



MINUTES

A meeting of the Senate of the University of Victoria was held on February 1, 2013 at 3:30 p.m. in the Senate and Board Chambers, University Centre, room A180.

1. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Dr. Turpin said the motion from the Senate Committee on Awards would be revised.

Motion: (G. Sutherland/R. Burke)
That the agenda be approved as amended.

CARRIED

2. MINUTES

Motion: (G. Sutherland/L. Van Luven)
That the minutes of the open session of the meeting of the Senate held on January 4, 2013 be approved and that the approved minutes be circulated in the usual way.

CARRIED

3. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Mr. Tony Eder offered some follow up remarks to the university rankings presentation provided at the January meeting. He described the methodology used by different rankings and explained how this affected UVic's rating. With respect to trends in rankings, Mr. Eder noted that UVic's score in the Times Higher Education rankings had been increasing, although its overall placement was dropping.

4. REMARKS FROM THE CHAIR

a. Report on the Acceptance Declined Survey

Dr. Tremblay reminded members of Senate of the discussion at the November meeting when she provided an update on enrolment. She explained that a consultant had been hired to conduct a survey of students who declined the university's admission offer. Dr. Tremblay reported the results of the survey, reviewing the key factors around decisions to decline – location, program, reputation and funding. She reviewed comments from respondents regarding their thoughts around scholarships, cost of attendance, campus visits, and marketing and communications efforts.

Dr. Tremblay said a number of initiatives were underway to build competitive recruitment services. Mr. Dunsdon reported on a few of these, including changes to the entrance scholarship program, development of Discover, U a program aimed to inform students and parents of what

UVic has to offer, and focus groups with high school students regarding the top factors around decisions to decline.

b. Update on Percentage Grading

Dr. Tremblay updated members of Senate on the work undertaken with respect to percentage grading since the November Senate meeting. She said an extensive discussion had taken place at Deans' Council in January regarding the timeframe for implementation, the impact on stakeholders during implementation and potential risks. Dr. Tremblay said the deans had requested more information for review at a future meeting. She said a more fulsome report would be made to Senate following further discussion at Deans' Council.

c. Overview of Draft Updated IT Governance Structure

Dr. Turpin said that, during the discussions regarding percentage grading and other initiatives, the question of how to ensure institutional priorities are being met through the IT governance structure was raised. He explained that Dr. Tremblay and Ms. Gayle Gorrill had engaged in a planning process to develop an updated structure.

Mr. Paul Stokes provided a presentation the draft updated IT governance structure. He provided an overview of the objectives of the governance review and the challenges associated with the current governance structure. Mr. Stokes reviewed the changes being proposed, which included creating new committees, realigning and adding sub-committees, and clarifying roles and responsibilities. He reviewed the role of the proposed committees and discussed next steps. Mr. Stokes encouraged members of Senate to provide input on the proposed changes, which were still in draft form.

Dr. Baer commented that some universities have Senate committees to consider IT matters. Dr. Turpin thought the proposed governance structure included a committee that would consider matters related to Senate. Ms. Gorrill confirmed that as the governance structure evolved, there would be continued assessment of the effectiveness of the committees. Dr. Tremblay added that there would be reporting mechanisms built into the structure.

In response to a question from Ms. Sutherland, Mr. Stokes confirmed that there would be student representation on the committees. Mr. Bell commented that the IT systems at UVic were superior to those at other universities he had attended. Dr. Keller said the proposed changes were significant and thanked those involved for their work.

Dr. Turpin reminded members of Senate that there was still an opportunity to provide feedback. He encouraged them to pick up a document outlining the proposed changes.

d. President's Report

With respect to federal matters, Dr. Turpin said the Association for Universities and Colleges of Canada continued to advocate for increased funding for granting councils, as well as additional funds for investment in international marketing for student recruiting, and scholarships and financial assistance for indigenous students.

Dr. Turpin reported that in January the Canada Foundation for Innovation had announced \$3.4 million in funding to UVic from its Leading Edge Fund in support of research in the areas of

materials science and engineering innovation and commercialization, and cabled ocean observatory technology.

