MINUTES

A meeting of the Senate of the University of Victoria was held on May 6, 2011 at 3:30 p.m. in the Senate and Board Chambers, University Centre, Room A180.

1. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Ms. Bowie requested that item 8(d), Resolution of Non-Academic Misconduct Allegations Policy be moved to the beginning of the meeting. There were no objections from members of Senate.

   Motion: (S. Blackstone/R. Anthony)
   That the agenda be approved as amended.
   CARRIED

2. MINUTES

Dr. Eastman advised there were two editorial changes to the minutes, one under Remarks from the Chair and one indicating that a motion had been carried.

   Motion: (R. Anthony/S. Blackstone)
   That the minutes of the open session of the meeting of the Senate held on April 1, 2011 be approved as amended and that the approved minutes be circulated in the usual way.
   CARRIED

3. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

There was none.

4. REMARKS FROM THE CHAIR

   a. President’s Report

Dr. Turpin noted that the federal election was now complete. He thought it was likely that the budget announced prior to the election would be implemented. Dr. Turpin said the university would be watching with interest what transpires over the next few months.

With respect to provincial matters, Dr. Turpin reported that a by-election had been scheduled in the Premier’s riding. He said the university would be following issues at the provincial level with regard to the HST referendum and a possible upcoming election.

Dr. Turpin reported that the Board of Governors would be meeting with the new Minister of Advanced Education at the end of May.
Dr. Turpin provided an update on the renewal of the strategic plan. He noted that consultations were almost complete. Dr. Turpin said a consensus was emerging around some issues, including endorsement of the framework in the current strategic plan. A number of themes were emerging, such as a focus on quality, strategic growth, administrative burdens and systems improvement, and campus life. Dr. Turpin said the Planning and Priorities Committee was beginning work on a draft, which would be released for consultation in the fall.

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

- a call for nominations for Convocation representatives on Senate had been issued;
- Dr. Michael Miller was ratified as the Associate Vice-President Research and Dr. Rachael Scarth was appointed as the Associate Vice-President Research Operations;
- a number of Knowledge Infrastructure Program celebrations were held across campus at the end of the project;
- as mentioned at the last Senate meeting, the AUCC held its annual meetings in Victoria;
- the Craigdarroch Awards were presented on May 3, 2011. to the following recipients:
  - Dr. Andrea Antonious (Engineering) – Gold Medal for Career Achievement in Research;
  - Dr. Alex Brolo (Chemistry) and Dr. Reuven Gordon (Engineering) – (two recipients) Silver Medal for Excellence in Research;
  - Dr. Eric Roth (Anthropology) – Award for Societal Contribution;
  - Dr. Eric Sager (History) – Award for Excellence in Communicating Research;
  - Prof. Lorna Crozier (Writing) – Award for Excellence in Artistic Expression; and
  - Dr. Caren Helbing (Biochemistry and Microbiology) – Award for Excellence in Innovation and Entrepreneurship.
- Vanier Grad Scholarship applicant, Charli Shakari (Physics) was funded;
- St. John’s College at the University of Manitoba awarded Professor Mary Kerr a degree of Doctor of Canon Law (Honoris Causa) and have asked her to give the Convocation address in November; and
- in April, the Administrative Services Building was awarded LEED-Gold by the Canada Green Building Council.

5. OTHER BUSINESS

a. Resolution of Non-Academic Misconduct Allegations Policy

Mr. Dunsdon explained that misconduct cases had grown in number and complexity in recent years. He noted that policies were common across Canada and the United States. Mr. Dunsdon said the purpose of the policy was to clearly define what misconduct is and the processes for dealing with it at the university. He confirmed that the policy does not provide the university with any new authority. Mr. Dunsdon said extensive consultation had been undertaken and a large amount of feedback had been received and incorporated.

Mr. Barrios proposed tabling the item until the next meeting. In response to a question, he said the students’ societies had just conducted elections and the new board of directors for the UVSS
would like an opportunity to provide input. He also thought that the incoming student members of
the Senate and Board of Governors would like an opportunity to provide input.

