OKANAGAN SENATE AGENDA

Wednesday 10 October 2007

3:30pm – 5:30pm

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1. Minutes of the Previous Meeting, 12 September 2007 – Vice-Chair Dr. Doug Owram (approval) (circulated – Item 1)

2. Business Arising from the Minutes – Vice-Chair Dr. Doug Owram

3. Vice-Chair’s Remarks and Related Questions – Vice-Chair Dr. Doug Owram

4. From the Board of Governors
   Confirmation that the following recommendations of Okanagan Senate were approved as required under the University Act Sections 37 (l) (i) (o) (p) and 38.

17 February 2006 Meeting of Senate
The establishment of the School of Engineering within the Faculty of Applied Science.

Curriculum proposals from the Faculties of Applied Science, Arts and Sciences, Creative and Critical Studies, Health and Social Development and the College of Graduate Studies
New awards.

23 May 2007 Meeting of Senate
Curriculum proposals from the Faculties of Applied Science, Arts & Sciences, Creative & Critical Studies and Education.
New awards.
12 September 2007 Meeting of Senate
Curriculum proposals from the Faculties of Arts & Sciences and Management.

5. Nominating Committee – Dr. Robert Lalonde
   a. Student Senator Attendance at Committee Meetings (information)
      (circulated – Item 5a)

6. Policies & Procedures Committee – Dr. Daniel Keyes
   a. Granting of Graduate Degrees in November 2007 (approval)
      (circulated – Item 6a)

7. Curriculum Committee – Dr. Jennifer Gustar
   Curriculum Proposal from the Faculty of Management (approval)
   (circulated – Item 7)

8. Admissions and Awards Committee – Dr. Sharon McCoubrey
   a. New Awards (approval) (circulated – Item 8a)

9. Report from the Registrar
   a. Special Presentation: Kuali Student Project – Mr. Brian Silzer,
      Associate Vice-President, Enrolment Services & Registrar and
      Audrey Lindsay, Associate Registrar, Student Systems
      (information)

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Call to Order
Deputy Vice-Chancellor Doug Owram called the meeting to order.

Agenda
The Agenda was accepted by consent.
Senate Membership
On behalf of the Secretary to Senate, Mr. Fred Vogt declared a vacancy for one representative of the Joint Faculties to replace resigning Senator Dr. Donna Senese.

Mr. Vogt called for nominations to replace Dr. Peter Wylie and Dr. Donna Senese (Representatives of the Joint Faculties) plus two additional Representatives of the Joint Faculties; Mr. Eaton noted that information on the nomination deadline will follow via broadcast email.

Mr. Vogt declared a vacancy and called for nominations for one Faculty Member or Dean to replace Dr. Peter Wylie on the Nominating Committee for the remainder of this Senate term until 31 August 2008 and thereafter until replaced. Nominees should identify themselves to the Senate Secretariat no later than 4pm on 28 September 2007.

Mr. Vogt announced the replacement of Dr. Richard Klukas (Representative of the Faculty of Applied Science) by Dr. Spiro Yannacopoulos effective 1 November 2007.

Lastly, Mr. Vogt welcomed Dean Ian Stuart to the Okanagan Senate in his ex officio role as the Dean of Management. All Senators applauded in welcoming Dean Stuart to the University of British Columbia and the Okanagan Senate.

Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Moved: Dr. Keyes
Seconded: Mr. Koovisk

That the minutes of the Okanagan Senate Meeting of 23 May 2007 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED.

Business Arising from the Minutes

Mr. Koovisk inquired as to the current status of the student graduand discussed in camera at the last Senate meeting. Mr. Vogt noted for Senate that the matter has been settled to the satisfaction of all parties.

