

**MINUTES
OF THE THIRD REGULAR MEETING OF THE 48TH SENATE
HELD TUESDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2015 @ 2:00 P.M.
LOUIS RIEL ROOM, MCMASTER CONCOURSE**

Present: Dr. Gervan Fearon (Chair); Dr. Bernadette Ardelli; Dr. Edward Bach;
Dr. Chris Beeman; Mr. Garnet Boyd; Ms. Betty Braaksma; Mr. Tom Brophy;
Dr. Dean Care; Dr. Heather Duncan; Dr. Andrew Egan; Dr. Noreen Ek;
Ms. Joan Garbutt; Mr. Greg Gatien; Mr. Steve Gouthro; Mr. Scott Lamont;
Dr. Lynn MacKay; Ms. Andrea McDaniel; Mr. Michael Malazdrewicz;
Dr. Corinne Mason; Dr. Sarah Plosker; Dr. Steven Robinson; Dr. Linda Ross;
Dr. Demetres Tryphonopoulos; Dr. David Winter; Mr. Nicholas Brown (BUSU);
Ms. Sheyenne Spence (BUSU);
Ms. Kim Fallis (Recording Secretary)

Regrets: Mr. Michael Cain; Dr. Lorraine Mayer; Mr. Aaron Thompson (BUSU)

1. Approval of Agenda

2. Closed Session

MOTION 026.OCT15 Lamont/Duncan

THAT the committee move into CLOSED session.

CARRIED

3. Open Session

3.1. Approval of Minutes of September 15, 2015 (Attached)

MOTION 030.OCT15 Duncan/Gatien

THAT the minutes of September 15, 2015 be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

4. Business Arising

5. New Business

5.1 Decanal Search for Dean of Music (Sen. Robinson)

Election of **2 Faculty** member Senators, elected by Senate, who are not members of the Faculty/School concerned;

Election of **1 Student** Senator elected by Senate, normally from the Faculty/School concerned

Senator Egan nominated Senator Ardelli seconded by Senator Bach.

ELECTED BY ACCLAMATION

Senator Garbutt nominated Senator Ross seconded by Senator Egan.

ELECTED BY ACCLAMATION

Senator Spence nominated Senator Brown seconded by Senator Duncan.

ELECTED BY ACCLAMATION

5.2 Curriculum & Academic Planning Committee (Sen. Robinson) (Attached)

MOTION 031.OCT15 CAP Egan/Ardelli

THAT Senate approve the Faculty of Science, Department of Psychology, new Honours program requirements as attached.

CARRIED

MOTION 032.OCT15 CAP Gatien/Brown

THAT Senate approve the School of Music calendar and course changes as listed below.

- 65:355 Perspectives on Contemporary Performance Regularize course
- 65:339 Topics New Course
- 65:399 Directed Study New Course
- 65:439 Topics New Course
- 65:499 Directed Study New Course

CARRIED

5.3 Senate Scholarship Committee (Sen. Plosker) (Attached)

MOTION 033.OCT15 SC Plosker/Gatien

(Scholarship motions were carried out as an omnibus motion.)

1. THAT Senate the approve the new Terms of Reference for the Julia E. Anderson as follows:

To be awarded, on the recommendation of the School of Music Scholarship Committee, to an outstanding entering or continuing student in the School of Music. This award may not be divided.

Award Value: Use income allocation, approximately \$450.00*

*Award value is subject to change based on market values and the BU Foundation's distribution rate in any given fiscal year.

2. That Senate approve the new Terms of Reference for the Department of Native Studies Graduate Scholarship as follows:

To be awarded, by departmental recommendation, to a graduating student with a major or minor in Native Studies who is proceeding to graduate or professional studies.

Award Value: Number and amount of awards will vary

3. That Senate approve the revised Terms of Reference and award amount for the Dr. Al Bush Memorial Scholarship as follows:

To be awarded by departmental recommendation to a Biology Major in the Biology Stream who is entering the 4th year and who has the highest grade point average in Biology courses.

Award Value: Use income allocation, approximately, \$650.00

* Award value is subject to change based on market values and the BU Foundation's distribution rate in any given fiscal year.

4. That Senate approve the revised name changes, Terms of Reference and award values for the Manitoba Rural Initiatives Scholarship Endowment Funding Agreement as follows:

Manitoba Rural Development Scholarship
Terms 10.1

Manitoba Rural Development Undergraduate Scholarship in Rural and Community Studies
This scholarship is to be awarded to an undergraduate student from rural Manitoba (which includes any Manitoba community outside of Winnipeg) who is enrolled in the Rural and Community Studies Program at Brandon University. Any undergraduate student who currently holds \$12,000.00 or more per year in other scholarship or bursary funding will not be eligible to receive this award. This scholarship is renewable one time. In other words, the same undergraduate student may be eligible to receive this scholarship twice in two separate years.

Terms 10.2

Manitoba Rural Development Graduate Assistantship in Rural Development

This scholarship is to be awarded to graduate students from rural Manitoba (which includes any Manitoba community outside of Winnipeg) who are enrolled in the Rural Development Graduate Program at Brandon University. This scholarship will allow students to work for a designated faculty member part-time for one term. When possible, priority will be given to at least one recipient whose research is focused directly on rural economic development. Any graduate student who currently holds \$12,000.00 or more per year in other scholarship or bursary funding will not be eligible to receive this award. This scholarship is renewable one time. In other words, the same graduate student may be eligible to receive this award twice in two separate years.

