

MINUTES OF A MEETING #416 OF THE GENERAL FACULTIES COUNCIL HELD ON

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

Present: Bill Cade, Seamus O'Shea, Nancy Walker, Christopher Nicol, Jane O'Dea, Carl Granzow, Shamsul Alam, Leslie Lavers, Kris Magnusson, Pamela Winsor, Cheryl Calver, Dayna Daniels, Jennifer Mather, Jim Thomas, Chris Epplett, Tom Johnston, Joy Morris, Rene Barendregt, Pat Hodd, Angela Downey, Paul Daniels, Jerrad Kubik, Rex Forsyth, Dan O'Donnell, Diana Young, Will Smith, Rae Hazelwood, Debra Basil, Bryson Brown, Preston Williams, Gorm Hansen, Mark Tymchyna, Scott McIntyre, Marc Slingerland, Andrew Hewitt, Jen Rogan, M. Schwartz (Secretary)

Regrets: Ches Skinner, Ian McAdam, John Usher, Kas Mazurek, Catherine Kingfisher, Robert Williams, Zoltan Daroczi, Dawn Sonfloor

Guests: Esther Healy, Melody Foreman, Courtney Atkinson

3968.0 APPROVAL OF AGENDA

3968.1 MOTION:

Daniels/Slingerland That the Agenda for Meeting #416 be approved as circulated.

MOTION: CARRIED.

3969.0 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

3969.1 MOTION:

Magnusson/McIntyre That the Minutes of Meeting #415, September 8, 2003 be approved as circulated.

MOTION: CARRIED

3970.0 ITEMS ARISING FROM MINUTES

3971.0 PRESIDENT'S REPORT

3971.1 Native Student Advisor

Leslie Lavers introduced Esther Healy, new Native Student Advisory in the Registrar's Office. Esther brings to the position a wealth of experience and knowledge.

Courtney Atkinson and Melody Foreman from Registrar's office were introduced.

3971.2 Paterson Centre

The Commons building has been officially named the Paterson Centre. The official opening will be on November 20 . Gordon Paterson was a former Board of Governors Chair and long time friend of the UofL.

3971.3 Globe and Mail – University Report Card

The Globe and Mail University Report Card is out. The UofL did very well and ranked #9 in overall quality of education. Complete survey results can be seen at www.universityreportcard.com.

3971.4 Alberta Ingenuity Centre for Water Research – Administrative Centre

Alberta Ingenuity announced that the University of Lethbridge has been selected as the administrative centre for a new, tri-University water research partnership. Thanks to Stewart Rood and Dennis Fitzpatrick who contributed greatly to this success.

3971.5 Science Festival

Dr. Arlene Ponting, Executive Director of the Science Alberta Foundation was very pleased with the outcome of this Festival. Since the start of this festival, she mentioned that it was the largest sponsored Festival to date.

3971.6 Convocation – Fall 2003

Fall 2003 Convocation saw 224 graduates walk across the stage. Some changes had been made. These changes will need to be reviewed prior to Spring 2004 Convocation. Congratulations to Leroy Little Bear being awarded the Alumnus of the Year and to Ray Speaker for receiving an Honorary Doctor of Laws.

3971.7 Bill 43

In a phone call conversation with the Minister information regarding Bill 43 was provided. Bill 43 should become Act 43 prior to Christmas. The University is voicing their concern regarding the structure of Campus Alberta Board on Accreditation. It will be changed to Campus Alberta Quality Council. The UofL has asked that assurance be given as to the quality of new degree programs. It seems to be a peer council which will be charged with quality assurance. Procedures and regulations still need to be put into place.

The Minister has met with student bodies regarding the tuition cap. It will remain in legislation with a tuition cap at 30%.

Changes will be made for representation to the Board of Governors. GFC will be asked to make one faculty appointment and the faculty association will be asked to make another one (can not be President).

There is a clause for no strikes or lockouts.

The University is no longer able to condemn your home or appropriate your home.

General Faculties Council remains unchanged.

3971.8 Women's Rugby

Congratulations to the Women's Rugby and Coach Neil Langevin for winning a silver at the Canadian Inter-University Sport National Championship. Congratulations also to Amy Whitmore for receiving the All Canadian in Rugby.

3971.9 Congratulations – Soccer

Congratulations to Elsa Wong for being named Canada West Soccer Coach of the Year. Women's soccer team won a bronze medal at the Canada West Soccer Championship. Congratulations also go to Barb Ariss, Canada West All Star.

3971.10 Trip to India

President Cade reported that is very pleased with his visit to India with Dr. Dua. He visited a number of campuses. He was impressed with how UofL recruits. The UofL is the only University able to process students on the spot. As a result the UofL recruited 11 new students.

3972.0 ITEMS FOR ACTION

3972.1 Approval of Student Appointment to GFC

3972.1.1 MOTION:

O'Shea/Thomas That nominations cease.

MOTION: CARRIED

Dawn Sonfloo was acclaimed as the Health Sciences representative on GFC.

3972.2 Appointment to University Review Committee

3972.2.1 MOTION:

O'Donnell/O'Dea That nominations cease.

MOTION: CARRIED

Bernie Williams was acclaimed.

3972.3 GFC Appointment to Senate

3972.3.1 MOTION:

O'Donnell/Nicol

That nominations cease.

MOTION: CARRIED

Dayna Daniels was acclaimed.

