



MINUTES

A meeting of the Senate of the University of Victoria was held on October 1, 2010 at 3:30 p.m. in the Senate and Board Chambers, University Centre, Room A180.

Dr. Turpin welcomed members of Senate to the first meeting of the year. He introduced the new deans and new members of Senate.

1. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Motion: (McCluskey/Burke)

That the agenda be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

2. MINUTES

Motion: (McCluskey/Burke)

That the minutes of the open session of the meeting of the Senate held on May 7, 2010 be approved and that the approved minutes be circulated in the usual way.

CARRIED

3. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

- a. Election of students from the faculties of Graduate Studies, Human and Social Development, and Law to Senate

Dr. Turpin reported that Mark Walsh from the Faculty of Law and Tanille Johnston from the Faculty of Human and Social Development had been acclaimed to Senate. He said an election would be held to elect a student representative from the Faculty of Graduate Studies. The candidates, Gordon Ruby and Wanda Martin, made a few brief remarks. Ballots were circulated to members of Senate. Dr. Turpin said the results of the election would be announced later in the meeting.

4. REMARKS FROM THE CHAIR

a. President's Report

- i. Strategic Issues for the University of Victoria 2010/2011

Dr. Turpin started his report by reviewing some key points of UVic's academic leadership, which included excellence in education and research, and excellence in the student experience. He noted

some initiatives undertaken in recent years to support the student experience. Dr. Turpin reviewed some priorities for the coming year, including academic planning, student recruitment and retention, budget, advocacy, and fundraising.

Dr. Turpin reported that this year the university would begin review and renewal of the strategic plan. He said the Planning and Priorities Committee was currently working on documents for distribution in January. Dr. Turpin explained that consultations would be undertaken and a draft of the renewed plan would be released in approximately one year. He said the goal was to have the plan approved in winter 2011/12. Dr. Turpin reminded members of Senate that last year's Joint Senate Board Retreat had been dedicated to examining the context that will influence development of the renewed plan.

With regard to integrated planning, Dr. Turpin said the university would continue implementation of the current strategic plan. Long term goals would continue to be mapped on to the university's 1-3 year budget map. An additional goal related to integrated planning was to facilitate and support the transition to Reeta Tremblay as Vice-President Academic and Provost.

Dr. Turpin said student recruitment and retention continued to be a priority. He added that a focus would be placed on academic quality and student retention and success.

With respect to budget priorities, Dr. Turpin said the university planned to maintain a balanced budget and prepare a budget that drives the priorities of the strategic plan in this resource constrained environment. He reported on some current budget-related priorities, which included concluding negotiations with employee groups and managing the Knowledge Infrastructure Program. Dr. Turpin said infrastructure was a priority. The university would continue to link academic and research needs with physical planning, and would continue to address the ongoing need for adequate space. Dr. Turpin added that a funding plan for a new centre for athletics, recreation and special abilities would continue to be developed.

Dr. Turpin reported on advocacy as priority. He said funding for research and academic activity would be encouraged at both the provincial and federal levels. Dr. Turpin also provided a report on the ongoing discussion with government regarding removal of universities from the government reporting entity.

Dr. Turpin said fundraising continued to be a priority. He reported that external relations and fundraising activities would be increased.

Dr. Turpin concluded his report by noting the excellent ranking received by the University of Victoria in the Times Higher Education Report.

ii. Other Matters

Dr. Turpin reported that David Johnston had been sworn in that morning as Governor General of Canada. The Governor General had articulated three guiding pillars for the coming years: support families and children, learning and innovation, and philanthropy and volunteerism.

With regard to matters at the university, Dr. Turpin reported that:

- the Federal Symposium and Career Fair event was held on campus on September 30, 2010;
- Susan Mehinagic had been elected Chair of the Board of Governors;
- on September 10, Global TV did a live broadcast of their morning show at UVic;
- in July, UVic installed a telescope on the roof of the Bob Wright Centre; and
- the Annual Review was recently published and a copy was provided to all members of Senate.

