

UNIVERSITY OF NEW BRUNSWICK
FREDERICTON CAMPUS SENATE MEETING

The Fredericton Senate met at 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, 24 February 2009 in Room 303, Tilley Hall. Vice-President Fredericton (Academic) Anthony Secco was in the chair, and the following members were present:

A. Adam	M. Couturier	C. Passaris
D. Bell	L. Doige	C. Patten
T. Benfey	A. Forrestall	S. Pratt
B. Benton	A. Ghorbani	S. Rich
E. Biden	R. Langley	W. Robbins
B. Boothman	B. Lowry	S. Strople (Secretary)
B. Broster	D. MacLean	J. Teskey
P. Bryden	D. MaGee	J. Thompson
C. Canitz	E. Maher	J. Valk
S. Cleave	J. McEvoy	G. Waite
S. Carmont	G. Melanson	K. Weaver
B. Clark Gray	J. Murray	L. Wells
A.B. Cooke	N. Ouellette	

Also Present:

S. DeVarenne (Associate University Secretary)
J. Fisher (Associate Registrar)
K. Waugh (Associate Registrar)

Unable to Attend:

K. Brien	S. McIntyre
Dan Coleman	M. E. McKinney
R. Cooper	J. McLaughlin
T. Haggerty	D. Murray
M. W. Higgins	D. Rabinovitch
D. Hinton	A. Reid
P. Jolly	C. Stacey
G. Kealey	C. Sutherland
L. Kealey	H. Thomas
B. Leblon	B. Vail
S. Lord	R. Wightman
C. Lorey	J. Wright
R. MacKinnon	P. Zundel
S. Mattar	

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ATTACHMENTS TO THE OFFICIAL COPY OF THE MINUTES

Materials which were before members and which are not attached as an Appendix to the circulated minutes, are listed below and are attached to the Official Copy of the Minutes in the University Secretariat.

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1. **Announcements**

1.1 Announcements for February 2009 (circulated by e-mail)

A. Secco referred Senators to the announcements that were circulated by e-mail.

2. **Approval of Agenda and Minutes of 27 January 2009** (posted with agenda)

MOTION 2, 1

Adam/Bryden “That Senate approve the agenda as circulated, and the Minutes of 27 January 2009 as presented.”

CARRIED

3. **Business Arising from the Minutes**

3.1 Admission to Undergraduate Degree Programs without a TOEFL Score

J. Murray drew attention to the excerpt from the Fredericton Senate Minutes of 15 May 2007 which was attached to the Minutes of the 27 January 2009 meeting and the discussion which took place under item 9. of the 27 January 2009 meeting. He suggested that the 15 May 2007 Senate minutes identify that acceptance into an undergraduate degree program without a TOEFL Score is conditional and that the Registrar’s understanding may be different from what Senate approved. A.B. Cooke noted that Engineering’s understanding had also been that admission would be conditional.

A. Secco indicated that he would bring this information to the Registrar’s attention.

4. **Question Period**

4.1 Question from Senator Bell (posted with agenda)

A. Secco noted that Senator Bell’s question regarding funding for the Currie Center and the response provided by the Vice-President (Finance and Corporate Services) were posted with the agenda.

D. Bell indicated that the response was clear and expressed his thanks to the Vice-President (Finance and Corporate Services).

5. **Certificate and Diploma Candidates**

5.1 Certificate List for February 2009 (posted with agenda)

J. Fisher, Associate Registrar, presented the list of certificate and diploma candidates which was circulated with the agenda and drew attention to the addendum to the list which was circulated by e-mail.

MOTION 5, 1 Rich/Robbins “That Senate approve the lists of Certificate and diploma candidates in University Teaching, Business Administration II, Mental Health Nursing, and Adult Education, as presented.”

CARRIED

6. **Report of the Undergraduate Scholarships Committee** (posted with agenda)

6.1 New, Revised and Deleted Scholarships

K. Waugh presented the report of the Undergraduate Scholarships Committee which was circulated with the agenda. She noted one correction to the report. The conditions for the Barbara Pepperdene Prize for Substantive Inquiry should be amended to indicate that the prize will be awarded “...for an outstanding *assignment* from the previous academic year...” rather than “outstanding essay”.

J. Murray asked about the conditions of the Friends of UNB Wrestling award. K. Waugh explained that the limit placed on the value of the scholarship and the requirement that continuing students have a 2.5 gpa are in keeping with Canadian Inter-University Sports (CIS) regulations.

MOTION 6, 1 Couturier/MaGee “That Senate approve new awards and modification and deletion of existing awards open to students on the Fredericton campus and on both campuses, as corrected.”

CARRIED

7. **Report of the Vice-President Research** (posted with agenda)

The Annual Report of the Vice-President Research and the Office of Research Services was deferred to a future meeting.

8. **Report of the Senate Review Committee**

B. Broster presented the report of the Senate Review Committee. As mandated by Senate regulation, the Senate Review Committee hears and disposes of requests for Senate Review, and is required to report its decision to Senate.

The Senate Review Committee for 2008-09 was established by Senate at its May and September 2008 meetings. Members for the year are: Bruce Broster (Faculty of Science), Shannon Carmont, (student, Bachelor of Science), Lynda Doige (Faculty of Education), John McEvoy (Faculty of Law), Joanne Wright (Faculty of Arts); Elin Maher (Faculty of Business) is an alternate should any of the members be unable to serve for a particular review.

The Committee met on December 2, 2008 to hear a review of the decision of the Student Standings and Promotions Committee of August, denying an appeal of a required to withdraw decision. The Senate Review Committee reached a decision that, in accordance with existing regulations, students admitted to a second different UNB undergraduate degree do not carry over academic probation earned with respect to a first UNB undergraduate degree. As a result of this finding, the student was permitted to continue studies in the second different undergraduate degree program on academic probation.

