

## MINUTES

Present: R. Lumpkin (Chair), S. Badali, K. Blotnick, I. Blum, M. Bowen, S. Brigham, E. Church, A. Cole, J. Corcoran, P. Crouse, F.X. Eygun, M. Forrest, J. Fraser-Arsenault, M. J. Harkins, J. Hollett, N. Kayhani, K. Kienapple, S. King, B. MacInnes, L. Mann, I. Pottie, B. Taylor, S. Walsh, P. Watts,

Regrets: B. Burns, S. Drain, T. Harrison, B. Jessop, J. MacLeod, P. Mombourquette, J. Sawler, M. Whalen, R. Zuk, P. Whyte

R. Lumpkin thanked those Senators not returning, as well as those re-elected to Senate, for their hard work and service over the past term.

### 1. Approval of Agenda

**Moved** by S. Badali, seconded by K. Blotnick, to approve the agenda as amended. CARRIED

### 2. Approval of Minutes of April 28, 2014

The minutes of April 28, 2014 were deferred to September 2014

### 3. President's Announcements

R. Lumpkin reported that both Dean K. Kienapple and Dean B. Taylor have been re-appointed for a five-year and a four-year term respectively. R. Lumpkin then read a heartfelt note of gratitude from Robert Bérard for his award for University governance (Appendix A).

### 4. Question Period

M. Bowen raised a question regarding the new graduate program scholarships. He noted that a newspaper report stated that these scholarships would only be made available to those programs whose students engaged in graduate work that would benefit Nova Scotia economically.

R. Lumpkin confirmed that research-based graduate programs would be eligible.

### 5. Committee Reports (Standing and Ad Hoc)

#### 5.1. Senate Executive

##### 5.1.1. Change to the Terms of Reference of Senate Executive (By-Law 14.1)

**Moved** by E. Church, seconded by I. Pottie, that Senate approve the change to the Terms of Reference of Senate Executive (By-Law 14.1). CARRIED.

#### 5.2. Academic Policy and Planning

##### 5.2.1. Academic Plan: Timelines and Outcomes (for information)

E. Church presented the timelines and outcomes for the academic plan for information.

L. Mann expressed concern regarding departmental discussion being scheduled over the summer months.

E. Church noted that departments have the option to move these items to their fall agendas.

L. Mann asked for clarification regarding the committee members referenced in recommendation one.

E. Church noted that academic and academic support staff as well as the Deans, the VP Academic and the AVP Student Experience would make up this committee. She also noted that the committee had not been constituted yet.

L. Mann asked if funds would be made available for faculty level retreats.

E. Church responded that this issue had been discussed and funds would be made available.

M. Forrest questioned whether the document included committees that don't yet exist.  
 E. Church responded yes – The First Year Experience Committee and the CAPP Subcommittee on Experiential Learning.  
 L. Mann, referring to recommendations 14 and 15, asked who would be responsible for the analysis of current online offerings and the research of best practices at other Universities.  
 P. Watts confirmed that Distance Learning and Continuing Education would be responsible.

### 5.3. UCC Proposed Revision

**Moved** by S. Badali, seconded by M.J Harkins, that Senate approve a minor revision to the recently approved BED: Addition of an Early, Conditional Admission Route (specifying MSVU undergraduate students) CARRIED

P.Watts suggested a friendly amendment to the use of current language (MSVU be changed to Mount).

S. Badali accepted this friendly amendment.

### 5.4. Nominations

#### 5.4.1. Elections for standing committees of Senate

P. Crouse presented the slate of nominations for the standing committees of Senate.

**Moved** by P. Crouse, seconded by K. Blotnick that Senate elect the faculty members outlined below to the respective committees for the indicated terms.