Vice-Chair’s Remarks and Related Questions

Deputy Vice-Chancellor Doug Owram welcomed all Senators back to the 2007-2008 academic year and noted several highlights for the coming year:

- Sixty new faculty members have been welcomed to UBC Okanagan with new hires starting soon.
• Construction progress includes newly paved roads with infill landscaping occurring over the next few weeks. Early October is the estimated completion date for the new flyover. Construction has started on the new Student Centre forming a new student quad facing the residences. Also of note, the Fipke Centre will open next June for lab and office space.

• Progress in on-campus housing is meeting the high demand with some 1,070 beds and new residences planned for 2009.

• Enrolment is up 17% despite demographic trends; for several reasons: 1) retention rates increases (80% overall; 72% in first year); and 2) 40% of students are from Okanagan and out-of-province numbers are up with the largest numbers from Ontario.

• Additional UBC Okanagan enrolment statistics include more than 200 international students, 250 graduate students (as graduate programs are expanding) and 235 aboriginal students.

Dr. Owram summarized by stating that despite the fact that enrolment targets of 900 student increases have not been met, these figures speak favorably to a new university campus where students are often choosing to attend Okanagan over Vancouver.

Dr. Cioe inquired about the traffic pattern for the new flyover with a concern over exits; Dr. Owram noted that these patterns are evolving and special attention is being paid to efficiency and safety for both pedestrians and vehicles.

Dr. Keyes voiced his hope that the new landscaping would take into consideration issues of sustainability raised in the Academic Plan while Ms. Neumann inquired after thoughts to replace pines lost. Dr. Owram noted all these issues were under consideration.

Lastly, Dr. Owram noted that a small task force led by Dr. Alaa Abd-El-Aziz will review certain areas of concern to Senate and make recommendations to the Office of the Deputy Vice-Chancellor by January 2008.

From the Board of Governors

Confirmation that the following recommendations of Okanagan Senate were approved as required under the University Act Sections 37 (l) (i) (o) (p) and 38.

4 April 2007 Meeting of Senate

Curriculum proposals from the Faculties of Arts and Sciences, Creative & Critical Studies, the College of Graduate Studies, and the Faculty of Management.

New Awards.
25 April 2007 Meeting of Senate

Curriculum proposals from the Faculties of Arts and Sciences, Creative & Critical Studies, and Health & Social Development.

New Awards.

From the Council of Senates

Confirmation that the following recommendations of Okanagan Senate were approved.

7 June 2007 Meeting of the Council of Senates

That the elected terms for the current Convocation & Faculty Representatives to Okanagan Senate be extended by 12 months to 31 August 2008; and

That the election of the 2008-2011 Okanagan Senate occur in the Autumn of 2007, to coincide with the election of Faculty and Staff Representatives to the Board of Governors from UBC Okanagan.

In response to a series of questions from the Senate floor, Mr. Eaton explained the timelines around the election and brought Senate’s attention to the recently launched UBC Okanagan website at http://okanagan.students.ubc.ca/facultystaff/elections.cfm to manage the four separate elections (in order):

1) Joint Faculty Senator Elections;
2) Chancellor Election;
3) Faculty-specific Senators; and
4) By-elections to replace vacancies on this Senate (not yet launched to avoid confusion with the joint faculty Senators); estimated timing: by the end of this term.

Nominating Committee – Dr. Robert Lalonde

Dr. Lalonde reminded Senators of the Triennial Review of the Committees and the deadline to submit feedback to Mr. Eaton or himself as Chair by 1 October 2007.
**Membership Adjustment to the Policies and Procedures Committee**

Moved: Dr. Lalonde  
Seconded: Dean Krank

*That the Associate Vice-President, Academic and Research plus one faculty member and one student representative be added to the membership of the Okanagan Senate Policies and Procedures Committee.*

CARRIED.

**Policies & Procedures Committee – Dr. Daniel Keyes**

**President’s Advisory Committee on Honorary Degrees Report**

Dr. Keyes prefaced the receipt of the President’s Advisory Committee Report on Honorary Degrees with one comment from the Policies and Procedures Committee; namely, that the limit of only one annual honorary degree generated discussion within the Committee with a general feeling that it would be appropriate for two honorary degree nominations to come forward each year in consideration of the number of graduation ceremonies. Dr. Lalonde concurred with Dr. Keyes.

