

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SENATE

Friday, December 9, 2011

The meeting was held at 1:30 p.m. in Room 1R40, Richard Ivey School of Business.

SENATORS: 62

J. Aitken Schermer
J. Barnet
J. Bend
C. Beynon
I. Birrell

REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE [Exhibit I]

S.11-189

Selection Committee – Vice-President (Research)

That effective September 1, 2012, a new professional masters program, the Master of Clinical Science, Pathology Assistant (MCISc), detailed in Exhibit II, item 4b, be introduced as a course-based masters **program** in the Pathology Graduate Program, contingent upon receipt of final approval from the Quality Council.

CARRIED

S.11-194c Revisions to Undergraduate Course Policy for Graduate Students

It was moved by B. Timney, seconded by M. Milde,

That the undergraduate course policy for graduate students be revised as highlighted in Exhibit II, item 4c.

CARRIED

S.11-195 Dual-Doctoral Degree Program in Mathematics between the University of Milano – Bicocca, Milano, Italy and The University of Western Ontario

It was moved by B. Timney, seconded by L. Miller,

That effective January 1, 2012, a Dual-Doctoral Degree Program that leads to a PhD in Mathematics from each of The University of Western Ontario and the University of Milano – Bicocca, Italy, be introduced in the School of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies, as detailed in Exhibit II, item 4d.

CARRIED

S.11-196 **King's University College: Revision to Records Check and Vulnerable Sector Screening Policy for the Social Work Practicum**

It was moved by B. Timney, seconded by D. Sylvester,

That effective September 1, 2012, the Records Check and Vulnerable Sector Screening Policy at King's University College be revised for the Social Work Practicum as in Exhibit II, item 5.

CARRIED

S.11-197 **Undergraduate Sessional Dates**

It was moved by B. Timney, seconded by D. Sylvester,

That Senate approve the undergraduate sessional dates for 2013, and the sessional dates in Dentistry, Education, Law and Medicine

S.11-199 **SUPR-G Reports on Reviews of Graduate Programs**

SCAPA has approved on behalf of Senate the recommendations of SUPR-G as set out in Exhibit II, Appendix 4.

S.11-200 **School of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies: Revision to Regulation 8.5 – Master's Candidate – Completion of the Thesis Degree Requirements: Introduction of an Electronic Thesis Depository (ETD) System for Master's Candidates**

Senate was advised that effective January 1, 2012 the graduate regulation section 8.5 (Master's Candidate – Completion of the Thesis Degree Requirement) will be revised to allow for an Electronic Thesis Despository (ETD) option for Master's students. The School of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies, in collaboration with Western Libraries, wishes to expand the Scholarship@Western Electronic Thesis and Dissertation repository to permit the pilot level processing of Master's level theses.

Following is a summary of the proposed policy changes:

Thesis-based Master's candidates

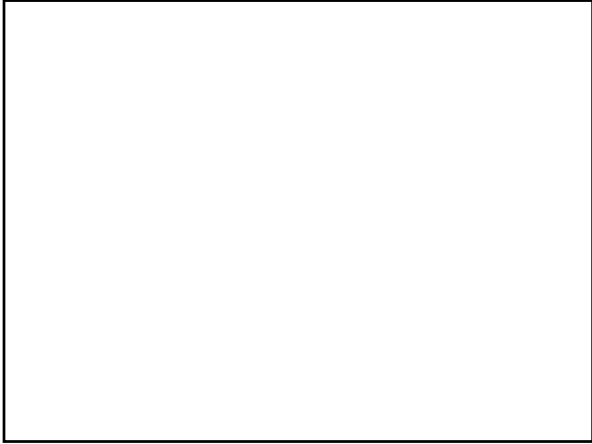
S.11-204 **ANNOUNCEMENTS & COMMUNICATIONS** [Exhibit IV]

Announcements & Communication, detailed in Exhibit IV, were received for information.

ENQUIRIES AND NEW BUSINESS

S.11-205 **Relocation of Office of the Ombudsperson**

Responding to Mr. Duncan's concerns about relocating the Ombudsperson's office to accommodate space for international education in the Student Services Building, Dr. Deakin



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- Rounds 6 and 7 of ORF "Research Excellence"