

MINUTES
FOR THE NINTH REGULAR MEETING OF THE 51st SENATE
HELD TUESDAY, MAY 14, 2019 @ 2:00 P.M.
LOUIS RIEL ROOM, MCMASTER CONCOURSE

Present: Dr. David Docherty (Chair); Dr. Bernadette Ardelli;
Dr. Dean Care; Dr. Heather Duncan; Mr. Greg Gatien;
Dr. Jon-Tomas Godin; Ms. Katie Gross; Mr. Scott Lamont;
Ms. Stacey Lee; Ms. Andrea McDaniel; Mr. Michael Malazdrewicz;
Dr. James Naylor; Dr. Burcu Ntelioglou; Mr. Grant Prairie;
Ms. Kim Ryan; Dr. Linda Ross; Mr. Rainer Schira;
Dr. Gautam Srivastava; Mr. Derrick Stewart;
Dr. Demetres Tryphonopoulos; Mr. Manuel Colmenarez (BUSU);
Mr. Olusola Akintola (BUSU); Ms. Whitney Hodgins (BUSU);
Ms. Kim Fallis (Recording Secretary).

Regrets: Dr. Chris Beeman; Dr. Christophe LeMoine, Mr. Jack Lindsay;
Dr. Hamid Mumin.

1. Approval of Agenda

MOTION 153.MAY19 Tryphonopoulos/Hodgins

THAT the agenda be approved as distributes.

CARRIED

2. Closed Session

MOTION 154.MAY19 Gross/Ryan

THAT the committee move into CLOSED session.

CARRIED

3. Open Session

3.1. Approval of Minutes of March 19, 2019 (Attached)

MOTION 159.MAY19 Naylor/Lamont

THAT the minutes of March 19, 2019 be approved as distributed.

CARRIED

4. Business Arising

5. New Business

5.1. Centre for Critical Studies of Rural Mental Health (Sen. Duncan)

MOTION 156.MAY19 Duncan/Ross

THAT the Senate recommend that the Board of Governors approve the establishment of a Centre for Critical Studies of Rural Mental Health – Faculty of Health Studies.

CARRIED

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

MOTION 160.MAY19 CAP Robinson/Gross

THAT Senate approve the Department of Psychiatric Nursing's adoption of the Brandon University Fall Study Week beginning in the 2019-2020 academic year for all students in the Bachelor of Science Psychiatric Nursing program.

CARRIED

MOTION 161.MAY19 CAP Robinson/Duncan

THAT Senate approve the Canadian Armed Forces (CAF) Qualifications Assessment Committee of the Curriculum and Academic Planning Committee of Senate

CARRIED

MOTION 162.MAY19 CAP Robinson/Tryphonopoulos

THAT Senate approve the deletion of 68/12:176 Introduction to Linguistics I and 68/12:177 Introduction to Linguistics II, as submitted by the Faculty of Arts, Departments of Native Studies and Anthropology.

CARRIED

MOTION 163.MAY19 CAP Robinson/Ardelli

THAT Senate approve the elimination the Applied Psychology stream (set of Courses) from the program listing as submitted by the Faculty of Science, Department of Psychology.

CARRIED

MOTION 164.MAY19 CAP Robinson/Ardelli

THAT Senate approve the new course 82:260 Positive Psychology, as submitted by the Faculty of Science, Department of Psychology.

CARRIED

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

MOTION 165.MAY19 SC Gatien/Gross

1. THAT Senate approve the new Terms of Reference for the Manitoba Association of Plant Biologists Award.
2. THAT Senate approve the new Terms of Reference for the Weston Family Scholarship.
3. THAT Senate approve the new Terms of Reference for the Esuke Toke Nursing Scholarship.

CARRIED

MOTION 166.MAY19 SC Gatien/Lee

1. THAT Senate approve the revised Terms of Reference for the Connor, Clark & Lunn Financial Group Scholarship-Bursary in Business Administration.
2. THAT Senate approve the revised Terms of Reference for the Hon. John Stewart McDiarmid Student Research Scholarship.

3. THAT Senate approve the revised Terms of Reference and award value for The Margaret Laurence Scholarship in Gender & Women's Studies.
4. THAT Senate approve the new Terms of Reference for the Master of Education Graduate Scholarship.
5. THAT the Senate Scholarship Committee recommends to Senate the approval of the revised Terms of Reference for the Lieutenant Governor's Gold Medal.