Regarding provincial matters, Dr. Turpin provided an update on the Research Universities' Council of BC Opportunity Agenda for BC. He referred members of Senate to the newspaper articles that had been distributed.

Dr. Turpin provided an update on matters at the university. He reported that:

- collective bargaining was now complete with all staff unions, and that resolution of monetary issues being negotiated with the Faculty Association would be achieved through arbitration;
- NEPTUNE was featured in the Times Colonist on January 27, 2013 in a story about a teenager from the Ukraine;
- the 50th Anniversary special edition of the UVic Annual Review featuring Great Moments in UVic History was released and distributed by mail to members of Senate in January;
- on January 3, 2013, the South Tower residence was awarded LEED Gold certification by the Canada Green Building Council;
- the UVic United Way campaign raised \$256,126 in 2012;
- the Provost's Diversity Research Forum "Critical Conversations: Rethinking Realities" was a great success with many participants from on and off campus;
- on February 4, 2013, the provincial government's B.C. Jobs Start Here travelling job fair will be held at the University of Victoria;
- a special 50th Anniversary IdeaFest will be held on campus from March 4 – 15, 2013;
- Alumni week is being held February 3 – 9, 2013 and in honour of UVic's 50th Anniversary an event will be held on February 7, 2013 to honour "Alumni Who Made a Difference";
- as part of Alumni week, on February 6, 2013, Mr. Paul Nicklen, internationally acclaimed photographer and one of five UVic alumni honoured last fall at the university's 50th Anniversary celebration, will present a public lecture entitled "Polar Obsession";
- on February 18, 2013, award-winning writer Ms. Anne Michaels will present the second in a series of 50th Anniversary President's Distinguished Lectures;
- the 2013 Victoria Leadership Awards ceremony will be held on February 25, 2013;
- the launch of the UNESCO Chair in Community-based Research and Social Responsibility in Higher Education will be held on March 4, 2013 in the Ceremonial Hall of the First Peoples House.

Regarding awards and honours at the university, Dr. Turpin reported that:

- in January, former UVic award-winning basketball coaches Ken and Kathy Shields were named to the BC Sports Hall of Fame; and
- Chancellor Murray Farmer was honoured with the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal.

5. CORRESPONDENCE

There was none.

6. PROPOSALS AND REPORTS FROM SENATE COMMITTEES

a. Senate Committee on Awards

i. New and Revised Awards

Dr. Turpin reminded members of Senate that two of the proposed scholarships – the Founders Committee Graduation Award in Law in Honour of Allan Cox, Hamish Gow and Robert Hutchinson; and the Pemberton Holmes Entrance Scholarship in Honour of Davine Burton – had been withdrawn from the agenda.

Prof. Greshner thanked those individuals who led the Faculty of Law's successful efforts to create a number of student awards over the past year.

Motion: (A. Lepp/J. Wood)

That Senate approve, and recommend to the Board of Governors that it also approve, the new and revised awards set out in the attached document, as recommended by the Senate Committee on Awards:

- Aga Khan Academy Scholarship (Revised)
- Council Of International Schools Scholarship* (Revised)
- United World College Scholarship (Revised)
- Professional Employees Association (PEA) Scholarship* (Revised)
- James S. Carfra, Q.C. Memorial Bursary* (New)
- McCarthy Tétrault LLP Alumni Entrance Scholarship* (New)
- Sheridan Scott – Telecommunications Hall Of Fame Entrance Scholarship* (New)
- London Drugs Foundation Scholarship (New)
- Bennett Jones LLP Alumni Entrance Scholarship* (Revised)
- Carolyn E. & Robert J. McCormick Aboriginal Entrance Scholarship (Revised)
- Nash & Company Entrance Scholarship* (Revised)
- Edna And Bernard Nash Memorial Entrance Scholarship* (New)
- Black Press Business Scholarships (Revised)
- Dr. Douglas Earl Alcorn Scholarship* (Revised)

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CARRIED

b. Senate Committee on Curriculum

i. Annual Report

Motion: (T. Haskett/G. Sutherland)

That Senate receive the 2012/2013 annual report of the Senate Committee on Curriculum for information.

