

SCIENCE FACULTY COUNCIL APPROVED MINUTES

Friday, Oct. 31, 2014, 1pm – Room A421

CHAIR: Lucy Lee

PRESENT:

Awneet Sivia	David Fenske	Gregory Schmaltz	Nathan Bialas	Steve Marsh
Ben Vanderlei	David Harper	James Bedard	Nicole Klassen	Terry Starr
Bob McAuliffe	Derek Harnett	Jane Webb	Norm Taylor	Tim Cooper
Carolyn Atkins	Edward Lo	Jason Thomas	Paul Franklin	Tony Stea
Christine Dalton	Etienne Dreyer	Jeff Chizma	Pauleen Nuite	
Colleen Gingerich	Gabriel Murray	Karen Cooper	Rilla Apostolakis	
Cynthia Loten	Grant Fritzke	Kevin Hegeman	Robin Endelman	
Darlene Carson	Greg Schlitt	Lin Long	Ron Wilen	

REGRETS: Beth Gillespie, Carmen Herman, Cory Beshara, Daniel Harris, David Chu, Debbie Wheeler, Gillian Mimmack, Ian Affleck, Patrick Harrison, Wendy Gracey

RECORDER: Melinda Saretzky

1. GUESTS and INTRODUCTIONS

Overhead Policy: Adrienne Chan, Associate Vice-President, Research, Engagement, & Graduate Studies
& Betty Poettcker, Director, Finance

Original policy was circulated in 2013. The policy was split and this one refers to just research overhead.
The other two parts of the policy will come through at a later time.
Presentation and discussion was had regarding some of the details.

Further comments or suggestions: Contact Adrienne Chan and Research office.

2. AGENDA and MINUTES

2.1 Adoption of Agenda

Table: Item 7.1

Add: 7.5 Professional studies report

Moved by Ron. W./2nd by Camillo M. All in favour. Carried

2.2 Approval of the Minutes – Oct. 3, 2014

Edit: 5.1 – Action Item: add Ben Vanderlei to the list of committee members.

Moved by Ben V./2nd by Cindy L. 1 abstention. Carried

3. DEAN'S REPORT

- The CIS Department is being restructured with some going to the Faculty of Professional Studies
- University Budget Cuts – recap of President Mark Evered's Budget Forum. Budget Forum Videos and links to the Government websites available online.
<http://www.ufv.ca/budgets/ufv-20152016-budget-planning/>
- More cuts from each Faculty expected for 2015/16
- Capital expenditures could be used to purchase equipment
- Donations could be a solution.
- Balancing budget suggestion: FTE's calculation is being considered by management.
- Lucy will be attending each department to discuss the budget in more detail.

ACTION: Follow up with the Development Office to add Faculty of Science in the drop down menu to make it easier to donate.

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

4.1 Student Privacy – document distribution for students

ACTION: Lucy: Tabled. In discussion with other Deans

5. DISCUSSION / DECISION

5.1 Bachelor of Science Requirements – removal of CIS/COMP requirement

Documents circulated:

- Comparison of CIS and COMP requirement
- Computer Science Requirements for Biology Degree at Canadian Universities

MOTION: That Faculty Council approve the removal of the Computing Science requirement from the General Bachelor of Science (BSc) Degree Requirements.

Moved by Ron W./2nd by Christine D.

Various comments and discussions were brought forth regarding the pros and cons of removing the COMP requirement and therefore it was decided that a larger discussion is warranted.

- What do we want from our Bachelor of Science students?
- What should the minimal courses that should be required.

ACTION: EMAIL Discussion and Vote regarding the present motion to be made before the next Faculty Council meeting

ACTION: Create a subcommittee to revisit the Bachelor of Science General Requirements.

6. FSCC (Curriculum Committee)

6.1 REPORTABLE

- 6.1.1 PHYS 332, PHYS 342, PHYS 362, PHYS 372 – discontinuation of courses
- 6.1.2 Biology Major/Honours – change to upper level requirements
- 6.1.3 Data Analysis Certificate – Change to the requirements
- 6.1.4 MATH 340 – Course Changes
- 6.1.5 STAT 450 – Course Changes
- 6.1.6 MATH 355 – Course Changes

OMNIBUS MOTION: That Faculty Council approve of the changes to PHYS 332, PHYS 342, PHYS 362, PHYS 372, Biology Major/Honours, Data Analysis Certificate, MATH 340, STAT 450, MATH 355 as presented and forward to UEC Screening.

Moved by Dave. F. /seconded by Gabriel M. 1 abstention. Carried.

6.2 SIGNIFICANT – n/a

7. REPORTS

7.1 Teaching, Service, and Scholarship Committee – tabled

All other faculties have criteria set.

7.2 Senate - ufv.ca/senate/meeting-information/2013-14/

Convocation – a second convocation is being discussed. – would like to see more trades involved.

Level of discussion has dropped off because of the subcommittees doing much of the work beforehand.

7.3 Science Advice Centre

Nov. 6th – Grad School Workshop -5:30 – contact Cory if you would like to be a presenter or know of any students – this is a very informative workshop and the BC jobs shows that professors will be in high demand.

Registration – starts Nov. 17th – remind students to come in for advising

7.4 Other Reports

7.4.1 Faculty of Access and Continuing Education – had a guest speaker from Accessibility Advisory Committee, and they would like to visit our Faculty Council this year.

7.4.2 Professional studies – CIS is joining Professional Studies – no date set yet

TEP is now called the Teaching Education Department.

Adult Education has new certificate

Teacher Education is hosting 5 faculty as an exchange

Learning Outcomes Forum: Nov. 19th – re: k-12 – Sign up at...

<http://events.ufv.ca/tlc/events/forum-on-learning-outcomes-assessment-in-the-fraser-valley/>

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ACTION: Melinda: Email forum details to all Faculty of science.

8. INFORMATION ITEMS

8.1 Policy Changes

8.1.1 New Policy: Freedom of Information & Protection of Privacy – comment deadline Nov. 10, 2014

8.1.2 New Policy: Academic Renewal – Comment Deadline Nov. 12

8.1.3 Policy Consolidation: Revisions to the Submission of Grades (109) policy (along with deletion of Incomplete Grades (103) policy and Change of Grades (102) policy)

9. ADJOURN

Moved by Tony S./seconded by Grant F.

Next Meeting Nov. 28, 2014 at 1pm Room A421

Special Guest: President Mark Evered

Science News & Events: blogs.ufv.ca/science