



FACULTY COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held March 15, 2022

4:15 PM-6:15 PM

MS TEAMS

Members:

Name	Title /Area	Present	Absent	Proxy
Allyson Rozell	MATH	√		
Amy Jeon	SENATE	√		
Asiyeh Sanaei	MATH		X	Vicky Wei Proxy
Chelsea Allison	ST. REP	√		
Christina Iggulden	SRY STAFF	√		
Daryl Massey	CADD	√		
Dominic Bernard	HOPS		X	Martina Solano Bielen Proxy
Elizabeth Worobec	DEAN	√		
Fergal Callaghan	SENATE	√		
Gary Jones	HORT		X	
Jeff Dyck	ASSOCIATE DEAN	√		
Kaylee Magee	BIOL	√		
Sepideh Tahriri Adabi	ISH/Institutes	√		
Laura Bryce	HORT	√		
Leah DeBella	BIOL	√		
Martina Solano Bielen	LGLY STAFF	√		
Melissa Bodner	RMD STAFF		X	
Melissa Drury	EPT	√		
Mike Bomford	CHAIR/SUSTAG	√		
Mike Coombes	PHYS	√		
Monique Ly	ST REP		X	
Suzanne Pearce	Vice Chair/CHEM	√		
Tanya Boboricken	MATH		X	
Tyron Tsui	PHYS	√		
Xin Liu	CHEM	√		
Zena Mitchell	REGISTRAR	√		
Brett Favaro	DEAN	√		



Recording: Michelle Ikoma

1. Approval of the Agenda of December 14, 2021

*It was **moved** (Michael Coombes), **seconded** (Suzanne Pearce), **and carried THAT** the agenda be approved as amended.*

3. Approval of the Faculty Council Minutes of November 16, 2021

*It was **moved** (Michael Coombes), **seconded** (Kaylee Magee), **and carried THAT** the minutes be approved as amended.*

4. Business Arising

- Re motion from last month, Mike Bomford has been invited as a consultant for the Bachelor of Traditional Chinese Medicine and recommended that it not be named a BSc degree, but instead a BA.
- Michelle Ikoma brought the concerns of Faculty council regarding the changes to Accessibility Services testing procedures and also transparency re any forthcoming changes to the Disability Inclusion Group and reports that Accessibility Services intends to offer outreach going forward. They have recently hired a new director.

5. Reports

a. Chair's Report / Business Arising

- Chelsea Allison has finished her term as a student representative on the FSH Faculty Council. Chair offered thanks on behalf of Faculty Council and asked that she recommend the position to possible candidates.

b. Dean's Report –

- Brett Favaro will be starting a coffee drop in on each campus when he returns in June.
- Note that all inquiries and concerns should continue to go to Jeff and Nicole over the next few months.

c. Senate Reports – Fergal Callaghan

- Chair thanked Meredith Laird, outgoing Senate administrative assistant, for her efforts in transforming the Senate office over the last few years. She will be working in the Provost's office as a new curriculum systems specialist.
- Provost reported that the 'Coffee with Provost' virtual meeting was a success and it will continue monthly.
- FSH Dean pro tem Jeff Dyck's nominations to the Senate Executive Committee, the Senate Standing Committee on Curriculum, and the Senate Standing Committee on Research and Graduate Studies were approved by Senate. Thank you, Jeff, for taking on those roles.
- Senate approved the revised Policy and Procedure AC4 Student Evaluation and Grading.
- In the chair's report from SSCC, it was noted that the Senate Microcredential committee had its inaugural meeting this month and that the Senate subcommittee on Writing Intensive Courses approved first set of courses to be recommended to SSCC.
- Chair noted that the February Senate meeting format was discussed and the committee decided to stay virtual due to ongoing mask mandate for indoor gatherings. The committee will continue to discuss the possibility of future in-person Senate meetings.
- SSCPR
 - David Burns, Pro Tem AVP Academic, told SSCPR that KPU's program reviews are likely to be used more widely and referred to more often in KPU's interactions and discussions with the provincial government. This is another important aspect of program review.
 - The February meeting of SSCPR was Dean Betty's last before retirement. The committee thanked her for all of her contributions to program review over the years and passed the following motion: "THAT the university will never be the

same and KPU will never forget Dean Betty's contributions, and thanks her for brewing her own programs and guiding them through the program review process."

