

November 1, 2017

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

Members Present

Dean N. Halden,
Acting Chair
Dr. C. Adams
Ms. A. Akano
Prof. A. Alessi-Severini
Prof. C. Anderson
Prof. G. Anderson
Prof. J. Anderson
Mrs. S. Araujo
Acting Dean, C. Ateah
Prof. B. Austin-Smith
Prof. L. Balneaves
Mr. J. Bass
Dean J. Beddoes
Prof. R. Bhullar
Prof. R. Biscontri
Dean J. Black-Branch
Ms. S. Blanchard
Dr. J. Blatz
Prof. T. Booth
Prof. O. Botar
Prof. M. Brabston
Prof. F. Burczynski
Prof. T. Chen
Prof. D. Churchill
Prof. N. Cicek
Prof. S. Clark
Ms. S. Connelly
Prof. M. Czubryt
Dean E. Dawe
Prof. D. Delay
Ms. L. Demczuk
Mr. L. Dojack
Prof. M. Domaratzki
Prof. W. El-Matary
Mr. A. Fischer
Prof. M. Gabbert
Prof. D. Gardner
Ms. S. Gawryluk
Prof. J. Hare
Prof. R. Hechter
Dean G. Hepburn
Prof. J. Honeyford
Ms. L. Johnson

Prof. S. Karimi
Prof. E. Khafipour
Prof. W. Kinsner
Ms. N. Lam
Prof. L. Landrum
Mr. A. Latif
Prof. D. MacPherson
Prof. S. McClement
Ms. J. McConnell
Dean D. Mandzuk
Ms. C. Mastromonaco
Mr. A. Menon
Ms. K. Metcalfe
Prof. B. Milne
Dean, T. Mondor
Dean J. Mulvale
Ms. T. Nagra
Prof. J. Paliwal
Prof. S. Passmore
Mrs. K. Pearson
Prof. T. Peter
Dean B. Postl
Mr. G. Prairie
Dean L. Raman-Wilms
Prof. M. Rastegar
Ms. C. Reitano
Prof. G. Restall
Prof. C. Schmidt
Prof. A. Schultz
Prof. A. Schwann
Prof. B. Shay
Ms. K. Sigurdson
Ms. A. Smith
Mr. G. Sobie
Mr. C. Spencer
Prof. R. Tate
Prof. C. Trott
Dean R. Urbanowski
Prof. C. Van Winkle
Ms. M. Villegas
Prof. D. Walker
Prof. D. Watt
Dean K. Wittenberg
Mr. J. Leclerc,
University Secretary
Dr. S. Coyston,

Recording Secretary

Assessors Present

Dr. D. Collins
Dr. J. Doering
Ms. A. Kilgour
Dr. L. Lavallée
Mr. N. Marnoch
Mr. C. Neumann
Mr. M. Shaw
Dr. D. Stewart
Dr. M. Torchia

Regrets

Mr. J. Adams
Ms. A. Ameis
Dr. D. Barnard
Prof. P. Blunden
Prof. T. Bone
Dean. D. Brown
Recteur G. Csepregi
Ms. E. Cummings
Mr. S. Dorge
Mr. R. Duarte
Fernandez
Ms. A. Ducas
Prof. J. Gilchrist
Ms. S. Gottheil
Prof. B. Hallman
Prof. P. Hess
Prof. D.
Hiebert-Murphy
Acting Dean G. Jacoby
Dr. D. Jayas
Mr. J. Kearsey
Mr. D. Kushner
Prof. R. Lastra
Prof. B. Mark
Prof. D. Oliver
Ms. S. Olson
Ms. S. Popowich
Mrs. C. Raffard
Ms. S. Ragheb
Dr. J. Ristock

Dr. M.-J. Romaniuk
Dr. H. Secter
Prof. G. Smith
Dean J. Taylor
Mr. I. Veloso
Prof. P. Wener
Ms. L. Zapshala-Kelln

Absent

Dean S. Baum
Very Rev. R. Bozyk
Prof. J. Cranston
Prof. P. Dass
Prof. R. Desai
Mr. N. Eissa
Prof. B. Elias
Prof. A. Farenhorst
Mr. C. Friesen
Ms. C. Gabrielle
Dr. G. Glavin
Mr. M. Gundhu
Mr. M. Haroon
Dean A. Iacopino
Ms. H. Jalbani
Ms. M.-A. Kandrack
Ms. E. Kiely-Smith
Prof. S. Logsetty
Ms. D.
Nedohin-Macek
Mr. S. Saad
Mr. B. Zhang

Also Present

Ms. C. Davidson
Prof. M. Edwards
Ms. P. Gareau
Mr. M. Hudson
Prof. D. McNeill
Ms. S. Utsunomiya
Ms. M. Watson
Ms. M. Yoshida

The Chair informed Senate that the Speaker of the Senate Executive Committee was Professor Austin-Smith, Faculty of Arts.

I MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED IN CLOSED SESSION - none

II MATTERS RECOMMENDED FOR CONCURRENCE WITHOUT DEBATE

1. Reports of the Executive Committee of Graduate Studies on Course and Curriculum Changes

a) **RE: Department of Geological Sciences** Page 4
[May 24, 2017]

b) **RE: Asper School of Business, Faculty of Engineering, and Departments of Mathematics and Pathology** Page 6
[September 27, 2017]

Dean Mondor made one correction to the course description for ENG 7510 – Operational Excellence, to reflect that the course may not be held with MECG 7600, rather than MECH 7600.

Professor Austin-Smith MOVED, on behalf of the Senate Executive Committee, THAT Senate approve the two items in the Concurrence Without Debate category.

CARRIED, as amended.

III MATTERS FORWARDED FOR INFORMATION

1. **Report of the Senate Committee on Awards – Part A** Page 10
[September 22, 2017]

2. **Report of the Senate Committee on Appeals** Page 17

3. **Request to Suspend Admissions to Baccalaureate Program for Registered Nurses, College of Nursing** Page 19

IV REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT

Dean Halden said the President would provide a Report at the next meeting.

V QUESTION PERIOD

Senators are reminded that questions shall normally be submitted in writing to the University Secretary no later than 10:00 a.m. of the day preceding the meeting.

Dean Halden informed Senate that one question had been received. He said the President would provide a response at the next meeting.

VI **CONSIDERATION OF THE MINUTES
OF THE MEETING OF OCTOBER 4, 2017**

Professor Kinsner MOVED, seconded by Dean Wittenberg, THAT the minutes of the Senate meeting held on October 4, 2017 be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

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

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

1. **Report of the Senate Executive Committee** Page 40

Professor Austin-Smith said Senate Executive met on October 18, 2017. Comments of the committee accompany the reports on which they were made.

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

Dean Halden said the Chair of the Senate Planning and Priorities Committee would provide a report at the December Senate meeting.

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

1. **Report of the Senate Committee on Awards – Part B
[September 22, 2017]** Page 41

Ms. McConnell MOVED, seconded by Professor Chen, THAT Senate recommend that the Board of Governors approve the Report of the Senate Committee on Awards – Part B [dated September 22, 2017].

CARRIED

2. **Report of the Senate Committee on the Calendar
RE: Proposal for an Academic Calendar Content Guide for
Graduate Programs** Page 44

Mr. Leclerc said the Senate Committee on the Calendar had met in June to consider a proposal from the Faculty of Graduate Studies, to establish an *Academic Calendar Content Guide for Graduate Programs*. The purpose of the *Guide* was to standardize information provided on each graduate program in the Academic Calendar. Mr. Leclerc said the Committee was recommending the proposal to Senate, for approval.

Dean Mondor MOVED, seconded by Mr. Sobie, THAT Senate approve the Report of the Senate Committee on the Calendar concerning a proposal for an *Academic Calendar Content Guide for Graduate Programs*, effective for the 2018 – 2019 Academic Session.

CARRIED

3.	<u>Reports of the Faculty of Agricultural and Food Sciences Council</u>	
a)	Articulation Agreement Proposal, University of Manitoba, Bachelor of Science in Food Science – Huazhong Agricultural University, Bachelor of Science in <u>Food Science and Engineering</u>	Page 60
	(i) <u>Report of the Senate Committee on Curriculum and Course Changes</u>	Page 71
	(ii) <u>Report of the Senate Committee on Admissions</u>	Page 74
	(iii) <u>Report of the Senate Planning and Priorities Committee</u>	Page 75
b)	Articulation Agreement Proposal, University of Manitoba, Bachelor of Science Degrees in Agribusiness, Agriculture, Agroecology, and Food Science - Lanzhou University, Bachelor of Science in <u>Grassland Agriculture</u>	Page 77
	(i) <u>Report of the Senate Committee on Curriculum and Course Changes</u>	Page 98
	(ii) <u>Report of the Senate Committee on Admissions</u>	Page 100
	(iii) <u>Report of the Senate Planning and Priorities Committee</u>	Page 101
c)	Articulation Agreement Proposal, University of Manitoba, Bachelor of Science in Agribusiness and Bachelor of Science in Food Science - Nanjing University of Finance and Economics, Bachelor of Science in <u>Food Science and Engineering</u>	Page 103
	(i) <u>Report of the Senate Committee on Curriculum and Course Changes</u>	Page 116
	(ii) <u>Report of the Senate Committee on Admissions</u>	Page 119
	(iii) <u>Report of the Senate Planning and Priorities Committee</u>	Page 120

Dean Wittenberg said 40 - 50 percent of undergraduate international students registered in the Faculty of Agricultural and Food Sciences had been admitted under an international articulation agreement. She said the Faculty was requesting the renewal of two long-standing Articulation Agreements, with Huazhong Agricultural University (HZAU) and Nanjing University of Finance and Economics (NJU), and the establishment of a new Articulation Agreement with Lanzhou University (LZU). The existing

agreement with NJU would be expanded to give students admitted from that institution the option to pursue a Bachelor of Science in Agribusiness.

