



General Faculties Council

September 17, 2009

MINUTES

Present:

L. Ash
C. Brownell
M. Chikinda
D. Clark
T. Davis
Y. Dean
E. Delamont
P. Dornian
S. Engler
R. Fisher
W. Fraser
M. Gardiner
R. Harrison
M. Haworth
B. Hendrickson
K. Hoehn
M. Huston
D. Hyttenrauch
P. Johnston
L. Jones
R. Jones
D. King
B. Kunz
R. Kurji
M. Lafave

I. Lagu
B. Lane
I. Ratuszniak
B. Ravelli
D. Sabiston
R. Saint Fort
M. Schroeder
D. Legg
M. MacMillan
K. Manarin
D. Marshall
M. McGregor
T. McIntosh
J. McNichol
M. Mertin
G. Mossiere
I. Naested
T. O'Connor
N. Ogden
K. Olsen
B. Paterson
J. Pavelka
M. Pollock
T. Powell
P. Price
C. Sessarego

C. Shepstone
M. Sinotte
R. Spencer
K. Street
E. Sweeney
J. Szabo Hart
C. Videla
K. Westbrook
J. Zimmer

Absent with Regrets

L. Black
A. Bruton
P. Dozois
B. Fleming
S. Gottheil
S. Kurji
R. Roberts

Absent:

P. Varella
A. Wight Felske

Guests:

C. Merkley
D. Wood

1.0 Agenda for September 17, 2009

Moved by M. MacMillan:

THAT General Faculties Council approve the September 17, 2009 agenda.

Carried.

2.0 Minutes for May 21, 2009

Moved by M. Haworth; seconded by I. Naested:

THAT General Faculties Council approve minutes of the May 21, 2009 meeting.

One amendment was made to the minutes:

Present: D. Clark

Carried as amended.

3.0 Business Arising from the Minutes

No business arose from minutes of the previous meeting.

4.0 Promotion of Mount Royal University

L. Gnanasiamany attended a portion of the meeting to outline the promotion strategy for Mount Royal University.

5.0 Elections

5.1 General Faculties Council

5.1.1 Speaker

K. Street accepted a nomination to serve as Speaker, General Faculties Council.

In response to calls from the Speaker, nominations from the floor were not received.

K. Street was elected, by acclamation, to serve as Speaker, General Faculties Council.

5.1.2 Deputy Speaker

D. King accepted a nomination to serve as Deputy Speaker, General Faculties Council.

In response to calls from the Speaker, nominations from the floor were not received.

D. King was elected, by acclamation, to serve as Speaker, General Faculties Council.

5.1.3 Secretary

On behalf of the candidate, R. Fisher accepted a nomination for S. Gottheil to serve as Secretary, General Faculties Council.

In response to calls from the Speaker, nominations from the floor were not received.

S. Gottheil was elected, by acclamation, to serve as Secretary, General Faculties Council.

5.2 Executive Committee

5.2.1 Faculty Councillor

M. McGregor accepted a nomination to serve as Faculty Councillor on Executive Committee.

In response to calls from the Speaker, nominations from the floor were not received.

M. McGregor was elected, by acclamation, to serve as Faculty Councillor on Executive Committee

**** Student Councillor Appointed by SAMRU***

E. Delamont accepted a nomination to serve as Student Councillor on Executive Committee.

In response to calls from the Speaker, nominations from the floor were not received.

E. Delamont was elected, by acclamation, to serve as Student Councillor on Executive Committee.

5.3 By-laws and Striking Committee

5.3.1 Faculty Councillor

M. Pollock and L. Jones accepted nominations to serve as Faculty Councillor on By-laws and Striking Committee.

In response to calls from the Speaker, nominations from the floor were not received.

M. Pollock was elected to serve as Faculty Councillor on By-laws and Striking Committee.

**** Student Councillor Appointed by SAMRC***

E. Delamont accepted a nomination to serve as Student Councillor on By-laws and Striking Committee

In response to calls from the Speaker, nominations from the floor were not received.

