondary Education and has also met with the Council. She noted that as the government has committed to a five percent grant increase and tuition increases tied to inflation, that the University responded that it could maintain the status quo with the funding provided, however the University would not be able to address priority areas or work at addressing the

structural underfunding of the University relative to other medical/doctoral universities, especially as it relates to research support and graduate student funding.

Dr. Keselman also reported that as of the end of the registration revision period, the University's enrolment stood at 28,456 students, an all-time high for the University.

### **VIII QUESTION PERIOD**

Dr. Keselman reminded Senate that at the last meeting Professor Desai asked a number of questions and Dr. Barnard asked for time to consider them. Dr. Keselman conveyed Dr. Barnard's response as follows:

The questions raised by Professor Desai relate to an individual personnel matter. As I noted at the June Senate meeting, when Professor Desai first asked questions of a similar nature in question period, the questions raised were outside of the jurisdiction of Senate. Accordingly, I am ruling the most recent series of questions raised at the September Senate meeting out of order.

I remind Senators that Professor Grant and I have both responded in writing to Professor Desai's questions. In order to provide some information, I responded to her questions in June at Senate. In providing this information, I went farther than I was comfortable doing, and I am not prepared to discuss this personnel matter any further in Senate.

Professor Desai objected to Dr. Barnard's statement, citing sections 34(1)(l),(s), and (v) of the University of Manitoba Act and her view that the questions she raised around a Professorship ought to be considered in order. Dr. Keselman noted that she was conveying Dr. Barnard's response to the questions raised and that if Professor Desai had further issues to raise that she should do so directly with Dr. Barnard.

### **IX CONSIDERATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 7, 2011**

**Professor Wrogemann MOVED, seconded by Professor Judy Anderson THAT Senate approve the minutes of September 7, 2011 as circulated.**

**CARRIED**

### **X BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES –**

Dr. Keselman noted that at the last meeting, Professor Morrill raised a question about seemingly conflicting reports on the status of discussions around the possible establishment of a Confucius Institute at the University of Manitoba. At the time Dr. Collins agreed to look into it and report back. Dr. Collins reported that Professor Morrill had provided him with a copy of the article in question, and added that he was not aware of the announcement to which the article referred. Dr. Collins went on to explain that the article had also noted that the University of Manitoba had applied for funding from the Chinese government but that he did not believe funding had been on the table at that point. In the article, John Danakas was quoted as having said, "conversations have ended...for logical reasons", Mr. Danakas states he was only speaking to a specific exploratory discussion that at that point had been abandoned by the University. Dr. Collins added that this was the only discussion that had been abandoned by the University, and added

that there remains ongoing discussions and if those discussions result in a proposal being developed at some stage that the proposal would come before Senate at that time.

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

1.     Report of the Senate Executive Committee Page 67
  
2.     Report of the Senate  
          Planning and Priorities Committee

Ms. Ducas reported that the Committee is considering proposals from the Faculty of Kinesiology and Recreation Management and the Faculty of Agricultural and Food Sciences and will report to Senate in due course.

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

1.     Report of the Senate Committee on Awards Page 68  
          Part B [August 31, 2011]

Professor Hultin noted that the correspondence in relation to the David M. Collins Scholarship contained some statistics that were unclear and that the Committee had sought a revised letter that will be communicated to the University Secretary's office.

**XIII   ADDITIONAL BUSINESS**

**XIV    ADJOURNMENT**

**Professor Guard MOVED, seconded by Professor Judd, THAT Senate be adjourned at 2:24 p.m..**

**CARRIED**