Mr. Dunsdon said he had met with the incoming board members for the UVSS. They had
provided feedback, some of which had been incorporated into the policy. Mr. Dunsdon explained
that by deferring the item until the next meeting it would delay the implementation by one year.

Ms. Bowie expressed some concerns with the policy. She proposed that the policy be
accompanied by a statement of rights. Ms. Bowie said the university had a healthy culture of
activism and she thought students might feel that this policy limited their rights. She added that
there were many active clubs on campus whose actions might be limited by the policy. Ms. Bowie
proposed that more consultation with concerned clubs and groups would be useful.

Motion: (J. Barrios/J. Bowie)
That the motion regarding the Resolution of Non-Academic Misconduct
Allegations Policy be tabled until the next meeting of Senate.

DEFEATED

Mr. Dunsdon said he had met with the clubs and course unions as part of the consultation process.

Mr. Wade asked for clarification regarding s. 13.00 of the policy, which referred to civil and
criminal actions. Mr. Dunsdon explained that the purpose of the section was to clarify that
nothing in the policy prevented individuals from pursuing other actions or processes.

Dr. Baer asked the students to explain how the consultation was insufficient. Ms. Bowie said only
recognized clubs and course unions attended the consultation meeting. She said there are many
clubs who choose not be recognized and, therefore, could not participate in the consultation. At
least one of these groups was involved in activism. Ms. Bowie added that the consultation took
place at a busy time in the semester, which may have resulted in reduced attendance.

Dr. Brunt asked how this policy compared to those at other universities. Mr. Dunsdon responded
that work on the policy began by researching policies at other institutions; however, the language
was original and drafted to meet the needs of the university.

Dr. Gillis asked Mr. Dunsdon to expand on his comment regarding the policy building on the
university’s practice. Mr. Dunsdon explained that the policy does not address issues that are new
to the university. Further, it does not provide the university with any new authority. Instead, the
policy sets out a consistent and transparent way to respond to issues that arise. Mr. Dunsdon
added that the policy also attempts to clarify the relationship with other university policies
addressing similar issues.

Dr. Webb asked for clarification regarding the statement that the policy shall not be interpreted in
a manner that unreasonably limits demonstrations or assemblies that are safe, non-violent and non-
destructive. Mr. Dunsdon explained that a critical piece in developing the policy was ensuring
that it does not prevent students from protesting.
Mr. Barrios said one concern he had with the consultation process is that it occurred at a busy time in the semester. He was also concerned that Access UVic did not have an opportunity to provide feedback.

Dr. Baer asked if Mr. Dunsdon would be willing to commit to a review of the policy. Mr. Dunsdon said a review of implementation is appropriate whenever a new policy is introduced in order to ensure it is meeting the intended objectives. He said he would be happy to report to Senate after he conducted a review following the policy’s first year of implementation.

Dr. Devor expressed his support for immediate implementation of a formal policy to deal with misconduct issues. He said it was his understanding that consultation had been extensive.

Mr. Dunsdon reviewed the consultation that had been undertaken, which included seeking input from the UVSS and GSS executives on a number of occasions, meeting with the club unions, placing articles in The Ring and The Martlet, and seeking online feedback. Mr. Dunsdon said the policy and procedures underwent extensive revision based on the feedback received.

Ms. Bowie said she was concerned about reparations for students who are found innocent after an investigation has taken place. She thought the policy should address what options will be available to students in this situation.

Prof. Greshner said that, in her experience, institutions were encouraged to develop policies like this one because they actually protect student rights.

Motion: (H. Bruntn/A. Devor)
That Senate approve, and recommend to the Board of Governors that it approve the Resolution of Non-Academic Misconduct Allegations policy (AC1300), effective September, 2011.

CARRIED

Mr. Barrios and Ms. Bowie voted in opposition of the motion.