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

- Prof. Mary Kerr, Department of Theatre was elected a Fellow of the Royal Society of Canada;
- Dr. John Oleson, Department of Greek and Roman Studies will receive the 2010 Pierre Chauveau Medal of the Royal Society of Canada for a distinguished contribution to knowledge in the humanities other than Canadian literature and Canadian history;
- Dr. Michael Masson, Department of Psychology received the 2010 Richard C. Tees Distinguished Leadership Award from the Canadian Society of the Brain, Behaviour and Cognitive Science;
- in June, the Canadian Council for the Advancement of Education awarded UVic the silver *prix d'excellence* for best institutional homepage in the world wide web category;
- on September 16, a team from UVic led by Dr. Tim Pelton and Dr. Leslee Francis Pelton received the Best Mobile award in the Apps4Climate Action contest; and
- the Social Sciences and Mathematics Building was the third campus facility to achieve a gold-level standard in environmental design and sustainability.

Dr. Anthony congratulated Dr. Turpin on behalf of Senate for being appointed to the Order of Canada in June 2010.

b. United Way Presentation

Dr. Peter Keller and Ms. Nikki Macdonald, co-chairs of the campus United Way campaign provided a presentation on the 2010 campaign. Dr. Keller reported that the goal was to raise \$280,000 and increase participation in the campaign.

Ms. Lisa Mort-Putland from Big Brothers and Big Sisters shared her experience of the positive impact the United Way makes on organizations.

Ms. Macdonald reviewed some of the events planned during this year's campaign.

c. Election Results

Dr. Turpin announced the results of the election of a student from the Faculty of Graduate Students to Senate. Gordon Ruby was elected. Dr. Turpin congratulated Mr. Ruby and invited him to join the meeting.

5. CORRESPONDENCE

a. University of Victoria Financial Statements as at March 31, 2010

6. PROPOSALS AND REPORTS FROM SENATE COMMITTEES

a. Senate Committee on Agenda and Procedures

i. Report to Senate on the Proposal to Create a Senate Standing Committee on Accessibility

Dr. Turpin reminded members of Senate that a proposal had been brought forward at the May 2010 Senate meeting to amend the Rules to Govern the Conduct of Senate Procedures to establish a Senate standing committee on accessibility. Dr. Turpin said this was an important issue that the Senate Committee on Agenda and Procedures had considered very carefully. The report being presented to Senate by the committee was for information. After discussion regarding the report, Senate would be asked to consider the proposal to create a new committee. With respect to procedural matters, Dr. Turpin explained that if Senate was in support of the recommendations from the Senate Committee on Agenda and Procedures, it could vote to defeat the motion to create a new Senate committee. Alternatively, he noted that Senate might be in support of the proposal and choose to approve the motion to create the new committee.

Mr. Barrios said that students are very connected to this issue and had reviewed the report closely. He noted that the policy states that persons with disabilities will be involved in policy decisions and asked if the Senate Committee on Agenda and Procedures had received input from students with disabilities while forming its recommendations. Dr. Turpin said input had been received from committee members after careful review of the proposal and discussion with the Associate Vice-President Student Affairs. He could not comment on whether any committee members were individuals with a disability, and noted that many disabilities are invisible. Mr. Barrios asked if Access UVic had been consulted. Dr. Turpin thought this had been done during the development of the proposal to create a new Senate committee.

Motion: (R. Burke/K. Gillis)

That Senate receive the Report to Senate on the Proposal to Create a Standing Committee on Accessibility from the Senate Committee on Agenda and Procedures for information.

CARRIED

ii. Proposal to Create a Senate Standing Committee on Accessibility

Dr. Turpin invited Mr. David Foster, who had submitted the proposal to Senate in May 2010, to provide a brief statement from the gallery. Mr. Foster thanked the Senate Committee on Agenda and Procedures for their review of the proposal. He noted that only the Associate Vice-President Student Affairs had been consulted by the committee. Mr. Foster asked that the report be referred back to the committee for further review and consultation with people with disabilities, in particular Access UVic.