Approximate value: 2 awards per year x \$2,500.00*

* Award value is subject to change based on market values and the BU Foundation's distribution rate in any given fiscal year.

Terms 10.3

Manitoba Rural Development Scholarship in Rural Development (Master's Degree)

CARRIED

5.4 Faculty of Education Academic Plan (Sen. Robinson)(For information only)

Senator Duncan stated that the development of the Education Academic Plan was a valuable process. The faculty looked at their Vision and Mission statements. The process generated fruitful conversation within the faculty. The Plan will be a work in progress over the next five years.

5.5 Report from the Board of Governors Representative to Senate (Sen. Boyd)

No report. The next meeting of the Board of Governors will be on November 28, 2015.

**5.6 Deans' and University Librarian's Reports (Dr. Fearon will call on Deans for verbal reports)
(Not minuted)**

5.7 The Report of the Vice-President (Academic & Provost) (Sen. Robinson)

Senator Robinson reported on the following:

The Centre for Teaching, Learning, & Technology (CTLTC) has been busy organizing events. Dr. Robinson has been attending meetings of the Academic Coordination Advisory Group, in Winnipeg. This group consists of the Vice-Presidents Academics from all of the Manitoba institution and members from the Ministry.

The VP Academic Office is looking at teaching work load assignments using the system laid out in the current BUFA Collective Agreement. There are a FAQ page and work sheets on the VPA web page for reference.

Senator Robinson recently traveled with Dr. Fearon and Senator Duncan to Dauphin to discuss the possibilities of BU doing more educational outreach to the community. At the present time, BU does have a number of Master of Education students located in Dauphin.

At the Senate meeting of September 15, 2015, the Senate Executive was tasked with forming a committee to review the University policy regarding the granting of Emeritus/Emerita status. This committee has had its first meeting and will make ongoing progress this term.

The University has received \$75,000 to hire a Coop Coordinator (shared with UCN). This position will be used to help support programs in the Faculties of Arts and Science.

5.8 The Report of the Associate Vice-President (Student Services and Enrolment Management) and University Registrar (Sen. Brophy)

Senator Brophy reported on the following:

After consultation with students and other stakeholders, the name of the Disabilities Services Office has been changed to Student Accessibility Services Office.

The Student Success Officers have begun the Fall 2016 recruitment process and will be in a number of communities encouraging students to attend Brandon University.

The area is in the process of hiring a councilor sabbatical replacement to start in January.

The new Director of the Indigenous Peoples' Centre is Mr. George Kennedy.

The Director of International Activities will be traveling to meet with agents and others in China, the Caribbean and Russia over the next six weeks.

There is currently a committee that has been meeting to revise the format of the Undergraduate Calendar.

The Early Alert program is ongoing.

Is working with the Indigenous Education Working Group that has come out of the Council of Presidents of Universities in Manitoba (CoPUM).

5.9 The Report from the Brandon University Student Union (BUSU)

Senator Brown reported that the BUSU event during orientation, "Crash the Courtyard", was a success with over 700 students attending. This is an increase of 50% in comparison to other years.

BUSU would like to thank Physical Plant and Student Services staff for their help with this event. BUSU looks forward to their continuing work with Student Services staff over the next year.

With help from Dr. Corinne Mason, approximately 170 people attended the "Take Back the Night" walk.

With the Federal Election approaching, BUSU is hosting an all-candidates debate and encouraging youth to vote.

There was a walk on October 10th, "Light the World Purple", in recognition of the day against bullying.

5.10 President's Report (Dr. Fearon)

Dr. Fearon reported on the following

He is representing Brandon University on the Brandon Urban Aboriginal Peoples Council (BUAPC).

There was good discussion at the General Faculty Council (GFC), and the President's Office is looking at scheduling the next meeting.

At GFC it was reported that the University was in the process of establishing an Institutional Data and Analysis Office; Ms. Deb Berkan is the Director, and a website is under construction. As part of this, the Office is looking at producing a University Fact book and having it posted to the web site. The increase in enrolment and credit hours is continuing.

Strategic Items:

- Recent institutional and external strategies pertaining to post-secondary education have been discussed which includes a research plan, the Academic Plan, the Manitoba Post-Secondary plan, the Brandon Urban Aboriginal Peoples Council (BUAPC) Strategic Plan, and a plan with the city of Brandon related to the downtown core and how Brandon University can engage with the city;
- The University has been working with ACC for over a year on items stemming from the MOU that was signed; currently there are ongoing collaborative activities related to academic and administrative professional development

The search for a Vice-President (Academic & Provost) has its first meeting scheduled for next week. For the second year, there has been a meeting between the President's Advisory Committee members and the Executive of BUSU. These meetings are a valuable opportunity to discuss the student experiences at BU.

The office of Institutional Advancement has moved to the main floor of Clark Hall in order to increase accessibility for alumni and donors.

Alumni Relations has hosted a number of events in Toronto with more than 50 alumni attending; events were also held in Calgary and Winnipeg. The development of an alumni chapter in Brandon is ongoing.

Dr. Fearon reminded the committee members that Homecoming is this weekend and encouraged members to attend.

6 Other Business

7 Correspondence

8 Adjournment

MOTION 034.OCT15 Brown/Egan

THAT the Senate adjourn
Meeting was adjourned at 3:00pm

CARRIED