E. Delamont was elected, by acclamation, to serve as Student Councillor on By-laws and Striking Committee.

5.4 Academic Program and Policy Committee

The following candidates accepted nominations to serve as representatives on Academic Program and Policy Committee:

5.4.1 Faculty of Arts Faculty Councillor

M. McGregor

5.4.2 Bissett School of Business Faculty Councillor

L. Ash

5.4.3 Faculty of Communication Studies Faculty Councillor

I. Ratushniak

5.4.4 Faculty of Health and Community Studies Faculty Councillor

Y. Dean

5.4.5 Library Faculty Councillor

M. Sinotte

5.4.6 Additional Student Councillor

An additional student councillor will be elected at the October 15, 2009 meeting of General Faculties Council.

** Student Councillor Appointed by SAMRU*

E. Delamont

In response to calls from the Speaker, nominations from the floor were not received.

The following individuals were elected, by acclamation, to serve as representatives on Academic Program and Policy Committee:

- ↗ M. McGregor, Faculty of Arts
- ↗ L. Ash, Bissett School of Business
- ↗ Ratushniak, Faculty of Communication Studies
- ↗ Y. Dean, Faculty of Health and Community Studies
- ↗ M. Sinotte, Library
- ↗ E. Delamont, Student Councillor

5.5 Appointments, Promotion and Tenure Committee

The following candidates accepted nominations to serve on the Appointments, Promotion and Tenure Committee:

5.5.1 Faculty Member to Serve as Chair

M. Schroeder

5.5.2 Faculty of Communication Studies Faculty Councillor

B. Kunz

5.5.3 Faculty of Health and Community Studies Faculty Councillor

D. King

5.5.4 Faculty of Science and Technology Faculty Councillor

P. Johnston

5.5.5 Faculty of Arts Faculty Councillor

K. Manarin

5.5.6 Library Faculty Councillor

M. MacMillan

5.5.7 Additional Student Councillor

An additional Student Councillor will be elected at the October 15, 2009 meeting of General Faculties Council.

**** Student Councillor Appointed by SAMRU***

E. Delamont

In response to calls from the Speaker, nominations from the floor were not received.

The following individuals were elected, by acclamation, to serve on the Appointments, Promotion and Tenure Committee:

- ✧ M. Schroder, Chair
- ✧ K. Manarin, Faculty of Arts
- ✧ B. Kunz, Faculty of Communication Studies
- ✧ D. King, Faculty of Health and Community Studies
- ✧ P. Johnston, Faculty of Science and Technology
- ✧ M. MacMillan, Library
- ✧ E. Delamont, Student Councillor

B. Hendrickson withdrew as dean representative to the Appointments, Promotion and Tenure Committee.

J. Zimmer accepted a nomination from the floor to serve as the dean representative to the Appointments, Promotion and Tenure Committee.

In response to calls from the Speaker, further nominations from the floor were not received.

J. Zimmer was elected, by acclamation, to serve as dean representative on the Appointments, Promotion and Tenure Committee.

5.6 Learning Outcomes Standing Committee

The following candidates accepted nominations to serve as representatives on the Learning Outcomes Standing Committee:

5.6.1 Faculty Member to Serve as Chair

A. Bruton

5.6.2 Faculty Councillor

T. O'Connor

5.6.3 Faculty Councillor

J. McNichol

5.6.4 Additional Student Councillor

An additional Student Councillor will be elected at the October 15, 2009 meeting of General Faculties Council.

**** Student Councillor Appointed by SAMRU***

E. Delamont

In response to calls from the Speaker, nominations from the floor were not received.

The following individuals were elected, by acclamation, to serve on the Learning Outcomes Standing Committee:

- ✦ Bruton, Chair
- ✦ T. O'Connor, Faculty Councillor
- ✦ J. McNichol, Faculty Councillor
- ✦ E. Delamont, Student Councillor

5.7 Library Advisory Standing Committee

5.7.1 Additional Student Councillor

An additional Student Councillor will be elected at the October 15, 2009 meeting of General Faculties Council.

**** Student Councillor Appointed by SAMRU***

T. McIntosh accepted a nomination to serve as Student Councillor on the Library Advisory Standing Committee.

In response to calls from the Speaker, nominations from the floor were not received.

