

FACULTY OF ARTS

Meeting Minutes

THIRD MEETING OF THE FULL COUNCIL

3:00PM – 5:00pm

APRIL 19, 2010

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Dean McQuillan thanked everyone for coming to the Faculty Council.

F.3.1 Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve agenda: Jim Gaisford

Second: Brian Moorman

Passed

F.3.2 Approval of April 5th meeting minutes

Brief note: The recording device failed on the last meeting if anything was recorded incorrectly, please bring them to attention. Minutes of the Faculty Council will reflect a summary of the meeting rather than a transcript.

Motion to approve: Miriam Grant

Second: Steg Johnson

Correction: item F.2.4 Motion made by Zekulin – should read “move to add the word scholarship to the Terms of Reference”.

Carried

F 3.3 Chair’s Report

Due to the length of the agenda, no report was given.

F.3.4 Action Item: Faculty of Arts Procedures for the Appointment of Department Heads

Moved : Anne McWhir

Seconded: Dan Maher

Dean McQuillan introduced this item as the Chair of the Governance and Policy Work Group. The Work Group drew from the previous faculties’ policy documents and put this policy together with the agreement that it should be reasonably specific regarding procedure while leaving flexibility to the departments for them to be able to follow their traditions.

From Discussion: Add to 2.1 the words “selection committee advisory to and established by the Dean shall be established for the appointment”.

Carried

F.3.5 Action Item: Faculty of Arts Policy and Procedures Relating to Student Academic Appeals

Dr. Dan Maher chaired the Work Group on student issues and gave a brief summary of the attached document.

From Discussion: That clause 1.1.2 be removed as a friendly amendment.

Moved: Dan Maher

Second: Jim Gaisford

Carried

F.3.6 Action Item: Faculty of Arts Admission Requirements

Dr. Jim Gaisford gave a brief summary of the requirements on behalf of the student issues Work Group, which worked on the admission requirements document.

Moved: Jim Gaisford

Second: Anne Katsenberg

Carried

Dean McQuillan said a special word of thanks to the members, who spent enormous time on these documents.

F.3.7 Action Item: Faculty of Arts General Faculties Council Representatives

Dean McQuillan indicated that in the future this will be handled by the Executive Committee, which will serve as the striking committee for the faculty. The Executive Committee was in the process of being populated and the General Faculties Council was putting pressure on the faculty to submit its membership. To facilitate the selection of the membership to GFC, members from the four previous faculties whose terms extended past the current academic year were asked if they would continue serving under the Faculty of Arts. Eight on the list are those previous members who agreed to continue. For the three seats that remained empty, nominations were sought from the previous Social Sciences Staff Affairs Committee as the expired terms to be replaced were from the previous Faculty of Social Sciences. This ensured representation from the four former faculties, but in the future, representatives will be nominated by the Executive Committee and elected by council. The floor was opened for nominations.

Luis Torres nominated Pierre-Yves Mocquais

Seconded: (not audible)

Nominations closed.

Results will be announced via email.

F.3.8 Action Item: -Approval in Principle- Faculty of Arts Undergraduate Programs, 2010-2011

Foundation Document

Dean McQuillan stressed the point that the large document is to be *approved in principle* with the understanding that a final document will be circulated with suggested or editorial changes that should be emailed to Dr. Jim Gaisford. Dr. Gaisford was asked to speak on the item.

Moved: Jim Gaisford

Second: Keith Dobson

Carried

Dean McQuillan thanked those individuals who worked extremely hard on this item for a long period of time.

F.3.9 Action Item: Approval of establishment of an ad hoc committee to draft an APT document for the Faculty of Arts.

A faculty specific APT document is needed. The Governance and Policy Work Group has addressed some of the issues that will need to be addressed in order to produce APT guidelines for the faculty. The motion would allow that group to continue its work as an ad hoc committee of council.

Moved: Wisdom Tettey

Second: Ann Calvert

Carried

F.3.10 Action Item: Initiate the suspension of admissions to the 20 full-course-equivalent multidisciplinary “Bachelor of Science in Communication and Culture” degree after the Fall 2010 intake.

Items 3.10 and 3.11 are closely related. Dr. Jim Gaisford introduced both items.

Moved: Jim Gaisford

Second: Chris Kalantzis

Carried

Since 3.10 and 3.11 were interrelated, Jim Gaisford spoke on them together.

F.3.11 Action Item: Initiate name changes for its multidisciplinary degrees.

Moved: Jim Gaisford

Second: Doug Brent

Carried

Jim Gaisford thanked the members of the Student Issues Work Group for their work.

F.3.12 Other Business

At the last Faculty Council meeting, several standing committees were established. A number of people inquired about serving on these committees. The Executive Council will be the striking committee, but those interested in serving were instructed to send Dean McQuillan an email and were also encouraged to approach their department regarding the processes that may be in place to produce nominees. The nominees for the various committees will be brought forward to the first meeting in September for elections.

Open Questions and comments.

Adjourned: 4:28pm