

SCIENCE FACULTY COUNCIL **MINUTES**

Friday, November 4, 2022 - D123

Chair: Lucy Lee, Dean

Present Ian Affleck, David Chu, Robin Endelman, Lauren Erland, Sandra Gillespie, Rhien Hare,

(In Person): Longlong Huang, Jed Mamish, Stan Manu, Dina Navon, Stefania Pizzirani, Renee Prasad,

Vanessa Radzimski, Afia Raja, Alan Reid, Jake Spooner, Ben Vanderlei, Natallia

Varankovich, Frank Zhang

Present Carolyn Atkins, Jennifer Barrett, Nathan Bialas, Linus Chiang, Karen Cooper, Kseniya (Virtual):

Garaschuk, Alida Janmaat, Ruwan Karunanayaka, Anna Kuczynska, Justin Lee, Lin Long,

Greg Schmaltz, Tony Stea, Jane Webb

Regrets: Jesper Johansen Recorder: Caroline Majeau

1. **WELCOME**

2. **AGENDA and MINUTES**

2.1. **Adoption of Agenda**

MOTION:

THAT the Science Faculty Council adopt the agenda as presented. Vanessa R. / 2nd Alan R.; all in favour; adopted.

2.2. Approval of the Minutes - October 7, 2022

MOTION:

THAT the Science Faculty Council approve the minutes of October 7, 2022 as presented. Ben V. / 2nd Ian A.; all in favour; approved.

3. FSCC (Curriculum Committee) - Ben Vanderlei

For Decision:

Ben presented agenda items 3.1-3.3 (BES, BES-NS and ENV 200). In addition to updates for clarification the program requirement option is changing from COOP 120 to COOP 110 to make things more balanced and attainable for students.

- 3.1. **Program Change:** Bachelor of Environmental Studies
- 3.2. **Program Change:** Bachelor of Environmental Studies - Natural Science
- 3.3. Revisions to ENV 200: Bioregional Communities (proposed title: Living in Our Watershed)

OMNIBUS MOTION:

That the Science Faculty Council approve the proposed revisions to the programs: BES and BES-NS, and ENV 200 as presented.

Stefania P. / 2nd Stan M.; all in favour; approved.

Ben presented **agenda items 3.4-3.5** (MATH 316 and MATH 340). Course learning objectives have been clarified for both. Hours have been updated to be in line with other 3-credit Math courses.

3.4. MATH 316: Numerical Analysis (6-year review)

3.5. MATH 340: Introduction to Analysis (6-year review)

OMNIBUS MOTION:

THAT the Science Faculty Council approve the revisions to MATH 316 and MATH 340 as presented.

Renee P. / 2nd David C.; all in favour; approved.

4. FSCC (Curriculum Committee)

For Information: N/A

5. DISCUSSION / DECISIONS

5.1. Agriculture Technology Department - Rank and Tenure

Lucy presented the updated the faculty standards. Revisions were made to the Agriculture Technology Rank and Tenure document due to their move from the Faculty of Applied and Technical Studies to the Faculty of Science.

MOTION:

THAT the Science Faculty Council approve the Agriculture Technology Rank and Tenure document as presented and forward to Faculty Standards.

Afia R. / 2nd Stefania P.; all in favour; approved.

6. REPORTS

6.1. Dean's Report - Lucy Lee

- Lucy encouraged faculty to take part in the workshops being hosted by HR.
- The FoS Dean's position is currently at the shortlisting stage.
- Lucy will be away November 12-20. She has been invited to speak at a Korean University. Ian will be acting Dean in her absence.
- The Faculty of Science Department Assistants have been reclassified as Administrative Coordinators which has put them up to the next level.
- Although the fall enrolments are down, the winter enrolments are expected to increase and should even out our numbers.
- Now that the BCRP has been approved by the Ministry, SLUEC is now working towards a restructure. Lucy is proposing to dissolve the school and replace with 2 departments.
- Lucy provided an update regarding the Faculty of Science motion requesting UEC to reconsider making questions 6 and 7 on the UEC course outline memo optional. UEC met last week, and the motion was turned down.

6.2. Advising - Karen Cooper

Nothing to report.

6.3. BSc Committee - Stan Manu

Stan advised that the committee will be meeting again on November 25.

6.4. Indigenization and EDI

- Ian advised that there will be another Indigenization Curriculum gathering scheduled for mid November. If anyone would like to submit a course to discuss, please bring it forward.
- Kseniya shared an upcoming online conference being hosted by the First Nations University of Canada on November 28-December 1. https://www.ium2022.org
- Stefania also shared an event hosted by York University on November 7. Although in person, it will be recorded and the link will be available on their website by November 11, 2022 here: https://www.yorku.ca/research/cikl/events/edward-doolittle-research-talk/
- Afia and her class of 36 students along 3 other faculty members visited the Leq'á:mel First Nations (LFN) https://leqamel.ca/. They shared their active projects and community planning within their reserve. The LFN are very eager to work with the University so if anyone would like to connect with them, please let Afia know.
- **6.5. Senate** Pedro Montoya-Pelaez | Nathan Bialas Nothing major to report.

6.6. Students - Rhien Hare | Jed Mamish

Mental well being can be a challenge around this time for students so patience can go a long way.

6.7. Other Reports

- Faculty of Professional Studies: Frank shared that the School of Computing and Business in collaboration with Math & Stats has put together a Business Analytics Program which is currently in the revisions stage.
- **SustainableUFV**: Stefania advised that SLUEC and Sustainable UFV will be hosting a clothing exchange on November 19 in Chilliwack. https://bit.ly/3htzTmC. They are also in the early stages of planning the second March for Sustainability event.
- A concern was brought forward regarding the Centre for Accessibility Services not accommodating in person exam bookings for students taking online courses even though the students are registered through CAS. Lucy will follow up with CAS.

7. INFORMATION ITEMS

- **7.1.** The Board of Governors approved the policy revisions to Board policy BRP-225.03 Reappointment of the President. The revised policy can be viewed at: https://www.ufv.ca/secretariat/policies/
- **7.2.** Monthly reports to the Provost from the Faculty of Science can be found here: https://ufv.ca/science/deans-office/monthly-department-highlights/. If you have news to share, please email Caroline so it can be included on our next report.

8. **ADJOURN** - 1:40 PM