## MEMORIAL UNIVERSITY OF NEWFOUNDLAND SENATE

The special meeting of Senate was held on November 14, 2006 at 4:00 p.m. in Room E5004, Education Building.

#### 27. PRESENT

The President, Dr. Campbell, Dr. Loomis, Dr. J. Ashton, Dr. S. Birnie-Lefcovitch, Dr. M. Bluechardt, Mr. G. Collins, Mr. R. Ellis, Dr. T. Gordon, Dean G. Gorman, Dean R. Gosine, Dr. N. Golfman (on behalf of Dr. C. Jablonski), Dean R. Lucas, Dean J. Rourke, Dean R. Tremblay, Dean L. Walker, Ms. D. Whalen, Dr. R. Adamec, Mr. E. Andrews, Mr. K. Baker, Dr. V. Bubenik, Dr. G. Clark, Ms. B. Conran, Dr. M. Daneshtalab, Mr. E. Durnford, Dr. D. Foster, Dr. G. George, Dr. J. Harris, Dr. R. Helleur, Dr. L. Hermanutz, Dr. O. Janzen, Dr. S. Kenney, Dr. D. Kimberley, Dr. F. King, Dr. S. Kocabiyik, Professor V. Kuester, Dr. D. McKay, Dr. W. Okshevsky, Dr. D. Pike, Professor G. Riser, Professor W. Schipper, Dr. C. Sharpe, Mr. R. Trenholm, Dr. P. Trnka, Dr. D. Tulett, Professor D. Walsh, Ms. K. Greenfield, Ms. K. Hickey, Ms. J. Allen, Mr. R. Drinkall, Mr. R. Farrell, Ms. K. Giroux-Bougard, Mr. A. Hollett, Ms. S. Magalios.

The Chair opened the meeting by extending a special welcome to the following new Senators:

Dr. Scott Kenney, the Department of Sociology Ms. Jennifer Allen, Marine Institute Students' Union

#### 28. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Dean A. Collins, Dr. L. Hensman, Dr. C. Jablonski, Dr. S. LeFort, Ms. L. Goddard, Dr. K. Szego, Dr. J. Whitehead, Mr. S. Sullivan.

#### 29. PRESIDENT REPORT 2006 - "BECOME"

At the request of the Chair and with the concurrence of Senate, it was agreed to change the order of the agenda and place a presentation of the highlights of the recently released President's Report 2006, "Become", at the beginning of the agenda. Mr. Ivan Muzychka, Marketing and Communications, was in attendance and following a short introduction by the President, Mr. Muzychka presented the report.

The report, which is currently available on the Web and in a full colour highlights brochure, contains a thorough review of achievements and accomplishments of the last year in the areas of research, community service and teaching and personal development. The report also contains many of the University's vital statistics as well as the complete audited financial statements. In concluding his presentation, Mr. Muzychka reminded Senators that the full 2006 President's Report is available at www.mun.ca/2006report. He also noted that the report will be available on DVD in the near future. The President thanked Mr. Muzychka for his presentation, invited feedback from Senators and encouraged everyone to make full use of the Report.

## 30. PRESENTATION OF THE STRATEGIC PLAN

Dr. Meisen opened the discussion by reminding Senators that at a meeting held on September 12, 2006, the draft Strategic Plan was presented to Senate. Since that meeting, and following assemblies held at the St. John's Campus and at Sir Wilfred Grenfell College as well as a retreat of Deans and Directors, suggestions and comments were taken into consideration and at today's meeting, a revised Strategic Plan was presented. The President noted that the intention of today's presentation is to keep Senate up-to-date with regard to the progress made. It is anticipated that the final version of the Strategic Plan will be brought to Senate for approval at a later date on the assumption that today's draft is broadly reflective of the views of the University community.

Dr. Meisen then provided an overview of the revised Strategic Plan. In doing so, he noted that the mission statement was revised to broadly reflect the views of the university community. Dr. Meisen and Dr. Campbell also provided an overview of the strategies and actions defined within the Strategic Plan.

During the presentation, discussion ensued with respect to the revised mission statement, core values and principals, the vision, the goals and targets of the University, along with areas for action. During discussion, many helpful suggestions were made, and Dr. Campbell encouraged Senators to forward them to strategic@mun.ca.

Following the discussion, Dr. Meisen thanked Senators for the useful discussion.