6. CORRESPONDENCE

a. Campus Planning Committee

i. Semi-annual report

Motion: (S. Blackstone/R. Burke)
That Senate receive the 2010 semi-annual report of the Office of Campus Planning Committee for information.

CARRIED
b. Planning and Priorities Committee

i. 2010/2011 Annual Report

Motion: (S. Blackstone/J. Wood)  
That Senate receive the 2010/2011 annual report of the Planning and Priorities Committee for information.

CARRIED

7. PROPOSALS AND REPORTS FROM SENATE COMMITTEES

a. Senate Committee on Academic Standards

i. Undergraduate English Requirement: Proposed Reforms

Mr. Wade supported the recommendations. He requested that it be clearly explained in the academic calendar that English 115 will no longer meet the requirement.

Dr. Gillis said she had seen a draft of the recommendations that referenced the ability of faculties to develop discipline-specific courses. She asked if this option was still available. Dr. Wilson said she understood that it was.

Motion: (M. Wilson/S. Blackstone)  
That Senate approve the following recommendations, to be included in the 2012/2013 academic calendar and to apply to students seeking admission to the university beginning in September 2012:

To change the title of the Undergraduate English Requirement (UER) to the Academic Writing Requirement (AWR) to refocus the intent of the requirement on academic writing rather than English; English Department will continue to provide instructors and program oversight;

To require all students enrolled in a degree program, who do not qualify for an exemption, to complete a 1.5 unit AWR-designated course as a degree requirement;

To remove the requirement to complete the Language Proficiency Index (LPI) in advance of registration in English courses, and to replace this with access to an on-line self-assessment and guidance, allowing students to make a well-informed decision as to their placement and readiness to enrol in an AWR course; and
To continue to offer ENGL 115 as a basic foundation course for credit, but not one that would fulfill the Academic Writing Requirement.  

CARRIED

b. Senate Committee on Appeals

i. 2010/2011 Annual Report

Motion: (R. Burke/S. Blackstone)
That Senate receive the 2010/2011 annual report of the Senate Committee on Appeals for information.

CARRIED

c. Senate Committee on Awards

i. New and Revised Undergraduate Awards

Motion: (D. Baer/J. Cullen)
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:

- Victoria Foundation Entrance Scholarship (new)*
- Dr. Milada Horakova Scholarship (new)*
- General Undergraduate Scholarship (new)*
- Margaret Marion Williams Bursary (new)*
- “Stand out from the Crowd” Prize in Physics and Astronomy (revised)

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CARRIED

d. Senate Committee on Learning and Teaching

i. 2010/2011 Annual Report

Motion: (M. Webb/A. Monahan)
That Senate receive the 2010/2011 annual report of the Senate Committee on Learning and Teaching for information.

CARRIED
e. Senate Committee on Libraries

i. 2010/2011 Annual Report

Motion: (D. Greschner/R. Burke)
That Senate receive the 2010/2011 annual report of the Senate Committee on Libraries for information.

CARRIED

f. Senate Committee on Nominations and Committee Governance

i. Appointments to the 2011/2012 Senate Committees

Dr. Haskett noted that there were still a number of vacancies to be filled. He said these would be considered after the elections to Senate were complete.

Motion: (T. Haskett/H. Brunt)
That Senate approve the appointments to the 2011/2012 Senate committees for the terms indicated in the attached document, as recommended by the Senate Committee on Nominations and Committee Governance.

CARRIED

ii. Appointment to the Planning and Priorities Committee

Motion: (T. Haskett/R. Burke)
That Senate approve the appointment of Chris Hackett to the Planning and Priorities Committee for a term beginning July 1, 2011 and ending on June 30, 2012, as recommended by the Senate Committee on Nominations and Committee Governance.