CARRIED

ii. Major Curriculum Changes

Motion: (T. Haskett/M. Webb)

That Senate approve the major curriculum changes recommended by the Faculties and the Senate Committee on Curriculum for inclusion in the 2013-14 academic calendar.

CARRIED

Motion: (B. Smith/D. Baer)

That Senate authorize the Chair of the Senate Committee on Curriculum to make small changes and additions that would otherwise unnecessarily delay the submission of items for the academic calendar.

CARRIED

c. Ad hoc Committee to Consider the Curriculum Process

i. Draft Report and Recommendations

Dr. Webb said the purpose of bringing the draft report to Senate was to receive comments and feedback before the report was finalized for submission to Senate in March. He added that revisions to the policy and procedures on curriculum submissions would be presented to Senate at a subsequent meeting. Dr. Webb reviewed the report, highlighting the key recommendations.

Members of Senate expressed support for the recommendations.

7. PROPOSALS AND REPORTS FROM FACULTIES

a. Faculty of Law

i. Governance Rules for Law Faculty Council

Motion: (D. Greschner/T. Haskett)

That Senate approve the Rules for Law Faculty Council, as recommended by the Faculty of Law.

CARRIED

8. OTHER BUSINESS

a. Ten-Year Sessional Calendar

Motion: (R. Burke/P. Kostek)

That Senate approve the 2012-2022 Ten-Year Sessional Calendar.

CARRIED

b. Academic Year Important Dates

Motion: (G. Sutherland/J. Wood)

That Senate approve the 2013/14 Academic Year Important Dates calendar for submission to the 2013/14 academic calendar.

CARRIED

c. Emeritus

Motion: (T. Haskett/M. Purkis)

That Senate receive for information the Emeritus list for submission to the 2013/14 academic calendar.

CARRIED

d. Senate Meeting Dates

Motion: (R. Tremblay/M. MacDonald)

That Senate approve the 2013/14 Senate Meeting Dates and Other Important Dates schedule.

CARRIED

e. Enrolment Projections

Dr. Tremblay reviewed the report to Senate regarding enrolment projections. She said the university's funded target remained the same as last year; however, an increase to the internal target was proposed.

Dr. Webb asked if the changes to the online admissions system had made a positive impact on applications. Ms. Charlton reported that undergraduate applications were tracking higher than this time last year. She added that it was only midway through the applications cycle; therefore, it was not possible to draw any conclusions yet.

In response to a question about the Opportunity Agenda for BC, Dr. Turpin said the university's enrolment targets did not take into account the proposals outlined in that document.

Motion: (R. Tremblay/P. Keller)

That Senate approve, and recommend to the Board of Governors that it also approve, a projected annualized working enrolment target of 17,528 for the academic year, subject to revision in the event of new information regarding mandated growth, funding levels, and application rates.

CARRIED

There being no other business the meeting was adjourned at 4:39 p.m.

Attendance

MEMBERSHIP OF THE SENATE OF THE UNIVERSITY OF VICTORIA

Effective from July 1, 2012

Feb 1, 2013

EX OFFICIO MEMBERS - University Act: Section 35

(2) (a-f)

- ✓ Chancellor: Murray Farmer (31/12/14)
- ✓ President and Vice-Chancellor: David Turpin, Chair
- ✓ V.P. Academic & Provost: Reeta Tremblay
- V.P. Research: Howard Brunt
- Dean, Peter B. Gustavson School of Business:
Saul Klein
- Dean of Education: Ted Riecken
- ✓ Dean of Engineering: Thomas Tiedje
- ✓ Dean of Continuing Studies: Maureen MacDonald
- ✓ Acting Dean of Fine Arts: Lynne Van Luven
- Dean of Graduate Studies: David Capson
- ✓ Dean of Humanities: John Archibald
- ✓ Dean of HSD: Mary Ellen Purkis
- ✓ Dean of Law: Donna Greschner
- ✓ Dean of Science: Robert Lipson
- ✓ Dean of Social Sciences: Peter Keller, Vice-Chair
- ✓ University Librarian: Jonathan Bengtson

