
**MINUTES OF MEETING #447 OF THE GENERAL FACULTIES COUNCIL HELD
ON MONDAY, APRIL 7, 2008 AT 3:00 P.M. IN THE BOARDROOM, W646**

Present: Ken Allan, Peter Alward, Lynn Ambedian, Lesley Brown, Chris Burton, Cheryl Calver, Michael Campbell, Sandra Dill, James Dobbie, Andrew Hakin (Chair), Trish Harper, Michelle Helstein, Chris Horbachewski, Chris Hosgood, Kelly Kennedy, Lori Kopp, Leslie Lavers, Ian MacLachlan, Kris Magnusson, Michelle Morris, Goldie Morgentaler, Chris Nicol, Ken Nicol, Jane O'Dea, Tracy Oosterbroek, Wendy Osborn, Jason Pan, Margaret Rodermond, Victor Rodych, Elizabeth Schultz, Brent Selinger, Will Smith, Rhys Stevens, Marinus Swanepoel, John Vokey, Nancy Walker, Ed Wasiak, Shelly Wismath and Gloria Roth (Secretary)

Others: Richard Westlund, Erin Zelinski

Regrets: René Boéré, Bill Cade, Anne Dymond, Peter Heffernan, Murray Lindsay, Fraser Sparks and Sajjad Zahir

447.1 **INTRODUCTION OF UNIVERSITY SCHOLARS**

Andrew Hakin introduced Dr. Brian Titley (Faculty of Education), Dr. Claudia Malacrida (Sociology) and Lisa Doolittle (Faculty of Fine Arts), the first University Scholars at the University of Lethbridge. They will begin their two-year appointments on July 1, 2008. Claudia Malacrida studies sociology and looks at the questions of power, gender, medicalization and knowledge production; Lisa Doolittle's research is in Canadian dance, intercultural performance and theatre for development; and Brian Titley's field of study is in history, politics and religion and their relation to education. A call for the next round of University Scholars is going out within the week, for Scholars within the Humanities, Management, Natural Science and Health Sciences. The deadline for applications will be May 31 and full details are available at http://www.uleth.ca/vpa/scholars_program.cfm. Congratulations were extended to the selected Scholars and to all who applied. Andrew Hakin remarked that the caliber of applications was superb.

447.2 **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

447.2.1 MOTION:

Kopp/Hosgood That the Agenda for Meeting #447 be approved.

MOTION: CARRIED

447.3 **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

447.3.1 MOTION:

Calver/Osborne That the Minutes of Meeting #446 March 3, 2008, be approved.

MOTION: CARRIED

447.4 **ITEMS ARISING FROM MINUTES**

447.5 There were no items arising from the minutes

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

447.5.1 **Hokkai-Gakuen University**

Andrew Hakin reported that President Cade is visiting Hokkai-Gakuen University in Sapporo Japan along with Robert Turner, Rita Law and their spouses.

447.5.2 **Administrative Searches**

Searches for the Dean of Fine Arts and University Librarian are almost complete. Currently, the committees are in the negotiation stage and are hoping to make announcements soon.

447.5.3 **Salary Tenure Promotion (STP)**

Andy Hakin remarked that it is STP time and commented that his office is full of binders to be reviewed. Andy Hakin said that he is overwhelmed by what he has read so far and remarked that the U of L has an amazing group of scholars.

447.5.4 **Markin Hall**

Construction has begun on Markin Hall. There has been some disruption and vibrations to those in Turcotte Hall.

447.5.5 **Alberta Water and Environmental Science Building**

The Alberta Water and Environmental Science Building is nearing completion and should meet the anticipated completion date of September/October 2008.

447.5.6 **Renovations**

Andrew Hakin reported that renovations will begin this summer on Level 0 in the Students' Union Building. The Prentice Institute will be located on Level 11 in the Library and that space will see the beginning of renovations soon.

447.5.7 **Condolences**

Condolences were expressed to the Wheeler family for Elliot Wheeler, a University of Lethbridge student who passed away on April 6, 2008. Cheryl Wheeler, Elliot's mother, is an employee in Human Resources. Leslie Lavers mentioned that Elliot will receive his combined degrees, Bachelor of Science (Geography) and Bachelor of Management, posthumously at a time that is acceptable to the family.