CARRIED

iii. Revised Terms of Reference for the Senate Committee on Agenda and Procedures and the Senate Committee on Nominations and Committee Governance

Dr. Eastman said that, in Dr. Van Gyn’s absence, she would be pleased to introduce the item. She explained that a number of Senate committees have reviewed their terms of reference recently as part of a process to review and update all terms of reference. Dr. Eastman said that traditionally the Senate Committee on Nominations and Committee Governance has only met twice per year and has not been connected to the work of other Senate committees. It was determined that connecting the individuals responsible for nominations with the role of the Senate Committee on Agenda and Procedures would assist with that work. Dr. Eastman said the current committee structure results in a division of responsibility between Senate governance and committee governance. She explained that this division has often been a source of confusion. The proposed amalgamation is intended to make the work of the committee more useful and meaningful.
Dr. Baer raised a concern about the proposal. He did not have an objection to amalgamating the committees; however, he had a concern about the sub-committee not reporting to the committee as a whole. He thought it was a misnomer to consider it a sub-committee if it reported directly to Senate. Dr. Baer said he was also concerned that the number of individuals involved in making recommendations for committee appointments was being reduced. Dr. Baer expressed further concern over what he saw as a self-nomination process for members of the Senate Committee on Agenda and Governance. He said he would be less concerned if ultimate accountability for committee appointments remained with Senate.

Dr. Eastman explained that one accountability mechanism being implemented was to have the chair of the nominations sub-committee be a member of Senate who has been elected to the committee. Ms. Andersen clarified that all recommendations for committee appointments would have to be approved by Senate. Dr. Baer requested that this point be clarified in the terms of reference.

Dr. Baer thought it was important for the committee responsible for nominations to have wide representation. Dr. Cullen commented that at its last meeting, the Senate Committee on Nominations and Committee Governance had discussed mechanisms to increase diverse representation on Senate committees.

Dr. Webb said he saw the benefits of this change with respect to the issue of how committees are structured and how Senate works. He said when he served on the Senate Committee on Nominations and Committee Governance, he was not sure what its purpose was. His experience on the Senate Committee on Agenda and Procedures is that the committee is much more engaged with Senate issues.

**Motion:** (R. Burke/R. Anthony)
That Senate approve the dissolution of the Senate Committee on Nomination and Committee Governance effective July 1, 2011 as recommended by the Senate Committee on Nominations and Committee Governance.  
**CARRIED**

**Motion:** (T. Haskett/M. Webb)
That Senate approve the revised terms of reference for the Senate Committee on Agenda and Procedures, as recommended by the Senate Committee on Nominations and Committee Governance and amended at Senate.  
**CARRIED**
iv. Revised Terms of Reference for the Senate Committee on Curriculum

Motion: (T. Haskett/S. Blackstone)
That Senate approve the revised terms of reference for the Senate Committee on Curriculum, as recommended by the Senate Committee on Nominations and Committee Governance.

CARRIED

v. Revised Terms of Reference for the Senate Committee on Honorary Degrees and Other Forms of Recognition

Motion: (T. Haskett/S. Blackstone)
That Senate approve the revised terms of reference for the Senate Committee on Honorary Degrees and Other Forms of Recognition, as recommended by the Senate Committee on Nominations and Committee Governance.

CARRIED

g. Senate Committee on Agenda and Procedures

i. Rules to Govern the Conduct of Senate Procedures

Motion: (P. Keller/R. Burke)
That Senate approve the revised Rules to Govern the Conduct of Senate Procedures.

CARRIED

h. Senate Committee on Planning

i. 2010/2011 Annual Report

Motion: (S. Blackstone/C. Mateer)
That Senate receive the 2010/2011 annual report of the Senate Committee on Planning for information.

CARRIED

ii. Proposal for a Concentration in Environmental Law and Sustainability

Dr. Webb commented that the program was being established using funding that will only be in place for five years. Prof. Greschner acknowledged that this was correct. She added that the faculty hoped it would be able to continue to fund the program for as long as it met the needs and interests of the faculty. Prof. Greschner said she had received advice from other universities that it was important to review and revise the program as needs and interests changed. She thought the five year funding timeline provided a natural opportunity to review the program.

