# MINUTES OF SENATE ALGOMA UNIVERSITY Sixth Regular Meeting of 2013-2014 January 10, 2014

#### **Humanities Division**

N. Boyle, L. Burnett, M. Caswell, W. Johnston, T. O'Flanagan, A. Pinheiro, C. Ross, E. Turgeon, H. Webkamigad (regrets: R. Isard, A. Ridout; on leave: A. Bondar, R. Rutherdale)

#### **Social Sciences**

H. Allen, R. Cameron, J. Clarke, K. DeLuca, C. Denomme, M. Graydon, D. Jackson, K. Kadiyala, P. Matthews, N. Shaw, A. Vaillancourt

(regrets: G. Broad; absent: N. Cruickshank, S. Gruner; on leave: D. Galotta)

#### Sciences

D. Brodbeck, N. Cameron, P. Dupuis, M. Garcia-Ruiz, E. James, I. Imre (Speaker), I. Molina, C. Reed-Elder, B. Schamp, S. Xu, C. Zhang (regrets: Y. Feng, J. Foote, W. Osei; absent: P. Antunes)

#### **Other Members**

S. Kitts, M. Lajoie, B. MacKinnon, D. Marasco (Secretary), R. Myers, A. Perlini, D. Schantz, N. Stratton (regrets: L. Connor, K. Hernden, L. Wurdemann; absent: E. Benton-Benai, R. Linklater, B. Peltsch, J. Reid, J. Young)

# Guests

L. Bloomfield, S. Crowell, T. Fabiano, H. Hornstein, R. Lehto, G. Mahar, M. Rossetto, J. Syrette

## 14.01.01 APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Moved (Brodbeck/Lajoie): that the agenda for the January 2014 meeting of Senate be approved.

The Speaker asked Senate to approve 14.01.05.01 INFORMATION ITEMS – Bounce Back program to be moved to the beginning of Senate.

Motion carried.

Sarah Crowell and Raquel Lehto presented on the academic support program Bounce Back for struggling students. This new initiative is a program designed for any student who has earned an average of less than 60%. Students who opt in to the program are matched with a staff member or mentor of the program.

# 14.01.02 APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES from the meeting of December 6, 2013

Moved (Allen/Brodbeck): that Senate approve the minutes from the meeting of December 6, 2013.

Motion carried.

# 14.01.03 BUSINESS ARISING (for action or information) 14.01.03.01 Animal Care Committee – revised membership

Moved (Bloomfield/Brodbeck): that Senate approve the following revisions to the membership of the Animal Care Committee:

#### From:

AUACC members normally will be appointed for terms of no less than two years and no more than four years (renewable once), however terms may be either shortened or extended should the need arise with a maximum of 8 years.

#### To:

AUACC members normally will be appointed for terms of no less than two years and no more than four years (renewable once), however terms may be either shortened or extended should the need arise, with no a-maximum of 8-years of service.

#### From:

three faculty representatives who conduct research with animals and are therefore presumably knowledgeable in the care, welfare and ethical use of animals in research (one of which may be appointed as Chair);

#### To:

two three-faculty representatives who conduct research with animals and are therefore presumably knowledgeable in the care, welfare and ethical use of animals in research (one of which may be appointed as Chair);

#### From:

one faculty representative whose normal activities do not depend on or involve animal use for research, teaching or testing;

#### To:

two ene faculty representatives whose normal activities do not depend on or involve animal use for research, teaching or testing;

#### Rationale

Given that AU has a small complement of faculty who have in the past, or currently, conduct animal research and the requirements of the Canadian Council on Animal Care on membership, it is necessary to ensure that a sufficient number of animal users are represented on the AU committee. By removing the suggested maximum (2 terms) regarding time served on the committee, and reducing the number of animal users required on the committee (from 3 to 2), the AU Animal Care Committee can ensure expertise on the committee each year while also taking into consideration the commitment constraints of faculty (e.g., leaves, sabbaticals, etc).

Motion carried.

14.01.04 DECISION ITEMS (for action)
14.01.04.01 Scholarship Committee

Moved (Dupuis/Marasco): that Senate approve the Algoma University entrance and in-course scholarship lists for 2013 – 2014 as submitted.

Motion carried.

14.01.05 INFORMATION ITEMS (reports of committees) 14.01.05.01 APPCOM report

Schantz submitted a written report.

## 14.01.05.02 Research Ethics Board

Shaw submitted a written report.

# 14.01.06 STANDING REPORTS

14.01.06.01 Board of Governors representative

Johnston reported that the Board has not met since the last meeting of Senate. The next meeting of the Board will take place in February.

14.01.06.02 Dean

The Dean submitted a written report.

14.01.06.03 VPAR

The VPAR submitted a written report.

14.01.06.04 President

The President submitted a written report.

# 14.01.07 DISCUSSION AND QUESTION PERIOD

None.

# 14.01.08 OTHER BUSINESS/NEW BUSINESS

The Speaker reminded senators that Dr. Myers would be making a presentation January 17th on enrolment projections.

The Speaker informed senators that a Faculty Forum would take place the week of the January 24 with the topic to focus on recruitment initiatives.

Syrette invited guests to an indigenous research symposium scheduled for January 31st.

The Speaker also informed senate of the colloquium immediately following the meeting which will be presented by Dr. James Allen.

#### 14.01.09 ADJOURNMENT

Moved (Brodbeck/Lajoie): that Senate adjourn.

Motion carried. (Senate adjourned at 1:21pm)