Dean Wittenberg said recent graduates, who had transferred from HZAU or NJU under the existing agreements, had been successful in gaining admission to graduate programs, at the University of Manitoba and at other Canadian institutions, and in finding employment with Canadian food processing companies.

Dean Wittenberg said, with reference to HZUA and NJU, that administrators at these institutions, who had either studied at the University of Manitoba or had held appointments as visiting scholars, had a good understanding of the opportunities that were available to students at the University of Manitoba. Equally, academics and support staff from the University had spent time at these partner institutions.

Dean Wittenberg said LZU was recognized for research in grassland agriculture. The Faculty of Agricultural and Food Sciences, which was focused on growing a systems-based understanding of agriculture and having a more integrated approach to delivering its teaching and research programs, would benefit by partnering with LZU given that institution's systems-based approach, involving animal scientists, plant scientists, engineers, and agronomists working together collectively to understand degradation and restoration of grassland systems.

The Chair invited Professor McNeill, Vice-Chair of the Senate Committee on Curriculum and Course Changes (SCCCC) to comment on the Reports of that committee.

Professor McNeill said the SCCC had considered the Articulation Agreements at two meetings; one in the spring and one in the summer. He said the three agreements had a similar structure based on students completing two years of study (60 credit hours) at one of the partner institutions before transferring to the University of Manitoba. Students admitted to the University under one of the agreements would be eligible to transfer 36 or 39 credit hours into their program as required courses for admission. The balance of the 60 credit hours completed at the partner institution could be transferred in as elective credits.

Professor McNeill said ten students, nominally, up to a maximum of fifteen, would be admitted to the Faculty each year under each the agreements. The Faculty had reported that students admitted under the existing agreements had done well in their programs.

Professor McNeill said that, rather than block transfers of 60 credit hours, which happened under the existing agreements, the current proposals would formalize specific course transfers that would contribute to their degree programs at the University. He observed that the agreements would allow transfer credit to be granted for a number of course substitutions that the Faculty had been routinely making. In response to a

request, the Faculty had committed to submit program modifications, to formalize these course substitutions, to the SCCCC by the Fall 2018.

Professor McNeill said the SCCCC was recommending that Senate approve the three Articulation Agreements.

The Chair invited Dean Mandzuk, who was a member of the Senate Committee on Admissions (SCADM) to comment on the Reports of that committee.

Dean Mandzuk reported that SCADM had focused its review on the requirements for admission and transfer credit. The proposals, including proposals to renew existing agreements with HZUA and NJU, would formalize the admissions process. In particular, the agreements would specify that students be required to complete the first and second years of their program (60 credit hours) at the partner institution, prior to being admitted to the University of Manitoba, and to meet the University's English language proficiency requirement. The agreements would also limit the number of transfer credits students could receive to 36 – 39 credit hours, depending on which institution students transferred from.

Dean Mandzuk said that, following careful consideration, SCADM had endorsed the Articulation Agreements.

The Chair said Ms. Ducas, was not available for the meeting. He referred Senators to the Reports of the Senate Planning Priorities Committee for the observations of that committee.

d) Comments of the Senate Executive Committee

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Professor Austin-Smith said that, at its meeting on October 18, 2017, the Senate Executive Committee had considered the proposals of the Faculty of Agricultural and Food Sciences for Articulation Agreements with Huazhong Agricultural University, Lanzhou University, and Nanjing University of Finance and Economics, along with the comprehensive reports of the SCCCC, SCADM, and the SPPC. She said the Senate Executive Committee had endorsed the proposals.

Professor Austin-Smith reported that, in the course of considering the proposals, Senate Executive had discussed how the review of articulation agreements and transfer credit could, or ought to, consider the nature of academic freedom present at the partner institutions as an element of the transferability of credit to University of Manitoba courses. While it had been noted that such considerations are likely best taken in the consideration of proposals and the renewal of transfer arrangements, the committee had suggested that it would be helpful to consider how Senate can be assured that such matters are taken into consideration during the review process. Professor Austin-Smith said Senate Executive had asked the Provost to consider the question, bringing together appropriate Senate committee chairs, faculty members and representatives of the International Office, and to report back in due course.

