

**MINUTES  
OF THE SIXTH REGULAR MEETING OF THE 47<sup>TH</sup> SENATE  
HELD TUESDAY, JANUARY 13, 2015 @ 2:00 P.M.  
LOUIS RIEL ROOM, MCMASTER CONCOURSE**

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**Present:** Dr. Gervan Fearon (Chair); Dr. Edward Bach; Dr. Derek Brown;  
Mr. Tom Brophy; Dr. Dean Care; Dr. Glenn Cockerline; Dr. Andrew Egan;  
Ms. Joan Garbutt; Dr. Rosanne Gasse; Dr. Bryan Hill; Dr. Jacqueline Kirk;  
Mr. Scott Lamont; Dr. Lynn MacKay; Dr. Allison McCulloch;  
Dr. Michael Nantais; Dr. Serena Petrella; Dr. Sarah Plosker;  
Dr. Demetrios Tryphonopoulos; Dr. Dion Wiseman; Mr. Nicholas Brown (BUSU);  
Mr. Roque Lacroix (BUSU); Mr. Joel Springer (BUSU);  
Ms. Kim Fallis (Recording Secretary).

**Regrets:** Ms. Betty Braaksma; Mr. Michael Cain; Dr. Heather Duncan; Ms. Bea Jolly;  
Dr. Michael Kim; Mr. Manuel Godoy (BUSU); Ms. Krystal Kayne (BUSU);  
Ms. Grace Requina (BUSU); Mr. Justin Shannon (BUSU)

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**1. Approval of Agenda**

**MOTION 120.JAN15 Egan/Petrella**

THAT the agenda be approved as circulated.

**CARRIED**

**2. Closed Session**

**MOTION 121.JAN15 Springer/N. Brown**

THAT the committee move into CLOSED session.

**CARRIED**

**3. Open Session**

**3.1. Approval of Minutes of December 16, 2014**

**MOTION 126.JAN15 Petrella/Springer**

THAT the minutes of December 16, 2014, be approved as circulated.

**CARRIED**

**4. Business Arising**

**5. New Business**

**5.1 Committee Reports**

**5.1.1. Curriculum & Academic Planning Committee (Sen. Care)**

**MOTION 127.JAN15 CAP Care/Egan**

THAT Senate approve the Faculty of Science, Program of Environmental Science, calendar changes as attached.

**CARRIED**

There was a discussion regarding the deletion of three English courses leaving the choice of only University Writing or University Writing for the Sciences as required courses for the Environmental Science degree. The English department has concerns regarding other departments making University Writing a required course for graduation. There is a very large demand for this course.

**MOTION 128.JAN15 CAP Care/Lacroix**

THAT Senate approve the Faculty of Science, Department of Geography, calendar changes to the 4-Year Major Environmental Technologies Diploma; Land & Water Management, as attached.

**CARRIED**

**MOTION 129.JAN15CAP Care/Egan**

THAT Senate approve the Faculty of Health Studies, Nursing Program, course changes as listed below;

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|---------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| • 71:251 Introduction to Pharmacology | Increase credit hours to 2 |
| • 71:254 Nursing Applications I       | Increase lab hours to 3    |
| • 71:264 Nursing Applications II      | Increase lab hours to 3    |
| • 71:269 Nursing Foundations IV       | Description change         |

**CARRIED**

**MOTION 130.JAN15 CAP Care/Gasse**

THAT Senate approve the Faculty of Arts, Department of Sociology, cross listing of 90:259 The Sociology of Medical Systems with 12:259 Anthropology and prerequisite change.

**CARRIED**

Note: Items labeled “as attached” can be viewed by contacting the Senate Office.

**5.1.2 Senate Graduate Studies Committee (Sen. Care)**

**MOTION 131.JAN15 GS Care/Egan**

THAT Senate approve the Faculty of Health Studies, Master of Psychiatric Nursing Calendar Changes as noted below.

**Faculty of Health Studies Calendar Changes**

**8.3.5 Second Degree Requirements for Master of Psychiatric Nursing**

Students who have completed a first Master’s degree and who are seeking the Master of Psychiatric Nursing as a second degree are required to complete a minimum of 21 credit hours of Brandon University courses, but no more than 33 credit hours, depending on previous education. Previous education will be assessed by the Graduate Health Studies Steering Committee to determine specific courses that second degree students will be required to complete within the range of 21 and 33 credit hours. Every student must complete 75:700 Graduate Thesis.

**CARRIED**

**MOTION 132.JAN15 GS Care/Egan**

THAT Senate approve the Faculty of Science, Master of Science (Environmental and Life Sciences) Calendar Changes as noted below.

**MELS Calendar Changes**

**10.1 ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS**

For General Admission Regulations for entry to Brandon University please see page (will be determined upon completion of the calendar)

**10.1.1 ADMISSION, MASTER OF SCIENCE (ENVIRONMENTAL & LIFE SCIENCES)**

While the Master of Science (Environmental and Life Sciences) (MELS) program encourages applications at any time, applications for September entry for Domestic and International students into the MELS degree program should be received by January 31<sup>st</sup> to receive full consideration; ~~applications for January entry should be received by August 31<sup>st</sup> to receive full consideration.~~

**CARRIED**

**MOTION 133.JAN15 GS Care/Egan**

THAT Senate approve the Faculty of Science, Master of Science (Environmental and Life Sciences) new courses as noted below.

- 15:666 Conservation Biology           New Course
- 38:677 Advanced Geomatics       New Course

**CARRIED**

**MOTION 134.JAN15 GS Care/Kirk**

THAT Senate approve the Faculty of Education, Master of Education, calendar changes as noted below.