Motion: (D. Greschner/P. Keller)
That Senate approve, and recommend to the Board of Governors that it also approve, subject to funding, the establishment of a program leading to a Concentration in Environmental Law and Sustainability be offered by the Faculty of Law, as described in the document entitled “Proposal for a Concentration in Environmental Law and Sustainability”, dated April 19, 2011 and that this approval be withdrawn if the program should not be offered within five years of the granting of approval. A start date will be determined after consultation with the Registrar. Once Senate and the Board of Governors have approved the proposal, the proposal must be posted on the Ministry of Science and Universities website for peer review for a period of 30 days.

CARRIED

iii. Indigenous Language Revitalization: Proposal for a Graduate Certificate and Master’s Degree

Motion: (J. Archibald/A. Devor)
That Senate approve, and recommend to the Board of Governors that it also approve, subject to funding, the establishment of a program leading to a Graduate Certificate in Indigenous Language Revitalization to be offered by the Faculty of Education, Faculty of Humanities and the Faculty of Graduate Studies, as described in the document entitled “Indigenous Language Revitalization: Proposal for a Graduate Certificate and Master’s Degree”, dated April 15, 2011 and that this approval be withdrawn if the program should not be offered within five years of the granting of approval. A start date will be determined after consultation with the Registrar.

CARRIED

Motion: (S. Blackstone/J. Archibald)
That Senate approve, and recommend to the Board of Governors that it also approve, subject to funding, the establishment of a program leading to a Master’s of Arts in Indigenous Language Revitalization to be offered by the Faculty of Education, Faculty of Humanities and the Faculty of Graduate Studies, as described in the document entitled “Indigenous Language Revitalization: Proposal for a Graduate Certificate and Master’s Degree”, dated April 15, 2011 and that this approval be withdrawn if the program should not be offered within five years of the granting of approval. A start date will be determined after consultation with the Registrar. Once Senate and the Board of Governors have approved the proposal, the proposal must be posted on the Ministry of Science and Universities website for peer review for a period of 30 days.

CARRIED

Motion: (A. Devor/A. Monahan)
That Senate approve, and recommend to the Board of Governors that it also approve, subject to funding, the establishment of a program leading to a Master's of Education in Indigenous Language Revitalization to be offered by the Faculty of Education, Faculty of Humanities and the Faculty of Graduate Studies, as described in the document entitled “Indigenous Language Revitalization: Proposal for a Graduate Certificate and Master’s Degree”, dated April 15, 2011 and that this approval be withdrawn if the program should not be offered within five years of the granting of approval. A start date will be determined after consultation with the Registrar. Once Senate and the Board of Governors have approved the proposal, the proposal must be posted on the Ministry of Science and Universities website for peer review for a period of 30 days.

CARRIED

iv. Proposal for Graduate Professional Certificate in Cultural Heritage Studies and a Graduate Professional Diploma in Cultural Heritage Management

Dr. Blackstone noted that a question had been raised regarding whether a new course number prefix could be created for courses in this program. Dr. Fulton said he thought this could be addressed during the curriculum cycle. Dr. Devor said he would prefer not to commit to a change at this time before the request had been carefully assessed. He asked that it be acknowledged that this change could be explored.

Motion: (S. Blackstone/J. Wood)
That Senate approve, and recommend to the Board of Governors that it also approve, subject to funding, the establishment of a Graduate Professional Certificate in Cultural Heritage Studies to be offered by the Faculty of Fine Arts and the Faculty of Graduate Studies in cooperation with the Division of Continuing Studies, as described in the document entitled “Cultural Heritage Management Program” dated March 15, 2011 and that this approval be withdrawn if the program should not be offered within five years of the granting of approval.

CARRIED

Motion: (A. Devor/M. MacDonald)
That Senate approve, and recommend to the Board of Governors that it also approve, subject to funding, the establishment of a Graduate Professional Diploma in Cultural Heritage Management to be offered by the Faculty of Fine Arts and the Faculty of Graduate Studies in cooperation with the Division of Continuing Studies, as described in the document entitled “Cultural Heritage Management Program” dated March 15, 2011 and that this approval be withdrawn if the program should not be offered within five years of the granting of approval.

