

Faculty of Science and Horticulture

FACULTY COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held Tuesday, November 17th, 2015 4:15 pm in Rooms 2020 (Langley), 1420 (Richmond) and 1140 Cedar (Surrey)

Present: Michael Coombes (Chair) Cameron Lait Allyson Rozell

Betty Worobec Jane Hobson Pat Duffy
Mike Bomford David Sud Avtar Sadhra
Lily Liu Melissa Bodner Graham Rankin
Joel Murray Jennifer Au Terri Taylor

Jana Kolac Karen Vance Barbara Maloney, Recording

Quorum was confirmed.

1. Approval of the Agenda

It was **moved and seconded** (Patrick Duffy/David Sud)

THAT Faculty Council approve the Agenda.

Some corrections were made to the Agenda under item 4.a., including a typo in the first bullet, changing Vice President to Vice Provost in the second bullet and adding a fourth bullet, Bluejeans Update.

The motion carried.

2. Approval of the Minutes

It was moved and seconded (Patrick Duffy/David Sud)

THAT Faculty Council approve the Minutes of October 20th, 2015.

A correction was made to the item 4. a. i. to state that the Bylaw changes have been sent to the Senate Governance Committee.

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

3. Business Arising

Mike Coombes had been directed to contact the Faculty of Arts regarding the proposed name change of the Geography Department. He has been in touch with them to pass along the views from Faculty Council. They were looking for consultation on the matter and they will factor all comments into their final decision.

It may be a good idea for our public relations person to know about this and so it will be mentioned to DeAnn Bremner for her information.

With regard to the Biology hiring standards approved at a previous meeting, this has been sent forward to Natalie Walker in the Secretariat and it is being moved through the Senate steps. Jennifer Au will ensure that Mike knows when this item will be reviewed at Senate Governance so that he can attend.

4. Reports

a. Chair's Report

FSH Bylaw changes are expected to be seen at Senate on November 30th.

There are two nominations for ratification by Faculty Council:

Takashi Sato to serve on the Vice-Provost Search Committee and

Jane Hobson to serve on the Presidential Renewal Committee....

It was **moved and seconded** (Patrick Duffy/David Sud)

THAT Faculty Council approve the above nominations.

The motion carried.

Mike mentioned that we have made a change to the technology being used for our meetings, and we are now using Blue Jeans.

b. Dean's Report

Betty thanked people for attending all the recent events which have been lots of fun lots with lots of energy.

The budget presentation was made on October 30th and was well received. We will not know anything until the new year.

Two cabinet ministers visited Langley campus recently, being the Minister of Agriculture and Mary Pollack, Minister of the Environment, touring the north campus and brewing facility. They were very impressed and asked what they could do to make things better for us.

We have had a number of Advisory Committee meetings (Horticulture, EPT and Brewing) within a week. Advisory Committees give us a way of promoting ourselves and our programs.

We will be opening brew sales to the general public once students are finished in December.

Betty and Joel attended a two-day workshop on community justice. It identified things to watch out for, the importance of meeting with students; good processes to follow; processes need to be in place and carefully followed. It is being encouraged to make this something open to all faculty.

A question was raised around security during beer sales. It was reported that there will be a credit machine in place soon and then there will not be more cash sales.

The recent Horticulture information session was really well attended. Students are well taken care of between the Advisors and Chairs.

c. **Senate Reports**

Jennifer reported on recent items of interest from Senate:

Faculty Council was updated on the Mathematics Alternatives Table for Admissions and Prerequisites (MATAP). Due to limitations in Banner, MATAP 2.04 (with 22 levels) is not programmable in Banner. Allyson Rozell, FSH representative on the MATAP Working Group, is working with the Office of the Registrar in proposing a simpler version of the MATAP that will be functional on Banner.

The proposed AC10 policy and procedures for program development, revision, suspension and/or discontinuance had completed the 6-week consultation and posting period on the policy blog. The policy sponsor had amended AC10 and the flowcharts in response to the feedback received. The amended AC10 is making its way through the relevant Senate Standing Committees for endorsement.

The proposed GV9 policy and procedures for the establishment and/or discontinuance of Faculties and Departments had completed the 6-week consultation and posting period on the policy blog. The policy sponsor had amended GV9 in response to the feedback received. In particular, GV9 was amended to ensure the relevant Faculty Councils are consulted and involved in the establishment and/or discontinuance of Faculties and Departments. The amended GV9 is making its way through the relevant Senate Standing Committees for endorsement.

A new course outline template went forward to Senate committees and will be going to Senate on November 30^{th} .

d. Curriculum Committee

i. It was **moved and seconded** (Patrick Duffy/David Sud)

THAT Faculty Council accept the Non-Degree Program Proposal for the Horticulture Technology Diploma: General Studies Specialization, as detailed in the proposal prepared by Carol Barnett.

The **motion carried**.

ii. It was **moved and seconded** (Patrick Duffy/Mike Bomford)

THAT the Program Title Revision for Horticulture Technology Diploma Sustainable Crop Production Specialization be approved, as documented in the Memorandum, dated November 13, 2015, from Carol Barnett.

The **motion carried**.

e. Faculty Academic Planning and Priorities Committee

The current chair of this Committee is resigning so we will need a new person to serve. Please, encourage your departmental representative on this Committee to serve.

5. Other Business

a. Status of the B.Sc. Framework

Apparently, the Framework is now KPU policy but it is seen to be a bit outdated and possibly could use some revision. The Curriculum Committee could look at it to see if revision is required and could consult with other Faculties on its requirements.

It was moved and seconded (Mike Coombes/Patrick Duffy)

THAT Faculty Council request the FSH Curriculum Committee to look at the Framework to see if 1)it needs revision and is in an appropriate form to go into the calendar; 2) whether other Faculties have been consulted; 3) how well the B.Sc. fits in relation to the Bachelor of Applied Science degree; and 4) the ease of coding for Registrar's office.

The question was called and the motion carried.

b. It was moved and seconded

THAT Faculty Council thank Allyson and the Math Department for all their work on the MATAP table.

The motion carried.

It was moved, seconded and carried

THAT the meeting be adjourned.