MEMBERS ELECTED BY THE FACULTIES -

Section 35 (2) (g)

- BUSI: ✓ Brock Smith (30/6/15)
- Richard Wolfe (30/6/13) ✓
- EDUC: Mary Kennedy (30/6/14)
- ✓ Geraldine Van Gyn (30/6/13)
- ENGR: Micaela Serra (30/06/13)
- Yang Shi (30/6/14)
- FINE: ✓ Patricia Kostek (30/6/15)
- Jan Wood (30/6/13) ✓
- GRAD: ✓ Annalee Lepp (30/6/13)
- John Walsh (30/6/14)
- HUMA: ✓ Abdul Roudsari (30/6/15)
- Debra Sheets (30/6/13)
- HUMS: Jamie Dopp (30/6/13)
- ✓ Laura Parisi (30/6/15)
- LAWF: Gillian Calder (30/6/14)
- ✓ Robert Howell (30/6/13)
- SCIE: ✓ Robert Burke (30/6/14) ✓
- Florin Diacu (30/6/14)
- SOSC: ✓ Rosaline Canessa (30/6/15) ✓
- ✓ Michael Webb (30/6/14)

MEMBERS ELECTED BY THE FACULTY

MEMBERS - Sections 35 (2) (g)

- ✓ Janni Aragon - SOSC (30/6/15)
- ✓ Doug Baer - SOSC (30/6/14) ✓
- ✓ Sikata Banerjee - HUMS (30/6/13)
- ✓ Alison Chapman - HUMS (30/6/15)
- ✓ Kathryn Gillis - SCIE (30/6/14)
- ✓ Reuven Gordon - ENGR (30/6/14)
- ✓ David Harrington - SCIE (30/6/13)
- ✓ Tim Haskett - HUMS (30/6/13)

MEMBERS ELECTED BY THE FACULTY

MEMBERS (continued)

- ✓ Susan Lewis Hammond-FINE (30/6/14)
- Adam Monahan - SCIE (30/6/14)
- ✓ Leslee Francis Pelton - EDUC (30/6/14)
- ✓ Margot Wilson - SOSC (30/6/15)

MEMBERS ELECTED FROM THE STUDENT

ASSOCIATION - Section 35 (2) (h)

- ✓ Rachel Barr (SOSC) (30/6/13)
- ✓ Peter Bell (GRAD) "
- Andrew Fortune (SOSC) "
- David Foster (HUMS) "
- David Hamilton (ENGR) "
- Emilie Henriksen (FINE ARTS) "
- Nicole Iaci (SOSC) "
- Kelsey Mech (SCIE) "
- Ariel Mishkin (BUSI) "
- ✓ Gianni Pappas-Acreman (LAW) "
- Emily Rogers (HUMA) "
- ✓ Peter Schalk (GRAD) "
- ✓ Gabrielle Sutherland (SOSC) "
- ✓ Ariel Tseng (HUMS) "
- ✓ Kelly Watson (GRAD) "
- TBA (EDUC) "

MEMBERS ELECTED BY THE CONVOCATION

- Section 35 (2) (i)

- Nav Bassi (31/12/14)
- ✓ Linda Hannah (31/12/14)
- ✓ Robbyn Lanning (31/12/14)
- ✓ Cathy McIntyre (31/12/14)

ADDITIONAL MEMBERS - Section 35 (2) (k)

- Head, Division of Medical Sciences: Oscar Castro
- Member elected by the Professional Librarians:
✓ Tracie Smith (30/06/15)
- Continuing Sessional: Alicia Ulysses (30/06/14)

SECRETARY OF SENATE - Section 64 (2)

- ✓ University Secretary: Julia Eastman

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- ✓ Assoc. V.P. International - Andrew Marton
- ✓ Assoc. V.P. Student Affairs: Jim Dunsdon
- ✓ Assoc. V.P. Academic Planning: Catherine Mateer
- ✓ Registrar: Lauren Charlton
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