CARRIED
8. PROPOSALS AND REPORTS FROM FACULTIES

a. Faculty of Graduate Studies: Graduate Admissions and Awards Committee

i. New and Revised Graduate Studies Awards

Motion: (A. Devor/S. Blackstone)
That the 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 Faculty of Graduate Studies.

- Merck Graduate Fellowship in Aboriginal Health
- School of Child and Youth Care Faculty Graduate Scholarship
- Dr. Ian MacPherson Scholarship
- Peter Liddell Award in Humanities Computing

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CARRIED

b. Faculty of Law

i. Request for Exemption – Implementation of Percentage Grading

Prof. Greschner reminded members of Senate that the proposal regarding percentage grading approved at the last meeting permitted the Faculty of Law to seek two exemptions with respect to implementation. She said the faculty was only seeking one exemption, which was from the requirement to report percentage grades on transcripts. Prof. Greschner reviewed the exemption request submitted by the Faculty of Law. She noted that the faculty was only seeking to suppress one piece of information from students’ transcripts, an exemption that would be consistent with the faculty’s current exemption from including comparative information on transcripts. Prof. Greschner said the exemption request had been discussed thoroughly with faculty and students. She noted that students were strongly in support of the request.

Dr. Wilson reviewed the response prepared by the Senate Committee on Academic Standards. She said committee members were divided in their support for the request. Dr. Wilson said that while all committee members applauded the success of the faculty, many committee members felt this success was not solely due to the grading system. She added that committee members expected all faculties would experience challenges with the implementation of percentage grading.

Dr. Keller said he did not support the argument made in the exemption request that percentage grading encourages competition over collaboration. Further, Dr. Keller thought it was possible that students who apply to graduate programs could be disadvantaged by a letter grade system. He said it was possible that letter grades could be translated to the lowest percentage in a grade range by the institution considering an application.
Prof. Greschner noted that the response from the Senate Committee on Academic Standards stated that there was no evidence to support that a percentage grading system would be disadvantageous to students. She said it was not possible for the faculty to produce evidence to dispute this point; however, she thought it should be noted that the system currently being used by the faculty has resulted in success.

In response to a comment regarding cross-listed courses, Prof. Greschner noted that there were a small number of courses that could be cross-listed between the Faculty of Law and other faculties. She thought this issue could be addressed fairly easily.

In response to a question regarding costs to implement the exemption, Ms. Charlton said she did not anticipate any additional costs.

Ms. Charlton raised an outstanding question regarding the exemption request. She noted that because the official grading system of the university will be percentage grading, percentage grades for all students will be included on the unofficial transcript. She wondered if it would be possible for a student to submit an appeal to have percentage grades included on the official transcript.

**Motion:** (D. Greschner/R. Burke)
That the Senate approve the request from the Faculty of Law to be exempt from the requirement to report percentage grades on transcripts of JD students.

**DEFEATED**

Dr. Dastmalchian reminded members of Senate that a question had been raised at the last meeting regarding whether an exemption request could be submitted for students in the MBA program. He said that, after discussion at the faculty level, no such request would be submitted.

9. OTHER BUSINESS

a. Appointment of Orators

**Motion:** (T. Haskett/R. Burke)
That the Senate re-appoint the following:

1. Dr. Bradley Anholt as Orator for a term from July 1, 2011 until June 30, 2014;
2. Dr. Christina Kieka Mynhardt as Orator for a term from July 1, 2011 until June 30, 2014;
3. Prof. Judith Terry as Orator for a term from July 1, 2011 until June 30, 2014; and,
4. Dr. Michael Prince as Orator for a term from July 1, 2011 until June 30, 2014.

