



## General Faculties Council

October 15, 2009

### MINUTES

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**Present:**

D. King, Deputy Speaker  
L. Ash  
Z. Bishop  
L. Black  
M. Chikinda  
D. Clark  
Y. Dean  
E. Delamont  
P. Dozois  
S. Engler  
B. Fleming  
M. Gardiner  
R. Harrison  
M. Haworth  
B. Hendrickson  
K. Hoehn  
M. Huston  
D. Hyttenrauch  
P. Johnston  
R. Jones  
C. Konsmo  
R. Kurji  
S. Kurji  
M. Lafave  
D. Legg  
M. MacMillan  
D. Marshall

M. McGregor  
J. McNichol  
G. Mossiere  
I. Naested  
T. O'Connor  
K. Olsen  
B. Paterson  
J. Pavelka  
A. Piltingsrud  
M. Pollock  
P. Price  
I. Ratuszniak  
B. Ravelli  
K. Robertson  
D. Sabiston  
R. Saint Fort  
M. Schroeder  
J. Semenoff  
C. Sessarego  
C. Shepstone  
M. Sinotte  
R. Spencer  
E. Sweeney  
S. Valliani  
P. Varella  
C. Videla  
J. Zimmer  
D. Carpenter, Recording Secretary

**Absent with Regrets:**

C. Brownell  
A. Bruton  
T. Davis  
P. Dornian  
R. Fisher  
W. Fraser  
S. Gottheil  
L. Jones  
I. Lagu  
B. Lane  
K. Manarin  
M. Mertin  
T. Powell  
R. Roberts  
K. Street  
K. Westbrook

**Absent:**

T. McIntosh  
A. Wight Felske

**Guests:**

C. Foran  
S. Isherwood  
C. Merkley  
S. Reed  
Q. Syed  
D. Wood

Councillors and guests are asked to record their attendance on the sign-in sheet available with name cards; councillors are asked to identify themselves prior to making a motion or raising an item for discussion.

### **1.0 Agenda for October 15, 2009**

Moved by M. Pollock; seconded by M. Haworth:

THAT the General Faculties Council approve the agenda for the October 15, 2009 meeting.  
**Carried.**

### **2.0 Minutes for September 17, 2009**

Moved by M. Pollock; seconded by P. Johnston:

THAT the General Faculties Council approve minutes of the September 17, 2009 meeting.

A request was made to include the following comments which were offered during Provost and Vice-President Announcements: *discussions are underway regarding sites for the Conservatory and the Library*

**Abstentions—3 [S. Valliani, J. Semenov, Z. Bishop noted]**  
**Carried.**

### **3.0 Business Arising from the Minutes**

A question was asked whether further discussion of Library sites has occurred.

D. Marshall responded that a decision regarding a new Library site has not been finalized. Discussion of this matter is ongoing.

### **4.0 General Faculties Council: Responsibilities, Processes, Structures**

D. Marshall outlined the powers and responsibilities of a General Faculties Council.

### **5.0 Student Councillors and Appointments to Committees**

#### **5.1 Additional Student Councillors Appointed to GFC**

The following individuals were appointed to serve as student councillors on the General Faculties Council:

- ⇒ Sadiq Valliani
- ⇒ Kaleigh Robertson
- ⇒ Anastasia Piltingsrud
- ⇒ Cheri Konsmo
- ⇒ Joe Semenov
- ⇒ Zachary Bishop

#### **5.2 Academic Program and Policy Committee**

##### **5.2.1 Additional Student Councillor**

Sadiq Valliani has been appointed, by the SAMRC, to serve as an additional student councillor on Academic Program and Policy Committee.

### **5.3 Appointments, Promotion and Tenure Committee**

#### **5.3.1 Additional Student Councillor**

Kaleigh Robertson has been appointed, by the SAMRC, to serve as an additional student councillor on the Appointments, Promotion and Tenure Committee.

### **5.4 Learning Outcomes Standing Committee**

#### **5.4.1 Additional Student Councillor**

Joe Semenoff has been appointed, by the SAMRC, to serve as an additional student councillor on the Learning Outcomes Standing Committee.

