

Present: S. Brown (Chair), P. Baker, R. Bérard, I. Blum, S. Boyd, S. Bruhm, B. Casey, K. Dewar, W. Doyle, S. Drain, M. Fitzgerald, F. French, P. Glenister, F. Harrington, C. Hill, J. McLaren, S. Medjuck, D. Nevo, D. Norris, D. O'Connell, P. O'Neill, S. Perrott, S. Seager, L. Steele, L. Theriault, P. Watts, A. Whitewood, D. Woolcott

Regrets: L. Lewis, M. Lyon

Guests: M. Landreville

1. Approval of Agenda

S. Brown welcomed new and returning members to Senate.

Moved by F. French, seconded by W. Doyle the approval of the agenda as circulated. CARRIED

2. Approval of Minutes of April 29 and May 3, 2002

Moved by P. Watts, seconded by F. Harrington the approval of the Minutes of April 29, 2002 as amended. CARRIED

The minutes were amended by correcting the attendance and removing typographical errors.

Moved by S. Bruhm, seconded by S. Medjuck the approval of the Minutes of May 3, 2002 as amended. CARRIED

The minutes were amended by correcting the attendance.

3. Business Arising from the Minutes

3.1 Canada Research Chairs

D. Woolcott reported that the closing date for nominations for the four Tier II Canada Research Chairs is October 11, 2002. She urged Senators to encourage nominations both internally and externally. D. Woolcott stated that the process for submitting nominations is in accordance to the MSVU Strategic Research Plan and she would supply any interested faculty with a copy of the document.

In answer to a Senator's question, S. Brown explained that MSVU has a total of five Tier II positions. MSVU was originally granted four positions: three Tier IIs and one Tier I. However, the Tier I position was divided into two Tier IIs.

4 President's Announcements

S. Brown reported that the October Convocation will be held in three weeks. She announced that the two Honourary Degree recipients for MSVU's October Convocation are, as follows:

" Eleanor Wachtel

" Sister Dorothy Moore

S. Brown stated that today's Throne Speech had some positive implications for Mount Saint Vincent University for both faculty and students. The speech mentioned early childhood education programs, innovation programs, life-long learning, and continued research funding through the federal agencies. However, it appeared that universities are not able to take advantage of the federal government's infrastructure programs.

5. Question Period

There were no questions.

6. Unfinished Business

There was no unfinished business.

7. Committee Reports (Standing and Ad Hoc)

7.1 Senate Executive

S. Brown reported that the Committee met once to prepare the agenda for tonight's meeting.

7.2 Academic Appeals

There was no report.

7.3 Academic Policy and Planning

7.3.1 International Agreements

D. Woolcott provided background information regarding the proposed international agreements. She stated that in April 2001 Senate approved a proposal allowing the Department of Education, subject to approval by University authorities, to offer a B.Ed. in Association with approved teachers colleges outside of Nova Scotia modelled after the existing B. Ed. in Association with the Nova Scotia Teachers College.

Moved by D. Woolcott, seconded by R. Bérard that Senate approve that Memoranda of Understanding with Nwafor Orizu College of Education, Nigeria, Erdiston College of Education, Barbados, St. Joseph's Teachers College, and the College of Agriculture, Science and Education, both of Jamaica. CARRIED

7.4 Graduate Studies

There was no report.

7.5 Undergraduate Curriculum

S. Medjuck stated that program changes will be brought before Senate at future meetings.

7.6 Committee on Appointment, Promotion and Tenure or Permanence for Academic Administrators (CAPTPAA)

There was no report.

7.7 Committee on Information Technology and Services

I. Blum reported that the Committee has three new members and its first meeting will be held on October 7, 2002.

7.8 Library

There was no report.

7.9 Nominations

I. Blum reported that the Committee still had vacancies to fill; consequently the slate of nominations was unavailable for tonight's meeting. Elections for the Senate Standing Committee Membership and faculty positions for review committees will be held during the October meeting.

7.10 Research and Publications

P. O'Neill informed Senate that the deadline for having SSHRC applications reviewed by the Director of Research is October 3, 2002. All SSHRC applications must be sent for mailing to the Research Office by October 12, 2002.

7.10.1 Competition for New Scholars Release Time

P. O'Neill discussed the rationale behind the competition. Although Senators support the program, several specific issues arose from the document. Senate asked the Committee on Research and Publications to review the document and if necessary communicate with the Joint Committee for Administration of the Collective Agreement regarding the "workload" issue. A Senator asked that the language for this program parallel the language of the already existing release time program. Another Senator stated that this was not necessary since the Competition for New Scholars Release Time had a different purpose than the already existing release time competition. The Committee on Research and Publications will also address this issue. As well, the Committee will review the following comments:

- " Include administrative and other duties within the workload clause;
- " Provide the specific amount of release time (i.e., ½ credit) within the document; and
- " Make the overall wording of the competition more definitive.

Moved by P. O'Neill, seconded by F. French that Senate approve the Competition for New Scholars Release Time. Withdrawn

7.10.11 Application for an Internal Research Grant

Moved by P. O'Neill, seconded by F. French that Senate approve the revisions made to the Application for an Internal Research Grant. CARRIED

The Committee will take under advisement increasing the personnel cost rates within the document.

