

**SENATE MEETING
PUBLIC SESSION
MINUTES**

14 December 2005
3:30 – 5:30 PM

Room 7-172 Bentley Centre - Prince George Campus

Present:

E. Annis, K. Beeler, S. Beeler, T. Binnema, B. Burkinshaw, D. Ditto, R. Ellis, A. Fredeen, D. Hemingway, C. Hurtubise, K. Hutchings, C. Jago (Chair), E. Jensen, M. Mandy, B. McGill, P. Montgomery, W. Morrison, A. Nussbaumer, D. Nyce, C. Opio, E. Prkachin, J. Randall, L. Sahaydak, S. Scholefield, M. Sherstobitoff, M. Stephens, R. Tait

Regrets:

R. Berthiaume, M. Blouw, C. Brown, H. Brunt (Vice-Chair), S. Cochran, A. Espíritu, H. Heath, E. Kinghorn, R. Matheson, D. O'Bryan, K. Penner, D. Procter, F. Rahemtulla, E. Rapaport, B. Simard

Non-voting members present:

J. DeGrace (Secretary), K. Kielly, D. Macknak, S. McIntyre, P. Michel

Guests:

G. Fondahl, L. Roa, H. Smith

The meeting commenced at 3:33 p.m.

**1.0 S-200512.01
Approval of the Agenda**

Mandy/Hemingway

That the Agenda for the December 14, 2005 Public Session of Senate be approved as presented.

CARRIED.

2.0 Approval of the Minutes:

S-200512.02

Approval of the Minutes of the November 9, 2005 Public Session

Tait/Hutchings

That the Minutes of the Public Session of Senate of November 9, 2005 be approved as presented.
CARRIED.

3.0 Business Arising from Previous Meetings of Senate

None.

4.0 President's Report

4.1 2006/07 Budget Guidelines Document – for information

The President called Senator's attention to this document, which previously had been presented to President's Council and the Program Chairs. Dr. K. Beeler called attention to previous discussions in which reference had been made to developing a five-year budget framework. Dr. Jago said that such a framework was under discussion and, while not yet approved, was expected. Such a fiscal framework would, allow longer-term budget planning, but unfortunately was not an option for 2006-2007.

5.0 Report of the Vice-President (Academic) and Provost

No report.

6.0 Question Period

No questions.

7.0 Committee Reports:

7.1 Senate Committee on Academic Policy and Planning

Brunt

S-200512.03

Approval of New Joint Major in Anthropology / Geography

Randall/McGill

That the new joint major in Anthropology / Geography be approved as proposed, with the Calendar description as follows:

Effective date: September 2006

The minimum requirement for completion of a Bachelor of Arts with a Joint Major in Anthropology and Geography is 120 credit hours.

Breadth Requirement

UNBC requires students to gain a breadth of knowledge prior to graduation; this is accomplished, in part, by requiring that all students successfully complete one course from each of the Arts and Humanities, Social Science, Natural Science, and Physical Science quadrants listed on page 65 of the Calendar. Courses that meet the spirit of the breadth requirement, by introducing students to a broad body of knowledge in a given discipline or area, will also be considered as substitutes for the courses listed below by the appropriate Dean. Students need to ensure they have a course from each of the quadrants as part of their major or minor requirements or as part of their elective requirements, and that they have the

total number of credits required for their degree.

Students admitted to UNBC with 45 or more transfer credits are exempt from the Breadth Requirement.

2. Curriculum:

Program Requirements

Lower Division Requirement

ANTH 100-3 Archaeological and Biological Approaches

ANTH 101-3 Peoples and Cultures

One of:

ECON 100-3 Microeconomics

ECON 101-3 Macroeconomics

GEOG 100-3 Environments and People

GEOG 101-3 Human Geography

POLS 100-3 Contemporary Political Issues

One of:

FNST 100-3 Aboriginal Peoples of Canada

HIST 110-3 Indigena

HIST 210-3 Canada Before Confederation

HIST 211-3 Canada Since Confederation

ANTH 200-3 Biological Anthropology

ANTH 205-3 Introduction to Anthropology

ANTH 210-3 Understanding Theory

One of:

ANTH 201-3 Medical Anthropology

ANTH 206-3 Ethnography in Northern British Columbia

ANTH 207-3 Popular Culture

ANTH 209-3 Pacific Ethnography

ANTH 211-3 Anthropology through Film

ANTH 214-3 Anthropology of Europe

ANTH 215-3 Anthropology of Canada

ECON 205-3 Statistics for Social and Management Sciences

GEOG 202-3 Economic Geography

GEOG 204-3 Introduction to GIS for the Social Sciences

GEOG 206-3 Social Geography

Upper Division Requirement

ANTH 300-3 Methods in Social Anthropology

ANTH 310-3 Applied Anthropology

One of:

COMM 332-3 Business and Professional Ethics

ENVS 414-3 Environmental and Professional Ethics

POLS 317-3 Politics and Ethics

One of:

ANTH 451-3 Traditional Use Studies

ENPL 419-3 Social Research Methods

GEOG 301-3 Cultural Geography

GEOG 305-3 Political Geography

GEOG 309-3 Geographies of Migration and Settlement

GEOG 403-3 Aboriginal Geography

Two of:

- ANTH 400-3 Topics in Anthropological Theory
- ANTH 401-3 Anthropological Perspectives on Inequality
- ANTH 404-3 Comparative Study of Indigenous Peoples of the World
- ANTH 405-3 Topics in Landscapes and Place
- ANTH 406-3 Feminist Perspectives in Anthropology
- ANTH 407-3 Topics in British Columbia Ethnography
- ANTH 410-3 Theory of Nation and State
- ANTH 413-3 Topics in Environmental Anthropology
- ANTH 414-3 Religion, Ideology, and Belief Systems
- ANTH 415-3 Economic Anthropology
- ANTH 419-3 Political and Legal Anthropology

Two of:

- GEOG 308-3 Introduction to Medical Geography
- GEOG 401-3 Resource Geography
- GEOG 422-3 Geography of the World Economy
- GEOG 424-3 Social Geography of Northern Communities
- GEOG 426-3 Culture, Rights & Power
- GEOG 428-3 Advanced Medical Geography

Elective Requirement

Elective course hours as necessary to ensure completion of a minimum of 120 credit hours, of which at least 21 credit hours must be at the 300 and 400 level.

CARRIED.

S-200512.04

Change to Program Requirements — English / Political Science Joint Major

Randall/Hutchings

That the Joint Major in English / Political Science be revised to eliminate PHIL 200-3 as an alternative to ECON 205-3 as a requirement for the degree.

Effective date: September 2006

CARRIED.

S-200512.05

New Course Approval — GEOG 426-3

Randall/McGill

That the new course GEOG 426-3 Geographies of Culture, Rights and Power be approved as proposed.

Effective date: May 2006

CARRIED.

S-200512.06

New Course Approval — GEOG 457-3

Randall/McGill

That the new course GEOG 457-3 Advanced Remote Sensing be approved as proposed.

Effective date: January 2007

CARRIED.

S-200512.07

Change to Degree Requirements — International Studies BA Honours

Randall/Tait

That the International Studies BA Honours be reduced from 132 to 120 credit hours.

Effective date: September 2005

CARRIED.

S-200512.08

Change to Program Requirements — International Studies / Political Science Joint Majors

Randall/Tait

That INTS 240-3 Contemporary Circumpolar North be added to the list of “Contemporary” courses available to International Studies / Political Science Joint Majors.

Effective date: September 2004

CARRIED.

S-200512.09

Change to Program Requirements — International Studies Major

Randall/Tait

That INTS 240 Contemporary Circumpolar North be added to the list of “Contemporary” courses for International Studies majors and not be presented as a stand alone requirement.

Effective date: September 2004

CARRIED.

S-200512.10

Change to Degree Requirements — Philosophy Minor

Randall/Tait

That the changes to the degree requirements for the Philosophy Minor be approved as indicated (new/revised text underlined, deleted text ~~struck through~~):

Effective date: September 2006

A minor in philosophy requires students to take PHIL 205-3 and POLS 317-3 in addition to 12 ~~15~~ credit hours chosen from courses listed below. A ~~minimum~~ total of 12 must be at the 300 or 400 level.

A maximum of two courses (six credit hours) used to fulfill program requirements for a major or another minor may also be used to fulfill requirements for a minor in Philosophy.

Required

PHIL 205-3: Introduction to the History of Philosophy

POLS 317-3: Ethics

One of:

ECON 202-3 History of Economic Thought

ENGL 200-3 Gender and Literary Theory

PHIL 200-3 Critical Thinking

PHIL 201-3 Philosophy of Science

PHIL 202-3 Comparative Religion

POLS 270-3 Political Philosophy: Plato to Locke

WMST 207-3 Introduction to Feminist Ethics

Three ~~Four~~ of:

COMM 332-3 Business and Professional Ethics

ENGL 300-3 Theory

FNST 303-3 First Nations Religion and Philosophy

FNST 304-3 First Nations Environmental Philosophy and Knowledge

HIST 321-3 Modern US Social and Intellectual History

POLS 313-3 Women and Politics
~~POLS 317-3: Politics and Ethics~~
POLS 370-3 Political Philosophy: Locke to Marx
WMST 311-3 History of Feminism
ANTH 401-3 - Anthropological Perspectives on Inequality
ANTH 405-3 - Topics in Landscapes and Place
ENVS 414-3 Environmental and Professional Ethics
POLS 400-3 Classics in Political Theory
POLS 472-3 Contemporary Theories of Political Community
WMST 411-3 – Contemporary Feminist Theories

CARRIED.

