MINUTES OF A MEETING #425 OF THE GENERAL FACULTIES COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2004, AT 3:00 P.M. IN THE BOARDROOM, W646

Present: Bill Cade (Chair), Andrew Hakin, Brian Parkinson, Catherine Kingfisher, Cheryl

Calver, Ches Skinner, Chris Hosgood, Christopher Nicol, Dagmar Dahle, Debra Basil, Elizabeth Oskam, Inge Genee, Jan Newberry, Jane O'Dea, Jean Groft, Jennifer Mather, Joy Morris, Kelly Andres, Leslie Lavers, Locke Spencer, Loralee Edwards, Lynn Basford, Nafisa Jadavji, Nancy Walker, Peter

McCormick, Rae Hazelwood, Rex Forsyth, Seamus O'Shea, Shamsul Alam,

Tom Johnston, Toni Nelson, Wilf Roesler

Regrets: Dayna Daniels, Pamela Winsor, Chris Epplett

Guests: Cheryl Wheeler, Cheryl Polmuller, Courtney Atkinson, Don MacDonald

4058.0 <u>APPROVAL OF AGENDA</u>

MOTION:

O'Dea/Kingfisher That the Agenda for Meeting #425 be

approved as circulated, with the addition of recommendations #15A and #15B under the Graduate Studies section of the Curriculum

Coordinating Committee Report.

Motion: Carried

4059.0 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION:

Spencer/Kingfisher That the Minutes of Meeting #424, November

1, 2004 be approved as circulated.

Motion: Carried

4060.0 ITEMS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

4061.0 PRESIDENT'S REPORT

4061.1 Provincial Election Results

Bill Cade announced that Alberta Learning has returned to its former name of Alberta Advanced Education, and the new Minister is Dave Hancock. He commented that he, along with Terry Royer and Jim Horsman will be visiting the

new Minister next week.

4061.2 <u>Donor Recognition Event</u>

The University of Lethbridge hosted a donor recognition event last week to recognize staff, students, and donors to the University. Bill Cade noted that the turnout was good, and the evening was a success. A similar event is set for February 14 as an internal fundraiser for scholarships.

4061.3 United Way Campaign

This year's United Way Campaign is set to kick-off soon. The Chair of this year's campaign is Craig Monk.

4061.4 Christmas Reception

The Annual University of Lethbridge Christmas Reception will take place in the Atrium on December 22. The members of the General Faculties Council were encouraged to attend the festivities.

4061.5 Carol Williams

Carol Williams from The University of Lethbridge Women's Studies and History Department spoke on her book at the latest Rotary meeting. The topic was on women's roles in nation building and the photographic idea circulated about 'Indian' life that was used to promote Euro American settlement.

4061.6 <u>Dean of Management Search</u>

The Faculty of Management is in the process of searching for a new Dean. The first of three candidates will be giving a public presentation on December 7th in PE-256.

4061.7 Women Scholars Group Speaker Series

Dr. Jo-Anne Fiske, Professor and Coordinator of Women's Studies recently gave a lecture on the results of the creation of Bill C-31, and the rise it has given to new social identity. Bill C-31 was a provision to the Indian Act to ostensibly remove sexist provisions of identity and membership.

4061.8 Alumni Journal

The new University of Lethbridge Alumni Journal has been published and distributed throughout the community. Bill Cade made note of the special section dedicated to Management Matters.

4062.0 ITEMS FOR ACTION

4062.1 GFC appointment to Vice-President (Advancement) Search Committee

4062.1.1 MOTION:

Morris/Nelson That Jim Thomas be appointed as the

General Faculties Council representative on the Search Committee for Vice-President

(Advancement).

4062.2 Faculty of Arts & Science Report

Recommendation #1

4062.2.1 MOTION:

Nicol/Mather That recommendation #1 of the Arts &

Science Report be approved.

Motion: Carried

Recommendation #2

4062.2.2 MOTION:

Nicol/Mather That recommendation #2 of the Arts &

Science Report be approved.

Motion: Carried

4062.3 <u>Curriculum Coordinating Committee Report</u>

4062.3.1 MOTION:

Skinner/Parkinson That GFC approve the Faculty of Fine Arts

Recommendations #1- #10, pages 17 – 48, of

the CCC Report.

Motion: Carried

4062.3.2 MOTION:

Alam/Spencer That GFC approve the School of Graduate

Studies Recommendations #11 - #15, pages

51 - 62, of the CCC Report.