Dr. Burke pointed out that the statements regarding inclusion of people with disabilities in policy decisions was part of the terms of reference of the existing advisory committee on accommodation and accessibility. He said the Senate Committee on Agenda and Procedures was recommending that the mandate of this committee be strengthened and that the committee be provided with an opportunity to carry out the work it was created to do.

Dr. Gillis said the Senate Committee on Agenda and Procedures thought it was a good sign that the advisory committee had met recently and that it had agreed to provide an interim report to Senate in November.

Mr. Barrios commented that the advisory committee was required to submit an annual report to Senate and that this report had never been provided.

Dr. Turpin asked Mr. Dunsdon to provide a brief report on the work currently being undertaken by the advisory committee. Mr. Dunsdon said the committee had recently met and had prepared draft terms of reference that would be approved at its next meeting. The advisory committee had also started to put together a work plan for the coming year and would have a number of issues to consider.

Mr. Barrios suggested that the proposal be tabled until the next meeting of Senate to allow for further consideration by the Senate Committee on Agenda and Procedures.

Motion: (J. Barrios/M. Mehra)

That the proposal to create a Senate standing committee on accessibility be tabled until the November 2010 meeting of Senate.

DEFEATED

Dr. Turpin informed members of Senate that the proposal to create a new Senate standing committee required a 2/3 majority to pass.

Motion: (R. Sall/M. Mehra)

That Senate approve that the Rules to Govern the Conduct of Senate Procedures, section 6(h) be amended to add: (13) Senate

Committee on Accessibility, and that the Senate Committee on Accessibility have the terms of reference set out in the attached document.

DEFEATED

Motion: (K. Gillis/R. Burke)

That Senate approve that the recommendations set out in the Report to Senate on the Proposal to Create a Senate Standing Committee on Accessibility be approved.

CARRIED

Dr. Turpin thanked Mr. Foster for bringing this important issue to Senate for consideration.

b. Senate Committee on Awards

i. New and Revised Undergraduate Awards

Dr. Lepp asked that the committee's submission be amended to remove the terms of reference for one award.

Motion: (A. Lepp/T. Haskett)

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, as amended:

- Jack & Margaret Todd Women's Golf Award*(revised)
- The Law Foundation of British Columbia Diversity Access Grants*(new)
- Donna Trenholm Staff Award in Humanities*(revised)

** Administered by the University of Victoria Foundation*

CARRIED

c. Senate Committee on Continuing Studies

i. Annual Report

Motion: (M. MacDonald/R. Anthony)

That Senate receive the 2009/2010 annual report of the Senate Committee on Continuing Studies for information.

CARRIED

d. Senate Committee on Nominations and Committee Governance

i. Annual Report

Motion: (G. Van Gyn/J. Wood)

That the Senate receive the 2009/2010 annual report of the Senate Committee on Nominations and Committee Governance for information.

CARRIED

ii. Appointments to the 2010/2011 Senate Committees

Motion: (G. Van Gyn/A. Preece)

That Senate approve the appointments to the 2010/11 Senate committees for the terms indicated in the attached document, as recommended by the Senate Committee on Nominations and Committee Governance.

CARRIED

iii. Appointments to the Joint Senate Board Retreat Committee

Motion: (G. Van Gyn/R. Sall)

That Senate approve the appointments of Cedric Littlewood and Alison Preece to the Joint Senate Board Committee for a one-year term from July 1, 2010 – June 30, 2011, as recommended by the Senate Committee on Nominations and Committee Governance.

CARRIED

e. Senate Committee on Planning

Dr. Mateer reported that the university had received a letter from government in mid-August announcing a six-month moratorium on approval of new degree programs. She said the moratorium was intended to provide government with an opportunity to clarify issues related to the approval of new programs. Dr. Mateer said the programs coming forward to Senate for approval would be impacted by the moratorium. There was some indication that there were be an opportunity to request an exemption, but details on how to do this had not yet been provided. In the meantime, the Senate Committee on Planning had recommended that the university continue to move forward with regular academic planning.

