



GENERAL FACULTIES COUNCIL MEETING #514

Approved Minutes

Monday, November 14, 2016

3:00 p.m. in W646

- Present:** A. Hakin, (Chair), R. Adkin, A. Amelinckx, H. Babb, YJ Bao, J. Bocksnick, R. Bo ere, B. Boudreau, L. Brown, J. Byrne, P. Cardozo, M. Collins, C. Cooper, J. Dobbie, B. Ellis, L. Escobar, M. Gale, E. Galway, P. Ghazalian, R. Harper-Brown, J. Harrowing, C. Hosgood, D. Jarvie, E. Jurkowski, S. Kennedy, C. Loewen, J. MacKenzie, C. Malacrida, S. Malla, R. Marynowski, J. McGinley, D. McNeill, C. Nicol, J. Nugent, M. Nugent, E. Okine, W. Osborn, S. Parmar, A. Predoi-Cross, J. Prestie, F. Salins, A. Shaw, J. Sheriff, A. Siaroff, D. Slomp, C. Steinke, M. Stingl, A. Taylor, S. Thomas, J. Vokey
- Regrets:** D. Balderson, B. Black, C. Ciona, P. Esau, J. Graham, N. Grigg, M. Hawkins, C. Horbachewski, C. Howey, E. Jing, A. Khan, M. Mahon, D. O'Donnell, J. Sanders, T. Spagnolo, N. Walker, C. Williams, R. Wood
- Other:** J. Gallais, V. Grisack, K. Fuglerud, H. Kelley, M. Letts, M. Perry

GFC Education Presentation was given by Mike Perry, University Archivist. The presentation was titled "University History Leading Up to Our 50th Anniversary".

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: gfc.2016.11.01
Jurkowski/Nicol

That the Agenda for GFC Meeting #514 held Monday, November 14, 2016 be approved.

Motion: Carried

A question arose about a report from the Sustainability Committee and that will be added to the GFC Executive Committee agenda as that committee approves the GFC Agenda.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION: gfc.2016.11.02
Jurkowski/Hosgood

That the Minutes for GFC Meeting #513 held Monday, October 3, 2016 be approved.

Motion: Carried

3. **PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

M. Mahon reported:

- Dr. Mahon sends his regrets as he is currently in Ottawa, and, along with attending government meetings, he will be attending the Royal Society induction ceremony on Friday. Four distinguished UofL professors elected in 2016 to the Fellowship of the Royal Society of Canada (Dr. Louise Barrett, Dr. Bruce McNaughton, Dr. Joe Rasmussen) and College of New Scholars, Artists, and Scientists (Dr. Artur Luczak)
- Welcome back from our inaugural Fall Break!
- Maclean's Ranking was revealed 2 weeks ago
 - for the 5th consecutive year, UofL has landed in the top-three spots for Canada's best Primarily Undergraduate university
 - UofL was ranked the top (tied) university in the Student Services category
 - we ranked second in Medical/Science Grants
- ReSearch InfoSource
 - for the second consecutive year, the UofL has increased its ranking among the country's elite research universities, moving up one spot in each of the undergraduate (moved to 3rd) and overall (34th) categories
- Congratulations to all staff and faculty for your hard work and dedication in achieving these rankings!
- M. Mahon was in Edmonton November 2-3, 2016 for meetings with:
 - Ray Gilmore, Assistant Deputy Minister, Executive Council
 - Maria Fitzpatrick, MLA Lethbridge East
 - Bill Werry, Deputy Minister, Public Agency Secretariat
 - Andre Corbould, Deputy Minister, Environment and Parks
 - Jason Krips, Deputy Minister, Economic Development and Trade
 - Rod Skura, Deputy Minister, Advanced Education
- Mid-October was announcement on tuition freeze for 2017-18, which will allow for a stakeholder review. Stakeholders will be selected to consult in the spring of next year. A roundtable will also occur for how post-secondary education is funded. Consultation request on tuition and funding reviews - deadline November 30. Various table conversations will be happening in the next while. R. Wood and N. Walker are attending Post-Secondary Learning Act labour discussions in Edmonton today.
- M. Mahon was in Ottawa last week for U Sports/CIS Fourth Annual Governor General's Academic All-Canadian Commendation Ceremony hosted by His Excellency the Right Honourable David Johnston, Governor General of Canada
- At the end of October, M. Mahon was in Mexico for the 5th Canada-Mexico Roundtable on Intercultural/Indigenous Higher Education
- UofL Sr. Leader's retreat was on Oct. 21. Mark Searle, Executive Vice-President and University Provost from Arizona State University presented a session on "Creating a Culture of Excellence". Arizona State University is creating waves in the United States as it moves forward in handling post-secondary education priorities
- University of British Columbia, Simon Fraser University, Memorial University, Mount Royal University, the University of Calgary and the University of Lethbridge

are the first universities to formally adopt the Okanagan Charter: An International Charter for Health Promoting Universities and Colleges. The charter calls on post-secondary institutions to make a commitment to health and well-being in all policies and practices.

