



Faculty of Science and Horticulture

FACULTY COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held Tuesday, February 20, 2018

4:15 pm in Rooms Richmond 3450B, Langley 1010, Surrey Cedar 1140

Present:	Amy Jeon	Joel Murray	Michael Coombes
Joe Sass	Dan Regan	Kourosh Purdavaie	Paul Adams
Ken Stark	Daniela Marinescu	Lily Liu	Richard Popoff
	Elizabeth Worobec	Louis Saumier-Demers	Xin Liu
	Graham Rankin	Melissa Bodner	Zena Mitchell
	Jana Kolac	Mike Bomford	Michelle Ikoma - Recording

Quorum was confirmed.

1. An update was provided by Joe Sass on both the current budget and projections for next year. The following points were noted:

According to Balanced Budget Legislation, no deficits are allowed, and revenue must exceed expenses.

Government grants are down in terms of real dollars from 5 years ago, as the amount has remained essentially the same. There is no growth in revenues except in tuition and ancillary fees. Revenue from international students is almost flipped from 5 years ago in comparison to revenue from domestic students. KPU is currently at 60% from international students.

Domestic enrolment has remained static over the past 5 years, while international enrolment has grown. This causes problems in the entire KPU ecosystem. Revenue next year is projected to provide a very low margin of error in spending because we need to grow in various infrastructure to support the increase in enrolment.

An update was provided by Ken Stark on Vision 2023. Details are available from the link in the PowerPoint presentation.

Action: Please send feedback to Ken Stark or Alan Davis.

2. **Approval of the Agenda**

It was moved (M. Coombes), seconded (M. Bodner) and carried

THAT the agenda with changes, be approved.

3. Approval of the Minutes of December 19, 2017

Noted that the date for Item # 3 was incorrect, and that CAPP (Item 5b) had only one P

*It was **moved (M. Coombes), seconded (M. Bodner), and carried THAT** the minutes as they are corrected, be approved.*

4. Business Arising

None

5. Reports

a. Chair's Report

There was no report.

b. Dean's Report

Dean noted that the Surrey Open House is this Saturday Feb 24. Thanks to all participants from FSH.

Paul Richard will be giving the next Science World lecture on Poo March 6th

The initial plan to create a Faculty of Graduate Studies is leaning more towards an Office of Graduate Studies which is the current trend. An Office would be administered by a Director rather than a Dean. The academic decisions would be filtered through a Senate Committee on Graduate Studies with representation from all Faculties.

The K-12 workshop held last week was excellent and addressed many concerns over how the curriculum changes would affect First year entrance and courses.

c. Senate Report –

SSCC is looking into issues regarding some Pathways courses. Faculties have identified courses and essentially rubber stamped them, but students have not been successful in some courses, so the committee will be looking at the parameters and discussing who would approve changes in which courses qualify as Pathways courses.

d. Nominations and Governance Report

Chair announced that the Teaching and Learning Sub-committee FSH representative to the newly created Senate Committee on Teaching and Learning will be Louis Saumier Demers

It was moved, seconded, and passed that this be approved by Faculty Council.

Chair announced that the FSH representative on the newly created Senate Committee on Research and Scholarship Committee is Deborah Henderson. It was noted that FSH still has one seat available from an FSH department

It was moved, seconded and passed that this be approved by Faculty Council

Dean noted that recent changes to the Faculty qualifications in an updated table have been submitted to FSH NomGov Committee Chair Stan Kazymierchuk. Zena Mitchell reminded that the call for nominations for 1 seat on Senate and 1 seat on the Board will be announced shortly. The seats are both for a 3 year term.

- e. Curriculum Committee Report
The BSc Framework committee will meet in May.
- f. Academic Planning and Priorities
Nothing to report.
- g. Teaching and Learning Committee/Research and Scholarship Committee
The committee is working on bylaws.
- h. Research and Scholarship Committee
The committee is continuing work on bylaws. They are also developing a survey tool regarding impediments to research and supporting research.

It was **moved** (M. Coombes), **seconded** (M. Bodner), **and carried**

***THAT** the meeting be adjourned.*

Date of next meeting: March 20, 2018