

**MINUTES
OF THE SECOND REGULAR MEETING OF THE 50TH SENATE
HELD TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2017 @ 2:00 P.M.
LOUIS RIEL ROOM, MCMASTER CONCOURSE**

Present: Dr. Steve Robinson (Chair); Mr. Garnet Boyd; Ms. Betty Braaksma;
Mr. Michael Cain; Dr. Heather Duncan; Dr. Noreen Ek;
Ms. Katie Gross; Dr. Austin Gulliver; Mr. Scott Lamont; Ms. Stacey Lee;
Ms. Andrea McDaniel; Mr. Michael Malazdrewicz; Dr. Hamid Mumin;
Dr. Burcu Ntelioglou; Dr. Linda Ross; Dr. Meir Serfaty; Dr. Deanna Smid;
Dr. Gautam Srivastava; Dr. Demetres Tryphonopoulos; Ms. Sheree Blacksmith (BUSU);
Mr. Nicholas Brown (BUSU); Ms. Laura Davidson (BUSU); Ms. Whitney Hodgins (BUSU);
Ms. Kim Fallis (Recording Secretary)

Regrets: Dr. Edward Bach; Dr. Chris Beeman; Dr. Dean Care; Mr. Greg Gatien;
Mr. Jack Lindsay; Mr. Grant Prairie; Ms. Kim Ryan-Nichols;
Ms. Meagan Stade (BUSU); Ms. Emily Simon (BUSU)

As this was the first meeting for a number of new Senators, introductions were conducted,

1. Approval of Agenda

MOTION 018.SEPT17 Brown/Braaksma

THAT the agenda be approved as amended.
Numbering for the last items on the agenda was corrected.

CARRIED

2. Welcome and Orientation

Dr. Robinson welcomed new and returning Senators.

3. Closed Session

MOTION 019.SEPT17 Brown/Lamont

THAT the committee move into CLOSED session.

CARRIED

4. Open Session

4.1. Approval of Minutes of June 13, 2017

MOTION 022.SEPT17 Srivastava/Lee

THAT the minutes of June 13, 2017 be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

4.2. Appointments of Committees

4.2.1 Election of a Senate Representative to the Library Committee

Senator Braaksma nominated Senator Brown, seconded by Senator Duncan.

ELECTED BY ACCLAMATION

4.2.2 Election of a Senate Representative to the Scholarship Committee

Senator Serfaty nominated Senator Gatien, seconded by Senator Duncan.

Senator Gatien was not in attendance, but the Senate Office will contact him to ensure that he is willing to let his name stand.

ELECTED BY ACCLAMATION

4.2.3 Election of two Senators, ONE of whom has to be a Student Senator, for the Indigenous Education Subcommittee of Senate

Senator Beeman indicated prior to the Senate meeting that he would be willing to continue in his role on the Committee, so it was only necessary to elect the Student Senator.

Senator Brown nominated Senator Blacksmith, seconded by Senator Gross.

ELECTED BY ACCLAMATION

4.3.4 Election of a Senator to the Senate Research Committee

Senator Duncan nominated Senator Ntelioglou, seconded by Senator Braaksma.

ELECTED BY ACCLAMATION

4.3.5 Appointment & Review of Academic Administrators – Dean of Education

- **1(one) Student Senator, elected by Senate, normally from the Faculty/School concerned.**

Senator Malazdrewicz nominated Senator Brown, seconded by Senator Hodgins.

ELECTED BY ACCLAMATION

4.3.6 Dean of Science Search

- **2 (two) Faculty member Senators, elected by Senate, who are not members of the Faculty of Science**

Senator Srivastava nominated Senator Malazdrewicz, seconded by Senator Duncan.

ELECTED BY ACCLAMATION

Senator Ross nominated Senator Ek, seconded by Senator Braaksma.

ELECTED BY ACCLAMATION

- **1 (one) Student Senator, elected by Senate, (normally) from the Faculty of Science**

Senator Brown nominated Senator Simon, seconded by Senator Boyd.

ELECTED BY ACCLAMATION

4.3.7 **Dean of Students Search**

- **2 Student Senators elected by and from Senate.**

Senator Duncan nominated Senator Brown, seconded by Senator Srivastava.

ELECTED BY ACCLAMATION

Senator Brown nominated Senator Hodgins, seconded by Senator Mumin.

ELECTED BY ACCLAMATION

4.3.8 **Election of Student Senator to the Senate Executive**

Senator Tryphonopoulos nominated Senator Brown, seconded by Senator Lamont.

ELECTED BY ACCLAMATION

5. **Business Arising**

5.1. **Senate Scholarship Committee (Ms. McDaniel) (Item was tabled at the June 13, 2017 meeting)**

MOTION 023.SEPT17 SC Gross/Brown

- 1) **THAT Senate approve of the new Terms of Reference for the Steve Dzubinski Student Athletic Therapist Award:**

To be awarded on the recommendation of the Head Athletic Therapist (or designate) in consultation with the Athletic Director, to a Bobcat Student Therapist. Preference will be given to a returning Student Therapist. This award may be divided.

