

Senate Minutes

May 8, 2023
MS Teams/CE339

The Chair, E. Robertson, called the meeting to order at 1:30 pm.

She began with the acknowledgement that Cape Breton University is located in Mi'kma'ki, the ancestral and unceded territory of the Mi'kmaq People. This territory is covered by the "Treaties of Peace and Friendship," which Mi'kmaq and Wolastoqiyik (Maliseet) people first signed with the British Crown in 1726. The treaties did not deal with the surrender of lands and resources but, in fact, recognized Mi'kmaq and Wolastoqiyik (Maliseet) title and established the rules for what was to be an ongoing relationship between nations.

1. Roll Call and Declaration of Quorum

Present:

Catherine Arseneau, Sahand Ashtab, Danielle Boudreau, Colton Burke, Sean Campbell, Geoff Carre, Sahilpreet Singh Chatha, Mary Beth Doucette, Jan Hancock, Michael Henick, Jasmine Hoover, Patrick Howard, Harkanwal Kaur, Mary Keating, Karen Kennedy, Carolin Kreber, Kimberley Lamarche, Brandi Jean Lind, Doug Lionais, Jason Loxton, John Nadeau, Marcia Ostashewski, Andy Parnaby, Rick Pierrynowski, Erin Robertson, Karen Rowe, Laurianne Sylvester, Éric Thériault, Tom Urbaniak, Bilynda Whiting

Regrets:

Carol Beaton, Tanya Brann-Barrett, David Dingwall, Philip Eappen, Ayse Ersoy, Samantha Hodder, Janet Kuhnke, Gordon MacInnis, Richard MacKinnon, Michelle Prendergast, Ann Sylliboy, Jamie Tunnicliff, Felix Odartey-Wellington, Terry MacDonald, John Mayich

The Chair welcomed the new Student's Union executive members, Salah Preet Singh-President, Gideon Otonabee-Executive Vice President, Colton Burke-Vice President Finance & Operations, and Brandy Jean Lind-Vice President Promotions.

It was moved by T. Urbaniak, seconded by R. Pierrynowski, **to move into Closed Session for the purpose of approval of the graduation list. Motion carried.**

B. Whiting remarked that during the closed session, the graduation list as presented was approved. The list included a total of 1549 graduands.

It was moved by, seconded by, **to return to the Open Session. Motion carried.**

3) Academic Committee

a) Approval of Post-Baccalaureate in Rapid Manufacturing Program

C. Kreber advised that a recommendation for a New Post Baccalaureate Diploma Program in Rapid Manufacturing is being proposed by the SST Academic Committee. R. Pierrynowski provided background and context for the proposal.

Discussion was then had on the following:

- The program is complimentary to what's being done at the NSCC Community College.
- Next step is to bring it to MPHEC for approval and the Strategic Enrollment Management Committee and seeing where this fits in the overall plan.
- Policies on approving a program whose students have already completed a bachelor's degree with instructors whose degree is a bachelor's degree.
- The title is People and Productivity Manufacturing, the course code M A and F 5137 seems to be a traditional Organizational Behavior course how this course is different than a traditional Organizational Behavior course that we currently offer in transfer business.

M. Keating advised that given the depth, there is a possibility that there is a lot of similarity between the courses and it would be worth having a follow up meeting to see just exactly what the course looks like and then make sure that exclusions are put in place, to ensure the student is not taking both from business and from manufacturing.

It was moved, by C. Kreber, seconded by R. Pierrynowski, that Senate approve the new Post-Baccalaureate in Rapid Manufacturing Program that is proposed by SST as presented. **Motion carried.**

b) Course changes for Graduate Diploma in Positive School Health

C. Kreber advised that in October 2021, Senate approved a new graduate diploma program in Positive School Health that was proposed by the School of Education and Health. She noted that as it is a requirement for all our teacher education programs in the province, they also were considered by the Minister's Advisory Council for teacher certification MCITY and the changes that they asked for were integrated in the documentation for eight courses that was submitted with the Senate package as follows:

1. **EDUC-5XXX: Communication & Collaborative Learning in Education. The course had a minor course description change.**
2. **EDUC-5XXX: Principles of Active Living and Physical Fitness. Course title change to "Principles of Physical Literacy and Outdoor Education". The course also had a course description change.**
3. **EDUC-5XXX: Identifying & Supporting Diverse Learners in the Inclusive Classroom. Course title change to "Supporting Diverse Learners in the Inclusive Classroom". The course also had a course description change.**
4. **EDUC-5XXX: Indigenous Health and Healing. This course had a minor change to its course description.**

5. EDUC-5XXX: Fundamentals of School Health & Well-Being. The course had a minor change to its course description.

3. Adjournment

There being no further business, **it was moved** by T. Urbaniak, seconded by P. Howard, to adjourn the meeting at 2:03 pm. **Motion carried.**

**Jasmine Hoover
Secretary**