Dean Wittenberg MOVED, seconded by Professor J. Anderson, THAT Senate approve Articulation Agreement proposals between the University of Manitoba, Faculty of Agricultural and Food Sciences, and the following institutions, each for a five-year term effective September 1, 2018:

- **Huazhong Agricultural University, concerning advanced standing in the Bachelor of Science in Food Science degree;**
- **Lanzhou University, concerning advanced standing in Bachelor of Science Degrees in Agribusiness, Agriculture, Agroecology, and Food Science; and**
- **Nanjing University of Finance and Economics concerning advanced standing in the Bachelor of Science degrees in Agribusiness and Food Science.**

CARRIED

4. Reports of the Faculty Council of Arts

- a) **Proposal to Revise the Name of the Department of English, Film, and Theatre** Page 124

Professor Austin-Smith said the Department of English, Film, and Theatre was proposing to change its name to, "Department of English, Theatre, Film & Media," following discussions at a recent departmental retreat and canvassing of the entire program. The revised name was in keeping with the type of research and teaching that members of the Department had been engaged in for about twenty-three years.

Professor Austin-Smith MOVED, seconded by Dean Dawe, THAT Senate recommend that the Board of Governors approve a proposal to change the name of the Department of English, Film, and Theatre, Faculty of Arts, to the "Department of English, Theatre, Film & Media," effective January 1, 2018.

CARRIED

- b) **Proposal to Revise the Name of the Department of Sociology** Page 127

Professor Peter said a proposal from the Department of Sociology to change its name to, "Department of Sociology and Criminology," had been under discussion within the Department for many years. The revised name would reflect that the department offered undergraduate degrees in Sociology and Criminology, including Honours programs in both areas.

Professor Peter said the Department Council had endorsed the proposal (April 21, 2017).

Professor Peter MOVED, seconded by Mr. Sobie, THAT Senate recommend that the Board of Governors approve a proposal to change the name of the Department of Sociology, Faculty of Arts, to

the “Department of Sociology and Criminology,” effective January 1, 2018.

CARRIED

5. **Report of the Senate Committee on Nominations**

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Professor Edwards referred Senators to the Report of the Senate Committee on Nominations, dated October 16, 2017, with the Committee’s recommendations to fill two vacancies for leave replacements on Senate committees.

There were no further nominations.

Professor Edwards MOVED, on behalf of the committee, THAT Senate approve the Report of the Senate Committee on Nominations [dated October 16, 2017].

CARRIED

X **ADDITIONAL BUSINESS**

1. **Report on the Review of the Academic Schedule**

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Dean Mondor said a review committee had been struck, with representation from across the University, including faculty members, administrative staff, and representatives of the GSA and UMSU, to undertake a review of the Academic Schedule. The review committee had sought feedback from the University community, primarily through a story in *UM Today* that invited responses to a series of questions. Roughly six hundred responses had been received. The review committee had also taken into account a survey of other U15 institutions.

Dean Mondor briefly reviewed the primary considerations of the review, which were to: provide an outstanding student experience; establish similar structures for the Fall and Winter Terms; ensure an appropriate number of contact hours in each term; maintain sufficient time for the final exam period; provide adequate time for faculty to submit, and students to receive, final grades for Fall Term courses, before finalizing Winter Term course registrations; adjust drop and add dates to maximize enrolment, by providing an opportunity for students on waiting lists to register for courses where spaces become available after students drop courses; consider academic structures in place at peer institutions.

Dean Mondor briefly reviewed the main recommendations of the review committee. First, the review committee was recommending that the University establish a four-day Fall Break in the same week as Remembrance Day. There had been widespread recognition that scheduling the Fall Break around Thanksgiving Day was too early in the term. Second, to accommodate a longer Fall Break, the committee was recommending that the length of the Fall Term be reduced from 63 to 62 teaching days and that Orientation be one day, rather than two days. For consistency, the length of the Winter Term would also be reduced from 63 – 65 teaching days to 62 teaching days. Third, the committee recommended that Fall Term classes begin on the Wednesday following Labour Day each year, rather than the Thursday. There was widespread sentiment that classes should not start before Labour Day and that Orientation should occur

after this day. Fourth, the committee recommended that the deadline to drop classes without academic penalty continue to be the 10th day of classes but the last day to add classes be extended to the 11th day. Finally, in response to a suggestion raised at Senate (December 7, 2016), the review committee was recommending that the deadline to submit Fall Term grades be extended, to provide additional days at the start of the Winter Term for faculty to finalize grades and for students to receive this information before making final decisions about their Winter Term course registrations.

Dean Mondor MOVED, seconded by Ms. Nagra, THAT Senate approve the Report on the Review of the Academic Schedule, effective for the 2018-2019 Academic Session.

CARRIED

XI ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 1:57 p.m.

These minutes pages 1 to 9, together with the agenda, pages 1 to 153, comprise the minutes of the meeting of Senate held on November 1, 2017.