#### 31. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 5:15 p.m.	
CHAIRMAN	SECRETARY

## MEMORIAL UNIVERSITY OF NEWFOUNDLAND SENATE

The regular meeting of Senate was held on November 14, 2006 at 5:15 p.m. in Room E5004, Education Building.

#### 32. PRESENT

The President, Dr. Campbell, Dr. Loomis, Dr. J. Ashton, Dr. S. Birnie-Lefcovitch, Dr. M. Bluechardt, Mr. G. Collins, Mr. R. Ellis, Dr. T. Gordon, Dean G. Gorman, Dean R. Gosine, Dr. N. Golfman (on behalf of Dr. C. Jablonski), Dean R. Lucas, Dean J. Rourke, Dean R. Tremblay, Dean L. Walker, Ms. D. Whalen, Dr. R. Adamec, Mr. E. Andrews, Mr. K. Baker, Dr. V. Bubenik, Dr. G. Clark, Ms. B. Conran, Dr. M. Daneshtalab, Mr. E. Durnford, Dr. D. Foster, Dr. G. George, Dr. J. Harris, Dr. R. Helleur, Dr. L. Hermanutz, Dr. O. Janzen, Dr. S. Kenney, Dr. D. Kimberley, Dr. F. King, Dr. S. Kocabiyik, Professor V. Kuester, Dr. D. McKay, Dr. W. Okshevsky, Dr. D. Pike, Professor G. Riser, Professor W. Schipper, Dr. C. Sharpe, Mr. R. Trenholm, Dr. P. Trnka, Dr. D. Tulett, Professor D. Walsh, Ms. K. Greenfield, Ms. K. Hickey, Ms. J. Allen, Mr. R. Drinkall, Mr. R. Farrell, Ms. K. Giroux-Bougard, Mr. A. Hollett, Ms. S. Magalios.

#### 33. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Dean A. Collins, Dr. L. Hensman, Dr. C. Jablonski, Dr. S. LeFort, Ms. L. Goddard, Dr. K. Szego, Dr. J. Whitehead, Mr. S. Sullivan.

#### 34. MINUTES

The Minutes of the regular meeting held on October 10, 2006 were taken as read and confirmed.

# 35. REPORT OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON HONORARY DEGREES AND CEREMONIAL

Senate moved into a closed session for this item of business in accordance with **Section IV.E.2. SENATE MEETINGS AND PROCEDURES** of the Handbook of Senate By-Laws and Procedures which reads:

Matters of a confidential nature, including honorary degrees, shall be discussed in closed session; observers are not permitted to attend closed sessions.

#### REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF SENATE

It was agreed by separate motion where necessary, that the report of the Executive Committee be approved as follows:

#### **CONSENT AGENDA**

It was moved by Professor Walsh, seconded by Dr. Golfman, and carried that the consent agenda, comprising the items listed in 36 below, be approved as follows:

# 36. REPORT OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON UNDERGRADUATE STUDIES

### 36.1 Division of Lifelong Learning

Page 133, 2006-2007 Calendar, delete Library Studies 1606 and 2606 and replace with the following:

"1606 Introduction to Library Technology is intended for those interested in how technology is shaping library services and collections. Topics include an introduction to computer hardware, network topography, HTML, Integrated Library Systems, proxy servers, electronic journal procurement, electronic indexes, and evolving user interfaces. It also looks at the way technology has changed the workflow in libraries and the impact that this has had on library organization and staffing.

**2606** Advanced Topics in Library Technology offers an overview of popular technologies like blogs, wikis, web search engines, relational databases, wireless networks, personal computing devices, and XML, with an emphasis on their application in the world of libraries. The course provides a basic understanding of library-specific protocols and standards including the NISO Circulation Interchange Protocol (NCIP), Radio Frequency Identification (RFID), Electronic Data Interchange (EDI), Unicode, and cataloguing schemas for digital objects.

Prerequisite: Library Studies 1606."

Page 136, 2006-2007 Calendar, under the heading <u>Course List</u>, delete INFO 2500 and 3111.

Amend INFO 1000 and 2100 to read as follows:

"1000 Computer Technology (1 cr. hr.) provides an overview of computer technology .... assembling a computer. This course is a prerequisite for all other courses in this program.

**2100 Operating Systems I (2 cr. hrs.)** is a study of basic operating systems. Features and benefits of the Windows and Unix environments will be discussed in detail.

Prerequisite: Information Technology 1000.

Note: Credit may not be obtained for INFO 2100 and the former INFO 3111 and INFO 3110."