| Committee                                      | Nominee                             | Term Begins     | Term Ends     |
|--|-------------------------------------|-----------------|---------------|
| Secretary of Senate                            | Dr. Susan Drain                     | July 1, 2014    | June 30, 2017 |
| Senate Executive                               | Dr. Ilya Blum                       | July 1, 2014    | June 30, 2017 |
|  | Dr. Michelle Eskritt                | July 1, 2014    | June 30, 2017 |
|  | Dr. Mary Jane Harkins               | July 1, 2014    | June 30, 2017 |
|  | Dr. Ian Pottie                      | July 1, 2014    | June 30, 2017 |
| Academic Appeals                               | Alternate:<br>Dr. John Schellenberg | January 1, 2015 | June 30, 2017 |
|  | Regular:<br>Dr. Tammy Findlay       | July 1, 2014    | June 30, 2017 |
| Undergraduate Curriculum                       | Prof. Ann MacGillivray              | July 1, 2014    | June 30, 2017 |
|  | Dr. Suzanne Seager                  | July 1, 2014    | June 30, 2017 |
| Information Technology and Services            | Dr. Mike Bowen                      | July 1, 2014    | June 30, 2017 |
|  | Prof. Jean Mills                    | January 1, 2015 | June 30, 2017 |
| Library  | Dr. Graham Fraser                   | July 1, 2014    | June 30, 2017 |
|  | Dr. Mary Jane Harkins               | July 1, 2014    | June 30, 2017 |
|  | Dr. Michele Millar                  | July 1, 2014    | June 30, 2017 |
| Research & Publications                        | Dr. Arthur McCalla                  | January 1, 2015 | June 30, 2017 |
| Student Experience                             | Prof. Elsie Henderson               | July 1, 2014    | June 30, 2017 |
| Teaching & Learning                            | Dr. Ashwani Kumar                   | July 1, 2014    | June 30, 2017 |
| Writing Initiatives                            | Mr. Roger Gillis                    | July 1, 2014    | June 30, 2017 |
|  | Dr. Tracy Moniz                     | July 1, 2014    | June 30, 2017 |
| Undergraduate Admissions & Scholarships        | Dr. Hazel MacRae                    | July 1, 2014    | June 30, 2017 |
|  | Prof. Jonathan Roberts              | July 1, 2014    | June 30, 2017 |
|  | Ms. Jennifer Thornton               | July 1, 2014    | June 30, 2017 |
|  | Prof. Michael Whalen                | July 1, 2014    | June 30, 2017 |
| Graduate Scholarships, Assistantships & Awards | Dr. Geneviève Boulet                | July 1, 2014    | June 30, 2017 |
|  | Dr. John Morgenstern                | July 1, 2014    | June 30, 2017 |
|  | Dr. Deborah Norris                  | July 1, 2014    | June 30, 2017 |

| Committee   | Nominee                           | Term Begins     | Term Ends     |
|---|-----------------------------------|-----------------|---------------|
| Research & Publications                               | Dr. Jim Sharpe                    | July 1, 2014    | June 30, 2017 |
| University Research Ethics Board                      | Dr. Angie Birt                    | July 1, 2014    | June 30, 2017 |
|   | Dr. Alan Brown                    | July 1, 2014    | June 30, 2017 |
|   | Dr. Saad Chahine                  | July 1, 2014    | June 30, 2017 |
|   | Dr. Bohdan Luhovyy                | July 1, 2014    | June 30, 2017 |
|   | Dr. Jeff Young                    | July 1, 2014    | June 30, 2017 |
| Student Judicial                                      | Regular:<br>Dr. Meredith Ralston  | July 1, 2014    | June 30, 2017 |
| Student Discipline Appeals                            | Regular:<br>Prof. Elsie Henderson | January 1, 2015 | June 30, 2017 |
|   | Alternate:<br>Dr. Graham Fraser   | July 1, 2014    | June 30, 2017 |
| Joint Board-Senate                                    | Prof. Jean Mills                  | July 1, 2014    | June 30, 2017 |
|   | Dr. Larry Steele                  | January 1, 2015 | June 30, 2017 |
| Advisory Committee for Chair in Learning Disabilities | Dr. Michelle Eskritt              | July 1, 2014    | June 30, 2017 |
|   | Dr. Melissa McGonnell             | July 1, 2014    | June 30, 2017 |

**Moved** by P. Crouse, seconded by N. Kayhani, that Senate approve that Dr. Christine Doe, a current alternate member of the Academic Appeals Committee, be changed to regular status. CARRIED

**Moved** by P. Crouse, seconded by J. Hollett, that Senate approve that Dr. Christine Doe be ratified as chair of the Student Discipline Appeals Committee, effective January, 1, 2015. CARRIED

**Moved** by P. Crouse, seconded by K. Blotnick, that Senate approve that Dr. Jim Sharpe be elected to Serve on Research and Publications Committee for a three year term effective July 1, 2014.