T. McIntosh was elected, by acclamation, to serve as Student Councillor on the Library Advisory Standing Committee.

5.8 Student Awards Committee

The following candidates accepted nominations to serve as representatives on the Student Awards Committee:

5.8.1 Faculty of Arts Faculty Councillor

P. Dozois

5.8.2 Bissett School of Business Faculty Councillor

M. Haworth

5.8.3 Faculty of Communication Studies Faculty Councillor

B. Kunz

5.8.4 Mount Royal Conservatory Faculty Councillor

R. Spencer

5.8.5 Faculty of Health and Community Studies Faculty Councillor

T. Powell

5.8.6 Faculty of Science and Technology Faculty Councillor

K. Hoehn

5.8.7 Faculty of Teaching and Learning Faculty Councillor

I. Naested

5.8.8 Student Councillor

E. Sweeney

5.8.9 Student Councillor

An additional student Councillor will be elected at the October 15, 2009 meeting of General Faculties Council.

In response to calls from the Speaker, nominations from the floor were not received.

The following individuals were elected, by acclamation, to serve as representatives on the Student Awards Committee:

- ✦ P. Dozois, Faculty of Arts
- ✦ M. Haworth, Bissett School of Business
- ✦ B. Kunz, Faculty of Communication Studies
- ✦ R. Spencer, Mount Royal Conservatory
- ✦ T. Powell, Faculty of Health and Community Studies
- ✦ K. Hoehn, Faculty of Science and Technology
- ✦ Naested, Faculty of Teaching and Learning
- ✦ E. Sweeny, Student Councillor

5.9 Research and Scholarship Advisory Committee

5.9.1 Two Student Councillors

R. Jones accepted a nomination to serve as Student Councillor on the Research and Scholarship Advisory Committee.

In response to calls from the Speaker, nominations from the floor were not received.

R. Jones was elected, by acclamation, to serve as Student Councillor on the Research and Scholarship Advisory Committee.

An additional Student Councillor will be elected at the October 15, 2009 meeting of General Faculties Council.

5.10 Institutional Priorities Committee

5.10.1 Faculty Member elected by General Faculties Council

D. Legg accepted a nomination to serve as Faculty Member, elected by General Faculties Council, on the Institutional Priorities Committee.

In response to calls from the Speaker, nominations from the floor were not received.

D. Legg was elected, by acclamation, to serve as Faculty Member, elected by General Faculties Council, on the Institutional Priorities Committee.

5.11 Honorary Appointments Committee

5.11.1 Two Faculty Members Elected by General Faculties Council but not necessarily members of GFC

D. Hyttenrauch and D. Clark accepted nominations to serve as Faculty Members, elected by the General Faculties Council, on the Honorary Appointments Committee.

In response to calls from the Speaker, nominations from the floor were not received.

D. Hyttenrauch and D. Clark were elected, by acclamation, to serve as faculty members, elected by the General Faculties Council, on the Honorary Appointments Committee.

5.12 Budget Advisory Committee

5.12.1 Two Faculty Councillors elected by General Faculties Council

S. Kurji and D. Sabiston accepted nominations to serve as Faculty Councillors, elected by General Faculties Council, on Budget Advisory Committee.

In response to calls from the Speaker, nominations from the floor were not received.

S. Kurji and D. Sabiston were elected, by acclamation, to serve as Faculty Councillors, elected by General Faculties Council, on Budget Advisory Committee.

K. Street assumed the position of Speaker, General Faculties Council.

6.0 Announcements

6.1 President

D. Marshall thanked councillors for accepting academic decision-making responsibilities in a system of bicameral governance.

6.2 Provost and Vice-President, Academic

6.2.1 General Education in Applied Degrees

Councillors reviewed documents, *General Education in Applied Degrees* and *GNED in Applied Degrees—Costing Considerations*. R. Fisher explained that, on the basis of costs and the fact that many applied degrees are phasing out in favor of baccalaureate degrees, a decision has been made not to offer general education in applied degrees. Students in applied degrees are nevertheless required to complete arts and science requirements.

6.2.2 Committee Charter: Part-time Faculty Task Force

Councillors reviewed a charter for a Part-time Faculty Task Force which will be co-chaired by the Provost and Vice-President, Academic and the President, MRFA.

In addition, R. Fisher announced that:

- it is expected that the Ministry will approve a Bachelor of Education proposal submitted by Mount Royal;
- the Ministry has requested slight changes to the mandate documents in order to reflect a change in status to Mount Royal University;
- Enrolment Services reports a 10% increase in student registration with a total of 12,870 students at MRU. All degrees are over-target.
- work continues with the expansion of the CCL and Science buildings, a site for and construction of new Conservatory and Library buildings.