- Dr. Burns noted that the program reviews will likely be used more widely going forward, especially with the province.
- SSCAPP
 - Nothing to report
- SSCUB
 - The committee is looking at organizing an orientation to help build confidence in budget/finance terminology and knowledge for the committee members. The operational draft budget will come to Senate for approval next month.
- SSCC
 - Math outlines were approved.
 - Minor in HSCI was approved. Biology Honours Degree was approved. Both received no queries in committee. Dean Pro tem noted that it was due to great work by FSH.
 - Decolonization and Indigenization discussion concentrated on courses, but is also looking at process and procedures.
 - Rajiv provided an update.
- SSC Nominations and Governance
 - Senate approved
 - a) the nominations for Senate Standing Committees
 - b) revised faculty qualification requirements for
 - i) the Health Care Assistant Program, and ii) the Traditional Chinese Medicine program, per policy AC13 Qualifications for Faculty Members.
- SSC Policy
 - Senate approved the revision of Policy and Procedure AC4 Student Evaluation and Grading, and the elimination of Policy AR6 Final Examinations and Grade Reporting for Courses. The approved changes will ensure appropriate evaluation of student course standing and will establish meaningful grading categories and systems for recording and reporting student grades. This policy is available for comment until March 30. For more information on specific revisions, please refer to the Senate agenda package item 12.1.
- SWIC – Nothing to report
- SSCRGS
 - There was discussion on providing discrete CRN numbers for lectures and labs.
 - Deepak Gupta provided updates regarding the mechanics and operations for faculty research leave costs to replace those faculty.
 - Graduate studies working group re policies
 - Updates for ISH grants
 - Daniel Bernstein is still working on an institutional definition of research. There is no timeline for completion.
- SSC Tributes – Nothing to report
- SSCTL
 - A restructure of Moodle/Kaltura is ongoing. It should be in place at the start of Summer semester
 - Schools/faculties that operate on a non-semester-based system, such as trades and technologies, will have separate servers. Continuing studies will also have separate

servers

- There will be a way to grant some external access, i.e. to allow community members to log in to access/join some Moodle content
- T&L Commons is looking into Respondus 4.0, which would make it easier to take exam questions from MS Word into Moodle.
- Hypothes.is (collaborative annotation of PDFs or webpages, to facilitate group analysis of content) is also nearly official.
- They are looking into Padlet (collaborative virtual "bulletin boards" you can "thumbtack" a wide variety of file types to) over Summer semester, and hope to have it by Fall.
- There have been many conversations about anti-plagiarism tools, but there is no funding nor agreement on which tool to pursue. Note this is a complicated matter, as KPU (unlike many institutions) confers IP to the student or faculty who created the content, so we cannot mandate that students upload their work to a 3rd party who is monetizing it. There will be institution-wide policies soon.
- A 35-seat covered outdoor classroom, accessible and with flexible seating, is proposed for the Westerman property, with 7-sided layout inspired by indigenous star blanket. NOTE: It is understood the classroom may be moved in future due to other stakeholder's plans for that space (e.g. KSA wants it for a Student Union building). Indigenous elders were asked about the need to eventually move it, and said it is acceptable if the space was built with good intentions. The outdoor classroom can also provide ceremonial uses, relaxation for students, external community uses, possibly sports uses.
- There is a recognition of the ongoing need for Facilities and Horticulture to come to agreements about the use of natural spaces, as conflicts have arisen due to lack of awareness by each about what the other was doing.
- Hopefully in Summer 2022, we will begin to:
 - Study the effect of extended withdrawal dates
 - Have Divisions/Schools/Faculties/faculty members think deeply about their practices and what they can experiment with to try to improve their DFW rates
 - Think about whether we could have restorative/educational interventions, not just punitive ones, for academic dishonesty
 - Study whether the KPU 101 program has an impact on GPA (outside of a pandemic)
- Note, The Learning Centre has many ideas but does not have the "people power"; they would require help to implement some strategies.
- One trend seen during the pandemic is that DFW rates ↓ decreased, and GPAs ↑ increased.
- The SSCTL will get in contact with Office of Planning & Accountability for more dialogue

d. FSH Committee Reports

- **Nominations and Governance**

Moved and seconded THAT Paul Adams be accepted by Faculty Council as the FSH representative to the Provost Search Committee. Carried.

- Calls for volunteers to sit on the SSCWIC (Writing Intensive Courses) Query was made as to whether lab instructors could sit on the committee. It was confirmed as a yes.

- **Curriculum Committee**

- *It was moved and seconded THAT both Math course outlines be recommended to*



Senate. Carried

- **Academic Planning and Priorities – Allyson Rozell**
 - Still collating the results of the Planning and Visioning meeting.
 - AP 2023 will start soon.
- **Teaching and Learning**
 - Committee members have recommended that this committee be dissolved as its purpose is no longer clear in light of the Teaching and Learning Commons. After discussion;
*It was **moved (Mike Coombes) and seconded (Darryl Massey) That FC accept the dissolution of the Standing Com on T&L and amend the bylaws accordingly.***
- **Research** - no report

6. New Business

- Regarding the BSC Framework, there was discussion as to whether it should be amended to accept applied or theoretical sciences. It was determined that further investigation is required.

Meeting adjourned by Chair at 5:36 PM

Date of next Faculty Council: April 19 2022