

Minutes

Academic Planning and Priorities Committee

Wednesday, November 18, 2020 - 3:30 PM
Video-Conference

Present: James Mandigo (Chair), Adrianna Bakos, Al Wiseman, Bruce Kirkley, David McGuire, David Johnston, Derek Ward-Hall, Donna Alary, Emilio Landolfi, Garry Fehr, Gerry Palmer, Hailey Flikkema, Jon Thomas, Karin Jager, Kim Isaac, Nicola Mooney, Peter Geller, Shelley Canning, Shelley Stefan, Shirley Hardman, Sylvie Murray, Vlada Dvoracek, Melinda Saretzky (recorder), Jacqueline Nolte (guest)

Regrets: Alastair Hodges, Lorne Mackenzie, Amir Shabani, Jobanpreet Singh Thind, Betty Poettker, Maureen Wideman

1. CALL TO ORDER

1.1. Roll Call and Voting Procedure

Committee consensus agreed to assume the motion carried over from In-Camera portion to adopt the reverse voting procedure whereas a call will go out for those against and abstaining and the rest will be assumed for the motion.

2. ITEMS for ADOPTION

2.1. Agenda

MOTION: That APPC approve the agenda as presented.
Gerry/2nd Derek. Carried.

2.2. Minutes - October 21, 2020

MOTION: That APPC approve the minutes of October 21, 2020 as presented.

Gerry/2nd Shelley C. Carried.

3. BUSINESS ITEMS

3.1. Provost's Report

3.1.1 Integrated Strategic Planning

An updated Integrated Strategic Planning framework was forwarded to the APPC which includes updates that resulted from additional feedback received.

Today's additional feedback from APPC was very positive and it was noted that it was good to see how the document has evolved. Suggestions from APPC were noted and will be taken to the next Stakeholders meeting, with the expectation of bringing back to APPC in December, Senate in January, and the Board in February.

James commented on how this was a great process and was a rewarding experience and the result reaffirmed his thoughts about what UFV was all about.

The committee thanked James for all his hard work and for being responsive to feedback.

3.2. Senate Governance Committee - Policy Items (Al Wiseman)

3.2.1 Academic Continuity Policy

After some background research was done, the Senate Governance Committee (SGC) noted that many institutions have an Academic Continuity Policy and recommend that this policy be created at UFV with the Provost as the proponent.

The purpose of this policy would ensure academic continuity through such unexpected events such as as pandemics, snow storms, earthquakes, etc.

It was suggested that faculty be involved with the policy making and through the decision-making process.

3.2.2 Educational Services Policy

Senate Governance Committee agreed that it would be a good idea to follow APPC's recommendation to consider creating an Educational Services policy and recommended that APPC be the proponent, beginning with the Provost's office with consultation to include the Program Review Office.

ACTION: Provost's Office: Initiate creation of the following policies:
Educational Services Policy and Academic Continuity Policy

3.3. Terms of Reference Review

3.3.1 Term 8 - Report from Ad-hoc committee

“Advise Senate on policy and procedures related to affiliation, articulation, partnerships, and other contractual agreements with post-secondary institutions and other organizations.” – Current Term 8

Report from the ad-hoc committee was circulated and committee consensus agreed to change the term to read:

“Advise Senate on policy and procedures related to educational affiliations, transfer articulation agreements and partnerships with other post-secondary institutions.”

Changing the wording brings more focus to the term.

It was noted that this could be a large task as there are few policies and many procedures related to these items. Some questions were asked as to how APPC could be more involved in these areas.

- Could senate provide some guidance as to what types of partnerships they would like APPC to advise on?
- Could an educational piece be implemented for APPC on proper advising procedures?

Committee consensus agreed to postpone the Adhoc Committee work until the New Year.

3.4. Expedited Program Review Standing Subcommittee

MOTION: that APPC accept the composition of the Expedited Program Review Standing Subcommittee move forward with three members, James Mandigo, Emilio Landolfi, and Amir Shabani.

Gerry/2nd Hailey. Carried.

It was noted that there may be one program to review.

4. ADJOURNMENT – 4:30pm

Next Meeting: December 16, 2020 - 2:30-4:30 - Video Conference