

A meeting of the Senate of Acadia University occurred on Monday, **14 January 2002**, beginning at 4:05 p.m. with Chair Ian Wilks presiding and 41 members present.

1) Minutes of the Meeting of
10 December 2001

It was moved by W. McLeod and seconded by R. Perrins *that the Minutes of 10 December 2001 be approved.*

D. Looker questioned the accuracy of paragraph 6 on page 4 . J. Cayford agreed to edit this paragraph to read “J. Cayford confirmed that the Registrar's office has had a say in the final scheduling of classes.”

On behalf of S. Ash, the Chair noted an omission on page 4 immediately following paragraph 2. He directed that the following be inserted: “W. McLeod asked whether individual Arts departments will now be establishing target enrolment numbers, as is presently done in the other faculties. B. Matthews indicated that a decision has not yet been made on that point, but that there is a desire to bring Arts' practices in line with those of the other faculties.”

THE MOTION WAS CARRIED AS AMENDED.

2) Announcements and
Communications

a) From the Chair

-re Regrets

Regrets were received from L. Caldwell, P. Cook, P. Corkum, A. Irving, R. Lehr, R. Morrison, S. Phillips, R. Proulx, G. Pyrcz, R. Sparkman, G. Vaughan, and L. White.

-re Today's Agenda

The Chair noted additions to today's agenda under Item 5): a motion from the Divinity College, and a motion from the Senate Committee on Research and Graduate Studies.

-re Senate Membership

He announced that P. Taylor has returned from a 6-month sabbatical to take up his position on Senate; and he thanked T. Herman for filling in during that time. Also R. Sparkman has tendered his resignation to the Senate because a scheduling conflict makes it impossible for him to attend meetings.

-re Ad hoc Committee on

First-Year Advising
(012-38-VPA)

He read a letter from K. Ogilvie to M. Leiter, dated 11 December 2001 (**APPENDIX A**).

-re Vice-President's Annual
Reports for 1999-2000
(**012-11-VPA**) and 2000-
2001 (**012-12-VPA**)
(Final Versions)

He announced that copies of the final version of the Vice-President's Annual Reports for 1999-2000 and 2000-2001 were available for Senators to pick up.

b) From the President

The President welcomed Senators back from the Christmas holiday period. He discussed the aspect of the Acadia Campus Plan known as Residence Advantage, and announced that a \$1 million commitment has been made by a foundation toward this initiative.

c) From the Vice-President
(Academic)

M. Leiter reported that 1) a call for proposals for the Teaching Innovation Fund call will soon go out; 2) a University Librarian candidate, Ms. Susan Miller, will be on campus January 30th; and 3) the candidates for the position of Dean of Arts will be giving public presentations starting this week.

3) Business Arising from the
Minutes

a) Timetable, Instruction
Hours, and Examinations
Committee-Scheduling
Guidelines and Time Slots
(**012-15-TIE**)

It was moved by M. Leiter and seconded by S. Sansonetti that *the motion (012-15-TIE) presented and amended at the last meeting of the Senate be taken from the table.*

**MOTION TO TAKE THE MAIN MOTION, WITH ITS
SECONDARY MOTION, FROM THE TABLE WAS
CARRIED.**

M. Leiter said he was puzzled by the difficulty this amendment has encountered, given that the current system already involves a situation where faculty work with the Registrar in establishing the schedule. It is Senate's responsibility to ensure that there is a clear line of authority in the final decision-making on this matter. Nonetheless, he continued, designating the Registrar as having authority over department heads seems to be the source of this problem.

It was moved by M. Leiter and seconded by W. McLeod *that*

the amendment read “The appropriate Dean on the advice of the Registrar has the authority to resolve scheduling conflicts.”

The Chair noted that this was a friendly sub-amendment (since M. Leiter and W. McLeod were the original mover and seconder), so that it could be taken as automatically passed.

It was suggested by T. Archibald *that the amendment read “The appropriate Dean or Deans on the advice of the Registrar have the authority to resolve scheduling conflicts.”* This suggestion was acceptable to M. Leiter and W. McLeod, so the motion was taken as further modified in this way.

D. Looker said that there is a Collective Agreement in place and that regardless of what Dr. Leiter says Senate can and should do, Senate is not authorized to violate the terms of that Agreement. Senate does not have the authority to modify the terms of the CA, however reasonable these modifications may be. The CA establishes very clearly that it is the Heads and Directors, not the Deans or Registrar, who schedule classes. She concluded that while the portion of the main motion dealing with time slots could be dealt with today, the portion dealing with conflict resolution should be deferred.

G. Ness argued that establishing a schedule in isolation, without benefit of the Registrar’s input, would be a very difficult task. He noted that the CA speaks of making the best use of classroom space as determined by the Registrar.

J. Sacouman asked for a ruling from the Chair on whether this article is violated by this amendment.

The Chair said that the amendment seemed generally in line with the section of the CA which delegates to Deans disciplinary powers over faculty members; these powers are applicable in cases where faculty members act in a way that is not consistent with the policies and practices of Acadia University. He ruled that the amendment was in order.