**New Courses** 

**2600 Introduction to Wireless LANs (1 cr. hr.)** focuses on the design, planning, implementation, operation, and troubleshooting of Wireless LANs and bridging.

Prerequisite: Information Technology 2100.

**3460 Network Security (2 cr. hrs.)** includes an introduction to network security and overall security processes with emphasis on security policy design, installation, configuration, and maintenance.

Prerequisites: Information Technology 2100 and 2600.

#### 36.2 Women's Studies Minor Program

Page 216, 2006-2007 Calendar, under the heading <u>6.28.2 Course List</u>, subheading <u>Elective Courses</u>, following History 4006, insert "Law and Society 3015".

## **REGULAR AGENDA**

## 37. REPORT OF THE ACADEMIC COUNCIL OF THE SCHOOL OF GRADUATE STUDIES

#### 37.1 Ph.D. (Management Program), Faculty of Business Administration

Dr. Noreen Golfman introduced the proposed Ph.D. (Management Program), Faculty of Business Administration and in doing so, noted that Dr. Jeffrey Parsons, Associate Dean, Faculty of Business Administration was in attendance to respond to questions that Senate may have. While the program was just considered by the Executive Committee of Senate in May, 2006, the Committee deferred final consideration of the proposal pending further consultation with the Dean of the Faculty of Business Administration with regard to the following:

- the capacity of the faculty in doctoral level research and teaching.
- the need to secure stable funding for this initiative.
- the large number of new courses required (13) as well as the unusually high number of courses required for a Ph.D. program which some feel has the potential to either marginalize the thesis or unduly extend the length of the program. On the positive side, it was noted that doctoral level students would add teaching capacity to the Faculty.
- the desire to position Memorial's Ph.D. in Business to stand out from other Canadian programs.
- the need to secure funding for the new space required for this program.

Dr. Golfman noted that the Faculty of Business Administration has since provided a response to the above-noted concerns, a copy of which was made available to Senators and is located in the Senate files.

A discussion then ensued on the concerns outlined by the Executive as noted above as well as the following:

- the implications the program might have on accreditation.
- the need to advise doctoral students that they must balance teaching assignments with their own studies.
- the high resource commitment needed to implement this program.
- consultation with the Library.

#### Ph.D. (Management Program), Faculty of Business Administration (cont'd)

Following the discussion, the motion to approve the approve the Ph.D. (Management Program), Faculty of Business Administration, which was moved by Dr. Golfman, seconded by Dr. Gorman, was carried by a majority vote.

New Program

## "REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY (MANAGEMENT)

The degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Management is offered in the Faculty of Business Administration. The designation refers to management in the broad context. The degree will offer specializations corresponding to functional areas in management. The degree currently is offered with a specialization in operations and information management [PhD (Management: Operations and Information Management)].

The degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Management is offered by full-time study to qualified candidates. The **GENERAL REGULATIONS** of the School of Graduate Studies of Memorial University of Newfoundland 1.2, and the Degree Regulations of the Faculty of Business Administration outlined below, will apply.

#### 1. Admission to the Ph.D. Program

Admission is limited and competitive. General qualifications for admission to the Ph.D. Programs at Memorial University are set out in the School of Graduate Studies, General Regulations (1.2.1) Qualifications for Admission. Applicants from all disciplines will be considered.

In addition, the following admission requirements apply:

• Completion of the GMAT with a minimum score of 600 (or GRE with a combined score of 1100);

#### 2. Supervisory Committee

Until a supervisory committee has been formed, the Ph.D. Program Director will be the designated advisor of each Ph.D. student. Each candidate will have a supervisory committee consisting of three or more members, at least two of whom shall be members of the Faculty of Business Administration. The thesis supervisor shall be a doctorally qualified faculty member in the Faculty of Business Administration, Memorial University, having a recent (past five years) research track record suitable to provide research supervision at the Ph.D. level. The supervisory committee will be appointed no later than the end of the first year of studies.

Students are encouraged to find a supervisor within the first year of the program and, together with the supervisor, find the remaining committee members by the time all required courses are completed.

#### Ph.D. (Management Program), Faculty of Business Administration (cont'd)

### 3. Components of Study

#### A. Courses

Students are required to complete successfully a program of courses, normally over the first two years of the program. Students without an adequate background in the functional areas of business may be required to take additional breadth courses. Such determination will be made by the Ph.D. Admission Committee when a student is accepted into the program.

