



Faculty of Science and Horticulture

FACULTY COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held Tuesday, February 19, 2019

4:15 PM in Rooms Surrey Cedar 1140, Richmond Rm 3450B and Langley 1010

Present:

Mike Bomford – Chair	Elizabeth Worobec – Dean	Joel Murray – Assoc. Dean
Allyson Rozell – MATH alt/Senate AP&P	Astrid Opsetmoen – Staff Langley	Colin MacLeod - MATH
Dan Regan – HORT	Darryl Massey – CADD	Jane Hobson – BIOL
Kourosh Purdavaie – Staff Surrey	Melissa Bodner – Staff Richmond	Michael Coombes – PHYS
Nicole Tunbridge – BIOL	Richard Popoff – CHEM	
Tyron Tsui – PHYS	Vicky Wei - MATH	Xin Liu - CHEM

Guests:

Sal Ferreras – Guest	Jon Harding - Guest	Joe Sass - Guest
Chris Hauta –Guest	Lana Mihell - Guest	Betty Cunnin – Guest
Paul Richard - Guest	Daniel Anvari – Guest	Layne Myhre - Guest
Ann Marie Davison – Guest	Suzanne Pearce – Guest	Catherine Chow – Guest
Judy Bicep - Guest	Jennifer Au – Guest	Gary Jones – Guest
Deepani Indurugalla - Guest		

Regrets:

Amy Jeon – Senate	Kent Mullinix - ISFS	Louis Saumier Demers- MATH
Zena Mitchell - Registrar		

Quorum was confirmed.

- Jon Harding, Vice President Finance and Administration**, presented on KPU's financial situation, as it relates to the Faculty of Science and Horticulture. A full discussion followed addressing issues such as cost effectiveness, funding and alternate revenue options, class sizes, tuition rates for International and domestic students, and current and future possible solutions to the problem of costing of deliverables. Faculty Council members were again directed to the budget documents on SharePoint, as well as the IAP Dashboard.

ACTION: Michelle Ikoma to resend the IAP link to Faculty Council members

2. **Sal Ferreras, Provost and Vice President, Academic**, presented on the future of the Faculty of Academic and Career Advancement. A full discussion followed addressing such topics as effect on FSH of absorbing ACA Math and Science faculty; optimizing costs prior to any changes, whatever they may be, after the full proposal has been delivered; the need to conduct a full and detailed conversation amongst stakeholders, the need for a full review regarding how to address the placement of the APPD programming, and so forth. In addition, a Task Force was going to be established to assess information and prepare recommendations to the Office of the Provost. Faculty Council members were again directed to the January 7th initial Proposal for the Discontinuance of a Faculty submitted to Senate and included in the Faculty Council meeting invite.

3. **Approval of the Agenda**

*It was **moved** (Michael C.), **seconded** (Astrid O.), **and carried***

***THAT** the agenda be approved.*

4. **Approval of the Minutes of January 22, 2019**

*It was **moved** (Michael C.), **seconded** (Astrid O.), **and carried THAT** the minutes be approved.*

5. **Business Arising** from the minutes – deferred to Chair’s report.

6. **Reports**

a. **Chair’s Report**

In reference to the Action by Chair to call for volunteers across the Faculty for the Nominations and Governance Committee, Allyson Rozell has been contacted to suggest a nominee from Math.

The letters to Drs. Davis and Ferreras regarding the disbanding of the ACA drafted by Michael Poon received a fulsome response from Dr. Ferreras which was attached to the meeting invite, and since the response from President Davis was an acknowledgement only, it was not shared with Faculty Council.

b. **Dean’s Report**

Dean reported the Surrey Open House was a great success, and thanked all who volunteered. The Faculty Performance Review Committee has nearly completed the guidelines. FSH will be piloting the new guidelines for NR1, NR2 and select volunteers for post probationary Faculty reviews.

c. **Senate Report**

Amy J. had nothing new to report.

Allyson R. reported nothing new for SSCAPP other than continuing discussion around ACA and budget. There is still no clear definition about what is meant by admin in the budget, but noted that HR, as an admin unit, was having difficulty with retention due to industry low wages, and was currently unable to fill all positions. The proposal to combine SSCAPP and SSCUB into one committee is currently on hold.

Dean reported that there was nothing of note for SSCC.

Dean also reported on Senate Research Committee. The CRC Chair search is continuing. Katalyst grants are now focusing on applications that include a student component. AVP Dr. Gupta is in the process of writing a new research strategic plan.

Louis Saumier Demers reported by email that the Senate Standing Committee on Teaching and Learning adopted revisions in the definitions of 'Quality Learning Environments' and 'Quality Teaching' and will be made available when finalized.

d. Nominations and Governance Report

Nothing to report.

e. Curriculum Committee Report

Nothing to report. The February meeting was cancelled due to the weather. The next meeting is in March.

f. Academic Planning and Priorities

Nothing to report.

g. Teaching and Learning Committee

Louis Saumier Demers reported that a Canadian server for Turnitin plagiarism checker is planned for university wide use in the Fall of 2019. Michelle Nakano is retiring as committee chair at the end of this semester, and Louis will be on parental leave during the Fall 2019 and Spring 2020 semesters, so the committee needs new members. Anyone interested should contact Michelle Nakano.

h. Research Committee

The Survey has received a number of responses and is still open for those who have not yet had time to respond.

ACTION: FC members to send a 2nd reminder to colleagues.

7. New Business

Jane Hobson noted that the current student Victoria Kalikowski, asked to sit on FC is not able to due to a class conflict.

ACTION: Jane Hobson will approach a student in Biology, Michael Ke.

It was, **moved (Michael C.), seconded (Astrid O.), and carried THAT the meeting be adjourned.**

Date of next meeting: March 19, 2019