**CARRIED**

**Motion:** (A. Preece/R. Burke)
That the Senate appoint the following:
1. Prof. Juliana Saxton as University Orator for a term from July 1, 2011 until June 30, 2013
2. Dr. Andrew Rippin as Deputy Orator for a term from July 1, 2011 until June 30, 2014;
3. Dr. Anthony Jenkins as Orator for a term from July 1, 2011 until June 30, 2014;
4. Dr. Brock Smith as Orator for a term from July 1, 2011 until June 30, 2014;
5. Dr. Nancy Turner as Orator for a term from July 1, 2011 until June 30, 2014;
6. Prof. Evert Lindquist as Orator for a term from July 1, 2011 until June 30, 2014;
7. Dr. Frederick Bell as Orator for the term from July 1, 2011 until June 30, 2014;
8. Prof. John McLaren as Orator for the term from July 1, 2011 until June 30, 2014;
9. Dr. Carole Miller as Orator for the term from July 1, 2011 until June 30, 2014;
10. Prof. Mary Sanseverino as Orator for the term from July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2014; and
11. Dr. John Archibald as Orator for the term from July 1, 2011 until June 30, 2014.

CARRIED

b. Procedures for the Appointment and Re-appointment of the Associate Dean Academic Advising (Faculties of Humanities, Science and Social Sciences)

Prof. Kim Hart Wensley reviewed the draft procedures. She explained that the faculties of Humanities, Science and Social Sciences were in the process of restructuring academic advising. As part of this restructuring, the duties of the current director of academic advising were being divided into two positions, a professional advisor and an associate dean. Prof. Hart Wensley said the associate dean would represent and act on behalf of the deans and would be responsible for academic standards and integrity.

Dr. Monahan asked why the procedures did not include a ratification requirement. Prof. Hart Wensley said a conscious decision was made to exclude this requirement. She said this position was unique to from other associate dean positions. The individual in the position would only act on behalf of the deans in specific ways and would not step in on behalf of the dean in the traditional sense. Further, Prof. Hart Wensley stated that a ratification requirement would require a ratification vote by all regular faculty members in three faculties, which was quite a large number.

Prof. Hart Wensley explained that the proposed appointment committee was developed to ensure broad representation and input into the appointment process.
Dr. Baer thought the ratification requirement was an important part of the university’s process. He said he was proud of the democratic processes in place at the university and would like to see this continue.

Dr. Keller said the ratification requirement had been removed in part to alleviate administrative burden.

Dr. Devor said a review of the associate dean’s duties indicated that this was a high level position. He noted that a conscious decision was being made to remove the ratification requirement and thought it was important to acknowledge the potential implications going forward.

Dr. Webb said he supported creation of the position; however, he shared Dr. Baer’s view about the collegial processes at the university. He did not think this position was different enough from other associate dean positions to merit removal of the ratification requirement. Dr. Webb said the ratification process ensures that an incumbent has the support of the people they will be working with, which he felt was important.

Dr. Monahan asked what could be done to include a ratification provision. Dr. Keller said the deans of Humanities, Science and Social Sciences were willing to propose a friendly amendment to the procedures. He suggested the addition of the following clause:

22.01 The candidate shall be submitted for ratification by all regular faculty members of the three pertinent faculties, by secret ballot. If the candidate receives at least sixty per cent (60%) of the votes cast, he or she shall be recommended to the Vice-President Academic and Provost for approval for appointment.

Motion: (P. Keller/J. Archibald)
That Senate approve, and recommend to the Board of Governors that it approve the Procedures for the Appointment and Reappointment of the Associate Dean Academic Advising (GV0670), as amended at Senate, effective May, 2011.

CARRIED

c. Procedures for Academic Accommodation and Access for Undergraduate Students with Disabilities

Dr. Turpin reported that, in accordance with the university’s Policy on University Policies and Procedures, procedures are not normally approved by Senate; however, given the importance of this issue and previous involvement by Senate, it was determined that approval by Senate was appropriate.

Mr. Dunsdon reminded members of Senate that finalization of these procedures was one of the major priorities listed in the annual report of the Advisory Committee on Academic Accommodation and Access for Students with Disabilities.
In response to a question from Dr. Monahan regarding the timeline for submitting examinations to the Resource Centre for Students with a Disability, Mr. Dunsdon said the policy supported best practices to ensure examinations are ready in time.