### Required for all Specializations

Philosophy 6XXX: Philosophy of Science

Business 9901: Approaches to Management Research

One of:

Business 9902: Modeling Methods in Management Research Business 9903: Quantitative Methods in Management Research<sup>1</sup> Business 9904: Qualitative Methods in Management Research<sup>2</sup>

Graduate Research Integrity Program [non-credit]

## Operations & Information Management Specialization Courses

In addition to the above-noted courses required for all specializations, the following courses are required for the Operations and Information Management specialization:

Business 9910: Optimization

Business 9911: Data and Process Models in Information Systems Development

Business 9912: Probabilistic Models

Business 9913: Human-Computer Interaction and Decision Support Systems

Business 9914: Supply Chains: Models and Management

Business 9915: Electronic Commerce

Business 991A/B: Seminar in Operations and Information Management Research A/B

Business 9917: Special Topics in Operations Management

Business 9918: Special Topics in Information Systems

The table below outlines a recommended sequence for students in the OIM specialization.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Alternatively, students may elect to take Education 6467 if Business 9903 is not offered in a particular year, on the approval of the PhD Program Director.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Alternatively, students may elect to take Education 6466 if Business 9904 is not offered in a particular year, on the approval of the PhD Program Director.

Ph.D. (Management Program), Faculty of Business Administration (cont'd)

Semester	Courses	
Year 1, Fall PHIL 6XXX BUSI 9901 BUSI 9910 BUSI 9911	Philosophy of Science Approaches to Management Research Optimization Data and Process Models in Information Systems Development	
Year 1, Winter BUSI 9902, 9903, or 9904 BUSI 9912 BUSI 9913	(Modeling or Quantitative) Methods in Management Research Probabilistic Models Human-Computer Interaction and Decision Support Systems Graduate Research Integrity Program [non-credit]	
Year 1, Spring	Summer Research Project	
Year 2, Fall BUSI 9914 BUSI 9915 BUSI 991A	Supply Chain: Models and Management Electronic Commerce Seminar in Operations and Information Management (Part A) Graduate Program in Teaching (Recommended [non-credit])	
Year 2, Winter BUSI 991B BUSI 9917 BUSI 9918	Seminar in Operations and Information Management (Part B) Special Topics in Operations Management Special Topics in Information Management	

#### B. Summer Research Project

During the first summer in the program, students will complete a research project under the supervision of a qualified faculty member in the area of specialization. Projects must be presented in the course *Seminar in Operations and Information Management Research* during the second year of the program.<sup>3</sup>

#### C. Comprehensive Examination

Students shall undertake a mandatory written comprehensive examination, following **GENERAL REGULATION** 1.2.8.2, which sets out the procedures for the comprehensive examination.

#### In addition:

a) A candidate in the Ph.D. Program in Management shall normally take the written Comprehensive Examination by the end of the seventh semester of the program. The candidate must have successfully completed all required courses prior to writing the Comprehensive Examination. The scope of the Comprehensive Examination will be determined by the Examining Committee (as defined in **GENERAL REGULATION 1.2.8.2.2**), under the guidance of the Supervisory Committee.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Or equivalent course in other specializations.

#### Ph.D. (Management Program), Faculty of Business Administration (cont'd)

- b) A list of topics/areas for the Comprehensive Examination will be provided to the student no later than three months prior to the date of the examination.
- c) The written examination will take place in three phases over a one week period.
- d) Based on the results of the written examination, the Examining Committee may schedule a supplementary oral examination on any topics covered on the written examination. The oral examination request must be made to the Dean within two weeks of completion of the written examination. The oral examination, if any, must take place within six weeks of completion of the written examination.
- e) The scheduling of the Comprehensive Examination will be initiated by the student's supervisor who will notify the Dean of the Faculty of Business Administration. The date of the written examination will be determined by the Dean of the School of Graduate Studies. The student will be provided with written notice of the scheduled dates of the written examinations. In the case of oral examinations, requests will be initiated by the Examining Committee or the student (as described in (d)) through the School of Graduate Studies.