In response to a question from Dr. Baer, Dr. Mateer clarified that all new degree programs require government approval.

i. Annual Report on Status of Academic Program Reviews

Motion: (C. Mateer/R. Lipson)

That the Senate receive the 2009-2010 annual report on the status of academic program reviews for information.

CARRIED

ii. MBA + MEng Double Degree Program

Motion: (A. Devor/A. Monahan)

That the Senate approve and recommend to the Board of Governors that it also approve, subject to funding, the establishment of a program leading to a degree of MBA and MEng Double Degree Program to be offered by the Faculty of Business, the Faculty of Engineering, and the Faculty of Graduate Studies as described in the document entitled "MBA + MEng Double Degree Program, Faculty of Business and the Departments of Electrical and Computer Engineering and Mechanical Engineering", dated 13 September 2010 and that this approval be withdrawn if the program should not be offered within five years of the Board of Governors granting approval. A start date will be determined after consultation with Graduate Admissions and Records. Once Senate and the Board of Governors have approved the proposal, the proposal must be posted on the Ministry of Advanced Education website for peer review for a period of 30 days.

CARRIED

iii. MBA and MSc Double Degree Program

Motion: (A. Devor/T. Tiedje)

That the Senate approve and recommend to the Board of Governors that it also approve, subject to funding, the establishment of a program leading to a degree of MBA and MSc Double Degree Program to be offered by the Faculty of Business, the Faculty of Engineering, and the Faculty of Graduate Studies as described in the document entitled "MBA + MSc Double Degree Program, Faculty of Business and the Department of Computer Science", dated 13 September 2010 and that this approval be withdrawn if the program should not be offered within five years of the Board of Governors granting approval. A start date will be determined after consultation with Graduate Admissions and Records. Once Senate and the Board of Governors have approved the proposal, the proposal must be posted on the Ministry of Advanced Education website for peer review for a period of 30 days.

CARRIED

iv. PhD and MSc in Neuroscience

Motion: (A. Devor/R. Lipson)

That the Senate approve and recommend to the Board of Governors that it also approve, subject to funding, the establishment of a program leading to a degree of PhD in Neuroscience to be offered by the Division of Medical Sciences and the Faculty of Graduate Studies, in collaboration with other relevant Faculties, as described in the document entitled “Graduate Program in Neuroscience Proposal”, dated July 5, 2010 and that this approval be withdrawn if the program should not be offered within five years of the Board of Governors granting approval. A start date will be determined after consultation with Graduate Admissions and Records. Once Senate and the Board of Governors have approved the proposal, the proposal must be posted on the Ministry of Advanced Education website for peer review for a period of 30 days.

CARRIED

And

Motion: (A. Devor/R. Lipson)

That the Senate approve and recommend to the Board of Governors that it also approve, subject to funding, the establishment of a program leading to a degree of MSc in Neuroscience to be offered by the Division of Medical Sciences and the Faculty of Graduate Studies, in collaboration with other relevant Faculties, as described in the document entitled “Graduate Program in Neuroscience Proposal”, dated July 5, 2010 and that this approval be withdrawn if the program should not be offered within five years of the Board of Governors granting approval. A start date will be determined after consultation with Graduate Admissions and Records. Once Senate and the Board of Governors have approved the proposal, the proposal must be posted on the Ministry of Advanced Education website for peer review for a period of 30 days.

CARRIED

v. Jointly-Supervised Individual PhD Programs

Motion: (A. Devor/A. Wade)

That the Senate approve and recommend to the Board of Governors that it also approve, subject to funding, the establishment of a program structure that allows Jointly-Supervised Individual PhD Programs to be offered by the Faculty of Graduate Studies, as described in the document entitled “Faculty

of Graduate Studies Program Proposal Jointly-Supervised Individual PhD Programs”, dated July 12, 2010 and that this approval be withdrawn if the program should not be offered within five years of the Board of Governors granting approval. A start date will be determined after consultation with Graduate Admissions and Records.

CARRIED

vi. Proposal for renewal of the Centre for Advanced Materials and Related Technology (CAMTEC)

Motion: (R. Lipson/A. Monahan)

That the Senate extend the renewal of Approved Centre Status for the Centre for Advanced Materials and Related Technology until September 30, 2011.

