



GENERAL FACULTIES COUNCIL MEETING #522

Approved Minutes

Monday, October 2, 2017

3:00 p.m. in W646

Present: M. Mahon (Chair), M. Abubakari, C. Adams, P. Adams, R. Adkin, H. Babb, B. Black, B. Boudreau, L. Bryan, J. Byrne, P. Cardozo, J. Copeland, B. Cummins, J. Dobbie, G. Fujiwara, A. Hakin, K. Hallett, J. Harrowing, M. Helstein, C. Horbachewski, C. Hosgood, H. Jansen, D. Jarvie, S. Johnsrude, E. Jurkowski, H. Ladd, C. Malacrida, K. Massey, D. McNeill, C. Nicol, W. Osborn, S. Parmar, C. Peta, V. Rodych, F. Salins, A. Shaw, A. Siaroff, D. Slomp, D. Smit, T. Spagnolo, A. Taylor, J. Vokey, R. Wood

Regrets: K. Alexander, A. Amelinckx, J. Clark, M. Collins, N. Grigg, T. Gunn, L. Howard, S. Kennedy, A. Martin, R. Marynowski, J. Mather, J. McGinley, J. Nugent, M. Nugent, D. O'Donnell, E. Okine, P. Shao, C. Steinke, M. Stingl, J. Usher, N. Walker, J. Whitehead, R. Yalamova

Other: J. Gallais, L. Corbiere, V. Grisack, Leanne Elias, Susan Entz, Ryan Harper-Brown

Oki, ni kso koo wa wa: Welcome to all our relatives and friends.

A moment of silence was observed for UofL founding father, Van Christou, Chancellor Emeriti, who passed away September 27, 2017.

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: gfc.2017.10.01

Jurkowski/Adkin

That the Agenda for GFC Meeting #522 held Monday, October 2, 2017 be approved with the amendment that Items for Action, Item 5.4 will take place at 4:00 pm to accommodate Faculty being present for the item.

Motion: Carried

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION: gfc.2017.10.02

Boudreau/Massey

That the Minutes for GFC Meeting #521 held Monday, September 11, 2017 be approved with minor edits to attendance.

Motion: Carried

3. **PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

M. Mahon reported:

- President's annual objectives will come to GFC in the Fall. Current objectives are: lead and support activities of the senior leadership team, Board, GFC and Senate; assist maneuvering through Bill 7 and potential changes in the new funding model and the roles and mandates; support the 50th anniversary activities; help lead the comprehensive fundraising campaign including fundraising for the Destination Project; actively participate in municipal, provincial and federal government relations in support of UofL priorities; promote internal and external community engagement; and professional activities include involvement in Universities Canada and USport Canada
- The Premier visited campus on Sept. 18th and it was a great opportunity to have her first official visit to a comprehensive academic research institution (CARI) be to The University of Lethbridge. She was in Lethbridge to attend the Cavendish sod turning which M. Mahon also attended.
- M. Mahon asked A. Hakin to comment on the Fall 2017 Enrolment. As of last week, there was a 1.1% increase in enrolment to 8,724 students. As well the University of Lethbridge saw a 3.7% increase in graduate student numbers (596) and a 0.9% increase in undergraduate students (8,128). A 5% increase in transfer students was a surprise as we had seen decreases in the last few years.
- Took part in Reconciliation week with an announcement of four Blackfoot New Student Scholarship contributed by Dr. and Mrs. Janes in memory of Narcisse Blood, Gerald Conaty, Allan Pard and Frank Weasel Head.
- General update of ongoing government activities. The following are still in discussion - tuition review/funding/roles and mandates/review of executive compensation. M. Mahon attended meetings in Edmonton and we may learn more on some of these items in the coming months.
- Dean searches are still underway. Dean of the School of Liberal Education is coming to a conclusion shortly and the Dean of the Faculty of Management search is beginning with the initial meetings happening this week.
- We have two Royal Society of Canada inductees this year. Ute Kothe and Yale Belanger will both be inducted to the College of New Scholars in late November.
- Take Two Speaker Series kicked off last week with Dr. C. Malacrida speaking on the Federal Science Review
- Hokkai Gakuen University Welcome Reception for new visiting professor
- President's Welcome for new employees is in its second year. Very successful event was held on September 26.
- Pronghorn Scholarship Breakfast was another successful event with lots of money raised.
- School of Grad Studies Open House Sept. 30th

- Welcome Back BBQ Lethbridge last week and had one at the Calgary Campus for the first time.
- Fall Convocation is upcoming on Oct. 14th. Please think of attending.
- University Open House – A. Hakin stated that the event was very successful and thanked those involved for their contributions.
- Let There Be Light Alumni Event at Convocation will be the start to the close of the 50th Anniversary events.

4. QUESTION PERIOD

- B. Black wanted to add some information to the 50th anniversary celebrations. The Music Department held a very successful symposium recently. Alumni from the last 50 year were involved.
- B. Boudreau mentioned, in addition to the Welcome Back BBQ, M. Mahon also attended the opening of the new trading room in Calgary which is similar to the one in Markin Hall.
- C. Hosgood stated that Health Sciences has an event on Oct. 26th – The Friends of Health Sciences dinner will be celebrating a part time faculty member who is celebrating 50 years as a registered nurse/educator, Joyce D’Andrea.
- J. Copeland has been looking at the Governance website. There are pictures of the Senate and the Board of Governors but no picture of General Faculties Council. Why is there no picture of GFC? M. Mahon said we will explore it and see if there is an opportunity for a photo.

