

**MINUTES
OF THE SIXTH REGULAR MEETING OF THE 50TH SENATE
HELD TUESDAY, MARCH 13, 2018 @ 2:00 P.M.
LOUIS RIEL ROOM, MCMASTER CONCOURSE**

Present: Dr. Steven Robinson (Chair); Dr. Bernadette Ardelli; Dr. Edward Bach;
Dr. Chris Beeman; Mr. Michael Cain; Dr. Dean Care; Dr. Heather Duncan;
Dr. Noreen Ek; Mr. Greg Gatien; Ms. Katie Gross; Mr. Scott Lamont;
Ms. Stacey Lee; Mr. Jack Lindsay; Ms. Andrea McDaniel (Recording Secretary);
Mr. Michael Malazdrewicz; Dr. Hamid Mumin; Dr. Burcu Ntelioglou;
Ms. Kim Ryan; Dr. Meir Serfaty; Dr. Gautam Srivastava; Dr. Demetres Tryphonopoulos;
Ms. Sheree Blacksmith (BUSU); Mr. Nicholas Brown (BUSU); Ms. Laura Davidson (BUSU);
Ms. Whitney Hodgins (BUSU);

Regrets: Ms. Betty Braaksma; Mr. Grant Prairie; Dr. Linda Ross; Ms. Meagan Stade (BUSU);
Ms. Emily Simon (BUSU); Ms. Kim Fallis

1. Approval of Agenda

MOTION 125.MAR18 Brown/Cain

THAT the agenda be approved as distributed

CARRIED

2. Closed Session

MOTION 126.MAR18 Hodgins/Davidson

THAT the committee move into CLOSED session.

CARRIED

3. Open Session

3.1. Approval of Minutes of February 13, 2018

MOTION 131.MAR18 Hodgins/Brown

THAT the minutes of February 13, 2018 be approved as distributed.

CARRIED

4. Business Arising

5. New Business

5.1. Curriculum and Academic Planning (Sen. Serfaty)

MOTION 132.MAR18 CAP Serfaty/Care

THAT Senate approve the Faculty Health Science, deletion of the following Psychiatric Nursing courses that are no longer taught.

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| • 69:263 Medical Nursing for Psychiatric Nurses I | Delete course |
| • 69:264 Medical Nursing for Psychiatric Nurses | Delete course |
| • 69:352 Decision Management in Nursing | Delete course |

- 69:354 Principles of Palliative Care

Delete course

CARRIED

MOTION 133.MAR18 CAP Serfaty/Brown

THAT Senate approve the revision to the Important Dates 2018-2019 for the Undergraduate and Graduate Calendars as attached.

CARRIED

Senator Serfaty informed the committee that the Non-Credit Certificate Sub-Committee of Senate recently approved the Professional Skills Development Certificate. For details on the program please contact Mr. Doug Pople at pople@brandonu.ca

5.2. **Senate Scholarship Committee (Sen. Gatien)**

MOTION 134.MAR18 SC Gatien/Cane

- (1) THAT Senate approve the new Terms of Reference for the George & Maxine Moore Music Award as follows:

To be awarded, on the recommendation of the School of Music Scholarship Committee, to an entering or continuing student in the School of Music who demonstrates outstanding skill in the area of performance, with preference to students in the Master of Music program. This award may be shared.

Award Value: Use income allocation, approximately \$4,500.00*

*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 Malcolm Sibbald Moore Physics Scholarship as follows:

To be awarded, on the basis of academic achievement, to a student in a Physics major or minor, with preference given to a Physics major. This award may be shared.

Award Value: Use income allocation, approximately \$4,500.00*

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

- (3) THAT the Senate Scholarship Committee recommends to Senate the approval of the new Terms of Reference for the NetSet Communications, A Division of Xplornet Inc. – Prairie Spirit School Division Student Teacher Scholarship as follows:

To be awarded on the recommendation of the Faculty of Education to a student in any undergraduate program in the Faculty of Education who has shown professional promise during a field experience placement at a school in the Prairie Spirit School Division. Preference will be given to students in the final year of their program. This award may not be further divided.

Award value: 2 x \$2,000.00

- (4) THAT Senate approve the revised name and award value for the Grateful Alumni Scholarship in Music as follows:

~~Grateful Alumni Scholarship in Music~~

Glen & Heather Carruthers Scholarship in Music

~~Award Value: 1 award x \$500.00~~

Award Value: Use income allocation, approximately \$1,200.00*. As this fund is expected to grow over time, thus increasing the award value, let it be known that the intention of the donors is to offer one or more scholarships of up to full-tuition, and that the available funds may be shared between two or more students at the University's discretion.

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

CARRIED

5.3. **Senate Research Committee** (Sen. Serfaty)

MOTION 135.MAR18 SR Duncan/Ardelli

THAT Senate approve the new policy on Training of Personnel Working with Animals as attached.

CARRIED

MOTION 136.MAR18 SR Duncan/Ardelli

THAT Senate approve the revised Policy for the Adoption of Animals used in Research and Teaching as attached.

CARRIED

MOTION 137.MAR18 SR

THAT Senate approve the revised BUACC Terms of Reference as attached.