Award Value: Use income allocation, approximately \$450.00

*The award value is subject to change based on market values and the BU Foundation's distribution rate

- 2) **THAT Senate approve the new Terms of Reference for the Novell Thomas and Annelisa Dey Thomas Coach's Award:**

To be awarded on the recommendation of the Athletic Director, in conjunction with the Head Coach of Women's Basketball, to a member of the women's basketball team who is in good academic standing. This award may be divided.

Award Value: 1 x \$5,000.00 (to a maximum of fees and tuition)

CARRIED

6. New Business

6.1. Curriculum and Academic Planning Committee (Sen. Serfaty)

MOTION 024.SEPT17 CAP Serfaty/Malazdrewicz

THAT Senate approve the School of Music course changes as noted below;

- 06/66:344 Foundations of Music Prerequisite change
- 66:468 Band and Jazz Methods (MY) Remove co-requisite and correct course number of prerequisite
- 66:469 Band and Jazz Methods (SY) Remove co-requisite and correct course number of prerequisite
- Calendar placement memo for 66:468 and 66:469, note to correct course number for 66:468 in table.

CARRIED

MOTION 025.SEPT17 CAP Serfaty/Gross

THAT Senate approve the Important Dates for the 2017-2018 Undergraduate Calendar be revised as attached.

CARRIED

6.2. Senate Bylaw Committee (Sen Care)

MOTION 026.SEPT17 BLC Brown/Braaksma

THAT Senate approve the revised Senate Bylaw as submitted by the Bylaws Review Committee as amended.

CARRIED

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

There was no report. The next meeting of the Board of Governors is scheduled for September 21, 2017.

6.4 Report from the Brandon University Students' Union (BUSU) President (Sen. Brown)

Senator Brown reported on the following:

- He reported that there were more first year students engaged in Orientation events than in previous years.
- He thanked Senator Gross, Mr. Trevor McIntyre, and the staff from Student Services who helped with the Orientation events.
- He notified Senate that the student union will be asking for a day of amnesty on October 31, 2017. This will be a national day of action for post-secondary institutions.

6.5 Deans', University Librarian, and Registrar's Reports (Dr. Robinson will call on these individuals for verbal reports)

6.6 Report from the Vice-President (Academic & Provost) (Sen. Serfaty)

Senator Serfaty reported on the following:

- He reported that his first few weeks in his new role as Vice-President had been interesting, and he is learning many new things about the University.
- He reported that his office will be busy in the next few months with two decanal searches as well as the review of the Dean of Education.

6.7 Report from the President (Dr. Robinson)

Dr. Robinson reported on the following:

- Enrollments are up by 6%, and there is an increase of 8% in first year students. Due to these increases, many programs such as Business Administration are operating at capacity.
- He attended the orientation ceremony in the HLC and stated that John Montgomery, the keynote speaker, was very interesting.
- He was in attendance with the President of Assiniboine Community College and the Mayor of Brandon to sign the Orientation Week proclamation.
- He reported that he met with the Master of Psychiatric Nursing students when they were on campus for their orientation.
- He attended the new employee orientation and met with a number of new employees.
- He and Dr. Fearon attended a meeting with the Minister of Education and Training, Ian Wishart, and they shared the University's agenda with the government.
- In the coming weeks, there will be another meeting in Winnipeg with all post-secondary presidents and the government.
- The Indigenous Education Committee will continue meeting this year and will be bringing information to Senate.
- He and Dr. Fearon met with members of the Manitoba Metis Federation to discuss common hopes for Metis students and to seek ways in which Brandon University can help them to succeed.
- He has met with Senator Serfaty and faculty representatives with a view to getting the Metis Studies program started.
- He has met with Chief Vincent Tacan, from Sioux Valley First Nation, to discuss further opportunities for Sioux Valley High School students to interact with BU students.
- He will be meeting with representatives from the Brandon School Division, ACC, and Indigenous leaders from the region to facilitate the life long journey of education for Indigenous students from Kindergarten through university.
- There will be a permanent teepee erected on campus.
- There will be an exhibit in the library until October 20, 2017 exploring the legacy of the Residential School system.
- The development of the downtown property is continuing with a feasibility study undertaken by the University of Winnipeg Community Renewal Corporation (UWCRC). This organization has experience with the University of Winnipeg's downtown development.
- There will be one or more of Town Halls scheduled by the UWCRC to discuss the downtown development.
- The Homecoming weekend will be October 12 – 15, 2017.

7. **Other Business**

8. **Correspondence**

Dr. Robinson shared a letter from Dr. Deanna Rexe, Vice President Academic, Assiniboine Community College (ACC), regarding the joint School of Business between ACC and Brandon University. There was a discussion regarding the program and the letter.

9. **Adjournment**

MOTION 027.SEPT17 Brown/Ross

THAT the Senate adjourn.
Senate adjourned at 3:20 pm

CARRIED