5. ITEMS FOR ACTION

5.1. GFC Executive Committee Nominations

A. Hakin reported the current vacancies on the GFC Executive Committee. Two members are required for terms October 1, 2017 to September 30, 2019 and one member for the term October 1, 2017 to September 30, 2018. A. Hakin went over the procedures for the election.

M. Mahon opened the floor to nominations. The following nominations were received for two, two-year terms:

- Claudia Steinke
- Alan Siaroff

The following nominations were received for one, one-year term:

- J. Copeland

MOTION: gfc.2017.10.03

Hakin/Nicol

All nominations cease.

Motion: Carried

There were two vacancies on the GFC Executive Committee for two-year terms and one vacancy for a one-year term, so the candidates were acclaimed.

5.2. GFC Nomination Committee - Senate/Senate Volunteer Award Committee Nominee/
Naming Advisory Committee Nominee

MOTION: gfc.2017.10.04

Siaroff/Parmar

That General Faculties Council approve Susie Kennedy to serve on the Senate and the Senate Volunteer Award committee, effective immediately until June 30, 2019.

Motion: Carried

MOTION: gfc.2017.10.05
Siaroff/Nicol

That General Faculties Council approve Lisa Howard to serve on the Naming Advisory Committee, effective immediately.

Motion: Carried

5.3. Faculty of Management STP Supplementary Policies

MOTION: gfc.2017.10.06

Boudreau/Jurkowski

That General Faculties Council approves the new 2017 Faculty of Management Supplementary Salary, Tenure and Promotion, Policies and Dossier Guidelines to replace the 1999 Faculty of Management Supplementary Policies document with friendly amendments.

Motion: Carried

B. Boudreau noted that this is to replace the previous 1999 document. Last spring it went through committee, town hall and council to update the policy. The previous policy is attached to the agenda materials for your comparison. A question was raised about where service fits in the guidelines. B. Boudreau said that they have identified service as an important consideration as well as teaching and research. Clarification on a working paper was asked and it is any work in progress. A friendly amendment will be added to other materials on page 3 of the document to add working papers. On page 7, are there any teaching academic assistants? B. Boudreau consented to remove Academic Assistants from the listing as another friendly amendment.

5.4. Type B Research Centre - Art, Sound, & TEchnology Research IntersecXions (ASTERIX)

MOTION: gfc.2017.10.07

Jurkowski/Byrne

That General Faculties Council approve the creation of Art, Sound, & TEchnology Research IntersecXions as a Type B centre under the provisions of the University of Lethbridge Research Centres and Institutes Policy.

Motion: Carried

E. Jurkowski introduced the background behind the proposal. A year and a half ago there was a call for some Canada Foundation for Innovation applications and there was one in the Faculty of Fine Arts. The authors of the application are listed on page 39 of the agenda package. The application was not short listed and it was discussed to put a research institute forth from Fine Arts. There was tremendous help in creating the proposal from the Research Services office. It provides the opportunity for the people within the Faculty of Fine Arts to share information across the institution as well as nationally or internationally. Ultimate aspirations are that we eventually want to move from a Type B to a Type A institute. L. Elias, a faculty member in New Media who helped in the development of the proposal was present and stated they have been able to take everyone's own research clusters and bring it together under this umbrella. Many of the projects under this umbrella are already working in interdisciplinary ways with others in the institution. It was asked if anyone in the group had seen the lab at McMaster University. A question arose on funding of the positions and it was stated that there are a couple of technicians already in place in the faculty whose expertise can be used. It was clarified that undergraduate research is already happening in the Faculty already. The ASTERIX group will be analyzing the data from the new Destination Project building, so this is a great way to look at the data.

6. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

6.1. Destination Project

A. Hakin gave several updates on the projects. There are over 300 workers on site and they are ahead of schedule. At this point, level 9 was being poured into the elevator shafts. It is the last formalized floor with level 10 being mechanical space. We may have to do some more work to the north end of University Hall as the connecting wall is not up to structural integrity as was originally thought. We are ahead of schedule and remain on budget. Occupation date looks good for 2019. Soon we will be looking for a building manager to oversee operations.

6.2. Human Subjects Research Committee Annual Report

The report from the Chair, Scott Allen was received as information. C. Malacrida introduced S. Entz who is the Ethics and Compliance officer at the university. The committee reviewed around 92 protocols with the Faculty of Management and Faculty

of Education subcommittees separately reviewing additional protocols. M. Mahon stated that this is reported to GFC annually. It was noted that there are a large volume of reviews of graduate student research. S. Entz and the committee were thanked for their work.

6.3. GFC Standing Committee Reports

The GFC Standing Committee Reports are received as information every year at the October meeting as per GFC Bylaws. C. Nicol clarified the library report on page 78 of the agenda materials regarding a joint meeting in which the panel discussion were about open education resources and open access publication. A question arose on GFC members being able to access various committee minutes and it was clarified that members of GFC should be able to access these minutes.

6.4. GFC Executive Committee Report – September 25, 2017

Received as information. No questions raised.

6.5. GFC Executive Committee Approved Minutes – September 5, 2017

Received as information. No questions raised.

7. OTHER BUSINESS

No other business.

8. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: gfc.2017.10.08

Malacrida/Copeland

That the GFC meeting #522 be adjourned.

Motion: Carried