CARRIED

vii. Proposal for Institute for Dispute Resolution (IFDR)

Dr. Preece said she understood the rationale for not renewing the centre, but wanted to acknowledge the excellent work done by it.

Motion: (M. Purkis/M. Mehra)

That the Senate approve and recommend to the Board of Governors that it also approve the recommendation of the Vice-President Research to not renew the Institute for Dispute Resolution (IFDR) as described in the attached documents.

CARRIED

7. PROPOSALS AND REPORTS FROM FACULTIES

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

i. New and Revised Graduate Awards

Motion: (A. Devor/K. McCluskey)

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.

- Jack Ebbels Scholarship for Public Administration

CARRIED

8. OTHER BUSINESS

a. Election of Vice-Chair

Dr. Gillis nominated Marnie Swanson as Vice-Chair of Senate. Dr. Keller seconded the nomination. Dr. Turpin asked for additional nominations. There were none. Ms. Swanson was acclaimed as Vice-Chair.

b. Elections to the Senate Committee on Nominations and Committee Governance

Dr. Van Gyn nominated Robert Anthony to serve on the Senate Committee on Nominations and Committee Governance. Ms. Raworth seconded the nomination. Ms. Raworth nominated Tim Haskett to serve on the committee. Dr. Baer seconded the nomination. Dr. Turpin asked for additional nominations. There were none. Dr. Anthony and Dr. Haskett were acclaimed to the Senate Committee on Nominations and Committee Governance.

c. Joint Senate Board Retreat

Dr. Turpin announced that the annual Joint Senate Board Retreat would be held on March 12, 2011.

There being no other business the meeting was adjourned at 4:55 p.m.

Attendance

October 12

MEMBERSHIP OF THE SENATE OF THE UNIVERSITY OF VICTORIA

Effective from July 1, 2010

2010

EX OFFICIO MEMBERS - University Act: Section 35

(2) (a-f)

- Chancellor: Murray Farmer (31/12/11)
- President and Vice-Chancellor: David Turpin, Chair
- V.P. Academic & Provost: Jamie Cassels
- V.P. Research: Howard Brunt
- Dean 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
- University Librarian: Marnie Swanson, Vice-Chair

MEMBERS ELECTED BY THE FACULTIES -

Section 35 (2) (g)

- BUSI: Richard Wolfe (30/6/13)
- Kenneth Thornicroft (30/6/12) ✓
- EDUC: Alison Preece (30/6/11)
- Geraldine Van Gyn (30/6/13)
- ENGR: Peter Wild (30/6/11)
- Micaela Serra (30/06/13)
- FINE: Patricia Kostek (30/6/12)
- 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)
- LAWF: 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)

MEMBERS ELECTED BY THE FACULTY

MEMBERS - Sections 35 (2) (g)

- 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)

MEMBERS ELECTED BY THE FACULTY

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)

MEMBERS ELECTED FROM THE STUDENT

ASSOCIATION - Section 35 (2) (h)

- 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) "
- Mehak Mehra (BUSI) "
- Manpreet Sall (ENGR) "
- Rajpreet Sall (HUMS) "
- Geoff Sharpe (SOSC) "
- Andrew Wade (FINE) "
- Leanne Wiltsie (GRAD) "
- TBA (LAW) "
- TBA (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)

ADDITIONAL MEMBERS - Section 35 (2) (k)

- Head, Division of Medical Sciences: Oscar Casiro
- Member elected by the Professional Librarians: Rebecca Raworth (30/06/12)
- Continuing Sessional: TBA (30/06/11)

SECRETARY OF SENATE - Section 64 (2)

- University Secretary: Julia Eastman

BY INVITATION - Seated with specified speaking rights

- Assoc. V.P. Student Affairs: Jim Dunsdon
- Assoc. V.P. Academic Planning: Catherine Mateer
- Registrar: Lauren Charlton
- Associate University Secretary: Carrie Andersen