447.6 **ITEMS FOR ACTION**

447.6.1 **Department of Physics Name Change**

MOTION:

Hosgood/Ambedian

That the General Faculties Council recommends to the Board of Governors that the name of the Department of Physics be changed to the Department of Physics and Astronomy, effective July 1, 2008, with a calendar implementation date of May 1, 2009

MOTION: CARRIED

and Dean Chris Nicol mentioned that this name change has been under discussion for some time. The new name would more accurately reflect what the Department actually does in teaching research. The change has been agreed to by the Faculty and the Dean's Advisory Committee. Leslie Lavers asked for a calendar implementation date of May 1, 2009 since the 2008/2009 Calendar is already published.

447.6.2 **Signature Change on Parchment**

MOTION:

O'Dea/Magnusson Moved that General Faculty's council authorize the following changes to the parchment for the Campus Alberta Applied Psychology program:

Delete: Kris Magnusson
Associate Dean, Faculty of Education

Add: Joanne Fiske
Dean, Graduate Studies

MOTION: CARRIED

447.7 **ITEMS FOR INFORMATION**

447.7.1 **Stoles and Regalia**

Ian MacLachlan presented Council with a convocation stole, shield crest and a coat of arms to view. Ian encouraged faculty members to purchase robes for convocation. New stoles will be made within the University. It was suggested that the Platform Party should set an example by dressing in robes and they can be purchased by payroll deduction. The Convocation Committee is looking for Marshalls for Convocation. Please let Ian MacLachlan know if you are interested. There was discussion on whether or not the University of Lethbridge Coat of Arms is registered. Nancy Walker will check into it and advise General Faculties Council (GFC). The Convocation Committee will be proceeding with a process to ensure that the University of Lethbridge Coat of Arms is registered. The Council also discussed the fiat lux logo and the stole shield. Ian MacLachlan reported that the Convocation Committee has agreed to leave the open book on the top of the fiat lux logo for the stole shield to be an academic insignia.

447.7.2 **Minutes of March 17, 2008 GFC Executive Meeting**

The minutes were received as information.

447.8 **ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND OTHER BUSINESS**

447.8.1 **Run or Walk for U of L Student Scholarships**

Kelly Kennedy informed GFC of the Run or Walk for U of L Student Scholarships in support of the John Gill Memorial Scholarship. The event will take place on April 11, 2008 in the First Choice Savings Centre for Sport and Wellness from 8am to 3pm.

447.8.2 **Textbooks**

Ian MacLachlan mentioned that the University of Lethbridge Book Store has an extremely early textbook ordering deadline compared to the U of C and U of A, which makes it difficult for faculty. Ian wondered if the bookstore and faculty could work together to come up with an understanding of requirements and a workable solution. Goldie Morgentaler added that sometimes there are not enough textbooks for all the students in the class and feels that this is a very serious problem. Nancy Walker suggested a committee be formed with Jim Booth's assistance to review the issue. Ian MacLachlan volunteered to be on the committee.

447.8.3 **Copyright Issues**

John Vokey raised the issue of copyright transfer forms and copyright rules, particularly in respect to publishing in journals and the restrictive copyright rules. Rhys Stevens noted that there is some information published by the Canadian Research Libraries and that the Canadian Author copyright addendum has more information. If you are interested, please look at www.uleth.ca/dspace and click on SPARC Canadian Author Addendum.

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Andy Hakin remarked that this is a very large issue that includes intellectual property along with copyright issues and wondered if perhaps GFC should be looking at a presentation by a group of informed individuals. Marinus Swanepoel stated that there has been some discussion about this at universities in Europe, with the view that public funded research should be published openly. Nancy Walker added that AUCC has information on copyright laws. It was agreed that more information is required on this subject.

447.9 **ADJOURNMENT**

447.9.1 MOTION:

Vokey/Morgentaler That the meeting be adjourned.

MOTION: CARRIED