

ENCLOSURE No. 1
MINUTES OF A MEETING #410 OF THE GENERAL FACULTIES COUNCIL HELD ON

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2003 AT 3:00 P.M. IN THE BOARDROOM, W646

Present: Bill Cade, Chair, Séamus O'Shea, Nancy Walker, Christopher Nicol, John Usher, Jane O'Dea, Barbara Marshalsay, Leslie Lavers, Kris Magnusson, Kas Mazurek, Leah Fowler, Cheryl Calver, Dayna Daniels, Tom Johnston, Peter McCormick, Jim Thomas, Craig Monk, Lynn Ambedian, Joy Morris, Ian MacLachlan, Rene Barendregt, Angela Downey, James Graham, Robert Williams, Melanee Thomas, Jerrad Kubik, Rex Forsyth, Ian McAdam, Dan O'Donnell, Diana Young, Cathy Campbell, Rae Hazelwood, Chris Hosgood, Dennis Fitzpatrick, Alfred Chan, Gorm Hansen, Peter Therrien, Jillian Erlandson, M. Schwartz (Secretary)

Regrets: Pat Hodd, Ches Skinner, Preston Williams, Will Smith

3908.0 APPROVAL OF AGENDA

3908.1 MOTION:

Daniels/Fowler

That the Agenda for Meeting #410 be approved as circulated.

MOTION: CARRIED.

3909.0 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

3909.1 MOTION:

Thomas/Forsyth

That the Minutes of Meeting #409, January 6, 2003, be approved as circulated.

MOTION: CARRIED.

3910.0 ITEMS ARISING FROM MINUTES

3910.1 Plagiarism Software

Seamus O'Shea reported that the University has purchased the software "Turn It In".

3911.0 PRESIDENT'S REPORT

3911.1 New Chancellor

The University Senate on Saturday elected Shirley DeBow as the 10th Chancellor at the University. Chancellor James Horsman has served the University well.

His last Board meeting will be on February 13th followed by an Appreciation Night.

3911.2 Prairie Baseball Academy

Congratulations to Joy Morris being named Professor of the Year with the Prairie Baseball Academy.

3911.3 Universities Act

The President and Bob Turner, representing Terry Royer, attended a meeting on January 31 with the Minister, Lyle Oberg. There is every indication that there will be a single Act. Tuition cap legislation will be removed from the Act which will enable the Minister to address difficulties within a flexible environment.

This will be legislated in the Fall.

3911.4 Residences

Work has commenced on a new residence. It is anticipated that it will be opened for the Fall semester.

3911.5 Management Students

Management students have done very well at the Queen's Business Case competition. Business schools in Canada as well as international, thirty in all, compete at this premier competition. U of L captured first in management information as well as ethics; second in business policy and fourth in debate. The team also won the spirit award. Dan Kazakoff put the team together.

3911.6 Dean of Health Sciences

The U of L is close to appointing a new Dean of Health Sciences.

3911.7 Budget

At the next meeting of GFC the budget will be reviewed prior to going before the Board. It will be a balanced budget with no reductions. This was due to in part the University was able to increase tuition due to a drop below the 30% tuition cap. The drop was made possible because of the lights on funding as well as funding received for recruitment of faculty and indirect money for research from the federal government.

3911.8 Building Bridges

The University has continued with their Building Bridges campaign. The next presentation in Calgary will be co-hosted by Doug Hunter and the Faculty of Management Advisory Group.

Questions

Dayna Daniels asked if there was a possibility of adding extra recreation spaces in the new residences. She reported that they are currently at a grid lock and over \$65,000/year is spent for off campus intermural spaces. President Cade replied that the new residence will not have extra space for recreation. He mentioned that there is still hope to renew the Wellness Center. In view of a recent review on athletics a proposal will be going to the Board to review athletics out of ancillary services.

3912.0 ITEMS FOR ACTION

3912.1 2002/2003 GFC Membership - Appointed Faculty

3912.1.1 MOTION:

Daniels/MacLachlan That nominations cease.

MOTION: CARRIED.

Diane Miller was appointed as a replacement for Debra Basil on leave until April, 2003.

3912.2 GFC Travel Committee Report

3912.2.2 MOTION:

Fitzpatrick/O'Donnell That the revisions to the Policies of the GFC Travel Committee be approved as attached.

MOTION: CARRIED.

3912.3 DRAFT Principles of Student Citizenship

3912.3.1 MOTION:

Lavers/Thomas That the Principles of Student Citizenship be approved as attached.

Clarification will be given to conduct off campus for academic or other university purposes.

MOTION: CARRIED.

Dayna Daniels expressed a need to put together a task force of experienced teachers who have often had to contend with disruptions in the classrooms. As the Dean Jane O'Dea has held various seminars to contend with controversial

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subjects she will formulate a plan with representation from all Faculties/Schools to have workshops on campus. She will provide a report at a meeting of General Faculties Council.

3912.4 Ph.D. Proposals

3912.4.1 MOTION:

Alam/Barendregt That the Ph.D. Proposals as attached to the Agenda be approved and submitted to Alberta Learning for approval.

Rae Hazelwood and Barbara Marshalsay expressed the concern of the anticipated impact on internal resources. In the past new programs allowed for 8% funding to the Library. There is no mention of this in the preliminary budget. Seamus O'Shea responded by mentioning there has been a constant attempt to support the Library in budgeting. It is possible that research will double by 2010 and therefore the University must meet the needs of the faculty to carry out high level research. These proposals are reflective of the research that is carried out at the University.

MOTION: CARRIED.

3913.0 ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

3913.1 Water Institute for Semi-Arid Ecosystems (WISE) Presentation

Dennis Fitzpatrick gave a report on Water Institute for Semi-Arid Ecosystems (WISE). The model which was done in consultation with Alberta Agriculture is going forward congruent with the current thrust of science today in large multi disciplinary teams to track wide programs working on finalizing the concept in science and public awareness. The attached report is provided for information.

3913.2 GFC Executive Committee Minutes of Meeting #378, January 20, 2003

The GFC Executive Minutes of Meeting #378, January 20, 2003 was received as information.

3914.0 ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

There were no items for discussion.

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3915.0 OTHER BUSINESS

3915.1 Strategic Plan

President Cade wished to comment that in a recent article in the paper it mentioned that the University refers to our students as customers in the Strategic Plan. This is not accurate.

He also reported that he was pleased with the outcome at the Senate meeting regarding GFC nominations. The Senators chose to have a separate motion for these nominations.

Craig Monk as an observer on the Meliorist Board met with Chris Brown, Editor. There is now a new policy wherein the three lines submitted must be submitted from an email account.

The deaths of seven students from Strathcona/Tweedsmuir School was recognized by a moment of silence. They were recently killed in an avalanche in British Columbia.

3916.0 ADJOURNMENT

3916.1 MOTION:

O'Donnell/MacLachlan That the meeting be adjourned.

MOTION: CARRIED

3917.0 QUESTION PERIOD

Question period was not minuted.