7.11 Student Affairs

There was no report.

7.12 Committee on Teaching and Learning

D. Nevo reported that E. Hicks was elected Chair of the Committee. D. Nevo stated that the Committee will be reviewing its terms of reference regarding the function "to act as an appeals committee for Prior Learning Assessment Review" and will consult with the Academic Appeals Committee regarding this issue. The PLA requires a full review after this year. The Committee is concerned about the consequences of losing some support positions for the WebCT project which will end next March. Following a successful Faculty Teaching Day upcoming activities will include the Teaching Showcase on October 26 at UPEI and the AAU Fall Lecture held during October 20 to November 1 and a miniature teaching showcase to be held on campus. D. Nevo mentioned that new evaluations of distance courses will be prepared.

7.13 Writing Initiatives Committee

S. Drain reported that the 1st Year Seminar Task Force of the Committee sent a proposal regarding a first year seminar to the Undergraduate Curriculum Committee and is awaiting feedback.

7.14 Undergraduate Admissions and Scholarships

There was no report.

7.15 University Research Ethics Board

S. Perrott reported that he has been re-elected Chair of the Committee. He was concerned that there will be difficulty finding a new Chair for 2003-2004 since the workload is very heavy. He recommended that the UREB Chair receive official secretarial support and some release time. I. Blum, as a representative of the Nominations Committee, echoed the heavy workload concerns.

S. Perrott asked for clarification on how to have an issue added to Senate's agenda. S. Brown outlined the protocol regarding sending items for Senate Executive's consideration.

8. Other Reports

8.1 Board of Governors

P. Baker reported that during the May 30 meeting the Board of Governors indicated that the new residence construction should be completed in April 2003. She stated that a tuition increase of 6% was approved. This increase will be complemented with a 50% increase in scholarships and bursaries. She noted that all student representatives on the Board approved the increase. At the meeting A. Whitewood presented a three-year business plan and the operating and capital budgets were approved.

B. Casey reported that during the Board of Governors Annual General Meeting there was a presentation of annual reports.

P. Baker reported that during the September 20-21 Board retreat a plan for the capital campaign was presented.

8.2 Students' Union

D. O'Connell reported that the Students' Union had a very successful summer and Frosh Week.

He stated that Students' Union will be meeting with all Department Chairs and Administrative personnel to improve communication. He indicated that there were still some vacant positions within the Students' Union. D. O'Connell stated that the Shinearama raised \$5,600.

9. New Business

9.1 Annual Reports of Senate Committees

S. Brown stated that the Annual Reports of Senate Committees will be discussed during the October 28 meeting. She reminded Senators to bring the annual reports distributed to the next meeting.

9.2 Graduation List

Moved by C. Hill, seconded by S. Boyd to bring the meeting in camera. CARRIED

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

Certificate in Business Administration	S. Medjuck/W. Doyle
Certificate in Information Technology	S. Medjuck/B. Casey
Certificate in Marketing	S. Medjuck/W. Doyle
Certificate in Tourism and Hospitality Management	S. Medjuck/W. Doyle
Diploma in Business Administration (with distinction)	S. Medjuck/W. Doyle
Degree of Bachelor of Arts	S. Medjuck/S. Drain
Degree of Bachelor of Arts (Honours)	S. Medjuck/P. Baker
Degree of Bachelor of Applied Arts (Child and Youth Study)	S. Medjuck/M. Fitzgerald
Degree of Bachelor of Applied Arts (Information Technology)	S. Medjuck/B. Casey
Degree of Bachelor of Business Administration	S. Medjuck/W. Doyle
Degree of Bachelor of Public Relations	S. Medjuck/S. Drain
Degree of Bachelor of Science	S. Medjuck/S. Boyd
Degree of Bachelor of Science (Advanced Major)	S. Medjuck/J. McLaren
Degree of Bachelor of Science (Honours) (Psychology)	S. Medjuck/F. Harrington
Degree of Bachelor of Science of Applied Human Nutrition	S. Medjuck/D. Woolcott
Degree of Bachelor of Tourism and Hospitality Management	S. Medjuck/L. Steele
Degree of Bachelor of Education In Association with the Nova Scotia Teachers College	S. Medjuck/R. Bérard
Degree of Bachelor of Education In Association with Nwafor Orizu College of Education	S. Medjuck/R. Bérard
Degree of Master of Education	S. Medjuck/F. French
Degree of Master of Arts in Education	S. Medjuck/F. French
Degree of Research Master of Arts	S. Medjuck/F. French
Degree of Master of Arts in Family Studies and	S. Medjuck/D. Norris

Gerontology

Degree of Master of Arts in Women's Studies (offered jointly by Mount Saint Vincent University, Dalhousie University and Saint Mary's University) S. Medjuck/P. Baker

Degree of Master of Science in Applied Human Nutrition S. Medjuck/I. Blum

Degree of Master of Arts in School Psychology S. Medjuck/F. French

Moved by S. Medjuck, seconded by B. Casey 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 S. Bruhm, seconded by S. Boyd to move the meeting from in camera.

10. Items for Communication

Graduation List

Revised Application for an Internal Research Grant

International Agreements

11. Adjournment

Moved by P. O'Neill, seconded by S. Boyd to adjourn the meeting at 8:52 p.m. CARRIED.