

## SCIENCE FACULTY COUNCIL

### Approved Minutes

Friday, January 10, 2014, 1pm – Room D217

CHAIR: Lucy Lee

PRESENT:

Ali Fotouhi	Gillian Mimmack	Jeff Chizma	Norm Taylor
Andrew Alexander	Greg Schlitt	Karen Cooper	Ron Wilen
Carmen Herman	Gregory Schmaltz	Karina Chow	Terry Starr
Christine Dalton	Ian McAskill	Kathy Peet	Tim Cooper
David Fenske	James Bedard	Kevin Hegeman	Tony Stea
Gabriel Murray	Jane Webb	Nicole Klassen	

REGRETS: Cynthia Loten (On Leave), Derek Harnett (On Leave), Erik Talvila (On Leave), Grant Fritzke (On Leave), Steve Marsh (On Leave), Wendy Gracey (On Leave), Awneet Sivia, Camilo Martinez, Noham Weinberg, Olav Lian, Peter Mulhern, Beth Gillespie (Teaching), Patrick Harrison (Teaching)

RECORDER: Melinda Saretzky

1. GUESTS and INTRODUCTIONS – n/a

2. AGENDA and MINUTES

2.1 Adoption of Agenda

Add: 8.2 Regional Research Day

*Moved by Greg S./Seconded by Karen C. All in favour. Carried*

2.2 Approval of the Minutes – Nov. 29, 2013 .....attachment

MOTION: That Faculty Council approved the minutes of Nov. 29<sup>st</sup> as presented.

*Moved by Tony S./Seconded by Ali F. All in favour. Carried*

3. DEAN'S REPORT

Acting Department Heads:

CIS Acting Dept. Head – Ian McAskill

MATH Acting Dept. Head – Greg Schlitt

PHYSICS – Acting Dept. Head – Tim

Advancement Office:

Representative for Science will now be Christopher Duffin, taking over from Karina Chow.

Anyone can donate to the Faculty of Science Fund.

ACTION: Karina Chow: Forward information to all of Faculty as to how to donate to the Faculty of Science.

Faculty Positions:

Physics Instructor - now posted.

Budget:

There are no surprises as the budget cuts for the upcoming year are already known – There may possibly be more than \$200, 000 in budget cuts for 2015 – Faculty of Science is the fastest growing in terms of student enrolments within the University.

Strategic enrolment management (SEM): additional to announced budget cuts, FTE's may be reduced in Science, Arts and Prof. Studies, as Health Sciences and Trades are to increase their quota of FTE's, Gov't directives. We need to have a SEM in place.

Rank and Tenure - Grandparenting:

Lucy is still going through the submitted CV's and Teaching philosophies of eligible faculty. Letters of appointment have begun to be mailed.

Science Retreat: In the planning stages.

Professional Studies Dean:

Five Candidates have made presentations this week.

VISION 2020: Where do you see the Faculty of Science in 2020?

President Mark Evered: Renewed as President for another 3 years

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES - n/a

5. DISCUSSION / DECISION

5.1 Program Discontinuance Policy – New Policy – Submit collaborative comments by Feb. 3, 2014

Review the documents and submit comments to [Janice.Nagtegaal@ufv.ca](mailto:Janice.Nagtegaal@ufv.ca) by 4:00pm on Monday, February 3, 2014.

5.2 Program requirements- Review prerequisites and learning outcomes

Time to align all outcomes with the Institutional Learning Outcomes (ILO's)

6. FSCC (Curriculum Committee)

6.1 DECISION (Significant Changes) .....attachments

6.1.1 MATH 368 – New Course (MATH 308 and MATH 360 – discontinuation)

MATH 308 AND MATH 360 are being combined to create the new course MATH 368 – MATH 308 has been offered every 2 years and MATH 360 has not been offered for a few years.

MOTION: That Faculty Council approve of the discontinuation of MATH 308 and MATH 360 and the addition of the new course MATH 368 as presented and forward to UEC.

*Moved by Greg Schlitt/seconded by Ali F. All in Favor. Carried.*

6.1.2 Mathematics Minor (STATS option) – change to program requirements; adding MATH 368

MOTION: That Faculty Council approved of the addition of MATH 368 to the Mathematics Minor (STATS option) as presented and forward to UEC.

*Moved by Norm T. /seconded by Tim. All in Favor. Carried.*

7. REPORTS

7.1 Scholarship, Service, and Teaching Committee

Chair: Olav Lian

Committee will review the documents submitted by other faculties and modify them using the information received from the science departments.

ACTION: A draft document to be circulated to the departments after the next SST committee meeting

7.2 Senate – no report

7.3 Science Advice Centre

- The first week of the term was busy, there was some confusion about getting into labs regarding the change of waitlisting for labs versus lectures. Would like to receive feedback from the departments regarding this change.
- Grad checks – some students have been making appointments and the advisors ask that faculty encourage more students to come in.
- There have been approx. 58 BSc graduates each year the past 3 years and we expect significantly more graduates this year.
- Special Note: There is success amongst students that have only 3 years of school; some have gone on to other programs - Could there be a mechanism through Alumni to track the students that do not 'graduate' from UFV? Institutional Research could potentially filter on the students that have a high GPA and send out a survey.
- The Science Advice Centre makes notes of where students are going after they graduate and even the ones that don't graduate, a note can be made in the spreadsheet but there is no Institutional way to keep track.

#### 7.4 Other Reports

##### 7.4.1 Professional Studies - search for the new Dean is underway

### 8. INFORMATION ITEMS

#### 8.1 UFV Senate Standing Committee – Call for Expressions of Interest – deadline Jan. 28, 2014

Lucy encouraged the Faculty to consider putting your name forth for these committees.

Senate Awards & Honours & Graduate Studies Committee

#### UPCOMING:

UFV Research Open House - Feb 27<sup>th</sup>, 2014 – Chilliwack – The Trades and Technology and Health Sciences will be participating

UFV Research Day - March 27<sup>th</sup>, 2014

BC Research Day – Friday March 28, 2014 – hosted by TRU

Fraser Valley Regional Science Fair – April 1 – 3<sup>rd</sup> – Looking for Judges - a website will be set up for students and/or Faculty to volunteer as a judge – judging is the afternoon on April 2<sup>nd</sup>.

### 9. ADJOURN

Next Meeting February 7, 2014 at 1pm - Room D217

*Motion to adjourn. Moved by Tony S. /Seconded by Gabriel M. All in favour. Carried.*