Minutes

MEETING OF THE SENATE

A meeting of the Senate was held on Thursday, September 25, 2008 in Room 202 Policy Studies at 3:30 p.m.

Present: Principal Williams in the Chair **Senators:** Archibald, Barnett, Benn, Boag, Boyd, Brien, Brinkworth, Brock, Brown, Bruno-Jofré, Bu, Burns, Chan, P. Dacin, T. Dacin, Deane, Diederichs, Dixon, Ghog, Gibson, Hill, Hills, Horton, Husain, Jahanbakhsh, Kisilevsky, Koich

voting and in particular how additional names will be added to a nomination slate if circumstances warrant an electronic vote. SORC'

- School of Kinesiology

And the following minor projects:

- Increased capacity for the Cogeneration Plant ;
- Refurbishing of a room in the Faculty of Education to allow for cooperative training of technology teachers

Mr. Ronson is expected to visit Queen's before the end of November to tour the campus. Principal Williams stated that some of these projects would require additional monies from fundraising but none would require the University to assume any debt.

<u>Orientation Week</u>
Principal Williams thanked all those involved in the planning and execution of a successful and safe Orientation week. He stated that he had the pleasure of welcoming the Class of 2012 at the Welcoming Ceremony held on September 2, 2008 on the lawn of Summerhill and noted that the gender ratio of the incoming class was 58% female to 42% male.

During Orientation Week, a number of incidents did occur in the surrounding student village resulting in an increase in the number of charges laid by the police. It is not clear if this increase from past years is a result of a rise in inappropriate behavior or an increase in police presence.

5. **Other Reports**
   a) **Research Report** (Appendix D, page 13)
      Principal Williams drew Senate's attention to the Research Report circulated with the Agenda. There were no questions or comments.

   b) **Senate Committee Agenda Topics** (Appendix E, page 19)
      Principal Williams drew Senate's attention to the list of Senate Committee Agenda Topics for 2008-2009 circulated for information. A meeting with the Vice-Principals, Special Advisors to the Principal and the Chairs of Senate Committees was held earlier today to share information

4. **Nominating** (Appendix J, page 46)
    a) **Elections**
        Moved by Senator Oosthuizen
        seconded by Senator Deane
        that those named in Appendix J, page 46 , be elected to the Committees indicated.

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5. **Operations Review** (Appendix K, page 47)
    a) **Ratification of Revisions to the Composition and Terms of Reference of the Senate Advisory
        Research Committee**
        Moved by Senator Stairs
        seconded by Senator Rowe
        **that the Senate ratify the revisions to the terms of reference and composition of the Senate
        Advisory Research Committee as presented in the attached docum 10.0t2ocuted to the Co**

Senator J. Welsh reported that Senate supported an identical motion in 2006 and a similar motion in 2001.

Principal Williams noted that students requesting accommodation are required to approach their instructors well in advance of the event. He also stated that faculty members should not feel pressured into granting exemptions but rather they are being asked to be flexible in making alternate arrangements.

In response to a question from Senator MacLean, it was clarified that instructors were not being asked to alter course requirements. Students requesting accommodation would be expected to meet the same course criteria as other students in the class.

Senator Walker questioned the use of the word amnesty in the title of the Motion which was asking instructors to be flexible. The mover and seconder agreed with a suggestion from Senator Laker that a more appropriate title for the Motion would be "Academic **Consideration**" as opposed to "Academic Amnesty

Who Are We?

Recent Initiatives

Next Steps: Awareness

Next Steps: AI Tutorial Proposal

- main focus - awareness and education
- objectives:
  - to improve educational practice
  - to enhance student learning
  - to educate all students about university standards and expectations in scholarly work BEFORE they run into difficulties
  - to support a university-wide AI framework

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Next Steps: AI Tutorial Proposal

- undergraduate and graduate-student versions
- mandatory for entering students
- to be completed by the end of 1st term
- administered through WebCT (online)
- modular approach (policies, plagiarism, collaboration, etc.)
- takes ~1-1.5h to complete

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