Dr. Owram noted his support for two annual honorary degree nominees and stressed the importance of assuring high-quality candidates.

Dr. Reid inquired after the designation of the honorary degree and whether it was campus-specific. Ms. Collins noted that the honorary degree will note which Senate conferred the degree (as they do for students) only.

It was agreed by consent to receive the Report of the President’s Advisory Committee on Honorary Degrees.

**Curriculum Committee**

**Curriculum Proposals from the Faculties of Arts & Sciences and Management**

On behalf of the Committee, Acting Chair Dean Krank presented curriculum proposals from the Faculties of Arts & Sciences and Management.

Moved: Dean Krank  
Seconded: Dr. Williams

*That Senate approves the new undergraduate courses brought forward by the Faculties of Arts & Sciences and Management as set out in the attached packages.*
Dr. Labun inquired if the new proposed management course had already started; Dean Stuart noted that MGMT 355 is a replacement for a course that will be moved to fourth year and will have a January start.

*The motion was put and CARRIED.*

**Admissions and Awards Committee**

**Degree Recognition at UBC: Applicants from a College or University**

On behalf of the Admissions and Awards Committee, Dr. McCoubrey presented the proposals for approval.

*Moved: Dr. McCoubrey  
Seconded: Dr. Labun*

*That Senate approves the proposal from Undergraduate Admissions to further define and clarify Degree Recognition at UBC.*

As past Chair of the Campus Alberta Quality Council, Dr. Owram expressed some concern about case-by-case consideration of institutions. He expressed support for the proposed policy as an interim measure, but indicated that it might be improved upon in future. He suggested he would communicate his thoughts on this discussion to the Chair of the Admissions and Awards Committee.

Dr. Williams inquired if there was a statute of limitations on a student’s academic record, for example, if a student did poorly in first year and years later attempted to re-apply to UBC, how would his or her academic record be interpreted. Mr. Eaton noted that a student may at any time appeal any element of a transcript.

Dr. Cioe inquired about the consequences for a student who does not disclose attendance and/or academic record at another post-secondary institution. Ms. Collins noted that the student would be at risk for all the entire academic record.

Dr. Labun asked about rehabilitation. Ms. Collins noted that there are mechanisms to either admit a student with a poor post-secondary record and/or default to the high school transcripts. Alternatively Ms. Collins noted, if a student does not meet admission requirements, the student would be advised to complete two years of college and then re-apply.

*The motion was put and CARRIED.*

**Admission Requirements for ETEP and STEP** – Item withdrawn by the Faculty of Education
BFA Entrance Requirements Exemption

Moved: Dr. McCoubrey
Seconded: Dean Belton

That the Senate approve the attached proposal to extend the exemption to the entrance requirement for BFA students in Visual Arts for one additional year, ending in 2007, and that the admission requirements for the Bachelor of Fine Arts be reviewed with a deadline of November 2007 to report back to the Admissions and Awards Committee.

Discussion

Dr. Lalonde commented that not all faculties and departments lower their admission requirements to meet enrolment targets and added that he found it problematic to make an exception in this case.

Dean Belton clarified that the exemption was required for additional reasons the most key being that some BC high schools do not offer four provincially-examinable subjects (the standing requirement in question) making it impossible for students from those schools to meet UBC’s current admission requirements. Dean Belton further noted that the BFA is a different degree than others and required thoughtful consideration of specialized admission requirements.

Dr. Lalonde thanked Dean Belton for this additional information and restated his position supporting the exemption.

Dean Krank voiced his support for the overall notion that different programs do at times require different admission requirements. Dr. McCoubrey brought Senate’s attention to the second part of the motion requesting a review of the overall admissions for the BFA with a report back obligation to the Admissions and Awards Committee. Dean Belton summarized that it is the Faculty’s intention to bring four examinable subjects into the admission requirements; they had hoped to do so in a staged program, but that has not proved possible.