CARRIED

5.4. **Senate Bylaw Review Committee** (Sen. Robinson)

MOTION 167.MAY19 Robinson/Duncan

THAT Senate approve the revised Senate Bylaws for 2019 as submitted by the Senate Bylaw Committee.

CARRIED

5.5. **Senate Dates for 2019 – 2020** (Ms. McDaniel)

MOTION 168.MAY19 Hodgins/Ryan

THAT Senate approve the following dates for the 52nd Senate meetings for 2019-2020 year. All meetings are on a Tuesday. Meetings will be held in the Louis Riel Room beginning at 2:00 pm.

- June 18, 2019
- September 17, 2019
- October 15, 2019
- November 19, 2019
- December 17, 2019
- January 14, 2020
- February 25, 2020
- March 17, 2020
- May 19, 2020

CARRIED

5.6. **Report from the Board of Governors Representative** (Sen. Stewart)

Senator Stewart reported that he was unable to attend the Board of Governors meeting of May 11, 2019.

Dr. Docherty reported on the following:

- That the tuition fee schedule for the 2019 – 2020 year was approved.
- That the Jr. Kindergarten program offered by the Faculty of Education will be closed as of June 2020.
- He shared the following motion regarding the Brodie Science meeting and reported that there is a meeting scheduled for next week to begin the discussion;
BE IT RESOLVED THAT the President and Vice-Chancellor develop a plan in response to the Preliminary Assessment & Conceptual Design Recommendations for Brandon University, as prepared by Prairie Architects, for consideration and approval by the Board of Governors;
AND
THAT the plan be inclusive of the options related to the scope of work and financing of the project and that it be developed in consultation with the Dean and Faculty of Science.

5.7 **Report from the Brandon University Students' Union (BUSU) President** (Sen. Akintola)

Senator Akintola and Hodgins reported on the following;

- The newly elected Executive began their term as of April 1, 2019
- They will continue seeking students for the Senate and Director position and hope to have them filled by the end of June.
- The food bank operation has changed to its summer hours
- BUSU will be hosting a PENT BBQ on May 28, 2019.
- Three BUSU delegates will be attending the Canadian Federation of Students meetings in June.
- They will be participating in the Brandon Pride from June 10 -16. The parade will take place on June 16, 2019.

5.7. Reports from Members of Deans' Council (Dr. Docherty will call on these individuals for reports)

Faculty of Arts – Senator Tryphonopoulos

- There will be seven new appointments beginning in September 2019
- Dr. Lisa Robinson has been named as Acting, Dean of Arts beginning June 1, 2019

Acting University Library – Senator Schira

- With the new budget year, the 2-year pilot project of the library's new budget allocation implementation has started. An email will come out soon explaining how faculty members can recommend the purchase of on-going cost items. People should be aware that this does not mean that we will be able to afford recommendations we get. The reality of the budget is that we will most likely have to cancel something to purchase something new.
- The library is in the process of posting for a Music Librarian position.
- In partnership with the Western Manitoba Regional Library the BU Library hosted distinguished author and political commentator Gwynne Dyer for a special lecture at the university on May 6. This free event was very well attended, almost filling the Lorne Watson. Special thanks to President Docherty for doing the introductions and Dr. Baker from Political Studies, for being the MC.

Faculty of Health Studies – Senator Care

- Health Studies is currently conducting two searches for instructional instructors in the Psychiatric Nursing program.
- They are also searching for one tenure track position in the Nursing program to start in January.
- The Master program admitted 15 new students to begin in the fall of 2019.

Faculty of Science – Senator Ardelli

- Brandon University hosted the Western Manitoba Science Fair (WMSF): 459 students participating; 38 schools; grades 1-12; Let's Talk Science – Science Olympics another huge success; in thinking about the made in Canada Athena Swan Initiative – now officially called Dimensions: Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Canada – organized The STEMinist Convention: Accessing Your Girl Power. It was a lunch and learn initiative where 78 girls from grades 7-8 (we lose most girls at this age) met with 20 senior science female students to hear their story. Our hope was that if these girls could see themselves / relate to one of our Science students they might be encouraged to stick around.
- On 29 April I arranged a meeting between a number of folks in Science, Bill Ashton in RDI and a number of folks from Manitoba Agriculture. We met to discuss the Manitoba Protein Advantage Strategy and our ideas around the Economic Growth Action Plan.
- We hosted Manitoba Chemistry Symposium May 3-4. The theme of "Bench, Biosphere and Beyond," brought together about 60 faculty and students from Brandon University, the University of Winnipeg, University of Manitoba and the University of British Columbia, as well as the National Research Council of Canada. There were more than 40 scientific presentations.