P. Crouse noted one vacancy, the Writing Initiatives committee is still seeking a representative.

#### 5.4.2. Report and recommendation of the pilot project on electronic nominations process

P. Crouse recommended that the pilot project (use of electronic mail to communicate with faculty in seeking nominations, sending out results of nominations, allowing faculty to send nominations electronically to the Senate NC account) continue. P. Crouse noted that the pilot does not affect the by-laws of the Nominations committee.

L. Mann asked if there is a way for the ongoing record of emails be published to the web, allowing faculty ease of access to Senate Nomination information.

P. Crouse expressed concern that if published to the web this information would become public.

**Moved** by P. Crouse, seconded by J. Hollett, that the electronic communication procedures between the Senate Nominations Committee and faculty (as described in the July 5, 2013 memo from the Senate Nomination Committee to the Senate Executive) piloted during the 2013-2014 academic year be adopted for continued use by the Senate Nominations Committee. It was noted that the opt-out provision will be grand-parented for those four members who had specified that option. CARRIED

#### 5.4.3. Report of elections by the faculty complement

P. Crouse brought forward the list of those elected by the faculty complement for information.

| Committee               | Name                   | Term Begins     | Term Ends     |
|-------------------------|------------------------|-----------------|---------------|
| Senate                  | Dr. Candace Blayney    | July 1, 2014    | June 30, 2017 |
|                         | Dr. Alan Brown         | July 1, 2014    | June 30, 2017 |
|                         | Dr. Michelle Eskritt   | July 1, 2014    | June 30, 2017 |
|                         | Dr. Roni Gechtman      | January 1, 2015 | June 30, 2017 |
|                         | Dr. Reina Green        | July 1, 2014    | June 30, 2017 |
|                         | Dr. Mary Jane Harkins  | July 1, 2014    | June 30, 2017 |
|                         | Dr. Jeff MacLeod       | July 1, 2014    | June 30, 2017 |
|                         | Prof. Jean Mills       | July 1, 2014    | June 30, 2017 |
|                         | Dr. Ian Pottie         | July 1, 2014    | June 30, 2017 |
|                         | Dr. Larry Steele       | July 1, 2014    | June 30, 2017 |
|                         | Prof. Michael Whalen   | July 1, 2014    | June 30, 2017 |
| CAPP                    | Dr. Chérif Matta       | July 1, 2014    | June 30, 2017 |
|                         | Dr. Martha Walls       | July 1, 2014    | June 30, 2017 |
| Nominations             | Dr. Candace Blayney    | July 1, 2014    | June 30, 2017 |
|                         | Dr. Alexandra Tsedryk  | July 1, 2014    | June 30, 2017 |
|                         | Dr. Martha Walls       | July 1, 2014    | June 30, 2017 |
| University Review       | Dr. Jeff MacLeod       | July 1, 2014    | June 30, 2017 |
|                         | Prof. Rod Tilley       | July 1, 2014    | June 30, 2017 |
| Board of Governors      | Prof. Elizabeth Hicks  | July 1, 2014    | June 30, 2016 |
|                         | Dr. Cornelia Schneider | January 1, 2015 | June 30, 2016 |
| Research & Publications | Dr. Jim Sharpe         | July 1, 2014    | June 30, 2017 |

## 6. Other Reports

### 6.1. Board of Governors

L. Mann reported that the Board of Governors approved the budget for the upcoming fiscal year.

### 6.2. Students' Union

J. Corcoran reported that transitioning in of the new Students' Union President, Paul Whyte, continues. He noted that newly elected Students' Union President away in Ottawa at a CFS Conference.

### 6.3. Mount 2017: Making a Difference

R. Lumpkin reviewed the President's report to the Board of Governors

L. Mann questioned internal communications on developing a security plan.

R. Lumpkin reported that this is still a work in progress, noting that talks regarding a good campus wide emergency notification system are still ongoing. B. Jessop to give the update in the fall.

