

MINUTES OF A MEETING #433 OF THE GENERAL FACULTIES COUNCIL
HELD ON MONDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2006 AT 3:00 PM. IN THE BOARDROOM, W646

- Present: Bill Cade (Chair), Nancy Walker, Seamus O'Shea, Chris Horbachewski, Ches Skinner, Christopher Nicol, Jane O'Dea, Leslie Lavers, Marinus Swanepoel, Shamsul Alam, Andrew Hakin, Allan Hall, Ben Hart, Cheryl Calver, Chris Epplert, Chris Hosgood, David Clearwater, David Townsend, Elizabeth Schultz, Ivan Townshend, Jason Blades, Jean Groft, Jennifer Mather, Jonathan Lane, Ken Nicol, Leslie Robison-Greene, Wendy Osborn, Lynn Ambedian, Mary Runte, Nicole Wilson, Peter Alward, Peter McCormick, Rae Hazelwood, Rene Boere, Rex Forsyth, Sajjad Zahir, Tim Pope, Tyler Tanner, Wilf Roesler
- Regrets: Murray Lindsay, Bernie Williams, Brian Parkinson, Dustin Fuller, Lesley Brown, Shelly Wismath, Tom Johnston

4138.0 APPROVAL OF AGENDA

4138.1 MOTION:

Mather/Pope

That the Agenda for Meeting #433 be approved as circulated, with the addition of Item 5.1, Faculty of Management Report.

Motion: Carried

4139.0 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

4139.1 MOTION:

Forsyth/Blades

That the Minutes of Meeting #432 be approved as circulated.

Motion: Carried

4140.0 ITEMS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

There were no items arising from the minutes.

4141.0 PRESIDENT'S REPORT

4141.1 Jim Liu, Grazyna Gorny, and William Lambert

The University of Lethbridge mourns the recent loss of three members of the University community. Jim Liu, Professor of Math and Computer Science, Grazyna Gorny, Research Technician in Neuroscience, and William Lambert, Professor Emeritus.

A tribute was read by Wolf Holzmann, in memory of Jim Liu.

- 4141.2 International Week
Several events are taking place throughout the University this week in recognition of International Week. The 14th Annual International Dinner will take place on February 8, with guest speaker Mr. Peter Raymont, a veteran filmmaker who told the story of Lt. Gen Romeo Dallaire's journey through the aftermath of the Rwandan genocide.
- 4141.3 Peter Heffernan
Dr. Peter Heffernan from the Faculty of Education recently received two awards. The Association canadienne-française de l'Alberta (ACFA) Prix Louis Philippe Cormier Award for outstanding educational leadership in promoting the development of the French language and culture in southern Alberta, and the Robert Roy Award from the Canadian Association of Second Language Teachers' (CASLT).
- 4141.4 Kris Magnusson
Dr. Kris Magnusson from the Faculty of Education has been awarded this year's Stu Conger Leadership Award in Career Development and Career Counselling by the Canadian Career Development Foundation.
- 4141.5 Jon Doan
Jon Doan from the Kinesiology and Phys. Ed. Department was selected to receive the award for Professor of the Year from the Prairie Baseball Academy.
- 4141.6 JDC West Competition
University of Lethbridge Faculty of Management students recently competed in the first 'Jeux du Commerce' (JDC West) Commerce Games in Vancouver. The U of L team brought home eight awards, with an overall third place finish.
- 4141.7 The Mikado
The Department of Theatre and Dramatic Arts will be putting on a musical beginning on Valentine's Day. The performance is being directed by Brian Parkinson.
- 4141.8 Jail and Bail
Leslie Lavers, Associate Vice-President Student Services and Registrar was recently arrested for the annual Canadian Cancer Society's "Jail and Bail".
- 4141.9 Honorary Degree Recipients
The University of Lethbridge Senate recently met and decided on the recipients of this years Honorary Degree awards. A formal announcement will be made shortly.
- 4141.10 Maclean's Magazine
Bill Cade along with the presidents of the University of Calgary, and University of Alberta, recently met with the Editor of Maclean's magazine in Toronto. They discussed issues in respect to rankings, admission average inflation, and the counting of scholarship money that flows through the universities.
- 4141.11 Access Funding
Bill Cade noted that they are still unclear as to what the outcome will be in regards to Access Funding for this year. The government has announced however, that there will be another tuition freeze again this year.

4141.12 Daycare Feasibility Study
A Daycare Feasibility Study has been conducted by Irwin Easthope, Executive Assistant to the Vice-President (Finance & Administration). Bill Cade noted that they are now determining the priority for a daycare in comparison to other necessities on campus. Meetings will be held with University groups to discuss this issue.

4141.13 System Transformation Subcommittee
Seamus O'Shea will be attending meetings in Edmonton as part of the System Transformation Subcommittee. This committee will be developing a series of policy proposal documents that will help transform Alberta's advanced learning system to align with the new vision and policy directions identified through *A Learning Alberta*. Areas of focus will include affordability, increasing capacity, expanding research and innovation, creating a seamless advanced learning system, and refining roles and responsibilities.