The motion was put and CARRIED.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:20pm.

The following regular meeting was scheduled to be held on Wednesday 10 October 2007 at 3:30pm to 5:30pm in Library 317.

*Note that the new 2007-2008 Senate & Committee Meeting Schedule is available on the Okanagan Senate website at: http://okanagan.students.ubc.ca/senate/schedule.cfm.
10 October 2007

To: Okanagan Senate

From: Nominating Committee

Subject: Student Senator Attendance at Committee Meetings (information)

There have been some concerns raised about poor attendance by some Student Senators at Committee Meetings.

While we recognize that students have a difficult time scheduling Senate commitments, student input is needed at these meetings. We would like to point out that due to time constraints, most of the substantive discussion on issues takes place at Senate Committee meetings and because of this, input given by any Senator at the Committee level is usually much more effective than input on the floor of the Senate itself.

Respectfully submitted,
Dr. Robert Lalonde
Chair, Nominating Committee
10 October 2007

Memo to: Okanagan Senate

From: Policies and Procedures Committee

RE: Granting of Graduate Degrees in November 2007 (approval)

As UBC Okanagan prepares to grant its first graduate degrees in November 2007, the Policies & Procedures Committee has undertaken discussion aimed to clarify the respective responsibilities of the College of Graduate Studies and the disciplinary Faculties with respect to adjudicating candidates for graduation and making recommendations thereon to the Senate. At this time, there remains significant disagreement on these issues, such that the Senate will need to clarify more permanently in future. Senators should anticipate more discussion about graduate studies during the spring of 2008.

The Committee recognizes, however, the more immediate need to graduate – in November 2007 – a group of candidates for the degrees of Master of Education, Master of Arts in Education, and Master of Science in Interdisciplinary Graduate Studies (IGS). The Committee notes that there is not unanimous agreement among all constituents on the interim arrangement, but recommends it as a sensible way forward at the present time.

The Committee therefore recommends the following interim arrangement for the granting of graduate degrees at UBC Okanagan in November 2007:

1. The Faculty of Education has delegated to the College of Graduate Studies the responsibility of recommending candidates to the Senate at its November 2007 meeting, and also the responsibility that the name of the College and the signature of the Dean of Graduate Studies, and not those of the Faculty of Education, will appear on the corresponding degree parchments.
2. The Faculty of Arts & Sciences has delegated to the College of Graduate Studies the responsibility of recommending IGS candidates to the Senate at its November 2007 meeting, and also the responsibility that the name of the College and the signature of the Dean of Graduate Studies, and not those of the Faculty of Arts & Sciences, will appear on the corresponding degree parchments.

3. The relevant recommendation to Senate at its November 2007 meeting will be through the following motion: “that the College of Graduate Studies, upon the request of and with the concurrence of the Faculty of Education and the Faculty of Arts and Sciences, recommends to the Senate that the candidates for the degrees of...”

4. It is recognized that the above actions are not to be construed as setting a practice or a precedent for future considerations and approvals relating to the awarding of graduate degrees at UBC Okanagan.

Motion: That the Senate approve the interim arrangement for the granting of graduate degrees in November 2007, as recommended by the Policies & Procedures Committee.

Respectfully submitted
Dr. Daniel Keyes
Chair, Policies and Procedures Committee
10 October 2007

To: Okanagan Senate

From: Curriculum Committee

Subject: September Curriculum Proposals (approval)

The Senate Curriculum Committee has reviewed the material forwarded to it by the Faculties, and encloses those proposals it deems as ready for approval.

As such, the following is recommended to Senate:

Motion: That Senate approves the new undergraduate program option brought forward by the Faculty of Management as set out in the attached package.

