DRAFT MINUTES

A meeting of the Senate of the University of Victoria was held on March 2, 2012 at 3:30 p.m. in the Senate and Board Chambers, University Centre, Room A180.

1. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Dr. Turpin advised members of the Senate that item 6 (a)(i) on the agenda had been withdrawn by Dr. Wilson, Chair, Senate Committee on Academic Standards.

   Motion: (R. Burke/S. Lewis Hammond)
   That the agenda be approved as amended.

   CARRIED

2. MINUTES

   Motion: (T. Haskett/M. Kennedy)
   That the minutes of the open session of the meeting of the Senate held on February 3, 2012 be approved, and circulated in the usual way.

   CARRIED

3. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

   a. Percentage Grading Scale

   Dr. Eastman reminded members of Senate that, at the last meeting, Ms. Charlton had pointed out a mistake in the copy of the Faculty of Law grading scale provided to Senate in the docket for that meeting. Dr. Eastman said that the correct versions of all grading scales had been made available at this meeting.

   b. Undergraduate Awards Terms of Reference

   Ms. Lori Nolt advised members of Senate that the changes requested at the last meeting had been made and were reflected in the materials distributed in the docket.

4. REMARKS FROM THE CHAIR

   a. President’s Report

   On the federal front, Dr. Turpin reported that budget day was now set for March 29, 2012.
With regard to provincial matters, Dr. Turpin reported that the provincial budget had provided for stable funding in 2012/2013 and planned decreases of 1% to 1.5% over the next two years. Dr. Turpin said that the presidents of post-secondary institutions had signed a letter to the Minister outlining their grave concerns over the implications of the reduction in budgets. Dr. Turpin said that internally, the executive had had numerous discussions on the implications of the provincial budget and Dr. Tremblay had been engaging with the deans of all the faculties. Dr. Tremblay said the idea was to plan for the future, but not to panic about it.

Dr. Turpin provided members of Senate with an update on the government letter of expectations. He said the university had received a draft letter from the government, asking for comments. He said the six universities belonging to the Research Universities Council of BC (RUCBC) had worked together to provide a response.

Regarding municipal matters, Dr. Turpin reported having met with mayors and councils in January and February, specifically Oak Bay and Saanich, Victoria and Esquimalt, and Central Saanich, North Saanich and Sidney. Meetings with mayors and councillors of all 13 municipalities were planned during 2012.

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

- The strategic plan was complete and had been approved by the Board of Governors. Paper copies and a web version would be available shortly.
- An update on the privacy breach:
  - We should expect the release of two reports as a result of the ongoing reviews. The report of the investigation of the Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner was expected to be made public in the next month or so.
  - The external reviewer’s report, which was broader in scope, was expected in April or May and was also intended to be made public on the web. Dr. Flaherty’s work was well underway as was the internal assessor Professor Cassels’ work.
- A series of open houses were scheduled for March 8, 10, and 14, 2012 for a broader consultation with the public on the parking structure for CARSA.
- An update on searches:
  - Vice-President Research and Vice-President External Relations searches were both well underway
  - Associate Vice-President International – Dr. Tremblay said Dr. Andrew M. Marton had been ratified. She provided a brief overview of Dr. Marton’s credentials.
- Alumni Week on February 6 – 11, 2012 had seen 17 successful events in seven days, drawing 2,286 attendees (up by 17% over 2010) and including four faculty reunions and the Distinguished Alumni Ceremony with an unprecedented 12 awards.
- There would be an announcement in April 2012 of a $5M gift in support of the Faculty of Human and Social Development.

With regard to awards and prizes at the university, Dr. Turpin announced that:

- Dr. Elango Elangovan, professor and director of international programs with the Gustavson School of Business was among 10 Canadian scholars honoured with a 2012 3M National Teaching Fellowship. Dr. Elangovan was the 9th UVic scholar to receive this honour since its inception. (Dr. Devor, Dean of the Faculty of Graduate Studies and Professor of Sociology was amongst the nine having received the award in 2000).
- UVic climate science expert and Canada Research Chair, Dr. Andrew Weaver, and Dr. Mary-Ellen Purkis, Dean of UVic’s Faculty of Human and Social Development, were this year’s recipients of the UVic Community Leadership Awards. The award acknowledged outstanding leadership in linking UVic and the community for greater public benefit.
- On February 27, 2012, Dr. Alisdair Boraston, professor in the Department of Biochemistry and Microbiology, was awarded one of six prestigious 2012 E.W.R. Steacie Memorial Fellowships. Dr. Boraston’s research had produced numerous insights into protein-carbohydrate-enzyme interactions, and had broad applications in such areas as production of biofuels and seeking solutions to antibiotic resistance.
- UVic biology professor and researcher Dr. Julia Baum was named among 126 U.S. and Canadian recipients of the 2012 Sloan Fellowships, announced by the Alfred P. Sloan Foundation in New York on February 15, 2012. The $50,000 Fellowship would support Dr. Baum’s research into the impact of fishing on the life of predatory species, such as sharks. (A total of only seven Canadian researchers received this honour in 2012).
- In January 2012, Dr. Budd Hall received notice of his appointment as the UNESCO Chair in Community-Based Research and Social Responsibility in Higher Education.
- Mr. Chip Wilson, founder and chair of the board of directors of yoga-wear giant Lululemon Athletica, had been named UVic’s Gustavson School of Business Distinguished Entrepreneur of the Year.
- UVic had been named one of BC’s Top Employers by Media Corp Canada (third year in a row), as well as one of Canada’s Best Diversity Employers. In the latter connection, the university was recognized for a variety of initiatives, including:
  - maintaining a diversity of equity steering committee,
  - hosting an annual diversity research forum,
  - managing a mental health task force, and
  - launching the Positive Space Network to create a positive and inclusive environment for all staff and students.
- Recipients of the President’s Distinguished Service Awards included:
  - Professor David Nelles (Earth & Ocean Sciences) - Award for Excellence in Service
  - Ms. Diana Walton (Nursing) – Award for Excellence in Leadership
  - Ms. Leah Stone (Enrolment Services) - First Five Years Outstanding Contribution Award
  - Dr. Bonnie Leadbeater and the WITS team (Psychology) – Team Award for Innovation
- Vikes men’s basketball head coach Mr. Craig Beauchamp had been named Canada West coach of the year for the third time since taking over the head coaching job at UVic in 2003.
- Vikes senior guard Mr. Ryan MacKinnon of Comox, was also honoured as he was named a First Team Canada West all-star.
5. CORRESPONDENCE

a. Advisory Committee on Academic Accommodation and Access for Students with Disabilities

i. Annual report

Mr. Foster noted that the report included input the committee had provided to the Planning and Priorities Committee relating to the strategic plan. He said he had been disappointed that, although the word “accessibility” had been added in a few places, the suggestion about making UVic a destination of choice for people with disabilities and other input had not been reflected. Dr. Turpin said the Planning and Priorities Committee had discussed the input fully and had decided to keep the passages in question general (rather than include reference to a particular equity-seeking group).

In response to a question on social support, Mr. Dunsdon said this was important and it had been an issue raised at the committee. He said most of the activity in this area was undertaken by the Society for Students with a Disability (SSD).

Motion: (J. Archibald/R. Lipson)
That Senate receive the annual report of the Advisory Committee on Academic Accommodation and Access for Students with Disabilities for information.

CARRIED

b. Planning and Priorities Committee

i. 2011/2012 Annual report

Motion: (M. Purkis/R. Tremblay)
That Senate receive the 2011/2012 annual report of the Planning and Priorities Committee for information.

CARRIED

6. PROPOSALS AND REPORTS FROM SENATE COMMITTEES

a. Senate Committee on Academic Standards

i. Undergraduate Grading Patterns Report

Motion: (M. Wilson/T. Haskett)
That Senate receive, with thanks, the Undergraduate Grading Patterns Report from the Senate Committee on Academic Standards.

CARRIED
b. Senate Committee on Agenda and Governance

i. Appointment to 2011/12 Senate Committee on Admission, Re-registration and Transfer

**Motion:** (R. Burke/P. Keller)
That Senate approve the appointment of Param Bhatti, student senator representative from the Faculty of Science, to the Senate Committee on Admission, Re-registration and Transfer for a term beginning immediately and ending on June 30, 2012, as recommended by the Senate Committee on Agenda and Governance.

CARRIED

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c. Senate Committee on Awards

i. New and Revised Awards

**Motion:** (A. Lepp/M. Kennedy)
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:

- Gilbert and Marie Alice Peart Bursary in English Literature *
  (new)
- Gilbert and Marie Alice Peart Bursary in Music *
  (new)
- Pacific Blue Cross Scholarship in the School of Public Health and Social Policy *
  (new)
- Deaf Studies Scholarship *
- Chris and Susan Barnes Scholarship for Honours Thesis *
  (revised)
- The David Strong Entrance Scholarship (revised)
- Elsa Eleonora Fagerberg & Clara Maria Faberberg Entrance Scholarship *
  (revised)
- John Locke Malkin Entrance Scholarship (revised)
- National Entrance Scholarships *
  (revised)
- T.S. McPherson Entrance Scholarships *
  (revised)
- UVic Excellence Scholarships *
  (revised)

* Administered by the University of Victoria Foundation

CARRIED
d. Senate Committee on Curriculum

i. 2012/2013 Major Curriculum Change – Course-based, Non-thesis Master’s Degree Option for Nurse Practitioner (NP) Program

Motion: (G. Fulton/T. Haskett)
That Senate approve this major curriculum change recommended by the Faculty of Graduate Studies and the Senate Committee on Curriculum for inclusion in 2012-2013 graduate academic calendar.