Motion: Carried

4062.3.3 MOTION:

Alam/Spencer That GFC approve the School of Graduate

Studies Recommendation #15A, with the assignment of 90 credit hours to M.A./M.Sc. Thesis and hence the Calendar entry for

degree requirements.

4062.3.4 MOTION:

Alam/Spencer That GFC approve the School of Graduate

Studies Recommendation #15B, with the assignment of 135 credit hours to Doctoral Thesis and hence the Calendar entry for

degree requirements.

Motion: Carried

4062.3.5 MOTION:

Basford/Groft That GFC approve the School of Health

Sciences Recommendations #16 - #24, pages 69 – 88, of the CCC Report.

Motion: Carried

4062.3.6 MOTION:

O'Dea/Skinner That GFC approve the Faculty of Education

Recommendations #25 - #36, pages 91 -

142, of the CCC Report.

Motion: Carried

4062.3.7 MOTION:

Nelson/Calver That GFC approve the Faculty of

Management Recommendations #37 - #49,

pages 156 –199, of the CCC Report.

Motion: Carried

4062.3.8 MOTION:

Nicol/Kingfisher That GFC approve the Faculty of Arts and

Science Recommendations #50 - #77, pages

202 – 287, of the CCC Report.

Motion: Carried

4062.3.9 MOTION:

Lavers/Calver That GFC approve the Office of the Registrar

Recommendations #78 - #84, pages 290 -

304, of the CCC Report.

4062.3.10 MOTION:

O'Shea/Forsyth That GFC approve the Academic Schedule

Recommendation #85, page 306, of the CCC

Report.

Motion: Carried

Seamus O'Shea explained that this year was the first time to have the full CCC Report come to GFC through the website as a pdf. This has been done in an effort to cut down on paperwork.

4062.4 <u>Diversity and Employment Equity Policy</u>

4062.4.1 MOTION:

Walker/Mather That the Policy on Diversity and Employment

Equity as attached to the Agenda be approved and forwarded to the Board of

Governors.

Motion: Carried

4062.5 <u>Employee Ethical Conduct Policy</u>

4062.5.1 MOTION:

O'Shea/Walker That the motion concerning the Employee

Ethical Conduct Policy be taken from the table. (Tabled at November 1, 2004 GFC

Meeting)

Motion: Carried

4062.5.1.1 MOTION:

O'Shea/Walker That the Policy on Employee Ethical Conduct

as attached to the Agenda be approved and forwarded to the Board of Governors with the

following amendment:

3.1 Gifts, other than items of small intrinsic

value, shall not be accepted.

Examples of small intrinsic value gifts include pens, paper, small Christmas gifts such as chocolates and flowers.

4062.6 <u>Mandate Statement</u>

4062.6.1 MOTION:

Hakin/McCormick

That General Faculties Council approve the amendment to remove the word *basic*, and replace it with the word *fundamental* in the following sentence:

2nd Paragraph, second sentence: It stimulates and supports *fundamental* research and scholarly activity in all disciplines in which it gives instruction...

Motion: Defeated

4062.6.1.1 MOTION:

O'Shea/Skinner

That General Faculties Council approve and recommend to the Board of Governors of the University of Lethbridge the proposed Mandate Statement for the University, with the following amendments:

1st Paragraph, last sentence: it also offers undergraduate and post-graduate certificates, as well as post-baccalaureate diplomas in a limited number of cases.

3rd Paragraph, first sentence: The University offers collaborative programs with various community colleges and universities...

Motion: Carried

4063.0 <u>ITEMS FOR INFORMATION</u>

4063.1 GFC Executive Committee Minutes of Meeting #394, November 22, 2004

The GFC Executive Committee Minutes of Meeting #394, November 22, 2004 were received as information.

4064.0 <u>ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION</u>

4064.1 <u>Proposal for Centre for Students with Disabilities</u>

Chris Hosgood explained that it is the University of Lethbridge's duty to accommodate students, and with the numbers of students with disabilities that have increased over the years, there is an increasing need for a resource centre where students can write exams with proper and appropriate accommodations. This would also be a centre to help students from a counceling perspective as well as an education centre. Instructors would also be able to seek guidance and assistance in dealing with students with disabilities.

Bill Cade explained that at this time the proposal for a Centre for Students with Disabilities is being examined through the Budget Committee, and will come back to GFC again at a more appropriate time.

4065.0 OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business.

4066.0 <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

4066.1 MOTION:

Johnston/ That the meeting be adjourned.

Motion: Carried

4067.0 QUESTION PERIOD

The question period was not minuted.