- Dr. Mark Slomp, Executive Director of Student Services has been appointed to the Provincial Advisory Panel on Post-Secondary Mental Health
- Congrats to Drs. Richelle Marynowski, D. Andrew Stewart, and Suzanne Lenon on their appointments as Tier II Board of Governors Research Chairs
- RBC Royal Bank Foundation \$750,000 gift to AGILITY and the Faculty of Management

4. QUESTION PERIOD

- R. Boere – In regards to all the surveys - what are the boundaries? A. Hakin stated that Maclean's determines what the criteria are for each category.
- J. Vokey – Since they set the boundaries, why do we bother with the surveys? A. Hakin replied that all of the data is public information so they can compile it without our help or permission.

5. ITEMS FOR ACTION

5.1. GFC Curriculum Coordinating Committee Report **Recommendations from Report 1**

Faculty of Health Sciences

MOTION: gfc.2016.11.03

Hosgood/Dobbie

General Faculties Council approve Recommendation #1 - #5 Health Sciences from the GFC Curriculum Coordinating Committee Report 1, effective May 1, 2017.

Motion: Carried

Faculty of Management

MOTION: gfc.2016.11.04

Boudreau/Boere

General Faculties Council approve Recommendation #6 Management from the GFC Curriculum Coordinating Committee Report 1, effective May 1, 2017.

Motion: Carried

Registrar's Office

MOTION: gfc.2016.11.05

Kennedy/Nicol

General Faculties Council approve Recommendation #7 - #11 Registrar's Office from the GFC Curriculum Coordinating Committee Report 1, effective May 1, 2017.

Motion: Carried

There is a typo in recommendation #9 that will be corrected. A question regarding exam length was asked. S. Kennedy replied that if an instructor wants to have an exam longer than three hours, they will now contact the Dean's office instead of the Registrar's Office for approval.

Recommendation from Report 2

Faculty of Education

MOTION: gfc.2016.11.06

Loewen/Marynowski

General Faculties Council approve Recommendation #1 Education from the GFC Curriculum Coordinating Committee Report 2, pending Ministerial program approval.

Motion: Carried

6. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

6.1. Destination Project

A. Hakin introduced M. Letts, Academic Project Manager, who will now update the committee on the progress of the Destination Project. M. Letts will work with B. Sullivan on the project. We are about a month ahead of schedule. The concrete has been poured on the 6th floor with pillars, elevator shafts, foundation walls erected. They will be starting the piles for the link to University Hall. The second tower crane is to be set up this week if the winds slow down. The vivarium plans have been finalized. Underground piping is being laid on the north end for the vivarium and sometime in the next month or so, the floor will be created. The design teams are working hard to keep up with construction as they are ahead of schedule. Our goals go beyond the physical construction of the building – we want to promote a generic flexible building to serve the needs of the university for the next fifty years. There will be a need for a new position of a science and academic building facility manager. This position will develop timelines for occupancy when the building nears completion as well as developing policies and operational procedures.

Some questions and discussion occurred on how the building is impacting the community and the impact on users in relation to design quality. It was mentioned that properties being bought in the Lethbridge area have gone up 3% which has been attributed to the Destination Project, and items like the concrete and rebar are being purchased locally. Regarding the impact to users, researchers have been aware of this for three years already and we want to move people in slowly as to not disrupt research. There will be some pain in the move but we hope to minimize it. Concern on the status of the communication of ideas that faculty has inputted was discussed. M. Letts stated that not much has changed in design in the last 8

months. A. Hakin mentioned that for design they are working on the floor that the construction team is working on. The other floors will be tackled as construction moves along and the researchers will be consulted if changes are made to the design. M. Letts was asked how many classrooms will be in the building. An exact number was not given. It was mentioned that Concordia has moveable classrooms which D Hinger is going to look at in the near future.

6.2. Academic Quality Assurance Committee Update

A. Siaroff, Chair of the GFC Academic Quality Assurance Committee reported on the activities of the committee. The updates and progress were laid out in the agenda package. A couple of reviews are delayed and Dean Cooper is to help prod those departments. The committee will be undertaking its own review on their internal processes next year.