D. Looker responded that the Chair of Senate is not in a position to determine interpretations of the CA. She requested that the two issues of the motion be divided and voted on separately.

Point of Order

The Chair ruled that a motion to divide the main motion was in order only after the pending amendment had been disposed of.

It was moved by J. Sacouman and seconded by D. Looker *that the pending amendment be further amended to read: “The*

appropriate Dean or Deans and relevant Heads/Directors, on the advice of the Registrar, have the authority to resolve scheduling conflicts.”

M. Leiter argued that this sub-amendment did not represent any departure from the existing situation; in fact, it merely put the decision-making back in the hands of those having the conflict.

D. Looker disagreed because as it is now, there is no place for Heads and Directors to settle conflicts in the scheduling of courses.

MOTION TO AMEND THE AMENDMENT WAS DEFEATED. 20/9

MOTION TO AMEND THE MAIN MOTION WAS CARRIED.

It was moved by D. Looker and seconded by J. Sacouman *that the main motion, be divided into its two parts: 1) scheduling guidelines, and 2) proposed teaching timeslots.*

M. Leiter spoke against the motion to divide by showing how the two parts of the motion were connected: the potential for conflict over scheduling increases (and therefore our need for guidelines to establish clear lines of scheduling authority also increases) as we make our schedule more complex. The only reason to divide the motion would be to determine whether the scheduling issue is the union’s domain or Senate’s domain; but it is clearly Senate’s domain.

J. Sacouman noted that the CA is not the union. It is an agreement between the University Board of Governors and the Acadia University Faculty Association.

D. Looker said that splitting this motion would prevent any delay in scheduling, as the timetable slots portion would be allowed to go forward. In the meantime, the issue of where the final authority for scheduling actually rests could be investigated further.

MOTION TO DIVIDE THE MAIN MOTION WAS DEFEATED.

THE MAIN MOTION AS AMENDED WAS CARRIED. D. LOOKER ABSTAINED.

University Planning Report
2001 Update (012-18-PRE)

It was moved by K. Ogilvie and seconded by B. Matthews *that the University Planning Report 2001 Update be received.*

K. Ogilvie said that he brought this Report forward to Senate on behalf of the University Planning Committee for the advice and input of Senate. He highlighted several key points of this Report, in particular the Assumptions Section. Discussion ensued, and particular areas of interest to Senators were clarified by members of the Planning Committee.

MOTION WAS CARRIED.

c) Vice-President (Academic)
- Dean of Research and
Graduate Studies
(012-19-RGS)

It was moved by M. Leiter and seconded by L. MacDonald *that the title of the position currently entitled Director of Research and Graduate Studies be changed to Dean of Research and Graduate Studies effective 1 July 2002. All academic responsibilities, voting privileges, and committee memberships of the position of Director within the purview of Senate shall be transferred to the position of Dean. The Senate of Acadia University recommends that the Board of Governors approve this change of title.*

M. Leiter explained that faculty research level of activity continues to grow and this proposal was an attempt to bring the management of the research operation of the University up to par with other organizations.

MOTION WAS CARRIED.

The Chair asked the Senate By-Laws Committee to review this matter and recommend relevant changes to Senate Constitution.

The Chair prioritized the remaining items on the agenda, in the interests of getting through those motions which could not be conveniently delayed until the next meeting.

4) New Business
b) Research and Graduate
Studies Committee -
Research Ethics Board
Membership (012-36-REB)

It was moved by R. Perrins and seconded by J. Sacouman *that the Senate Committee on Research and Graduate Studies nomination for Ms. Krista Myles to serve a three-year term as a community representative on Acadia University's Research Ethics Board (REB) be accepted.*

The Chair called for additional nominations three times.
Hearing none, nominations ceased.

THE MOTION WAS CARRIED.

5) Other Business

- b) Research and Graduate Studies Committee - Research Ethics Board Membership **(012-39-REB)**

There was no opposition to bringing this item forward without the usual notice of motion.

It was moved by R. Perrins and seconded by B. Moody *that the Senate Committee on Research and Graduate Studies nomination for Dr. Darren Kruisselbrink to serve a three-year term as the Faculty of Professional Studies representative on Acadia University's Research Ethics Board (REB) be accepted.*

The Chair called for additional nominations three times.
Hearing none, nominations ceased.

THE MOTION WAS CARRIED.

- a) Acadia Divinity College - Convocation List from CINDICO and UNIDICO **(012-40-DIV)**

There was no opposition to bringing this item forward without the usual notice of motion.

It was moved by L. MacDonald and seconded by N. Price *that Senate approve the list of candidates from CINDICO and UNIDICO dated January 2002 for the awarding of the degrees as listed (APPENDIX B).*

L. MacDonald explained that the timing of the dates on the list is a result of the political unrest in Nigeria.

THE MOTION WAS CARRIED.