#### D. Ph.D. Thesis Regulations

- a) The candidate must submit a thesis proposal to all members of the Supervisory Committee for evaluation and approval by the end of the eighth semester of the program. Within one month of submitting the proposal, the Candidate will give a public oral presentation of the proposal, attended by the Committee. The presentation will provide the Committee and others in attendance with an opportunity to raise questions about the proposal research. Immediately following the presentation, the Supervisory Committee will meet to assess the proposal. Assessment will result in one of the following three outcomes: (1) accept; (2) accept with changes; or (3) reject. The results of this assessment will be provided to the student following the meeting. Assessments of accept with changes or reject will be accompanied by written comments within one week of the proposal presentation.
- b) If the proposal is rejected, the candidate will be permitted a second proposal. This proposal must be submitted and deemed acceptable by the Supervisory Committee within four months of the original proposal presentation. Failure to resubmit within this time period will lead to termination of the candidate's program.
- c) The Ph.D. thesis will constitute an independent and original research contribution.
- d) The Ph.D. thesis will be evaluated according to the process established in **GENERAL REGULATION 1.2.10.4** governing the School of Graduate Studies."

### 38. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON SENATE ELECTIONS

#### 38.1 Election Results for the Committee on Committees

A memorandum dated October 24, 2006 was received from the Committee on Senate Elections regarding the election results for the Senate Committee on Committees:

#### A. Election of Representatives from Academic Units

The Committee advised that on April 27, 2006, a memorandum was sent to all academic staff in the Constituencies of Business Administration, Library, Marine Institute, Medicine, Nursing or Pharmacy, Social Sciences or Social Work, inviting nominations to fill six seats on the Senate Committee on Committees. At that time, one of the six seats was filled with the election by acclamation of Ms. Alison Reid from the Library.

In view of the vacancies, the Committee on Senate Elections agreed to hold a By-Election in the fall in an attempt to fill the remaining five seats. A memorandum dated September 6, 2006, was sent to all academic staff in the Constituencies of Business, Marine Institute, Medicine, Nursing or Pharmacy, Social Sciences or Social Work with a deadline date of September 21, 2006. No nominations were received.

Subsequently, the Committee agreed to a two week extension of the deadline and thus a further memorandum dated October 4, 2006 was sent but no nominations were received by the deadline date of October 19, 2006.

Senate accepted the recommendation of the Committee on Senate Elections that the five vacancies in the Constituencies of Business Administration, Marine Institute, Medicine, Nursing OR Pharmacy, and Social Sciences OR Social Work remain vacant for the remainder of this academic year.

#### B) Election of Representatives from Senate

On September 6, 2006, a memorandum was sent to all members of Senate (excluding students) inviting nominations for three senators to serve on the Committee on Committees for a period of one year commencing immediately. One nomination was received by the deadline date of September 21, 2006, and Ms. Bernadine Conran, Library, was elected by acclamation. In accordance with the Procedures for Senate Elections and in an attempt to fill the two vacancies, the Senate Elections Committee agreed that the deadline would be extended. Hence a memorandum dated October 4, 2006, was sent with a deadline date of October 19, 2006, for receipt of nominations. No nominations were received. Senate accepted the recommendation that the two seats remain vacant for the remainder of this academic year.

#### 38.2 By-Election Results for Senate

A memorandum dated October 24, 2006, was received from the Committee on Senate Elections advising that the following people have been elected/reelected to the Senate for a term of office with effective date as noted below and expiring August 31, 2009:

CONSTITUENCY	NAME	EFFECTIVE DATE
Business Administration	Dr. Dale Foster	October 2, 2006
Library	Ms. Lisa Goddard	October 2, 2006
Medicine	Three vacant Seats	
Social Sciences	Dr. J. Scott Kenney	October 24, 2006

In view of the fact that two separate calls for nominations, including an extension of deadline on each occasion, resulted in no nominations for the Constituency of Medicine, Senate accepted the recommendation of the Committee on Senate Elections that these vacancies stand until the next cycle of Senate elections.

## 39. REPORT OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES

# 39.1 <u>Memorial University of Newfoundland Students' Union and the Graduate Students' Union Representation on Senate Committees</u>

A memorandum dated October 26, 2006 was received from the Committee on Committees recommending the following Memorial University of Newfoundland Students' Union and the Graduate Students' Union appointments to standing committees of Senate for a term of office commencing immediately and expiring March 31, 2007:

