



A meeting of the Senate of Acadia University occurred on Monday, **10 February 2003**, beginning at 4:08 p.m. with Chair Ian Wilks presiding and 45 members present.

1) Minutes of the Meeting of
13 January 2003

It was moved by B. Matthews and seconded by K. Ogilvie *that the Minutes of Monday, 13 January 2003 be approved.*

It was noted that the time of meeting should read 4:05 p.m.

Under “Announcements and Communications” it was noted that J. Britton should be described as the Student VP Academic.

MOTION WAS CARRIED AS AMENDED.

2) Announcements and
Communications

a) From the Chair

-re Regrets

Regrets were received from P. Cook and A. Irving.

-re Today’s Agenda

The Chair announced an addition to today’s agenda under Item 5), Other Business: a curriculum proposal from the Acadia Divinity College, which was distributed electronically to Senators.

-re Senate Membership

The Chair welcomed E. Johnston back to Senate following a sabbatical leave and thanked J. Green-Johnson for filling in during that time.

b) From the Vice-President
(Academic)

M. Leiter announced details of the Bank of Montreal Lecture to be held 11 March 2003 with guest speaker Owen Wells, President of the Libra Foundation in the state of Maine.

c) From Task Force on
Academic Integrity

J. DeWolfe, Chair of the Senate Task Force on Academic Integrity, reported on the progress of this committee, which was established in October 2002. They have had six meetings. She reminded Senators that members consist of herself, as Chair; Malcolm Grieve, Faculty of Arts; Gary Ness, Faculty of Professional Studies; Andrew Mitchell, Faculty of Pure and Applied Science; Robert Wilson, Faculty of Theology; Jeffrey Britton, Student Senator; Rosemary Jotcham, Registrar; and Tanja Harrison, Librarian. A preliminary report is expected for the April meeting. To date, an electronic survey of faculty has been done (84 responses received) to pinpoint the problem and how it is being addressed by faculty members on a regular basis. Data from this survey is being analyzed. Additional

research has been done to determine how other universities are dealing with this issue.

d) From the Student Union
President

M. Peddle announced that the ASU general elections are scheduled to be held on 12 February.

3) Business Arising from the
Minutes

a) Curriculum Committee -
Course Changes Report as
attached to Agenda for
13 January 2003
(023-26 to 44-CRE)

It was noted that this item as attached to the agenda for 13 January 2003 has been superseded with an extensively revised report. The new report was indexed as a new item.

b) Curriculum Committee -
Course Changes - Faculty of
Arts **(023-47 to 53-CRE)**

It was moved by B. Matthews and seconded by C. MacLatchy *that the course changes for the Faculty of Arts proposed in this Report be accepted.*

B. Matthews made two friendly amendments. 1) On page 3 under “Department of Languages and Literatures” (023-50-CRE), “New Program”, the first three submissions were withdrawn. 2) On page 1, under “Department of English” (023-48-CRE), ENGL 3103 was withdrawn.

J. Hennessy made a friendly amendment on page 6 under “School of Music” (023-51-CRE); MUSI 4103 was withdrawn.

M. Leiter noted that the submissions from the Faculty of Arts still have more courses added than deleted. He asked whether there would be sufficient resources to offer the courses. B. Matthews assured the VP(A) that there would be.

MOTION WAS CARRIED AS AMENDED.

Course Changes - Faculty of
Pure & Applied Science
(023-54 to 65-CRE)

It was moved by C. MacLatchy and seconded by L. Oliver *that the course changes for the Faculty of Pure and Applied Science proposed in this Report be accepted.*

M. Leiter referred to the mathematics submissions and asked how an additional program – in this case, a Masters program – could be offered without additional resources. C. MacLatchy noted that the Math Department is conserving resources by cross-listing the graduate courses with undergraduate courses, as can be seen in the Report. Undergraduate and graduate students would both be taking

these courses, but graduate students would have to satisfy additional requirements to get the appropriate credit. T. Archibald added that the courses would be offered on a rotational basis; therefore, the number of courses offered each year would not increase. He confirmed that no additional resources would be required to offer this program.

MOTION WAS CARRIED.

Course Changes - Faculty of
Professional Studies
(023-66 to 68-CRE)

It was moved by W. McLeod and seconded by G. Ness *that the course changes for the Faculty of Professional Studies proposed in this Report be accepted.*

W. McLeod made one friendly amendment. On page 18, under "School of Education" (023-67-CRE), the section "Modification to all Master of Education Programs" was withdrawn, since this item has already been approved at the December meeting of Senate.

M. Leiter asked about the increase in Recreation Management courses in this Report. G. Ness replied that proposed course deletions are currently with the Curriculum Committee which will balance out numbers; more deletions are still to come.

MOTION WAS CARRIED AS AMENDED.

The Chair expressed thanks to the Curriculum Committee for its work in producing with this Report twice.

4) New Business

a) Research & Graduate
Studies - Chair of Research
Ethics Board (023-46-RGS)

It was moved by T. Ellis and seconded by B. Matthews *that the Senate Committee on Research and Graduate Studies nomination of Dr. Stephen Maitzen, as Chair of the University Research Ethics Board, for a three-year term which will expire 30 June 2006, be accepted.*

The Chair called for additional nominations three times, and hearing none declared nominations closed.

MOTION WAS CARRIED.

b) Curriculum Committee -
Submission Procedure
(023-69-CRE)

It was moved by M. Leiter and seconded by C. MacLatchy *that when making proposals to the Curriculum Committee, departments consider the principle that course additions and deletions be balanced. In the event that a balance cannot be made, department heads shall be required to give justification to the Committee for the*

imbalance. The forms used for submission will be changed to reflect this requirement.

MOTION WAS CARRIED.

5) Other Business

a) Divinity College - Course
Proposals (**023-70-DIV**)

It was moved by L. McDonald and seconded by B. Matthews *that the following courses be added to biblical Studies:*

BIBL 7513 Synoptic Gospels and Acts

A study of the relationship of Matthew, Mark, and Luke-Acts, and their theological perspectives. Unlike the introductory BIBL 6013, this course will engage selected passages in great detail and will address several scholarly and critical questions. Prerequisites: BIBL 5013, BIBL 5023, BIBL 6013; Greek is an asset

BIBL 7523 The Johannine Writings

A study of one or more of the Johannine Writings, including the Gospel of John, the letters of John, and the Revelation of John. The course will focus on the question of the religious context of the Johannine community. Prerequisites: BIBL 5013, BIBL 5023, BIBL 6013; Greek is an asset

BIBL 7533 Life and Letters of Paul

A study of the life, travels, and letters of the apostle Paul, with emphasis on his interpretation of Scripture, his Jewish background and training, and his understanding of the Christian message. Prerequisites: BIBL 5013, BIBL 5023, BIBL 6013, BIBL 6023; Greek is an asset

BIBL 7543 The General Letters

A study of one or more of the General Letters, including Hebrews, James, 1-2 Peter, and Jude. Prerequisites: BIBL 5013, BIBL 5023, BIBL 6013; Greek is an asset

BIBL 7553 The Dead Sea Scrolls and the New Testament

A study of the Dead Sea Scrolls, their contents, themes, critical issues, and relevance for understanding the writings of the New Testament. Prerequisites: BIBL 5013, BIBL 5023, BIBL 6013, BIBL 6023; Greek and Hebrew are assets

MOTION WAS CARRIED.

5) Adjournment

J. Britton moved that the meeting be adjourned. It was 4:50 p.m.