

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, Lorelee 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 Epplert

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

4058.0 APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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.



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 Curriculum Coordinating Committee Report

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.

Motion: Carried

- 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.  
Motion: Carried

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 Diversity and Employment Equity Policy

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 Employee Ethical Conduct Policy

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.

Motion: Carried

4062.6 Mandate Statement

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:

2<sup>nd</sup> 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:

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

3<sup>rd</sup> Paragraph, first sentence: The University offers collaborative programs with various ~~community~~ colleges and universities...

Motion: Carried

4063.0 ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

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 ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

4064.1 Proposal for Centre for Students with Disabilities

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 counseling 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 ADJOURNMENT

4066.1 MOTION:

Johnston/

That the meeting be adjourned.

Motion: Carried

4067.0 QUESTION PERIOD

The question period was not minuted.