



**ACADEMIC COUNCIL
MINUTES
MEETING OF OCTOBER 18, 2011**

Present:

T. McTiernan (Chair)
N. Al-Sadi
A. Barari
G. Bereznai
J. Bradbury
B. Campbell
V. Choy
M. DiGiuseppe
P. Drayson
M. Eklund
R. El-Emam

C. Elliot
J. Friedlan
B. Gamble
M. Green
R. Hinch
J. Hughes
R. Machrafi
R. Marceau
B. Muirhead
F. Qureshi
P. Ritchie

D. Saucier
H. Scott
K. Smimou
E. Vogel
O. Petrie, Secretary

Guest:

B. Cutler
B. MacIsaac
J. Rigby

Regrets:

N. Ammar
P. Beatty
J. Greenlaw
H. Jones-Taggart

H. Kishawy
S. Lauricella
M. Owen
P. Shah

M. West-Moynes
M. Wideman

Academic Council welcomed Noor Al-Sadi and Rami El-Emam, who are the newly elected student members of Council.

1. CHAIR'S REMARKS

Dr. McTiernan thanked colleagues for their enthusiastic participation at the University Fair over the past weekend. He also congratulated colleagues on reaching a tentative collective agreement and thanked the Faculty Association and Administration teams for their work.

2. MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 20, 2011

With a correction to the Faculty to which the new dean has been appointed, the minutes were approved as presented.

3. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

There was none.

4. INQUIRIES AND COMMUNICATIONS

4.1 The summary of the September 2011 meeting of the Board of Governors was received for information.

5. PROVOST'S REMARKS

Dr. Marceau noted items for information:

- Colleagues were reminded to hold the date of November 14, 2011 in their schedules to attend the installation of President McTiernan.
- All members of the UOIT community to contribute to the development of the next Strategic Plan. Members may contribute through the strategic planning website and/or via email. In addition, the organizing team will be visiting all Faculty Councils over the next month to elicit ideas and suggestions for the plan.

6. COMMITTEE REPORTS

6.1 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

On behalf of Dr. McTiernan, Dr. Marceau presented the report of the Committee which contained one item for action.

1. Academic Council Standing Committee Nomination

MOTION CARRIED *That Academic Council approve the appointment of the following individual to serve as a member of the Curriculum and Program Review Committee:*

Sean Bohun, Assistant Professor, Faculty of Science

A second nomination was withdrawn and will be brought back for consideration at a future meeting.

2. Election of Student Representatives to Academic Council and Committees (Addendum to the Agenda)

Dr. Marceau also noted for information that the following students have been elected to Academic Council and its standing committees:

- a. **Academic Council**
Rami El-Eman, Graduate representative
Noor Al-Sadi, Undergraduate representative
- b. **Admissions and Scholarship Committee**
Natalie Dib
Muhammad Zohaib Gondal
- c. **Curriculum and Program Review Committee**
Emad Abdel-Rahman
- d. **Graduate Studies Committee**
Lindsay Beyger
- e. **Academic Appeals Committee**
Mithulan Panchalingam

The recipients of the 2011 UOIT Teaching Awards were also noted for information.

6.2 GRADUATE STUDIES COMMITTEE AND CURRICULUM AND PROGRAM REVIEW COMMITTEE

Drs. Campbell and Muirhead jointly presented a proposal for action on the revised nomenclature protocol.

MOTION CARRIED *That Academic Council approve the revised protocol on Program Nomenclature as set out in the Committees' report, with the following phrase restored as part of the definition for an Honours Undergraduate Degree:*

An undergraduate degree ... can be completed as a first degree containing a minimum of 120 credit hours...

It was noted that, to meet accreditation requirements, the credit hours for the BEng degrees range between 126 and 144, and the definition as originally constructed allows the necessary flexibility to satisfy these requirements.

6.3 CURRICULUM AND PROGRAM REVIEW COMMITTEE

Dr. Muirhead presented the final assessment report of the Committee on the 2010-11 reviews of the following programs:

- Bachelor of Education
- Bachelor Science in Applied and Industrial Mathematics
- Bachelor of Science in Forensic Science

7. REPORT OF THE ASSOCIATE PROVOST, RESEARCH

An update on the research and scholarly environment at UOIT for the 2010-11 academic year was received for information

8. BUDGET UPDATE

The new Chief Financial Officer, Craig Elliot, presented an overview of the 2011-12 UOIT Budget for information. In response to questions, Mr. Elliot undertook to provide members with a more refined breakdown of the budget.

Dr. Marceau noted that the process for the establishing the 2012-13 Budget is being restructured to provide for input from Academic Council colleagues at key points throughout the process.

9. OTHER BUSINESS

There was none.

Olivia Petrie, Secretary