

**FACULTY COUNCIL**

**Minutes of the Meeting held Tuesday, October 20<sup>th</sup>, 2015  
4:15 pm in Rooms 2020 (Langley), 1420 (Richmond) and 322 Fir (Surrey)**

Present: Michael Coombes (Chair) Betty Cunnin Allyson Rozell  
Betty Worobec Jane Hobson Pat Duffy  
Mike Bomford David Sud Avtar Sadhra  
Lily Liu Melissa Bodner Chris Hauta  
Joel Murray Barbara Maloney, Recording

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Quorum was confirmed, although the video-conference connection could not be established with Surrey Campus.

**1. Approval of the Agenda**

It was **moved and seconded** (Michael Coombes/Patrick Duffy).

**THAT** Faculty Council approve the Agenda.

The **motion carried**.

**2. Approval of the Minutes**

It was **moved and seconded** (Michael Coombes/Patrick Duffy)

**THAT** Faculty Council approve the Minutes of September 29<sup>th</sup>, 2015, as submitted.

The question was called and the **motion carried**.

**3. Business Arising**

There were no items under Business Arising.

**4. Reports**

**a. Chair's Report**

Mike reported on a couple of items:

- i. The Bylaw changes approved at the Faculty of the Whole meeting have been sent to Senate.
- ii. The Surrey video-conferencing system will not be fixed until after January. Bluejeans can be used in other rooms with different equipment.

**b. Dean's Report**

The new Education Advisor has been hired (Nicole Poole) and she will be situated at Richmond campus. She will be working two days with Design and two days with Science and Horticulture. We are now working on finding an appropriate office space for her.

We are looking for participants for events during Sustainability week. We need to have more people stepping up to give us an hour or two of their time.

Kathy Lylyk was unable to come to our meeting at the last minute but Stephanie Singer will attend in her place. This is an opportunity to ask any questions you may have regarding the drafting of the 2016-2017 budget.

Betty received a message from Faculty of Arts which proposes to change the name of the Department of Geography to the Department of Geography and the Environment. We do not know why this has come about. This was also discussed at the Environmental Protection Technology Advisory Committee meeting and they were concerned with this, as it could cut into our recruitment. Faculty Council wants to make a motion to be taken to the Chair of Arts Faculty Council. It was **moved and seconded**

**THAT** Mike Coombes, on behalf of Faculty Council, contact the Chair of the Faculty of Arts Faculty Council stating we are a little concerned about possible impact on the EPT Program or other Programs.

The **motion carried**.

**c. Nominations and Governance Report**

The Search Committee for Vice-Provost has requested nominations for this Committee and there will likely be an e-vote on the candidates prepared to stand.

Mike is still looking for someone to serve on our Nominations and Governance Committee. David Sud declared his interest and is declared elected by acclamation.

**d. Curriculum Committee**

The Curriculum Committee had nothing to report.

**e. Senate Reports**

There were no Senate reports at this meeting.

**f. Academic Planning and Priorities Committee**

There was no report.

**5. Other Business**

Biology – Hiring Standards Requirements

Faculty Council received the memorandum of June 9<sup>th</sup>, 2015, from Ann Marie Davison and Andrea Sussmann on this issue. It was **moved and seconded**

**THAT** Faculty Council approve the changes as recommended in the memorandum noted above.

Following discussion, two amendments were made to the criteria listed in the memo in that rather than Ph.D. it would be stated as a doctoral degree and instead of regulated professional designation it would be stated as accredited professional designation.

The question was called and the **motion carried**.

#### **6. Visitor – Stefanie Singer (for Kathy Lylyk)**

Stefanie reported on the processes, procedures and criteria involved in drafting the next year's budget. Her presentation and other documentation in support of the 2016-2017 budget are all posted on the Sharepoint site: [https://our.kpu.ca/sites/finance/budget/Fiscal\\_2016-17\\_Budget\\_Materials\\_and\\_Info/SitePages/Home.aspx](https://our.kpu.ca/sites/finance/budget/Fiscal_2016-17_Budget_Materials_and_Info/SitePages/Home.aspx)

Faculty Council members were able to add their questions and comments. Stefanie reported that it is thought that the greater vigilance with regard to expenditures is paying off.

It was **moved, seconded and carried**

**THAT** the meeting be adjourned.

The **motion carried**.