

Minutes

MEETING OF THE SENATE

A meeting of the Senate was held on Monday, October 24, 2011 in Robert Sutherland Hall, Room 202 at 3:30 p.m.

Present: D. Woolf (Chair), **Senators:** Adams, Bevan, Blennerhassett, Bowers, Brouwer, Burford-Grinnell, Campbell, Cheng, Cole, Colgan, Culham, Dickey Young, Dimitrakopoulos, Elliott, Fachinger, Flanagan, Foo, Harrison, Hart, Hird, Johnson, LaFleche, Lamoureux, MacKinnon, MacLean, Maurice, McIntire, D. Moore, Morelli, Oosthuizen, Parker, Remenda, Reznick, Shearer, Sienna, Walters, Wang, Whitehead, Woodhouse, G. Moore (Secretary), C. Russell (Associate)

Also Present: T. Alm, A. Aulhouse, C. Beach, D. Beauchemin, J-A. Brady, R. Coupland, C. Davis, H. Everson, R. Garcia, M. Heeler, E. LeBlanc, R. Lemieux, L. Long, -

4. Principal's Report

Student Mental Health

The Principal noted that he had been impressed with the students' energy and initiative on several fronts. Queen's Wears Green, a Commerce Society campaign to raise awareness of student mental health, is selling t-shirts, with proceeds going to The Jack Project and the Canadian Mental Health Association. The event culminates with a breakfast, performance by the student group Existere and a speakers' series at the Athletics and Recreation Centre. Eric Windeler, father of Jack, a first-year student who died of suicide in 2010, will give a talk on the issue. The Principal's Commission on Mental Health will meet with students, faculty and staff over the next few months and will hold open forums. Updates will be posted on the website at www.queensu.ca/cmh

Provincial Government Relations

The Principal has reached out to the new provincial Minister of Training, Colleges and Universities, Glenn Murray, former Minister of Research and Innovation, and will be meeting with him soon. The Principal plans to continue to engage with all political parties. He described the possible impact of a minority government on post-secondary funding in a context in which annual economic growth is forecasted to be between 1 and 1.5 per cent and where the government plans to limit health-care spending increases to 3 per cent a year, leaving little to no new funding for anything else.

The Principal observed that Queen's must continue to be strategic and careful with existing resources.

Federal Government Relations

The Principal is attending the 100th anniversary meeting of the AUCC in Montreal on October 25. The keynote speaker is alumnus and Governor General David Johnston. Undergraduate Trustee Lauren Long has been invited to participate in a program called "Conversations about Canada," discussing the benefits of universities and university research to Canada.

Academic Planning

The Principal described the extensive consultative process to date. It has been exhaustive and exhausting for the Academic Planning Task Force members over the last 10 months, but the process is crucial to the University's future success. He congratulated and thanked all who have contributed to the development of the Academic Plan. He encouraged senators to review the document carefully and talk about it with colleagues and peers before it comes before the Senate for approval on November 22. He reminded senators that the plan is a living document to be reviewed regularly, updated, changed and improved by Senate as it sees fit in conjunction with the individual faculty boards.

5. Provost's Report (Appendix B, page 10) **a) Report to Senate**

6. Other Reports requested by Senate

a) Council of Ontario Universities (COU) meeting, October 13-14, 2011

Senator Oosthuizen's written report is attached to the minutes.

Senator Oosthuizen, Academic Colleague, updated senators on the recent series of meetings held around the regular Council meeting. The David C. Smith Award, named in honour of the former Queen's Principal, was presented at the Oct. 13 dinner to Dr. Peter George, former President of McMaster University and former President of COU. The main topics discussed at the meetings included the:

- x Ontario election and consequences of a minority government
- x Operation of the Ontario Online Institute
- x Quality Council activities – the Council has ratified all institutional Quality Assurance Processes (IQAPs) www.queensu.ca/provost/responsibilities/qualityassurance.html
- x Extension of Academic Colleague appointment from two years to three years (renewable).

b) Board of Trustees meeting, September 23-24, 2011 (Appendix C, page 12)

There were no questions or comments.

II QUESTION PERIOD

None received

III REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

1. Academic Development (Appendix D, page 14)

a) Degree Name Changes in Queen's School of Business and the School of Graduate Studies

SCAD considered two degree name changes at its October 5 meeting that will benefit the programs in several ways. The changes, which are strongly supported by the students, will affect current and future students but not those who have already graduated.