3972.4 GFC Appointment to Meliorist Board

3972.4.1 MOTION

O'Donnell/Thomas

That nominations cease.

MOTION: CARRIED

Ian McAdam was acclaimed.

The President reported that he met with the Editor from the Meliorist, David Green. Mr. Green has asked that the representative be empowered to vote. Before this request is considered by GFC, the Meliorist will need to provide a letter to GFC.

3972.5 GFC Appointments to Board of Governors

3972.5.1 MOTION:

Daniels/Downey

That the names as attached to the Agenda be ratified.

MOTION: CARRIED

Toni Nelson and Derek Peddle were appointed as the GFC representatives to the Board of Governors.

3972.6 Admission Standards Committee Report

3972.6.1 MOTION:

O'Shea/Lavers

That the GFC Bylaws be changed to incorporate the following amendments to the terms of reference on the Admission Standards Committee:

The powers and duties are as follows:

i) The Committee shall be governed by the following principles, according to which both admissions of persons to the University as students and transfer credit evaluation are managed:

- Academic excellence
- Potential for success in pursuit of academic excellence
- Identification and consideration of applicants or groups of applicants with special needs or characteristics, who evidence the potential for success in the pursuit of academic studies
- Fairness, consistency and appropriateness of transfer credit evaluation.

- ii) By delegation from Council, to decide on changes in Admission policies, including those reflecting grades, and to report to Council prior to implementation.
 - iii) By delegation from Council, to decide on changes in credit transfer policies, whether across the University or from another institution, and to report to Council prior to implementation.
 - iv) To make decisions regarding the admission of students under these principles in the light of institutional capacities, resources, and other factors which may be appropriate to consider.
 - v) To make decisions regarding transfer evaluation in a manner consistent with these principles.
 - vi) To serve as a policy and advisory body for the Vice-President (Academic) for matters relating to the Private Colleges Accreditation Board and the Campus Alberta Quality Council.
 - vii) To report to Council as required but not less than once a year.
- The Registrar shall be responsible for appointing a Secretary to the Committee.

MOTION: CARRIED

3972.7 Faculty of Education Report

3972.7.1 MOTION

O'Dea/Magnusson That the Faculty of Education Report be approved as circulated.

MOTION: CARRIED

3972.8 Faculty of Fine Arts Report

3972.8.1 MOTION

Granzow/Smith That the Faculty of Fine Arts Report be approved as circulated.

MOTION: CARRIED

3972.9 Faculty of Management Report

3972.9.1 MOTION

Downey/Hodd That GFC approve the appointment of the following (voting) members to Management Faculty Council for the 2003-2004 academic year:

A/S: Marc Roussel (Chemistry)
 Education: Gerald McConaghy
 Fine Arts/Health Sciences: Linda Nicol
 Library: Judy Head
 Associate VP Student Services & Registrar: Leslie Lavers
 VP Academic: Seamus O'Shea
 Associate VP (Academic): Shamsul Alam
 Students: Andrew Hewitt (Alternates: Luke Elford,

Kelly Ngo)

MOTION: CARRIED

3972.9.2 MOTION:

Downey/Hodd

That GFC approve the appointment of Ian McKenna to the Salary, Tenure, Promotion Committee for the 2003-2004 academic year.

MOTION: CARRIED

3972.10 Draft Computer Use Policy

3972.10.1 MOTION

Walker/O'Donnell

That the Computer Use Policy as attached to the Agenda be approved and forwarded to the Board of Governors for adoption.

MOTION: CARRIED

3972.11 Graduate Students Association – GFC Library Committee

3972.11.1 MOTION

Downey/McIntyre

That the GFC Bylaws be changed to incorporate the following addition to the membership on the GFC Library Committee:

One (1) Student Member, nominated by the Graduate Students Association, approved by GFC

MOTION: CARRIED

3972.11.2 MOTION:

Williams/Slingerland

That Sheila Bannerman be approved as the representative of the Graduate Students Association.

3973.0 ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

3973.1 Human Subject Research Committee Annual Report

The Human Subject Research Committee Annual Report was received as information. GFC wished to continue receiving all information as they find it informative.

3973.2 Admission Standards Report

The Admission Standards Committee Report was received as information.

3973.3 GFC Executive Committee Minutes of Meeting #385, October 20, 2003

The GFC Executive Committee Minutes of Meeting #385, October 20, 2003 was received as information. Change to meeting dates was noted.

3974.0 ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

3974.1 Policies

3974.1.1 i) Alcohol

Nancy Walker provided explanation of the major change to the alcohol policy and that is having a trained bartender or server at the event. She proceeded to explain that if someone were to have an event at their home and invited student they might wish to increase their insurance coverage at their home. Dr. O'Shea explained that this policy reflects the requirements Alberta Gaming and Liquor Commission have placed towards the serving of alcohol. Training is available for a server. Sodexo has liability insurance.

3974.1.2 ii) Provision of Food & Alcohol Services
Nancy Walker explained that the content has not changed other than tidied up in terms of wording.

3974.1.3 iii) University Facilities – Use and Rental
Nancy Walker explained that the Policy shows procedures for space booking and provided examples for those to follow.

3975.0 OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business.

3976.0 ADJOURNMENT

3976.1 MOTION:

Nicol/Brown

That the meeting be adjourned.

MOTION: CARRIED

3977.0 QUESTION PERIOD

Question period was not minuted.