**Faculty of Education Calendar Changes**

**4.1.7 TRANSFER OF CREDIT**

Students who have taken a course or courses at another academic institution prior to their admittance to Brandon University must, upon application for admission, request an assessment of their work at the other academic institutions for possible transfer of credit to Brandon University.

Courses from other academic institutions accepted by Departments for transfer of credit to a student's program, with the exception of those courses taken through a Letter of Permission, will not normally be subject to the stipulated course prerequisite(s).

The maximum Transfer of Credit allowed will be 6 credit hours for all faculties; ~~with the exception of the 54 credit hour Master of Education degree program that may receive up to a maximum of 24 credit hours as a Block transfer.~~

**CARRIED**

**MOTION 135.JAN15 GS Care/Kirk**

THAT Senate approve the Faculty of Education, Master of Education, calendar changes as noted below.

**6.4 PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS (36 Credit Hour)**

Students admitted to the Master of Education degree program will be required to complete a minimum of 36 credit hours. The current areas of specialization for studies include: Curriculum & Instruction, Educational Administration, Educational Guidance & Counselling, and Special Education. In addition to these specialization areas, students may be permitted to complete a Master of Education degree program in a thematic specialization. This M.Ed. in a thematic specialization will follow an approved 30 credit hour thematic route in the Graduate Diploma in Education. All components of a student's program must be approved by the Chair of the Graduate program in accordance with the University Calendar, unless approved by the Faculty of Education Graduate Studies Committee. ~~Students are not permitted to take more than six (6) credit hours of courses below the 700 level.~~

**CARRIED**

**MOTION 136.JAN15 GS Care/Kirk**

THAT Senate approve the Faculty of Education, Master of Education, calendar changes as attached.

**CARRIED**

**MOTION 137.JAN15 GS Care/Natais**

THAT Senate approve the Faculty of Education, Master of Education, course changes as noted below.

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| • 07:714 Education Research Methods                         | Delete cross listing with 04:714 and description change             |
| • 04:715 Advanced Quantitative Educational Research Methods | Change to department 07   |
| • 04:765 Qualitative Research Methods                       | Change to department 07   |
| • 04:772 Practicum in Counselling                           | Change title to "Practicum in Counselling I, and description change |

**CARRIED**

**MOTION 138.JAN15 GS Care/Gasse**

THAT Senate approve the Faculty of Arts, Master of Rural Development, course changes as noted below.

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| • 88:551 Anthropology of Development            | New Master course to be cross listed with existing undergraduate course |
| • 88:556 Anthropology of Global Public Health   | New Master course to be cross listed with existing undergraduate course |
| • 88:573 Hazard Mitigation in Land-use Planning | New Master course to be cross listed with existing undergraduate course |

**CARRIED**

**MOTION 139.JAN15 GS Care/Bach**

THAT Senate approve the School of Music, Master of Music, calendar changes as noted below.

**School of Music Calendar Changes**

**1.1.1. ADMISSION, MASTER OF MUSIC**

Students preparing to undertake Master of Music study at Brandon University are expected to be conversant in the history and theory of music, and familiar with a broad range of musical literature. Students should also anticipate considerable emphasis upon their abilities to think critically and to express themselves clearly. The School of Music is committed to high levels of artistic and scholarly achievement and to preparing its students for leadership roles. Students majoring in Performance and Literature will be expected to demonstrate performance proficiency ~~through an audition, on the instrument~~ and professional levels of commitment to the development of their musical skills and understanding.

Normally, admission to the Master of Music program requires successful completion of an undergraduate degree or equivalent, with a minimum grade point average (g.p.a.) of 3.0 achieved in the final year of study. Applicants falling short of these basic criteria may be considered for admission on the ~~strength of success in related professional work~~ basis of both a successful audition and a proven record of related professional work.

**CARRIED**

**MOTION 140.JAN15 GS Care/Bach**

THAT Senate approve the School of Music, Master of Music, course changes as noted below.

- 63:613 Public Recital I                      Course description change
- 63:614 Public Recital II                     Course description change

**CARRIED**

**MOTION 141.JAN15 GS Care/Kirk**

THAT Senate approve the revised Criteria for Membership in the Faculty of Graduate Studies, as attached.

**CARRIED**

Note: Items labeled “as attached” can be viewed by contacting the Senate Office.

5.2 **Deans’ and University Librarian’s Reports** (Dr. Fearon will call on Deans and the Librarian for their reports) (not minuted)

5.3 **Vice-President’s (Academic & Provost) Report** (Sen. Duncan)

Senator Duncan was absent with regrets

5.4 **Associate Vice-President’s (Student Services and Enrolment Management) and University Registrar Report** (Sen. Brophy)

There are currently two searches underway in Student Services; the Associate Registrar search is almost complete, and the Director, of Indigenous People Centre is in the initiate stages.

Student Services has launched a new pilot project aimed at coaching first year students who received less than a 2.0 in their first term.

**5.5 President's Report (Dr. Fearon)**

The Academic Plan has gone to the printer and should be available at General Faculty Council January 16, 2015.

The province is moving forward with Bill 63, the transformation of COPSE, and they will form an Education Advisory Council. Dr. Fearon anticipates that Brandon University will have representation on this council.

There are ongoing discussions regarding collaboration with both Assiniboine Community College and the University of Manitoba.

**5 Other Business**

**6.1 Status of Women Committee presentation** (Ms. Kathleen Nichol, Chair) deferred to February 17, 2015 meeting.

**6.2 Announcements or Questions**

**6 Correspondence**

**7 Adjournment**

**MOTION 142.JAN15 Wiseman/Hill**

THAT the Senate adjourn.  
Adjournment was at 3:19 pm

**CARRIED**