## 7. New Business

### 7.1. Graduation Lists for Spring Convocations (**confidential business**)

**Moved** by E. Church, seconded by J. Hollett, to move *in camera*. CARRIED

Senate approved the following degrees, diplomas, and certificates as follows:

#### **Faculty of Arts and Science**

|   |                     |
|---|---------------------|
| Certificate of Proficiency in French            | B. Taylor/P. Watts  |
| Certificate of Proficiency in French (Advanced) | B. Taylor/I. Blum   |
| Degree of Bachelor of Arts                      | B. Taylor/I. Pottie |
| Degree of Bachelor of Arts (Honours)            | B. Taylor/I. Pottie |
| Degree of Bachelor of Science                   | B. Taylor/I. Pottie |

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|--|-----------------------------------|
| Degree of Bachelor of Science (Honours)  | B. Taylor/I. Pottie               |
| Degree of Master of Arts in Women and Gender Studies<br>offered jointly by Mount Saint Vincent University<br>and Saint Mary's University     | B. Taylor/S. Brigham              |
| <b>Faculty of Education</b>  |                                   |
| Degree of Bachelor of Education  | S. Badali/M.J. Harkins            |
| Degree of Master of Education  | S. Badali/S. Walsh                |
| Degree of Master of Education in Curriculum<br>Studies: Teaching English as a Second Language<br>in Association with Saint Mary's University | S. Badali/J. Hollett              |
| Degree of Master of Arts in Education  | S. Badali/M. Bowen                |
| Degree of Master of Arts in School Psychology  | S. Badali/M. Bowen                |
| <b>Faculty of Professional Studies</b>   |                                   |
| Certificate in Business Administration   | K. Kienapple/K. Blotnicky         |
| Certificate in Tourism   | K. Kienapple/ K. Blotnicky        |
| Diploma in Business Administration   | K. Kienapple/ K. Blotnicky        |
| Degree of Bachelor of Arts (Child and Youth<br>Study)  | K. Kienapple/ K. Blotnicky        |
| Degree of Bachelor of Arts (Child and Youth<br>Study) in Association with Bermuda College  | K. Kienapple/P. Watts             |
| Degree of Bachelor of Arts (Child and Youth<br>Study) Honours  | K. Kienapple/L. Mann              |
| Degree of Bachelor of Business Administration  | K. Kienapple/ K. Blotnicky        |
| Degree of Bachelor of Business Administration<br>Honours   | K. Kienapple/ K. Blotnicky        |
| Degree of Bachelor of Business Administration in<br>Association with Bermuda College   | K. Kienapple/P. Watts             |
| Degree of Bachelor of Public Relations<br>(Co-operative Education Route)   | K. Kienapple/P. Crouse            |
| Degree of Bachelor of Science Applied<br>Human Nutrition   | K. Kienapple/J. Fraser-Arsenault  |
| Degree of Bachelor of Science Applied<br>Human Nutrition (Honours)   | K. Kienapple/L. Mann              |
| Degree of Bachelor of Science Applied Human<br>Nutrition (Dietetics) (Honours) Integrated<br>Internship Education                            | K. Kienapple/ J. Fraser-Arsenault |
| Degree of Bachelor of Tourism and<br>Hospitality Management  | K. Kienapple/K. Blotnicky         |
| Degree of Master of Applied Human Nutrition  | K. Kienapple/ J. Fraser-Arsenault |
| Degree of Master of Arts in Child and Youth Study  | K. Kienapple/I. Blum              |
| Degree of Master of Public Relations   | K. Kienapple/K. Blotnicky         |
| Degree of Master of Arts in Family Studies<br>and Gerontology  | K. Kienapple/S. Brigham           |
| Degree of Master of Science Applied<br>Human Nutrition   | K. Kienapple/L. Mann              |

**Moved** by K. Kienapple, seconded by J. Hollett, that Senate permit the Registrar to add an individual's name if the requirements are completed prior to the Convocation ceremony and, further, to adjust any student's distinction status if so warranted. CARRIED

**Moved** by M. Forrest seconded by J. Hollett, to move from *in camera*. CARRIED

8. Items for Communication

Senate approved the following:

- A change to By-Law 14,1 regarding the Senate Executive
- A slate of nominees to standing committees of Senate and other committees
- For continued use, the Senate Nomination Committee's procedures for electronic communication in the nominations process, as piloted in 2013-2014. Note that voting procedures remain unchanged.
- The Graduation List for Spring Convocations 2014

Senate received for information:

- from the Committee on Academic Policy and Planning, timelines and outcomes for the Academic Plan
- from the President, a progress report on the Strategic Plan Mount 2017: Making a Difference.

9. Adjournment

**Moved** by M. Bowen, seconded by B. Taylor, that the meeting be adjourned. **CARRIED**