

SCIENCE FACULTY COUNCIL

Minutes

Friday, February 3, 2017 - 1:00 pm – Room B161

CHAIR: Greg Schlitt

PRESENT:

Ian Affleck	Nathan Bialas	Wendy Gracey	Greg Schlitt
Avril Alfred	Karen Cooper	Karin Loots	Shaun Sun
Allan Arndt	Linus Chiang	Cynthia Loten	Erik Talvila
Jennifer Barrett	Christine Dalton	Stan Manu	Perrin Waldock
James Bedard	Golfam Ghafourifar	Kathy Peet	

REGRETS: Carolyn Atkins, Godwin Choy, David Chu, Grant Fritzke, David Harper, Carmen Herman, Robin Kleiv, Anna Kuczynska, Lucy Lee, Renee Prasad, Rebecca Robertson, Awneet Sivia, Norm Taylor, Ben Vanderlei, Noham Weinberg

RECORDER: Caroline Majeau

1. GUESTS and INTRODUCTIONS

David McGuire, Executive Director UFV International; John Potts, Manager, International Partnerships & Programs; and Peter Geller, Vice Provost/Associate VP Academic were our special guests. They provided information on UFV's current position regarding internationalization goals. They shared the 5 goals the Strategic Planning for Internationalization Committee (SPIC) has been working on. They are open to feedback over the next couple of months. All feedback received will be taken back to SPIC.

2. SCHOLARLY PRESENTATION – N/A

3. AGENDA and MINUTES

3.1 Adoption of Agenda

MOTION: That the Faculty Council approve the agenda as presented.

Allan A. / 2ND Stan M. All in favour. Carried.

3.2 Approval of the Minutes – January 6, 2017

It was noted that the Omnibus Motion for BIO 202, 210 and 220 read "... C+ to a C+ ..." and should have read "... C- to a C+ ..."

MOTION: That Faculty Council approve the minutes of January 6, 2017 with the revision to the Omnibus Motion for BIO 202, 210 and 220 to read "... BIO 202, 210 and 220 from C- to a C+ ..."

Karen C. / 2nd Ian A. All in favour. Carried.

4. DEAN'S REPORT – Greg Schlitt for Lucy Lee

- Greg announced that Lucy's position as the Dean of Science has been renewed for an additional 5 years. She will be taking a 1 year sabbatical before beginning her new term so the 1-year term position will be posted at some point.
- The renovations for the science labs have been progressing
- **Ministry update:** The BSc Comp Major has been submitted. It now needs to go through the full review process. The BIO CHEM Major was turned down. An appeal is currently being drawn up.

5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

- 5.1 Caroline M. advised that she contacted Amanda Grimson and the update regarding the Learning Outcome #5 for Biology 210 Introduction to Ecology has been submitted and is progressing.

6. DISCUSSION / DECISION – N/A

7. FSCC (Curriculum Committee) – Allan Arndt

7.1 SIGNIFICANT (for decision)

7.1.1 Program change to Mathematics Major

7.1.2 Program changes to Mathematics Minor (for BSc Students) and (Statistics Option) for BSc Students

Ian A. spoke to the rationale for the changes to both the changes to the Math Major and Math Minor. COMP 120 is being introduced as an option alongside COMP 150 and COMP 152 in the Mathematics major (for BSc students) to provide flexibility. The Math Minor (for BSc Students) and in the Math minor (Statistics Option) (for BSc students) is also introducing COMP 120 as an option alongside COMP 150 and COMP 152. The Math Minor (Statistics Option) for BSc Students is further adding STAT 272 as an option alongside COMP 150 and 152.

The calendar descriptions for both the Math major and Math minors included out of date requirements so minor revisions were made to the calendar copy.

OMNIBUS MOTION: That the Faculty Council approve raising the changes as presented to the Mathematics Major, Mathematics Minor (for BSc Students), and Mathematics Minor (Statistics Option) (for BSc Students) as presented.

Cindy L. / 2ND Jeff C. All in favour. Carried.

7.2 REPORTABLE (for information) – N/A

8. REPORTS

8.1 BSc Program Committee – Greg Schlitt

The Committee will be meeting again soon. He advised he met with Alisa Webb from the College of Arts to discuss the recent BA major revision.

8.2 Advising Centre – Karen Cooper

The Advising Centre is now back to full staff. Students will be receiving an email shortly encouraging them to declare their major.

8.3 Senate – Norm Taylor

The January 2017 Senate report was previously circulated by email by Norm Taylor.

9. INFORMATION ITEMS

9.1 Program changes associated with revisions to CMNS 125 and discontinuance of CMNS 155

9.2 Senate approved the revisions to the Final Grade Appeals (217) Policy and revisions to the Student Academic Misconduct (70) policy. The policies are available on the Secretariat Policy website: <http://www.ufv.ca/secretariat/policies/>

10. ADJOURN

MOTION to Adjourn: Stan M. / 2nd Nathan B. Unanimous; Carried

Next Meeting: March 3, 2017 @ 1:00 pm – **Room B161**