Moved by Senator Cole, seconded by Senator Brouwer, that Senate approve the following degree name changes in Queen's School of Business and the School of Graduate Studies, effective immediately:

- 1. Master of Management — Global Management to Master of International Business**
- 2. Master of Management — Finance to Master of Finance.**

Carried 11-63

b) Establishment of the Hazell Research professorship in Chemical Design and Innovation in the Faculty of Engineering and Applied Science

Senator Cole noted that the inaugural professorship will be held by a current faculty member and that future competitions will target both internal and external applicants.

Moved by Senator Cole, seconded by Senator Woodhouse, that Senate approve the establishment of the Hazell Research Professorship in Chemical Design and Innovation, subject to ratification by the Board of Trustees.

Carried 11-64

2. Academic Procedures (Appendix E, page 28)

a) Senate Policy on Academic Integrity Procedures – Requirements of Faculties and Schools

Moved by Senator Shearer, seconded by Senator Foo, that Senate approve the amendments to Section 4.4 of the Senate Policy on Academic Integrity Procedures Requirements of Faculties and Schools as described in Appendix E, page 28.

Carried 11-65

In response to a question from Senator Morelli regarding the progression of appeals, Chair H. Everson stated the first appeal of an academic-integrity decision will always be a new hearing of the matter. Subsequent appeals will take the form of a review of the earlier decision and new evidence cannot be admitted at that stage. If the student raises new evidence, the appeal is referred back to the original decision-maker for reconsideration.

3. Nominating (Appendix F, page 30)

a) Elections

The Chair referred to the report in Appendix F, page 30.

Moved by Senator Oosthuizen, seconded by Senator Wang, that Senate approve the election to the committees indicated of those named in the report in Appendix F, page 30.

Carried 11-66

D. Stewart and J. Parker abstained.

4. Academic Planning Task Force (Appendix G, page 31)

a) Notice of Motion

Moved by Senator LaFleche, on behalf of the Senate Agenda Committee, that formal Notice of Motion be given for Senate approval of the Queen's University Academic Plan, 2011, at the November 22, 2011 meeting of the Senate.

The Chair clarified that, according to Bourinot's Rules of Order a Notice of Motion does not require a seconder and is not debatable.

b) Queen's University Academic Plan 2011

The Chair noted that, as described in the Notice of Motion and based on the forthcoming discussion, the Academic Planning Task Force may decide to make minor revisions to the Plan for clarification and amplification as well as correct any factual errors before the Plan comes before Senate on November 22.

Senator D. Moore requested that any motions related to the Academic Plan at the November 22 Senate meeting be conducted by secret ballot. Senator Morelli noted that Bourinot's Rules of Order (Section 43, page 55) gives provision for motions to be decided by secret ballot.

Moved by Senator D. Moore, seconded by Senator Morelli, that any motions pertaining to the Academic Plan at the November 22, 2011 meeting shall be conducted by secret ballot.

The motion was defeated (22-7).

Senator Morelli challenged the chair's ruling to allow discussion of item b) because it was not listed as a discussion item on the agenda, as it had been in previous agendas. In Senator Morelli's view, the Academic Plan was presented for review but should remain unchanged. To allow a discussion

I. Reeve said that the Academic Plan is the first stage of a continuous academic planning process for the University. What is laid out in the plan can and should be revisited in the future. After the amount of work that the Task Force

SORC began work on this task more than a year ago, it realized that it needed to look at the functions of Senate first. After extensive review and discussion, Senate approved the revised Functions of the Senate on April 28, 2011. This year, SORC is examining the committees of Senate in view of the revised functions and the composition of the Senate.

This is why SORC included the proviso on the Deputy Provost appointment; that it is an interim appointment until the SORC has completed its review of Senate composition and that Senate had ratified it. SORC has agreed to put an end date on the Deputy Provost appointment of May 31, 2012 in case it does not complete its review on Senate comp1 Tw -23.109T9jnhi7 -1.157 -23.109TifoTc 0 Tw Tc 0 Tw (i)Tj C

Council of Ontario Universities (COU)

Council Meeting and Other Related Meetings

Held on Thursday October 13 and Friday October 14, 2011

ACADEMIC COLLEAGUES REPORT TO SENATE

As usual the overall meeting involved Executive Heads' meetings, two Academic Colleagues Meetings, and the Council Meeting. The annual dinner at which the David C. Smith Award is presented was also held on the Thursday evening. The award, which is named after the former Queen's University principal, is presented annually to an individual for significant contributions to scholarship and policy on higher education in Canada. This year's recipient was Dr. Peter George, former President of McMaster University and former President of COU.