6.3. Banner Revitalization Update

C. Nicol, University Librarian and S. Kennedy, Registrar gave a presentation on the Banner Revitalization project. Version 1.0 wasn't available until the beginning of September to be tested. As we are ruled by the regular academic cycle, we are delaying the implementation so it will be as smooth as possible. Some implications to General Faculties Council are with motions that we have passed. There is a curriculum freeze to work with the new timeline of implementation. The freeze on new programs and changes in majors/minors have been delayed until May 1, 2018 and implemented in the 2018/19 calendar. We are also postponing implementation of new admission requirements to the 2018-19 calendar. We are working with Enrolment Services to get that information out to future students. A. Hakin stated that there has been a tremendous effort to get our enterprise system so we are back in control. It is all about risk modification.

6.4. Distinguished Teaching Award Deadline

Received as information. Deadline is December 16, 2016. No questions raised.

6.5. GFC Executive Committee Report – October 31, 2016

Received as information. No questions raised.

6.6. GFC Executive Committee Approved Minutes – September 26, 2016 & October 5, 2016

Received as information. No questions raised.

7. OTHER BUSINESS

No other business.

8. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: gfc.2016.11.07

Loewen/Marynowski

That the GFC meeting #514 be adjourned.

Motion: Carried

Curriculum Coordinating Committee Report to General Faculties Council

Summary

For purposes of discussion at General Faculties Council, the motions have been grouped as follows and I intend to recommend to GFC that they be approved in this fashion, barring difficulties with individual recommendations.

Recommendation #1 - #5	Health Sciences
Recommendation #6	Management
Recommendation #7 - #11	Registrar's Office

<p>THE IMPLEMENTATION DATE FOR THE ABOVE RECOMMENDATIONS IS MAY 1, 2017</p>

(November 14, 2016) Curriculum Coordinating Committee Report to General Faculties Council

Summary

Recommendation #1

That General Faculties Council approve replacing the research course in the Aboriginal Health major in the B.H.Sc. program.

Prior approval: Health Sciences Council: Sept. 14/16
Curriculum Coord. Com.: Oct. 18/16

Recommendation #2

That General Faculties Council approve the changes to align the Public Health major in the Post-Diploma B.H.Sc. program with recent changes made to the four-year B.H.Sc. program.

Prior approval: Health Sciences Council: Sept. 14/16
Curriculum Coord. Com.: Oct. 18/16

Recommendation #3

That General Faculties Council approve the changes to the Public Health major in the B.H.Sc/B.Mgt. combined degrees program.

Prior approval: Health Sciences Council: Sept. 14/16
Curriculum Coord. Com.: Oct. 18/16

Recommendation #4

That General Faculties Council approve the changes to the Bachelor of Nursing After Degree program requirements.

Prior approval: Health Sciences Council: Sept. 14/16
Curriculum Coord. Com.: Oct. 18/16

Recommendation #5

That General Faculties Council approve the changes to the policies in the Faculty of Health Sciences to align with the University of Lethbridge's minimum cumulative grade point averages for good standing and required withdrawal.

Prior approval: Health Sciences Council: Sept. 14/16
Curriculum Coord. Com.: Oct. 18/16

Recommendation #6

That General Faculties Council approve the clean up on the wording for the Academic Standards section for the Faculty of Management.

Prior approval: Management Council: Sept. 16/16
Curriculum Coord. Com.: Oct. 18/16

Recommendation #7

That General Faculties Council approve the changes to the Liberal Education section of Part 4 Academic Regulations to clarify rules regarding Liberal Education List Requirements.

Prior approval: Curriculum Coord. Com.: Oct. 18/16

Recommendation #8a-b

That General Faculties Council approve the changes to the Scheduling of Assessments policy (undergraduate and graduate) regarding final exam length.

Prior approval: Curriculum Coord. Com.: Oct. 18/16

Recommendation #9

That General Faculties Council approve the global change to all suggested sequencing page references in the Undergraduate Calendar.

Prior approval: Curriculum Coord. Com.: Oct. 18/16

Recommendation #10

That General Faculties Council approve the removal of the Bachelor of Education After Degree sample sequencing plan from the Undergraduate Calendar.

Prior approval: Curriculum Coord. Com.: Oct. 18/16

Recommendation #11

That General Faculties Council approve the updates to the definition of Graduate level courses in the Graduate Calendar.

Prior approval: Curriculum Coord. Com.: Oct. 18/16

Curriculum Coordinating Committee Report #2 to General Faculties Council

Summary

For purposes of discussion at General Faculties Council, the motions have been grouped as follows and I intend to recommend to GFC that they be approved in this fashion, barring difficulties with individual recommendations.

Recommendation #1

Education

<p>THE IMPLEMENTATION DATE FOR THE ABOVE RECOMMENDATIONS IS MAY 1, 2018</p>

(November 14, 2016) Curriculum Coordinating Committee Report to General Faculties Council

Summary

Recommendation #1

That General Faculties Council approve the new minor – Career and Technology Studies (CTS): New Media Focus

Prior approval: Education Council: Sept. 28/16
 Curriculum Coord. Com.: Oct. 18/16