CARRIED

Motion: (G. Fulton/T. Haskett)
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 this item for the graduate academic calendar.

CARRIED

e. Senate Committee on Planning

i. Renewal of the Centre for Youth and Society

Motion: (H. Brunt/M. Purkis)
That Senate approve, and recommend to the Board of Governors that it also approve, the renewal of Approved Centre Status for the Centre for Youth and Society (CFYS) for the period 1 April 2012 – 31 March 2017 as described in the attached documents. This recommendation is not contingent upon the suggestions in the attached materials relating to resources, which are advice to the Vice-Presidents.

CARRIED

7. PROPOSALS AND REPORTS FROM FACULTIES

There were none.

8. OTHER BUSINESS

There was none.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:58 p.m.
MEMBERSHIP OF THE SENATE OF THE UNIVERSITY OF VICTORIA
Effective from January 1, 2012

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:
  Ali Dastmalchian
✓ Dean of Education: Ted Riecken
✓ Dean of Engineering: Thomas Tiedje
✓ Dean of Continuing Studies: Maureen MacDonald
✓ Dean of Fine Arts: Sarah Blackstone
✓ Dean of Graduate Studies: Aaron Devor
✓ 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 Bengston

MEMBERS ELECTED BY THE FACULTIES -
Section 35 (2) (g)

BUSI: ✓ Richard Wolfe (30/6/13)
      Kenneth Thornicroft (30/6/12)
EDUC: Mary Kennedy (30/6/14)
       Geraldine Van Gyn (30/6/13)
ENGR: Micaela Serra (30/6/13)
       Yang Shi (30/6/14)
FINE: Patricia Kostek (30/6/12)
      Jan Wood (30/6/13)
GRAD: Annalee Lepp (30/6/13)
      John Walsh (30/6/14)
✓ HUMA: Abdul Roudsari (30/6/12)
       Rebra Sheets (30/6/13)
✓ HUMS: Jamie Dopp (30/6/13)
       Cedric Littlewood (30/6/12)
LAWF: Gillian Calder (30/6/14)
      Robert Howell (30/6/13)
SCIE: Robert Burke (30/6/14)
     Florin Diacu (30/6/14)
✓ SOSC: Michael Webb (30/6/14)
     Margot Wilson (30/6/12)

MEMBERS ELECTED BY THE FACULTY -
MEMBERS - Sections 35 (2) (g)

Doug Baer – SOSC (30/6/14)
Sikata Banerjee - HUMS (30/6/13)
Sara Beam - HUMS (30/6/12)
Gordon Fulton – HUMS (30/6/12)
Lynda Gammon - FINE (30/6/12)
Kathryn Gillis – SCIE (30/6/14)
Reuven Gordon – ENGR (30/6/14)
David Harrington – SCIE (30/6/13)

MEMBERS ELECTED BY THE FACULTY -
MEMBERS (continued)

✓ Tim Hasket - HUMS (30/6/13)
✓ Susan Lewis Hammond – FINE (30/6/14)
✓ Adam Monahan - SCIE (30/6/14)
✓ Leslee Francis Pelton – EDUC (30/6/14)

MEMBERS ELECTED FROM THE STUDENT ASSOCIATION – Section 35 (2) (h)

Hafeez Ali Dhalla (SOSC) (30/6/12)
✓ Chandra Beaveridge (ENGR) (30/6/12)
✓ Param Bhatti (SCIE) (30/6/12)
✓ Carlly Coccola (SOSC) (30/6/12)
✓ David Foster (HUMS) (30/6/12)
✓ Chris Hackett (BUSI) (30/6/12)
✓ Marc Labelle (GRAD) (30/6/12)
✓ Melissa Manuel (FINE) (30/6/12)
✓ Jaraad Marani (SOSC) (30/6/12)
✓ Yianni Pappas-Acreman (LAW) (30/6/12)
✓ Emily Rogers (HUMA) (30/6/12)
✓ Dylan Sherlock (HUMS) (30/6/12)
✓ Ali Tehranchi (GRAD) (30/6/12)
✓ Ariel Tseng (HUMS) (30/6/12)
✓ TBA (EDUC) (30/6/12)
✓ TBA (GRAD) (30/6/12)

MEMBERS ELECTED BY THE CONVOCATION –
Section 35 (2) (f)

✓ 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:
✓ Rebecca Raworth (30/6/12)
Continuing Sessional: Alicia Ulysse (30/6/14)

SECRETARY OF SENATE - Section 64 (2)

✓ University Secretary: Julia Eastman

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Assoc. V.P. Student Affairs: Jim Dunsdon
• Assoc. V.P. Academic Planning: Katherine Mateer
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Brenda Trott