Motion: (T. Haskett/S. Blackstone)
That Senate approve the Procedures for Academic Accommodation and Access for Undergraduate Students with Disabilities, effective September, 2011.

CARRIED

d. Election of Senate member to the Review Committee for Vice-President Research

Dr. Haskett made a nomination on behalf of the Senate Committee on Nominations and Committee Governance. He nominated Sikata Banerjee. Dr. Banerjee agreed to the nomination. There were no other nominations. Dr. Banerjee was acclaimed to the committee.

There being no other business the meeting was adjourned at 5:04 p.m.
MEMBERSHIP OF THE SENATE OF THE UNIVERSITY OF VICTORIA
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(2) (a-f)
□ Chancellor: Murray Farmer (31/12/11)
□ President and Vice-Chancellor: David Turpin, Chair
□ V.P. Academic & Provost: Reeta Tremblay
□ V.P. Research: Howard Brunt
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□ Dean of Education: Ted Riecken
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□ 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
□ University Librarian: Marnie Swanson, Vice-Chair

MEMBERS ELECTED BY THE FACULTIES -
Section 35 (2) (g)
□ BUSI: Richard Wolfe (30/6/13)
□ ENGR: Peter Wild (30/6/11)
□ EDCU: Alison Preece (30/6/11)
□ EDUC: Geraldine Van Gyn (30/6/13)
□ FINE: Micaela Serra (30/6/13)
□ Jan Wood (30/6/13)
□ GRAD: John Dower (30/6/11)
□ Annalee Lepp (30/6/13)
□ HUMA: Gerhard Brauer (30/6/12)
□ Debra Sheets (30/6/13)
□ HUMS: Jamie Dopp (30/6/13)
□ Cedric Littlewood (30/6/12)
□ LAW: Mark Gillen (30/6/11)
□ Robert Howell (30/6/13)
□ SCIE: Adam Monahan (30/6/11)
□ Jay Cullen (30/6/11)
□ SOSC: Ian Walker (30/6/11)
□ Margot Wilson (30/6/12)

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□ Robert Anthony – EDUC (30/6/11)
□ Doug Baer – SOSC (30/6/11)
□ Sikata Banerjee – HUMS (30/6/13)
□ Robert Burke - SCIE (30/6/11)
□ Sara Beam – HUMS (30/6/12)
□ Gordon Fulton – HUMS (30/6/12)
□ Lynda Gammon - FINE (30/6/12)

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MEMBERS (continued)
□ Kathy Gillis - SCIE (30/6/11)
□ David Harrington – SCIE (30/6/13)
□ Tim Haskett - HUMS (30/6/13)
□ Michael Webb – SOSC (30/6/11)
□ Lorna Williams – EDUC (30/6/11)

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□ Andrew Allen (EDUC) (30/6/11)
□ José Barrios (SOSC)
□ Jenn Bowie (HUMA)
□ Carley Coccola (SOSC)
□ Tanille Johnston (HUMA)
□ Laura MacLeod (SOSC)
□ Kalin McCluskey (GRAD)
□ Heather McKenzie (SCIE)
□ Meahk Meher (BUSI)
□ Gordon Ruby (GRAD)
□ Manpreet Sall (ENGR)
□ Rajpreeet Sall (HUMS)
□ Geoff Sharpe (SOSC)
□ Andrew Wade (FINE)
□ Mark Walsh (LAW)
□ Wanda Martin (GRAD)

MEMBERS ELECTED BY THE CONVOCATION
Section 35 (2) (i)
□ Kathleen Barnes (31/12/11)
□ Betty Clazie (31/12/11)
□ Larry Cross (31/12/11)
□ Gail Flitton (31/12/11)

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□ Member elected by the Professional Librarians: Rebecca Raworth (30/6/12)
□ Continuing Sessional: Alicia Ulysses (30/6/11)

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