4141.14 Federal Election
As a result of the recent federal election, a new list of Cabinet has been released.

4141.15 Edmonton Building Lease
"The University of Lethbridge Building" lease in Edmonton is coming to an end. With the approval from the Board of Governors they hope to sign a new five year lease agreement, including an expansion of space.

4142.0 ITEMS FOR ACTION

4142.1 Faculty of Management Report

4142.1.1 MOTION:

Roesler/Zahir

That the University of Lethbridge Examination Timetable include the following notation with the Faculty of Management tentative examination schedule:

The Faculty of Management is considering a change to the Final Examination Schedule on a pilot basis for Fall 2006. Students enrolling in Management courses should check their course outlines for final examination dates. Students must be prepared to remain on campus until the last day of the examination period.

4142.1.2 MOTION TO AMEND:

Hosgood/Forsyth

That the University of Lethbridge Examination Timetable include the following revised notation with the Faculty of Management tentative examination schedule:

The examination timetable published here applies to the vast majority of courses that have final examinations. However, the Faculty of Management is considering a change to the Final Examination Schedule on a pilot basis for Fall 2006. Students enrolling in Management courses should check course outlines for the courses in which they are registered for final examination dates. Students must be prepared to remain on campus until the last day of the examination period.

Motion: Carried

Richard Perlow, Associate Dean of the Faculty of Management explained that including this notation adds more clarity for the students, and serves as a warning, as exam schedules may change prior to the dates of the exams.

Leslie Lavers added that the notation would be added to the printed and on-line timetables.

It was agreed that the Faculty of Management has until the May GFC meeting to indicate what, if anything, they are going to do in Fall 2006 regarding changes to final exams.

4142.2 Approval of Appointed Faculty Member to GFC

4142.2.1 MOTION:

Hosgood/Wilson

That General Faculties Council approve the appointment of Ivan Townshend as an Arts & Science Faculty representative to GFC.

Motion: Carried

4142.3 Appointments to Admission Standards Committee

4142.3.1 MOTION:

Lavers/Skinner

That General Faculties Council approve the addition of the Coordinator, Documents/Convocation/Systems Support, and Calendar Editor as Resource persons to the Admission Standards Committee.

Motion: Carried

4142.4 Nomination Committee for Election of the Chancellor

4142.4.1 MOTION:

Mather/Epplett That nominations cease.

Motion: Carried

Chris Hosgood, Ken Nicol, and Rae Hazelwood were acclaimed.

4142.5 Information Technology Strategic Advisory Committees

4142.5.1 MOTION:

Walker/Hart That General Faculties Council approve the Information Technology (IT) Strategic Advisory Committees, effective immediately. The two IT Advisory Committees are Information Technology Strategic Advisory Committee (ITSAC) and Information Technology Advising Committee (ITTAC).

Motion: Carried

Nancy Walker explained that a similar proposal came to General Faculties Council from the Faculty of Arts and Science last year. It has since been revised, and recently approved by both Deans Council and Directors Council.

4142.6 Ph.D. Parchment

4142.6.1 MOTION:

Alam/Boere That motion 4102.8.1 from Meeting #429 concerning Ph.D. Parchments for the disciplinary areas outside of Neuroscience, be taken from the table.

Motion: Carried

4142.6.1.2 MOTION:

Alam/Boere That General Faculties Council approve the revised Ph.D. Parchment as distributed.

Motion: Carried

The revised parchment includes only the department and the multidisciplinary area.

4142.7 Policy Against Hazing

4142.7.1 MOTION:

Walker/Clearwater

That the Policy Against Hazing be approved as attached to the agenda and forwarded to the Board of Governors with the following amendments:

1.2 The University of Lethbridge ~~has a zero tolerance policy on~~ *does not tolerate* hazing.

3.4 No University community member shall participate, ignore or willingly permit any *hazing in any* action...

3.5 All University community members are required to take reasonable measures to prevent *hazing* and report violations...

Motion: Carried

Nancy Walker explained that there have been some issues on hazing within campus, and creating this policy will make clear that the University of Lethbridge does not condone hazing.

4143.0 ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

4143.1 GFC Committee Reports

The annual reports for the Human Subjects Research Committees were included for information.

4143.2 GFC Executive Committee Minutes of Meeting #402, January 23, 2006

The GFC Executive Committee Minutes of Meeting #402, January 23, 2006 were received as information.

4144.0 ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

There were no items for discussion.

4145.0 OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business.

4146.0 ADJOURNMENT

4146.1 MOTION:

Ambedian/Hart

That the February 6, 2006 meeting of General Faculties Council be adjourned.

Motion: Carried

4147.0 QUESTION PERIOD

The question period was not minuted.

