

Faculty of Science and Horticulture

FACULTY COUNCIL Minutes of the Meeting held Tuesday, May 15, 2018 4:15 pm in Rooms Langley Rm 1010, Surrey Cedar 1140

Present:

Elizabeth Worobec, Dean	Joel Murray, Assoc Dean	Mike Bomford, Chair
Paul Adams	Kourosh Purdavaie	Daryl Massey
Richard Popoff	Amy Jeon	Louis Saumier Demers
Daniel Regan	Graham Rankin	Colin McLeod
Zena Mitchell	Astrid Opsetmoen	Jana Kolac
Xin Liu		
Regrets: Kent Mullinix	Lily Liu	Michael Coombes
Melissa Bodner		

Quorum was confirmed.

1. Approval of the Agenda

It was moved (Astrid O.), seconded (ColinM.) and carried

THAT the agenda as presented, be approved.

2. Approval of the Minutes of March 20, 2018

It was **moved (Daryl M.), seconded (Richard P.), and carried THAT** the minutes as they stand, be approved.

3. Business Arising

Standards for Pathways memorandum from SSCC was presented for consideration and discussion. A question regarding how much lower the requirement for English for Science courses is now? Zena Mitchell provided the following clarifications:

a. Pathway 2 will be the lowest level for FSH. For example students may be taking ENGQ 1089 concurrently with Science courses, if they received a C- in Grade 12, or had a low mark on the English entrance test.

- Pathway 3 students would be taking 1094 or 1099 concurrently with specific courses that require higher English levels. Stats for specific courses are available on the IAP site.
- c. These standards will provide a baseline, and faculty can add further standards to that. Dean mentioned that Faculty can add anecdotal evidence from their courses.
- d. Assoc. Dean queried re 1000 level courses such as ENGQ 1094. It was clarified that they are not undergrad courses and therefore are not included as Pathway courses.

It was *moved (Astrid O.), seconded*, *and carried* to approve the recommendations suggested by SSCC.

4. Reports

a. Chair's Report

Last month concerns were brought forward by Colin McLeod regarding FSH PD Committees. It was emphasized that PD committees, according to the Collective Agreement are to work independently from Faculty Council and is made up of teaching faculty who are to distribute funding to their peers. As such, a PD committee cannot be influenced by Faculty Council. CADD funds have now been transferred inot the Science PD Committee account. Bylaws will be revised to remove the PD committee as a subcommittee of Faculty Council.

Bylaw revisions being proposed are now in the archive (pre-publication) and there is also a place for discussion on the FSH SharePoint site. Also on SharePoint is a list of Faculty Council Membership. A column has been added for end of term date. As terms run Sept 1 to Aug 31, end of term dates need to be identified so that departments can nominate and elect or re-elect members.

Discussion took place regarding the FC meeting schedule for the following year. It was noted that meetings had been scheduled through to the end of December, and that it might be sensible to keep those. Although Tuesday does not work for everyone, it was concluded that departments would likely nominate people who could attend at that time. It was deemed practical to keep the scheduled time for fall.

b. Dean's Report

Science Rendezvous was on Saturday and was a huge success with over 3000 attendees and over 200 volunteers, many of whom were students. Thank you to all departments for their contributions.

The BC Tech summit held May 14 to 16 and had a significant KPU presence. FSH was represented by CADD and Physics. The SCCUB meeting is set for May 18th and will be approving the 2019-10 budget process. Michelle will start contacting Chairs next week to set meetings for the 2019/2020 budget process.

Colin MacLeod queried the controversial decision to over-register Arts and Business Summer session courses, asking if this will also happen with FSH courses. Dean responded that this was only for FOA and the School of Business Summer courses and

there is no indication that it will be ongoing. FSH is not currently affected and it is not expected.

c. Senate Report –

SSCC – there was discussion about open resources and having the course outline template capture the Zed Cred potential. The Public Safety Diploma has been suspended, and the Career Choices and Life Citation has been discontinued. Senate-Vision 2023 Final draft was presented by President. The Provost revealed the Academic Plan 2023. The establishment of an Office of Graduate Studies came to Senate for information.

David Burns was acclaimed as Senate vice-chair for another year.

Amy Jeon was confirmed as one of the two FSH Faculty reps for Senate. FSH still needs 1 more Senator.

d. Nominations and Governance Report

Nominations are still needed for the following:

Senate - 1 Senator

-3 committees as listed on the agenda (Faculty reps above and beyond Senator positions. Dean noted that a strong voice for FSH on committees is important. Zena noted that the Senator call will be the week of Sept 2. This is a by-election, so the position starts immediately after the voting. Search Committee for the Provost/Vice President by June 12

e. <u>Curriculum Committee Report</u>

Nothing to report.

f. Academic Planning and Priorities

Nothing to report.

g. <u>Teaching and Learning Committee/Research and Scholarship Committee</u>

No report until after a joint meeting with the Research committee.

h. Research and Scholarship Committee

No date has been set yet for the joint meeting as mentioned above. Bylaws have been shared with the Nom/Gov committee and have been posted to SharePoint for comment. The bylaws will come to Faculty Council in June for approval, and then to the the FOW on August 28th.

Chair called for further comments. There were none.

It was, moved (Astrid O), seconded (Louis S), and carried

THAT the meeting be adjourned.

Date of next meeting: June 19, 2018