### **5.5 Library Advisory Standing Committee**

#### **5.5.1 Additional Student Councillor**

Anastasia Piltingsrud has been appointed, by the SAMRC, to serve as an additional student councillor on the Library Advisory Standing Committee.

### **5.6 Student Awards Committee**

#### **5.6.1 Student Councillor**

Zachary Bishop has been appointed, by the SAMRC, to serve as an additional student councillor on the Student Awards Committee.

### **5.7 Research and Scholarship Advisory Committee**

#### **5.7.1 Student Councillor**

Cheri Konsmo has been appointed, by the SAMRC, to serve as an additional student councillor on the Research and Scholarship Advisory Committee.

## **6.0 Announcements**

### **6.1 President**

D. Marshall advised that:

- ✦ budget scenarios for 2010 – 2011 and 2011 – 2012 will be presented to Budget Advisory Committee, to the Board of Governors and to a Budget Town Hall;
- ✦ construction of a parkade is proceeding on schedule and within budget for projected completion in Fall 2010;
- ✦ the MRFA will conduct a workshop which focuses on parliamentary procedure.

*A majority of councillors indicated preference for a 4:00 – 7:00 p.m. workshop.*

### **6.2 Provost and Vice-President, Academic**

No announcements.

**6.3 Vice-President, Administrative Services**

No announcements.

**6.4 Associate Vice-President, Enrolment Services**

No announcements.

**6.5 Associate Vice-President, Research**

No announcements.

**6.6 Executive Director, Student Affairs and Campus Life**

No announcements.

**7.0 Decision Items****7.1 Policy Recommendations****7.1.1 General Faculties Council Recommendation to the Board****7.1.1.1 POL 1702-2: Universal Access Policy**

Moved by R. Spencer; seconded by P. Dozois:

THAT the General Faculties Council recommend, to the Board of Governors, approval of *POL 1702-2: Universal Access Policy*.

Discussion followed.

**Carried.**

**7.1.2 POL 502 (D): Accommodation for Service Personnel**

Moved by R. Spencer; seconded by M. MacMillan:

THAT the General Faculties Council approve *POL 502 (D): Accommodation for Service Personnel*.

**Carried.**

**7.1.3 POL 502 (C) (3): English Language Proficiency Requirement**

Moved by R. Spencer; seconded by P. Johnston:

THAT the General Faculties Council approve amendments to *POL 502 (C) (3): English Language Proficiency Requirement*.

Discussion followed.

**Carried.**

**7.1.4 POL 503: Academic Schedule [withdrawal deadline]**

Moved by R. Spencer; seconded by E. Delamont:

THAT the General Faculties Council approve amendments to *POL 503: Academic Schedule [withdrawal deadline]*.

Discussion followed.

Opposed—1 [*R. Harrison noted*]

**Carried.**

#### **7.1.5 POL 585-7: Intellectual Property**

Moved by R. Spencer, seconded by M. Sinotte:

THAT the General Faculties Council approve *POL 585-7: Intellectual Property*.

Moved by M. Haworth; seconded by R. Kurji:

THAT the General Faculties Council table *POL 585-7: Intellectual Property* to the November 19, 2009 meeting.

**Carried.**

**Concerns relating to the policy will be forwarded to T. Davis with a copy to D. Carpenter for dissemination to General Faculties Council.**

### **7.2 Curriculum**

Moved by R. Spencer; seconded by M. MacGregor:

THAT the General Faculties Council approve the following curriculum submissions:

#### **7.2.1 Faculty of Communication Studies**

- ↗ COMM 11109
- ↗ COMM 11118

#### **7.2.2 Faculty of Arts**

- ↗ AROO 11059
- ↗ LANG 10364
- ↗ ENGL 10651
- ↗ SLAN 10860
- ↗ LANG 10981
- ↗ LANG 10982
- ↗ POST 11022
- ↗ LANG 11038
- ↗ LANG 11042
- ↗ SLAN 11043
- ↗ BHSC 11064
- ↗ BHSC 11065
- ↗ BHSC 11068
- ↗ SLAN 11074
- ↗ LANG 11075
- ↗ BHSC 11078
- ↗ BHSC 11080