Dean Randall called attention to the following items, which were presented to Senate for information:

SCAPP200511.08

Course Title and Description Change — POLS 317-3

The course title for POLS 317-3 changed from “Politics and Ethics” to “Ethics,” and the Calendar Course Description revised.

Effective date: September 2006

SCAPP200511.09

Course Prerequisite and Description Change — POLS 320-3

ECON 205-3 added as a prerequisite for POLS 320-3, and the Calendar course Description revised.

Effective date: September 2006

7.2 Senate Committee on Research and Graduate Studies — No report

7.3 Senate Committee on Scholarships and Bursaries

S-200512.11

Dissolution of Co-operative Education Work Term Report Awards

Hemingway/Mandy

That the Co-operative Education Work Term Report Awards be deleted.

Effective date: September 2006

CARRIED.

S-200512.12

New Terms and Conditions — Co-op Student of the Year Awards

Hemingway/Mandy

That the Terms and Conditions for the Co-op Student of the Year Awards be approved, replacing the existing Co-operative Education Work Term Report Awards.

Effective date: September 2006

CARRIED.

S-200512.13

New Terms and Conditions — Michael Strel Memorial Bursary

Hemingway/Jensen

That the Terms and Conditions for the Michael Strel Bursary be approved.

Effective date: September 2006

CARRIED.

S-200512.14

Renewal of Terms and Conditions — Minerva Foundation Award

Hemingway/Mandy

That the Terms and Conditions for the renewal of the Minerva Foundation Award be approved.

Effective date: Renewed 2005 (Established 2001)

CARRIED.

7.4 Senate Committee on Regional Policy and Inter-Institutional Relations

Referring to the motions to be put under this agenda item, Dr. Hemingway asked whether there was a set protocol for developing block transfer and other inter-institutional academic arrangements. Jr. Jago said that, in practice, a variety of routes might be followed, and that the important thing was that the Director of Regional Operations be involved at an early stage of any discussions. Dean Randall noted that some of the agreements to be considered were “boiler plate” arrangements that would provide a framework within which more detailed discussions could take place.

S-200512.15

Memorandum of Understanding Between the University of Northern British Columbia and Malaspina University – College

Randall/Hutchings

That the draft Memorandum of Understanding between UNBC and Malaspina University – College be recommended to Senate for approval.

Effective date: November 2, 2005

CARRIED.

S-200512.16

Protocol Agreement Between the University of Northern British Columbia and Nicola Valley Institute of Technology

Randall/Annis

That the draft Protocol Agreement between UNBC and Nicola Valley Institute of Technology be recommended to Senate for approval.

Effective date: November 2, 2005

CARRIED.

S-200512.17

Partnership Protocol Agreement Between the University of Northern British Columbia and Langara College

Randall/Nyce

That the draft Partnership Protocol Agreement between UNBC and Langara College be recommended to Senate for approval.

Effective date: November 16, 2005

CARRIED.

S-200512.18

Partnership Agreement Between the University of Northern British Columbia and Grande Prairie Regional College

Randall/McGill

That the Partnership Agreement between UNBC and Grande Prairie Regional College be recommended to Senate for approval.

Effective date: November 16, 2005

Dr. Mandy wondered whether Grand Prairie's location in Alberta might have any negative impacts on students applying for financial assistance in the context of UNBC courses taken there. Mr. Macknak thought that there would be none.

CARRIED.

7.5 Senate Committee on Nominations

Mr. DeGrace took the Chair for this agenda item.

S-200512.19

Membership Changes to Senate Committees

Mandy/Tait

That the following recommendations from the Senate Committee on Nominations (SCN), for candidates to serve on Senate Committees, be approved as proposed.

Committee and Position to be filled

Candidate

Steering Committee of Senate

Student Senator (one position available, until June 30, 2006)

Mark Stephens

Senate Committee on Academic Appeals

Undergraduate Student Senator (one position available, until June 30, 2006)

Student Senator (one position available, until June 30, 2006)

Eva Prkachin

Holly Heath

Senate Committee on Admissions and Degrees

Undergraduate Student Representative (one position available, until June 30, 2006)

Lindsay Sahaydak

Senate Committee on Regional Policy and Inter-Institutional Relations

Student Senator (one position available, until June 30, 2006)

Lindsay Sahaydak

Senate Committee on Regional Policy and Inter-Institutional Relations

Regional Faculty Member (one position available, until January 31, 2009)

Ellen Facey

CARRIED.

7.6 Steering Committee of Senate — No report

8.0 Other Business

No other business.

8.1 Report of the Administrative Registrar

No report.

9.0 Information

No additional items for information.

10.0 S-200512.20

Adjournment

Mandy/Morrison

That the Senate meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED.

Meeting adjourned at 3:53 p.m.