



SENATE MEETING

Tuesday, February 2, 2010 4:00 pm LB322

MINUTES

- PRESENT:** Greg Lee (Chair), Marion Haythorne, Jean Bennett, John Boylan, Robert Campbell, Nicholas Collins, Kevin Cripps, Herbert Cruz, Patrick Donahoe, Graham Fane, Darin Feist, Noah Fine, Michael Fleming, Bahiyyih Galloway, Mary Giovannetti, Susan Hogan, Karin Jager, Reini Klein, Paul McMillan, George Modenesi, Jennifer Moore, Jen Moses, Trevor Page, Gordon Rudolph, Itidal Sadek, Tim Schouls, Sandra Seekins, Jackie Snodgrass, Tammy Towill, Milton Williams, Recording Secretary: Mary Jukich
- REGRETS:** Kim Bothen, Chris Bottrill, Karen Hodson, Nicolle Smith, Ghazal Tohidi, Peter Ufford, Catherine Vertesi
- GUESTS:** Carol Aitken

Greg Lee called the meeting to order and welcomed Carol Aitken from IDEA.

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

"President Search Process" was added as item #10 to the Agenda.

Tammy Towill moved and Milt Williams seconded that:
the amended Agenda be approved.

CARRIED

2. MINUTES

The date of the minutes should have read January 12, 2010 instead of January 12, 2009.

Robert Campbell moved and Tim Schouls seconded that:
the amended Minutes of the January 12, 2010 meeting be approved.

CARRIED

3. CHAIR AND VICE-CHAIR'S REPORTS

Marion Haythorne attended the board Committee of the Whole meeting, and also participated in a one day board retreat.

In order to get information to and/or feedback from Senate members, Marion will distribute a Senate meeting summary to as many faculty members as possible after Senate meetings.

4. APPROVALS IN PRINCIPLE

BA Visual Communication
Presented by: Carol Aitken

The proposed BA Visual Communication is a new four-year program that will encompass the study of graphic design and illustration with the option of one as a major and one as a minor area of study. The proposed degree was developed as a result of high demand from both students and employers alike.

Senate expressed concern over the naming of the degree and whether the amount of academic versus applied content was appropriate for a BA. Senate also expressed concern regarding the level of academic content throughout the four years. Senate requested that the department undertake further review and consultation during the development of this degree.

Jennifer Moore moved and Mary Giovannetti seconded that:

10/06 The BA Visual Communication be given approval in principle.

CARRIED**5. SENATE CURRICULUM COMMITTEE**

Presented by: Jackie Snodgrass

(a) Resolutions

Jackie Snodgrass moved and Tammy Towill seconded that:

10/07 SCC resolutions 10/01 through 10/08 be received and adopted by Senate.

CARRIED**6. PLANNING COMMITTEE**

(a) Dean's Search Process
Presented by: Jackie Snodgrass

Jackie presented the Dean's Search Process, which had been further revised to incorporate some minor revisions as a result of further feedback received. The revisions clarify the intended meaning and are consistent with contractual requirements.

Jackie Snodgrass moved and Mary Giovannetti seconded that:

10/08 The Dean's Search Process be approved as revised and presented.

CARRIED**7. COURSE LEVEL AND NUMBERING DOCUMENT**

Presented by: Jackie Snodgrass

Jackie reported that after consultation with Faculties, the proposal to have a course level and numbering system in place was acceptable; however, it was determined that the wording of the document required revisions. To date, some suggestions and feedback have been received and additional recommendations were encouraged. The document, along with any additional suggestions will be sent back to the SCC sub-committee for further work.

8. BUDGET COMMITTEE REPORT*Presented by: Tammy Towill*

The Budget Committee met with Cindy Turner, and after review of the initial budget, a shortfall was indicated. The Committee will postpone making any decisions until March when the government budget is announced.

9. GRADUATION DATES*Presented by: Itidal Sadek*

In light of a recommendation with regard to the availability of faculty to attend the convocation ceremony, Senate was requested to approve changes to the graduation dates for both 2010 and 2011. Senate expressed concern about potential issues if graduation dates for 2010 were changed, as most students will already have made plans around the published dates.

Tammy Towill moved and Trevor Page seconded that:

Senate approve a change to the Academic Schedule to indicate a revision to the graduation dates from June 20 and 21 to May 30 and 31, 2011.

Graham Fane moved and Jean Bennett seconded an amendment making the motion read:

Senate approve a change to the Academic Schedule to indicate a revision to the graduation dates from June 21 and 22 to June 14 and 15, 2010, and the 2011 graduation dates from June 20 and 21 to May 30 and 31, 2011.

DEFEATED

10/09 Senate approve a change to the Academic Schedule to indicate a revision to the graduation dates from June 20 and 21 to May 30 and 31, 2011.

CARRIED**10. PRESIDENT SEARCH PROCESS***Presented by: Marion Haythorne*

Marion discussed the proposed timeline for the presentation and meeting with Senate members of the shortlisted presidential candidates. She suggested that Senate members should leave tentative dates open to ensure availability of all Senate members. As well, Marion discussed the format of Senate's submission to the Search Committee regarding the shortlisted candidates. Feedback was requested on whether to submit individual member reports, or whether to compile one general report. Senate decided that they would meet after the presentations by the shortlisted candidates to decide on how to approach the submission to the Search Committee.

11. OTHER BUSINESS

None.

INFORMATION ITEMS

None

There being no further business and on motion duly made and seconded, the meeting was adjourned at 5:40 p.m.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, March 2, 2010.