6.3 Vice-President, Administrative Services

No report.

6.4 Associate Vice-President, Enrolment Services

No report.

6.5 Associate Vice-President, Research

No report.

6.6 Executive Director, Student Affairs and Campus Life

6.6.1 Report on Accessibility Services

D. Marshall introduced, on behalf of B. Fleming, a *Report on Accessibility Services* and explained that an accessibility policy will be processed through regular institutional channels for final Board approval.

7.0 Decision Items

7.1 Meeting Schedules

Moved by L. Ash; seconded by M. Haworth:

THAT General Faculties Council accept 2009 – 2010 meeting schedules for the following committees:

- 7.1.1 General Faculties Council
- 7.1.2 Executive Committee
- 7.1.3 By-laws and Striking Committee
- 7.1.4 Academic Program and Policy Committee
- 7.1.5 Appointments, Promotion and Tenure Committee
- 7.1.6 Research and Scholarship Advisory Committee
- 7.1.7 Library Advisory Standing Committee
- 7.1.8 Learning Outcomes Advisory Committee
- 7.1.9 Student Awards Committee

Carried.

8.0 Reports

8.1 Executive Committee

8.1.1 Minutes for August 27, 2009 Special Meeting

D. Marshall reported that, in the absence of a regular General Faculties Council during the summer period, Executive Committee met to consider and accept a recommendation from the Honorary Appointments Committee to award an Honorary Bachelor of Arts degree to the Honorable Norman L. Kwong, Lieutenant Governor, at a special ceremony on September 3, 2009.

8.1.2 Minutes for September 8, 2009

D. Marshall referred councillors to September 8, 2009 minutes which outline established procedures for the review of graduands prior to approval by General Faculties Council, and which indicate that Executive Committee will examine the feasibility of spring elections for councillors.

8.2 By-laws and Striking Committee

8.2.1 Minutes for September 2, 2009

Councillors were referred to minutes of a September 2, 2009 meeting which focused on the development of a slate of candidates in preparation for GFC elections.

8.3 Faculty Councils

Councillors received, for information, reports from the following Faculty Councils:

- 8.3.1 Faculty of Arts**
- 8.3.2 Faculty of Science and Technology**
- 8.3.3 Faculty of Health and Community Studies**
- 8.3.4 Faculty of Teaching and Learning**
- 8.3.5 Faculty of Communication Studies**
- 8.3.6 Bissett School of Business**
- 8.3.7 Mount Royal Conservatory**
- 8.3.8 Library Services**

9.0 New Business

No comments.

10.0 Information

- 10.1 General Faculties Council By-laws**
- 10.2 General Faculties Council Calendar of Dates and Deadlines**
- 10.3 Faculty of Continuing Education and Extension–New Courses for Fall 2009**
- 10.4 Board of Governors: Minutes of Regular Meeting, March 30, 2009**

11.0 Question Period

A question was asked whether consideration has been given to adjusting seating arrangements in the Lincoln Park Room.

D. Marshall responded that councillors expressed dissatisfaction with a previous board room set-up. However, Executive Committee will consider different configurations or different locations.

12.0 Closed Session

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

THAT the September 17, 2009 meeting of General Faculties Council move to a closed session.

Carried.

Guests retired from the meeting.

Moved by T. O'Connor; seconded by B. Paterson:

THAT General Faculties Council consider a motion to recommend, to the Board of Governors, candidates for an honorary degree to be awarded at Fall Convocation and a motion to recommend, to the Board of Governors, a Professor Emeritus designation.

Carried.

Moved by B. Ravelli; seconded by R. Spencer:

THAT General Faculties Council recommend, to the Board of Governors, candidates for an honorary degree to be awarded at Fall Convocation.

Carried.

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

THAT General Faculties Council recommend, to the Board of Governors, a nomination for a Professor Emeritus designation.

Carried.

Moved by B. Paterson; seconded by I. Lagu:

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

Carried.

13.0 Adjournment

Moved by M. Chikinda:

THAT the September 17, 2009 meeting of the General Faculties Council adjourn at 5:30 p.m.

Carried.