Respectfully Submitted
Dr. Jennifer Gustar
Chair, Curriculum Committee
The Faculty of Management Co-Op/Internship Program Option

The Management Co-Op/Internship Program provides interested and qualified students in the Bachelor of Management program with paid employment experience relevant to their future careers. The Management Co-Op/Internship Program is an optional, year-round program, supplementary to academic programs in the Faculty. Three work placement terms must be completed, including placements in one of Term 1 and Term 2 of the Winter Session.

Students wishing to enroll in the Management Co-op/Internship Program must apply in the Winter Session, Term 1 of their third year. Students normally enter the Management Co-op/Internship Program upon entrance into the third year. Acceptance into the Management Co-Op/Internship Program is conditional on the student maintaining a 70% average based on all courses in the Bachelor of Management Program, up to and including year two. Academic performance and suitability for the work environment will be the selection criteria used for program acceptance.

The internship will offer meaningful learning opportunities that build on and complement the Faculty of Management’s classroom program and/or the student’s broader career goals.
admission, as assessed by the Internship Coordinator and the student intake process. Total enrolment is subject to the availability of appropriate work term placements. Acceptance into the Management Co-Op/Internship Program does not guarantee a work term placement.

Students admitted into the program will register in the appropriate Management Co-op/Internship course for each work term, once a suitable work placement is confirmed. Payment of the Internship Program fees is mandatory. This includes a Management Co-op/Internship Program fee for each work term and a one-time pre-registration workshop fee. See section on Program and Course fees Item 3.1

Each successfully completed Management Co-op/Internship course is assigned three credits on a student's academic transcript. In order to graduate with Management Co-op/Internship Program designation, a student must complete a minimum of 9 Management Co-op/Internship credits (three work terms) to a maximum of 12 Co-op/Internship credits (four work terms) in addition to the normal academic requirements of the Faculty (normally 123 academic credits). The Management Co-Op/Internship Program typically necessitates an additional year to complete a bachelor's degree. Faculty Advisors or Internship Coordinators visit students at their places of work and provide advice on the work term reports that are a requirement of the program.

Calendar description under Bachelor of Management Program

Management Co-Op/Internship Program

Course section of Calendar

Management Studies MGIT
Students admitted into Management Co-Op/Internship Program must complete a minimum of 3 4-month work placements to a maximum of 4 4-month work term placements of supervised work experience with a partner employer. Normally, the co-op/internship commences after the student has completed all 3rd year requirements. Students admitted into Management Co-Op/Internship Program upon securing an appropriate work placement will be registered in the following courses:

Note: Each of these courses is four months in duration. The courses are 3-credit courses, graded on a “Pass/Fail” basis by a faculty member appointed as Faculty Advisor to the student. MGIT courses appear on the students’ transcript but DO NOT COUNT TOWARDS ANY DEGREE REQUIREMENT.

- MGIT 401 Management Co-Op/Internship Program 1 - Approved and supervised work experience with a public or private organization for a minimum of 13 weeks fulltime. Orientation workshops. Final Work Term Report required. Course is restricted to Faculty of Management students who have completed all 3rd year requirements.

- MGIT 402 Management Co-Op/Internship Program 2 - Approved and supervised work experience with a public or private organization for a minimum of 13 weeks fulltime. Final Work Term Report required. Prerequisite: MGIT 401

- MGIT 403 Management Co-Op/Internship Program 3 - Approved and supervised work experience with a public or private organization for a
minimum of 13 weeks fulltime. Final Work Term Report required. Prerequisite: MGIT 402

- MGIT 404 Management Co-Op/Internship Program 4 - Approved and supervised work experience with a public or private organization for a minimum of 13 weeks fulltime. Final Work Term Report required. Prerequisite: MGIT 403
10 October 2007

Memo to: Okanagan Senate

From: Admissions and Awards Committee

RE: New Awards (approval)

The Committee is pleased to present the following awards.

Motion: That Senate accept the new awards as listed and forward them to the Board of Governors for approval, and that letters of thanks be sent to the donors.

