

SCIENCE FACULTY COUNCIL

Approved Minutes

Friday, March 8, 2013

1pm – Room B132

CHAIR: David Fenske

PRESENT:

Ali Fotouhi	Gregory Schmaltz	Landry Dorsett	Ron Wilen
Cory Beshara	James Bedard	Leon(Lixin) Pan	Steve Marsh
Cynthia Loten	Jane Webb	Noham Weinberg	Tony Stea
Darlene Carson	Jason Thomas	Paul Franklin	Wendy Gracey
David Fenske	Joss Ives	Peter Mulhern	
Gillian Mimmack	Karina Chow	Richard Wong	
Grant Fritzke	Kathy Peet	Rilla Apostolakis	

REGRETS: Lucy Lee (Deans Conference), Awneet Sivia (On Leave); Godwin Choy (Sabbatical); David Chu (Sabbatical); Sharon Gillies (Sabbatical); Alida Janmaat (Sabbatical); Susan Milner (Sabbatical); Greg Schlitt (Sabbatical); Norm Taylor (Sabbatical), Christine Dalton, Carmen Herman, Allan Arndt, Karen Cooper

RECORDER: Melinda Saretzky

1. GUESTS and INTRODUCTIONS

- a. UFV and Copyrights - Colleen Bell & Hongfei Li

Library Contacts: <http://www.ufv.ca/library/faculty-services/library-contacts-for-faculty/>

Copyright: <http://libguides.ufv.ca/COPYRIGHT>

DEFINITIONS:

Copyright

- * Creators can get paid for use of their creations
- * Public can make use of creators' works

Fair Dealing

- * User's right
- * Permits use ("dealing") without permission or payment of royalties

Two tests for "Fair Dealing":

1. Must be for an allowable purpose
2. Use Must be fair - Short excerpts

Discussions were had regarding definition of short excerpts and scientific journal excerpts; contact the library for more information.

TEACHING MATTERS WORKSHOPS – Copyright

Tues, April 16 - CEP library - 2:30–4 pm

Thurs, April 18 - AB B121 - 10–11:30 am

b. PASS program - Kristen Switzer & Glen Whitfield

www.ufv.ca/pass

Priority Access to Student Supports

- Referral system to various supports starting with the instructor
- Voluntary program for students
- Concern was voiced regarding the privacy of the instructors and students
- Similar programs in place in other universities
- Direct contact from the instructor is the best source of communication with the student.

2. AGENDA and MINUTES

2.1 Adoption of Agenda

MOTION: That the agenda for today's Faculty Council meeting be adopted as presented with the following addition:

Information Item: 5.3 Candidate Presentation - AVP Research, Engagement and Graduate Studies – March 8th at 2:30

Moved by Noham W. /Seconded by Tony S. All in Favor. Carried.

2.2 Approval of the Minutes – February 8, 2013

MOTION: That the minutes of the February 8, 2013 Faculty Council meeting be approved as presented.

Moved by Dave F./Seconded by Gregory S. All in Favor. Carried.

3. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

3.1 Scholarship, Service and Teaching – Tabled

3.2 Centralized printing – Tabled

4. DISCUSSION and DECISION

4.1 Strategic Research Plan

Suggestions/Comments deadline: March 15, 2013 yvette.fairweather@ufv.ca

Suggested additions and changes were circulated. Rationale:

1) The current list of directions in the Environmental and Sustainable Development Priority Area does not reflect the existing expertise of researchers in the faculty of science. To address this shortcoming, we propose to add paragraph (f), Studies of environmental degradation.

2) The current list of Priority Areas does not reflect the focus of research in the faculty of science. To address this shortcoming, we propose the addition of a new interdisciplinary Priority Area: Molecular Sciences (in the proposed revision, this is Priority Area 5).

MOTION: That Faculty Council approves the suggested additions and changes to the Strategic Research Plan as presented with a minor change by adding Computing Science and Statistics to the wording and forward to the Research Committee.

Moved by Noham W./Seconded by Joss I. 1 abstained. Carried.

ACTION: Noham and Greg: .Edit the documents and forward to Melinda.

ACTION: Melinda: Circulate the revised documents to Faculty and forward to the research committee.

4.2 FSCC (Significant Changes)

4.2.1 Biology

- BIO 370 – New Course – Introduction to Mycology
- BIO 402 – Discontinued Course

4.2.2 Physical Geography

- a) Physical Geography Major and Honours - Change to program requirements (addition of GEOG 214 as an option)
- b) GEOG 214/CMNS 214 – New Course – Environment: Science and Communications – Renumbering to GEOG 257/ CMNS 257
- c) Physical Geography Major - Change to program requirements (addition of PHYS 105 as an option)
- d) Physical Geography Major and Honours - Change to program requirements (upper-level electives)
- e) Bachelor of Science – change to entrance requirements (addition of Geology courses)

OMNIBUS MOTION: To accept all of the FSCC Significant changes as presented today and forward to UEC.
Moved by Steve M./Seconded by Tony S. All in Favor. Carried.

5. Information Items

5.1 FSCC (Routine Changes)

5.1.1 Physical Geography

- Geography major (Environmental Studies and Physical Geography concentrations) - Change to program requirements (addition of GEOG 214 as an option)
- Geography Major (Physical Geography, International Studies, and Environmental Studies concentrations) - Change to program requirements (upper-level electives)

Documents were circulated. No concerns.

5.2 Nominations for Student Speakers at Convocation 2013

Nominations should be submitted to Janice Nagtegaal (Janice.Nagtegaal@ufv.ca) in the Office of the Provost and Vice-President, Academic by April 24, 2013.

5.3 Candidate Presentation - AVP Research, Engagement and Graduate Studies – March 8th at 2:30

5.4 International Research Day – Judges needed for Wed. March 20th – see Ron Wilen for more details.

6. Other Reports

No additional reports.

7. Adjourn – Next Meeting April 5, 2013 1pm Room B132