## **Advisory Committee on the Bookstore**

Amy Burton, MUNSU

## **Advisory Committee on the Library**

Alice Will, MUNSU

## **Advisory Committee on the University Timetable**

Emilie Martin, MUNSU

## **Committee on Copyright**

Stephanie Reid, MUNSU Sebastien Despres, GSU

#### **Committee on Educational Technology**

Sarah Stoodley, MUNSU Luke Callanan, GSU

#### Report of the Committee on Committees (cont'd)

## **Committee on Honorary Degrees and Ceremonial** Rick Kelly, MUNSU

## **Committee on Senate Elections**

Sherry Wyse, MUNSU

## Committee on Undergraduate Scholarships and Financial Aid Meghan Mitchell, MUNSU

## **Committee on Course Evaluations**

Chantelle McDonald, MUNSU

## Committee on the University Calendar

Kim Gill, MUNSU

## **University Committee on Admissions**

Matthew Sheppard, MUNSU

### **Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies**

Katherine Giroux-Bougard, MUNSU

#### **Planning and Budget Committee**

Katherine Giroux-Bougard, MUNSU Adam Gogacz, GSU

#### **Committee on Research**

Michael Jackman, GSU

Senate agreed to accept these recommendations.

# 40. <u>STUDENT REPRESENTATION ON THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON</u> COMMITTEES

A memo dated October 17, 2006 was received from the Memorial University of Newfoundland Students' Union nominating Catherine Taylor as undergraduate student representative for the Committee on Committees. As well, an e-mail dated October 24, 2006 was received from the Graduate Students Union nominating Adam Gogacz as the graduate student representative for that Committee.

Since the Committee on Committees is not involved in the process of recommending membership for any of its members, Mr. Collins submitted these nominations to Senate recommending its approval.

The motion to approve the nominations was moved by Mr. Collins, seconded by Mr. Ellis and carried.

# 41. <u>MEMORIAL UNIVERSITY OF NEWFOUNDLAND STUDENTS' UNION</u> - ACADEMIC AMNESTY MOTION

A memorandum dated October 31, 2006 was received from Ms. Katherine Giroux-Bougard, President of the Memorial University Students' Union noting that the Grenfell College Students' Union, Graduate Students' Union, the Marine Institute Students' Union and the Memorial University of Newfoundland Students' Union will be participating in a Canadian Federation of Students national Day of Action on February 7, 2007. The National Day of Action has been called in order to raise public awareness about the role of post-secondary education and to pressure government to reinvest in affordable, high-quality education. On this day, students in Newfoundland and Labrador will be participating in rallies and events in conjunction with students, faculty and other organizations from across Canada.

In this regard, the unions are requesting that Senate approve the following motion:

"Whereas the Senate recognizes the importance of the Canadian Federation of Students National Day of Action;

Be it resolved that the Senate encourage academic units and professors to be flexible in making alternate arrangements, including re-scheduling examinations and the deadlines for submission of assignments, for students who are absent from classes on February 7<sup>th</sup>, 2007 so that they may freely participate in the Day of Action with no fear of academic repercussions."

It was moved by Ms. Giroux-Bougard, seconded by Dr. Adamec, and carried that the Senate encourage academic units and professors to be flexible in making alternate arrangements, including re-scheduling examinations and the deadlines for submission of assignments, for students who are absent from classes on February 7, 2007 so that they may freely participate in the Day of Action with no fear of academic repercussions.

# 42. REMARKS FROM THE CHAIR - QUESTIONS/COMMENTS FROM SENATORS

- The President remarked that Strategic Planning assemblies had recently taken place at the St. John's campus and at Sir Wilfred Grenfell College.
- The Association of Atlantic Universities Teaching Showcase was held at the St. John's campus on October 28, 2006.
- Three sessions of Convocation were held on October 20, 2006 with approximately 600 students graduating.
- The President noted that two Affinity Newfoundland and Labrador events were held in the past month in Ottawa, London (United Kingdom) and one will be held soon in Toronto.
- The Alumni Tribute Awards ceremony was held on October 26, 2006.
   The President encouraged Senators to nominate worthy individuals for next year's awards.

#### Remarks from the Chair - Questions/Comments from Senators (cont'd)

- The President noted the launch of the Remotely Operated Vehicles Technology certificate program at the Marine Institute.
- "I Love MUNdays" was held at the University during October 25 29, 2006. "I Fell for Grenfell" was held at Sir Wilfred Grenfell College during the same period.
- On November 9, 2006, Dr. Meisen met with the university community to release the Katz Report. He noted that the redaction of the report, which is available on-line, was necessary in order to comply with the Privacy Act.
  - Dr. Meisen informed Senators that as a result of Dr. Katz's recommendations, several action groups have been formed to review an assigned recommendation and to make recommendations on the actions, if any, to be taken.

#### 43. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 6	:08 p.m.
CHAIRMAN	SECRETARY