

# **FACULTY COUNCIL**

Tuesday, January 16th, 2024 Microsoft Teams Meeting (Online) 4:15 PM – 6:15 PM

# **Meeting Minutes**

#### Attendees:

Brett Favaro; *Dean*Jeff Dyck; *Assoc. Dean*Erika Eliason; *Assoc. Dean*Ashley Schneider; *Recording*Allyson Rozell; *Chair*Mike Coombes; *Vice-Chair* 

Alex Lyon

Casey McConill
Catherine Chow
Fergal Callaghan
Kaylee Magee
Laura Bryce
Nick Inglis

Martina Solano Bielen

Mary Hosseinyazdi Melissa Bodner

Melissa Drury

Michael Adams

Michael Kiraly

Muskandeep Kaur

. Nadia Henwood

Russ Lyons; Guest

Samaneh Ghanzafari Hashemi

Tyron Tsui Xavier Ardez

Larissa Petrillo: Guest

### Regrets:

Alan Davis Nicole Tunbridge Christina Iggulden Sepideh Tahriri Adabi

## 1. Approval of the Agenda of January 16, 2024

It was **moved** (Catherine Chow), **seconded** (Michael Kiraly), **and carried THAT** the agenda be approved as distributed.

## 2. Approval of the Faculty Council Minutes of December 19, 2023

It was **moved** (Tyron Tsui), **seconded** (Kaylee Magee), **and carried THAT** the agenda be approved as corrected.

- "Date of next meeting" was corrected to today's date.

## 3. Business Arising:

Nothing arising.

### 4. Reports:

### a. Chair's Report:

Nothing to report.

# b. Dean's Report:

- Report on student recruitment initiatives
- Shout-out: Melissa Drury working on bolstering student enrolment in the EPT program
- Discussion on the Future Student's Office's CRM system (Customer Relations Management System) how we can make use of this at events we are hosting to ensure these future students continue to get communication about our programs and the university.
- Only one type of online registration form for events plugs into the CRM so we want to make sure we are using this one. We can also use the "connect with us" notepad to populate the CRM system.
- Science is almost completely unrepresented in International's portfolio of partnerships, such as field schools. Please keep these kinds of activities and partnerships in mind as you think on ways you might want to expand your programs.

### c. Senate Reports:

No Senate meeting since last Faculty Council meeting.

## • Senate Standing Committee on Program Review (SSCPR):

 No meeting since last Faculty Council meeting. Faculty are encouraged to consider putting their names forward to act as KPU reps on External Review Teams for other KPU programs.

### • Senate Standing Committee on University Budget (SSCUB):

The draft budget was presented to SSCUB and SSCAPP on Jan 5th and endorsed by both committees. It is a cautious budget, with new allocations being one-time only. Although there is an increase of \$14M in the operating budget from the provincial government, there are expected decreases in revenue and increases in expenses in various areas, including a continued decline in international enrollment and increased expenses due to collective agreement changes.

#### Senate Standing Committee on Academic Planning and Priorities (SSCAPP):

 Program suspension extension for Bachelor of Hort. Science Major in Urban Ecosystems was passed.

# • Senate Standing Committee on Curriculum (SSCC):

- o Program revisions in Biology were approved.
- The pathways working group recommended to remove from the pathways option, courses where the DFW rate was greater than 50% (for pathways students)
   They are requesting that Faculty examine which classes they are currently offering on the pathways, and if any are being removed due to a high DFW rate to replace



them with something else.

Please think on what other entry level courses might make a good pathways course to be a path of entry for students

Note: students are placed on the pathway when they do not meet the university English admission requirement, so language-heavy courses do not tend to do well as pathways courses

### Senate Standing Committee on Research (SSCR):

- No meeting since last Faculty Council.
- Senate Standing Committee on Teaching and Learning (SSCTL):
  - o No meeting since last Faculty Council.
- Senate Standing Committee on Policy (SSCP):
  - o No Faculty Council member to report. Updates have been sent in emails.

### d. Science Committee Reports

- Curriculum Committee:
  - o January meeting was cancelled due to lack of agenda items.
- Academic Planning and Priorities:
  - o Physics presented a concept paper for a new Diploma in Engineering.
- Research:
  - o Nothing to report.
- Nominations and Governance:
  - We still have a vacancy that can be filled from a department not currently represented on the committee.

#### 5. New Business:

• Save the date for Faculty of the Whole meeting on May 3<sup>rd</sup> on the Langley campus.

Business meeting adjourned by Chair at 5:00 PM

Date of next Faculty Council: February 20, 2024