- The Brandon Enviro Expo started in June 2013 and its purpose is to educate and empower Brandon School Division youth on environmental issues they learn in the classroom and connect to local programs/projects/services carried out by environmental stewards in the community. The Enviro Expo is a high in demand one-day event that is being hosted by Faculty of Science and Brandon University. The expo this year is geared to grades three through six. Classes take part in three interactive workshops put on by local presenters. Some of the interactive workshops include a tour to the bees, planting trees, learning about healthy environments, food security, water pollution and wildlife. The expo has become a popular educational event for both teachers and presenters. We look forward to putting this great event on June 4th, 2019!

School of Music – Senator Gatien

- Pat Carrabré – longtime member of the School of Music’s faculty, former Dean, former Academic Vice-President, will be retiring from his position as of June 30th. He will be moving to Vancouver where he will be assuming the role of Director at the University of British Columbia’s School of Music. Pat’s contributions to the School of Music, University and community is well known and truly outstanding. He will definitely be missed.
- Related, Mary Jo Carrabré will be leaving her role as Director of the Eckhardt-Gramatté Conservatory of Music. Similarly, Mary Jo’s contributions to music and music education have been enormous – she has been a difference maker in our community, teaching, facilitating, fund-raising, mentoring young teachers, performing, and serving on numerous boards in active and meaningful ways.
- Bobbi White has joined the Music Office team and, so far, has been doing outstanding work.
- Recent big events that were successful: the annual E-Gré competition (piano) which was both well-attended and well-reviewed; Music Monday.
- Faculty and students have completed a great year – too many outstanding things to list.

Faculty of Education – Senator Duncan

- The Faculty of Education will be hiring two individuals for the position of Director of BU cares and a sabbatical replacement for Senator Chris Beeman.
- There are currently over 100 PENT students on campus.
- There Master program has 80 new students beginning in September.

Dean of Students – Senator Gross

- Pre-Orientation is set for June 5-6, 2019
- New Student Advising began – May 1 – 105 Arts and Science
- Officially opened Multi-Faith Prayer Space on Friday, March 22, 2019
- Science fair (April 9th), Brandon Career Symposium (April 15-16), Indigenous Student Day
- Peer Wellness and Retention team hosted several exam relief events
- Posted for a 50% Learning Skills Specialist with an emphasis on ESL.
- Student Services have held two retreats: Scarcity versus Abundance Mindset Workshop and a World Café with a research team from Health Studies.
- Working on tightening Financial Appeals policy.

University Registrar – Ms. McDaniel

- Three Convocation ceremonies are upcoming: Education (& Presidential installation) on May 30 (pm); Health Studies & Science on May 31 (am); Arts & Music on May 31 (pm). All staff and faculty will have received a formal invitation by email from the President’s Office. Deadline to RSVP for Convocation attendance and luncheon attendance is May 17.

- The search for a new Director of Admissions & Awards has failed twice, so the position has been recast with slightly different qualifications as a one-year, internal development term with the intention that a BU colleague who is seeking an opportunity to develop leadership skills will have a chance to do so. A full external search will be undertaken again in early 2020.

5.8. Report from the Vice-President (Academic & Provost) (Sen. Robinson)

Senator Robinson stated that he has only been back in this roll since Friday May 10th and he did not have anything else to report.

5.9. Report from the President (Dr. Docherty)

Dr. Docherty reported on the following;

- He reported that in his three weeks in the role a President he has meet with may individuals on campus. He will continue to spend time each week in Forbidden Flavors meeting and chatting with individuals.
- He is looking forward to the next five plus years at Brandon University. His wife Chris and daughter will be joining him in Brandon in late June.
- His background is in Political Science, and he believes that the success of any Parliament is measured not by the number of bills passed, the number of days in session, or group success/failure. He believes healthy and respectful debate between members is the appropriate measure of success. He relates the Senate to Parliament and looks forward to healthy and respectful debate on the floor of Senate.

6. Other Business

7. Correspondence

8. Adjournment

MOTION 169.MAY19 Tryphonopoulos/Ross

THAT the Senate adjourn at 3:00 p.m.

CARRIED