There are no further cases before the Senate Review Committee at this time.

9. **Report of the Joint Nominating Committee for the Office of President**

P. Bryden gave a verbal report indicating that a written report would be posted to the website.

As announced on February 10, the Joint Nominating Committee is pleased to recommend Dr. H.E. A. (Eddy) Campbell as the candidate for President. He is currently the Acting President and Vice-Chancellor of Memorial University of Newfoundland. His academic record and administrative experience are summarized in his *Curriculum Vitae* which has been disseminated in hard copy at offices on both campuses and is posted at: <https://www.unb.ca/sweb/secretariat/presidentsearch>

9. **Report of the Joint Nominating Committee for the Office of President**
(cont'd)

Since mid-July, the Committee, with the assistance of consultants Dr. Jack Dimond and Dr. Sam Scully, has been engaged in an extensive search process to identify and attract qualified candidates. The Committee first initiated an extensive pre-recruitment consultation process involving written submissions and twenty-eight meetings with individuals and groups on both campuses. Input and advice from these consultations helped the Committee understand the qualifications and attributes that the University community considered important in presidential candidates. This input and advice was incorporated into the Position Profile.

Through various initiatives, the Joint Committee was able to attract excellent candidates, and it is apparent that UNB is highly regarded across the country. The Committee considered over fifty individuals and established a short-list of six, including two women, five of whom accepted an invitation for an interview. We were very satisfied with the calibre of all our short list candidates and are grateful for their engagement in the search; all of them gave solid interviews and had solid references. The committee did an extensive assessment of candidates in accordance with the Position Profile and had in depth discussion. After its in-depth assessment of the interviewed candidates as informed by the Position Profile, the Committee ranked them taking into account their qualifications, record of performance to date, and qualities of character and leadership.

The Committee was unanimous that Dr. Campbell was its top-ranked candidate and best fits the needs and priorities of UNB for the next five to ten years as identified by the University community. The Committee seriously considered the possibility of presenting two or more candidates, but was unable to reach consensus on whom among three other candidates it would rank second. At the end of its deliberations, the Committee concluded that in good faith it could only come forward to the University community with a single best qualified candidate.

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To say that we believe he is the best candidate is to say he is the best fit for the reality and needs of UNB within the framework of the Position Profile and will complement and solidify the excellent senior management team that we now have in place and will be a team leader. His team style and leadership capability were important factors in the Committee's evaluation. He will bring an overall array of skills, capabilities and characteristics which uniquely position him to be President and to build on existing strengths.

During the week of February 15, Dr. Campbell participated in an extensive and open process over three days that involved a series of twenty-three separate meetings with individuals and groups on the Saint John and Fredericton campuses. This process provided an opportunity for interested community members to meet Dr. Campbell, to learn about him and ask questions, and to provide feedback. Meetings were held with the Vice-Presidents on each campus, the AUNBT, CUPE and UNBEA Executives, the Deans Councils, the Vice-President's Advisory Council on the Saint John campus and Directors of support service units on the Fredericton campus, student organizations, chairs, research chairs and directors of graduate studies, Board members and Senators, interested faculty, staff and students on each campus, and the alumni, retirees, business and civic leaders and external community members in each city. The Joint Nominating Committee is pleased with the high level of participation by members of the University community, and with the quality of the questions and discussion.

The Joint Committee encouraged Senators to submit written comment and feedback on Dr. Campbell. The deadline for receipt of written submissions to ensure their consideration by the Joint Nominating Committee is 4:00 p.m. on Friday, March 6, 2009. All submissions received by the deadline will be made available to the members of the Committee who will consider them prior to reaching a final recommendation

9. **Report of the Joint Nominating Committee for the Office of President**
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The Committee must prepare and present its report and recommendation to a joint meeting of the Saint John and Fredericton Senates and the Board of Governors as required by the *University of New Brunswick Act*. The date of the joint meeting of the Board and Senates has been set for 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, March 11 in the Harper Kent Auditorium of the Wu Conference Centre on the Fredericton campus. Transportation will be arranged for Saint John area Senators and Board members. If needed, an alternate date will have to be identified.

The voting members of the Senates and the Board of Governors will vote on the nomination for President at this joint meeting. Since there is no provision for an advance poll or for proxy voting in Senate or Board rules of order and procedure, only those voting members of the Board and Senates who are present at the joint meeting will be able to participate in the nomination of UNB's 18th President and Vice-Chancellor. The Joint Nominating Committee urges all Senators to make attendance at this meeting a priority and to be involved in the appointment of the President.

The nomination for President, as determined by the joint meeting, must subsequently be approved by the Lieutenant Governor in Council.

J. McEvoy asked if the public meeting was recorded for those who were not able to attend. S. Strople explained that he had investigated the possibility of taping the session, but that the cost to do so was prohibitive.

In response to a question regarding the process, P. Bryden noted that there could be a nomination from the floor at the Joint Meeting. However, he reminded Senators that the Joint Nominating Committee has put a lot of work into the process. He noted that the Committee will be considering the feedback provided by the University community before preparing its final recommendation to the Joint Meeting and that the Committee had proposed Dr. Campbell as candidate for President in the hope that the University community would share the Committee's confidence in him.

During further discussion P. Bryden noted that indications are the government of New Brunswick intends to respect the outcome of the Joint Meeting.

10. **Other Business**

There was no other Business.

The meeting adjourned at 4:36 p.m.

Stephen Strople
Secretary