CARRIED

5.4. **Indigenous Education Senate Sub-Committee – Revision of Membership** (Sen. Serfaty)

MOTION 138.MAR18 Serfaty/Gross

THAT Senate approve the changes to the membership of the Indigenous Education Committee as noted below:

1. There shall be an Indigenous Education Committee consisting of:
 - a. the Vice-President (Academic & Provost)-~~as Chair~~;
 - b. three members of Senate, including a BUSU representative;
 - c. one member elected by and from each of the five academic Faculty/School Councils;
 - d. the Dean of Students;
 - e. the Director of the Library;
 - f. five indigenous students ~~two members from the BU Aboriginal Student Council~~;
 - g. the Director of the Indigenous Peoples' Centre;
 - h. one member from PENT (faculty);
 - i. one member from the Department of Native Studies;
 - j. one member from the Brandon Urban Aboriginal Peoples' Council; and
 - ~~k. two members with one being determined by the Committee and the other by the Chair;~~
 - k. Indigenous representative from the Brandon School Division Administration;
 - l. Indigenous representative from the Manitoba Métis Federation;
 - m. Indigenous representative from Assiniboine Community College;
 - n. Anishanabek Knowledge Keeper;
 - o. Dakota Knowledge Keeper;
 - p. Inuit Knowledge Keeper; and
 - q. Métis Knowledge Keeper; and
 - r. Cree Knowledge Keeper.

2. Two co-chairs shall be elected by and from the committee.

CARRIED with a friendly amendment to add r. Cree Knowledge Keeper

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

Senator Robinson informed Senate that this is the final Senate meeting for several student Senators: Mr. Nick Brown, Ms. Laura Davidson, and Ms. Sheree Blacksmith. Senate expressed its appreciation for their important contributions.

Senator Brown reported on the following:

- BUSU and students showed support at an event held to protest the recent legal decision on the Coulton Bushie case from Saskatchewan;
- Several BUSU members are participating in the Dean of Students search, the Dean of Education review, and the Presidential search;
- Senator Hodgins recently attended the ROBAND (Reclaiming Our Bodies & Minds) conference as a speaker;
- Women's Collective held a trivia night to celebrate International Women's Day
- BUSU election results have been released. All eight people who ran were elected, including Whitney who was re-elected Accessibilities Director. In a rare occurrence, no candidate ran to serve as President, so BUSU does not currently have a President for the 2018-19 academic year. Procedures are being put in place to manage this situation. The slim pool of student government candidates this year was not unique to BU but was experienced at other Manitoba post-secondary institutions as well. This is possibly attributable to the current provincial political climate;
- BUSU members will be participating in Long Night Against Procrastination tomorrow;
- Brandon School Division Spring Break is scheduled for the last week of March. BUSU respectfully requests that faculty to be as accommodating as possible with students who bring their children to class that week.

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

5.7 Vice-President (Academic & Provost) Report (Sen. Serfaty)

Senator Serfaty

- After last month's Senate meeting at which provincial approval was announced, our Co-op program also received federal approval meaning BU's Co-op students now have access to all government agencies and organizations for possible placements.

5.8 President Report (Dr. Robinson)

Senator Robinson

- There was no mention of post-secondary education during the public announcement of the provincial budget. However, BU has received a letter directly from the government indicating that the operating grant will be reduced by 0.9% even though institutional costs are increasing by 4-6% each year. A 0% increase had been anticipated, so budget adjustments will be made as needed. The budget will be approved at the May Board of Governors meeting.
- The letter received by BU also included a formal directive from the government regarding the mandatory 15% reduction in management positions that was mentioned at last month's Senate meeting;
- Dean of Students search is well underway and progressing;
- Senate approved several Lifetime Achievement Awards at a previous meeting. All three nominees have accepted, and formal public announcements will be forthcoming;

- Senator Robinson was interviewed for a CBC radio documentary on the City of Brandon, including mention of Brandon University;
- BU is sponsoring Kids' Day at the Royal Manitoba Winter Fair this year (Thursday, March 29), and those on campus who are organizing the day will be soliciting volunteers to assist;
- BU Homecoming Save the Date announcements were distributed to each Senator at the beginning of the meeting. This is an important event as Homecoming will be the culmination of BU's 50th anniversary celebration. The University is planning to encourage alumni from all graduating classes to attend and participate. The event schedule will include more activities than in past years. Senators are also encouraged to join in the celebrations.
- Senator Robinson sent an email recently to all Senators related to the Annual Fund appeal. He encourages Senators to participate in BU's 50th anniversary fundraising activities. Usually, the Annual Fund campaign ends in April, but this year, the campaign will carry through the fall until next Homecoming. The fund has already received double the amount it normally receives for the full year. Invitations to participate in this fundraising activity have also been sent to the Alumni Association, the Board, and will be sent to the Foundation Board shortly.

6. Other Business

Senator Mumin noted that the Board of Governors will receive the feasibility report of the University of Winnipeg Renewal Corporation regarding the downtown development at its meeting this coming Saturday. Any Senators who have substantial concerns regarding the report and its implications should communicate them to Senator Mumin or Senator Cain so that these concerns can be discussed and addressed at the Board meeting. Once the report has been discussed at the Board meeting on Saturday, it will become public. The Board will be determining "next steps" coming out of the report at its meeting in May.

7. Correspondence

8. Adjournment

MOTION 139.MAR18 Bach/Gross

THAT the Senate adjourn

CARRIED