THE UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA



Council of Senates

DRAFT MINUTES OF THE SIXTH MEETING

OCTOBER 14, 2009

Meeting Location

The meeting was held by videoconference, with sites at the Vancouver and Okanagan campuses.

Attendance

Present: Prof. S. J. Toope (Chair), Mr. J. Ridge (Secretary), Dr. A. Abd-El-Aziz, Dr. P. Arthur, Ms. S. Bertrand, Dean M. A. Bobinski, Dean R. Campbell, Dr. J. Castricano, Dr. J. Cioe, Dr. M. Duran-Cogan, Dean B. Evans, Mr. R. Gardiner, Dr. P. G. Harrison, Mr. S. Heisler, Dr. P. Marshall, Dr. S. McCoubrey, Dr. C. Orvig, Mr. D. Thakrar, Dr. S. Thorne, Ms. J. Walker, Dr. R. Windsor-Liscombe, Dr. R. Yaworsky, Dr. T. Young.

By Invitation: Ms. A. Breen, Mr. C. Eaton, Ms. N. Hager, Ms. L. Lipovsky.

Regrets: Mr. G. August, Dean R. Belton, Dr. D. Farrar, Dr. D. Fielding, Dr. A. Joy, Ms. R. L'Orsa, Ms. S. Morgan-Silvester, Dr. D. Owram, Dr. C. Scarff, Ms. A. Shaikh.

Recording Secretary: Ms. L. M. Collins.

Call to Order

The President called to order the sixth meeting of the Council of Senates.

Council Membership

The Secretary had circulated for information an updated Council of Senates membership list.

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Meeting Agenda

The meeting agenda was adopted by unanimous consent.

Minutes of the Previous Meeting

The Secretary reported that the minutes of the meeting of June 10, 2008 had been previously approved by email, as provided for under the *Rules & Procedures of the Council of Senates*. The approved minutes were circulated for information.

Executive Committee

Committee Chair Dr. Harrison presented the report.

POLICY C-2: AFFILIATIONS WITH OTHER INSTITUTIONS OF LEARNING

The Committee had circulated for approval the above-mentioned new policy.

Dr. Harrison
Dr. Cioe

That the Council approve Policy C-2:
Affiliations with Other Institutions of
Learning.

AMENDMENTS

Dr. Harrison gave a brief overview of the development of the new policy. The Committee hoped that the policy would provide a clear definition of an affiliation.

Dr. Harrison reported that three small amendments had been proposed after the document had been circulated. He recommended approval of the following changes:

1. Section 4, amend to add the text in bold: "Provided that a template established under Section 3 (a) is followed, the Vancouver Senate's Admissions Committee may approve the terms of Student Mobility Agreements for students going to or coming from UBC Vancouver programs, and the Okanagan Senate's Admissions & Awards Committee may approve the terms of Student Mobility Agreements for students going to or coming from UBC Okana-

Executive Committee, continued

- gan programs on behalf of the Council. Prior to consideration by either committee, the Go Global office shall be consulted on the proposal."
- 2. Section 11, amend to begin (new text in bold): "Any agreements establishing *Affiliations* shall be executed..."
- 3. Calendar Statement(s), correct section-number reference from 3 (b) to 3 (c).

The above amendments were adopted by consent.

DISCUSSION

Dr. Harrison drew attention to the mechanism for relatively quick approval of certain kinds of affiliations by the Senates, provided that specified templates were used. Upon recognition by the assembly, Mr. Eaton reported on the development status of new templates for use under the new policy, if approved. The template for student mobility agreements under s. 3 (a) was to be drafted by the Office of the University Counsel in consultation with Go Global. A draft template under s. 3 (c) for individual joint doctoral programs had already been prepared by the Faculty of Graduate Studies. Mr. Eaton described the template for joint academic programs under s. 3 (b) as the most complex of the three templates, and estimated that it would take several months to draft.

Dr. Duran-Cogan asked about the procedures for Senate approval, when appropriate, of student mobility agreements and joint academic programs. The assembly recognized Ms. Collins, who noted that procedures established by the Senates themselves would apply.

In response to a question from Dean Bobinsky, Dr. Harrison clarified that the new policy would become effective on October 15, 2009, with no retroactive effect.

The motion to approve the amended policy was put and carried.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned. The following meeting had not yet been scheduled.