- 4)c) Research and Graduate Studies Committee - Graduate Teaching Assistantships **(012-37-RGS)**

It was moved by R. Perrins and seconded by S. Symons *that Senate, as the body responsible for academic matters at Acadia University, request that the Board of Governors and the Senior Administration restore the university's financial support for graduate teaching assistantships to its 1993 levels.*

S. Symons said that graduate students at Acadia University play an important role as discussion group leaders, lab assistants, and assistants to faculty. However, Acadia is less competitive in attracting such students because our graduate assistantships pay less, while our tuition is high. There are not enough monies available for graduate teaching fellowships.

P. Taylor felt that attracting good faculty and keeping them was linked to having graduate students on campus. Good graduate programs have a positive impact on undergraduate programs.

THE MOTION WAS CARRIED.

The Chair noted that he would convey this request to the Board of Governors through its Chair.

4)a) Curriculum Committee -
Faculty of Pure and Applied
Science **(012-20-CRE)** to
(012-28-CRE)

It was moved by C. MacLatchy and seconded by S. Roscoe that *the Faculty of Pure and Applied Science changes as attached to today's agenda be accepted.*

S. Symons noted an error in the Psychology listing on page 2 under PSYC 3023 (“Honours Seminar”), which should read: “This course prepares potential and current honours students for thesis work. Critical evaluation of current controversies in the field is emphasized. Issues regarding graduate programs and careers in psychology are discussed. This course may be taken in third or fourth year, but is usually taken in third year. Prereq: Program GPA of 3.0.”

THE MOTION WAS CARRIED AS AMENDED.

Faculty of Arts
(012-29-CRE) to
(012-31-CRE)

It was moved by B. Matthews and seconded by C. MacLatchy that *the Faculty of Arts changes as attached to today's agenda be accepted.*

THE MOTION WAS CARRIED.

Faculty of Professional
Studies **(012-32-CRE)** to
(012-35-CRE)

It was moved by W. McLeod and seconded by H. Hemming that *the Faculty of Professional Studies changes as attached to today's agenda be accepted.*

B. Matthews said that Edith Callaghan deserves commendation for her work in designing the first interdisciplinary course to cross all faculties.

THE MOTION WAS CARRIED.

J. Sacouman moved that this meeting be adjourned. It was 6:00 p.m.

D. Murphy, Recording Secretary

APPENDIX B
Item 5)a)/Senate Minutes/14Jan02
012-40-DIV

The Senate of the Acadia Divinity College moves that the Acadia University Senate approve the following candidates from CINDICO and UNIDICO for the awarding of the degrees listed below:

Acadia Divinity College
January 2002

Christ International Divinity College

Bachelor of Theology – program completed 1999

Olujide Adebawale ADEPOJU	Cecilia Folasade GBENLE
Thomas Adetayo ADESOKAN	Jacob Aderemi OGIDIOLU
Joseph Kayode ALOWOLODU	Michael Ayo OGUNSANMI
Olatunji ADEGBITE	Samson Adesola OLANIYI
Festus Adegoke ARIGBEDE-OBA	Hezekiah Adetunji OLAWALE
Emmanuel Oluwagbotemi AJAYI	Betty Mosun OLUKOTUN
Florence Labake DARAMOLA	Julius Oluyemi OPARINDE
Grace Adepeju FADE	Grace Titlayo OYEDELE
Isaac Oluwole FAGBEMIRO	Ebenezer Ayanbukola POPOOLA
Paul Adeboye Adebayo FAKOLUJO	Olugbenga Ojo SANNI
Falilat Moriike FASHOLA	Theophilus Olubode SIYANBOLA

Bachelor of Theology – program completed 2001

Festus Oluwale ADEYEMO	Joshua Olusola OGUNNIYI
David Oladipupo FAJEMISIN	Victoria Olurmei ODELAMI
Ayorinde Aluwagbemiga FALANA	David Aderibigbe OKE
John Olawole FASHOGBON	Victoria Olakunbi OKE
Ezekiel Abayomi ILUFOYE	David O. OLAYIWOLA

Bachelor of Religious Education- program completed 1999

Mary Olufunke ADEGOKE	Joseph Amodu Moruff DAUDA
Moses Olufemi AKINYELE	

Bachelor of Religious Education - program completed 2001

Taiye Ademola ALABI	Bamidele Adewale OYEBADE
Patience Nonyem OJO	Emmanuel Olufemi ODEWALE
Timothy Olusegun OLUFEMI	Francis Oluwatoyin OSO
Adetokunbo Aboagye OSEI	

Universal Gospel Divinity College

Bachelor of Theology – program completed in 2000

Sunday Omotayo ADEOBA	Samuel Bolaji OLADEJO
Kazeem Adeniyi ADEPOJU	Paul Kolapo OYEDOTUN
Adedokun Olufemi ADEWUMI	Mosebolutan SANNI
John Aviodun AKINYEMI	Olusegun Ademola AKINWALE
Solomon Sesan ARIBO	Emmanuel Adeniran ARIYO-OLA
Johnson Adebisi ATILOLA	
Caleb Olortoba BABATOPE	
Isaac Taiwo FAKAYODE	
Peter Orla-Dare IMMANUEL	