#### **7.2.3 Faculty of Science and Technology**

- ↗ MPEN 10731
- ↗ MPEN 10918
- ↗ MPEN 10919
- ↗ MPEN 10920
- ↗ MPEN 10925
- ↗ CHBI 10985
- ↗ EASC 10987
- ↗ MPEN 11002
- ↗ CHBI 11027
- ↗ EASC 11034

#### **7.2.4 Bissett School of Business**

- ↗ ACCT 11058

**Carried.**

### **8.0 Reports**

#### **8.1 Executive Committee**

##### **8.1.1 Minutes for October 5, 2009**

Councillors were referred to minutes of an October 5, 2009 Executive Committee meeting.

#### **8.2 By-laws and Striking Committee**

No report

#### **8.3 Academic Program and Policy Committee**

##### **8.3.1 Draft Minutes for September 29, 2009**

Councillors were referred to minutes of a September 29, 2009 Academic Program and Policy Committee meeting.

#### **8.4 Appointments, Promotion and Tenure Committee**

##### **8.4.1 Minutes for September 24, 2009**

Councillors were referred to minutes of a September 24, 2009 Appointments, Promotion and Tenure Committee organizational meeting and received a brief verbal report from M. Schroeder.

#### **8.5 Library Advisory Standing Committee**

C. Shepstone provided a brief verbal report.

#### **8.6 Learning Outcomes Standing Committee**

No report.

#### **8.7 Research and Scholarship Advisory Committee**

##### **8.7.1 Minutes for August 26, 2009**

##### **8.7.2 Minutes for September 23, 2009**

Councillors were referred to minutes of August 26 and September 23, 2009 meetings.

### **8.8 Student Awards Committee**

No report.

### **9.0 New Business**

No comments.

### **10.0 Information**

No comments.

### **11.0 Question Period**

A question was asked whether faculty may be assured that aspects of a new scheduling system which violate segments of the Collective Agreement will be addressed prior to further implementation.

*D. Marshall replied that violations of the Collective Agreement may be directed to the President through the Provost and Vice-President, Academic and the Vice-President of Administrative Services. All concerns will be examined closely with a view to resolution; determinations formulated by the President may be grieved by the MRFA.*

A question was asked to whom the Academic Scheduling Committee reports and whether a body within GFC has a mandate to examine concerns relating to the academic scheduling policy.

*D. Marshall replied that the Committee is an administrative body which operates under the management of Enrolment Management. Policy concerns may be directed, in writing, to Executive Committee. In addition, a request may be submitted to Executive Committee to consider a mechanism through which the Academic Scheduling Committee may report to General Faculties Council.*

A question was asked whether it is intended that the Infosylum system will be implemented by Fall 2010.

*D. Marshall responded that it is expected, based on work undertaken over a considerable period of time and a significant amount of money dedicated to this project, that Infosylum will be operational in Fall 2010.*

A question was asked relating to the role of Academic Program and Policy Committee in curriculum approval and, in particular, boundaries relating to the addition of new courses.

*D. Marshall responded that APPC receives proposals through Faculty Councils. Conversations to decide whether programs are appropriate and whether they fit with the direction of the University and what is being deleted as new programs are approved should be considered by APPC. GFC and its committees must formulate academic priorities; however, the Provost must demonstrate that new courses and programs can be accommodated by the budget.*

### **12.0 Closed Session**

Moved by M. MacMillan; seconded by M. Pollock:

THAT the General Faculties Council move to Closed Session.

***Carried.***

Guests retired from the meeting.

Moved by M. Haworth; seconded by M. Pollock:

THAT the General Faculties Council approve a list of graduands submitted by the Office of the Registrar.

***Carried.***

Moved by M. Pollock; seconded by K. Hoehn:

THAT the General Faculties Council move from Closed Session.

***Carried.***

### **13.0 Adjournment**

Moved by R. Kurji:

THAT the October 15, 2009 meeting of the General Faculties Council adjourn at 5:30 p.m.

***Carried.***