**Norma and Jack AITKEN Prize in Visual Arts:** A $500 prize has been endowed by the family and friends of Norma and Jack Aitken to honour their memory and to recognize Norma Aitken’s lifelong contributions to the visual arts. The prize is awarded to a student in the Visual Arts Program in the Faculty of Creative and Critical Studies at The University of British Columbia Okanagan who has demonstrated outstanding achievement in the Program. The award is made on the recommendation of the Faculty. (First awards available for the 2007/08 Winter Session)

**James R. CONWAY Bursary:** Bursaries totalling $11,300 have been endowed through a bequest by James R. Conway for students beginning or continuing studies at The University of British Columbia Okanagan who completed secondary school in communities in British Columbia or Alberta located outside the Greater Vancouver Regional District, the Capital Region District, the Edmonton district and the Calgary district. (First awards available for the 2008/09 Winter Session)

**James R. CONWAY Scholarship:** Scholarships totalling $11,300 have been endowed through a bequest by James R. Conway for students beginning or continuing studies at The University of British Columbia Okanagan who completed secondary school in communities in British Columbia or Alberta located outside the Greater Vancouver Regional District, the Capital Region District, the Edmonton district and the Calgary district. (First awards available for the 2008/09 Winter Session)
CREATIVE Writing Prize: A $1,000 prize is offered to a graduating student with a Bachelor of Arts majoring in Creative Writing in the Faculty of Creative and Critical Studies at The University of British Columbia Okanagan who has consistently written exceptional creative work in the final year of study. The award is made on the recommendation of the Faculty. (First awards available for the 2007/08 Winter Session)

Robert B. HARRIS Scholarship in Management: Scholarships totalling $1,000 have been endowed by Robert Harris for students in the Faculty of Management at The University of British Columbia Okanagan. The awards are made on the recommendation of the Faculty. (First awards available for the 2008/09 Winter Session)

KELOWNA Geology Committee Prize: Prizes totalling $1,250 are offered by the Kelowna Geology Committee to outstanding students in the Earth and Environmental Sciences Program and/or the Freshwater Science Program in the Irving K. Barber School of Arts and Sciences at The University of British Columbia Okanagan. The prizes are made on the recommendation of the School. (First awards available for the 2006/07 Winter Session)

Dr. Shelley MARTIN Memorial Scholarship: A $1,000 scholarship has been endowed by family and friends in memory of Dr. Shelley Martin to recognize her contribution to and passion for education. The award is for students enrolled in the English Honours Program in the Faculty of Creative and Critical Studies at The University of British Columbia Okanagan. The scholarship is made on the recommendation of the Faculty. (First awards available for the 2008/09 Winter Session)

ORDER of the Eastern Star Kay Grant Memorial Bursary: Bursaries totalling $500 are offered by the Order of the Eastern Star in memory of Kay Grant to students in second, third or fourth year in the School of Nursing in the Faculty of Health and Social Development at The University of British Columbia Okanagan. (First awards available for the 2007/08 Winter Session)

ORDER of the Eastern Star Evelyn Metke Memorial Bursary: Bursaries totalling $1,000 are offered by the Order of the Eastern Star in memory of Evelyn Metke to students in the Faculty of Education at The University of British Columbia Okanagan. (First awards available for the 2007/08 Winter Session)

Robert W. VILLENEUVE Memorial Bursary in Nursing: A $1,000 bursary is offered by the estate of Robert W. Villeneuve for a student in the School of Nursing in the Faculty of Health and Social Development at The University of British Columbia Okanagan. (First awards available for the 2007/08 Winter Session)

Robert W. VILLENEUVE Memorial Scholarship in Nursing: A $1,000 scholarship is offered by the estate of Robert W. Villeneuve for a student in the School of Nursing in the Faculty of Health and Social Development at The University of British Columbia Okanagan. The award is made on the recommendation of the Faculty. (First awards available for the 2007/08 Winter Session)

Respectfully submitted,
Dr. Sharon McCoubrey, Chair
Admissions and Awards Committee