
**MINUTES OF MEETING #450 OF THE GENERAL FACULTIES COUNCIL HELD
ON MONDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2008 AT 3:00 P.M. IN THE BOARDROOM, W646**

Present: Joey Baranyay, Jochen Bocksnick, Cheryl Calver, Sandra Dill, James Dobbie, Christopher Epplett, Andrew Hakin (Acting Chair), Michelle Helstein, Lori Kopp, Leslie Lavers, Pam Loewen, Ian MacLachlan, Kris Magnusson, Craig Monk, Goldie Morgentaler, Chris Nicol, Willis Norrie, Jane O'Dea, Jason Pan, Noëlla Piquette-Tomei, Brodie Pattenden, Jackie Rice, Victor Rodych, Alan Siaroff, Will Smith, Aaron Taylor, Adam Vossepoel, Nancy Walker, Ed Wasiak, Richard Westlund, Ilsa Wong, Robert Wood, Walter Wymer, and Gloria Roth (Secretary)

Regrets: Bob Boudreau, Chris Burton, Bill Cade, Anne Dymond, Peter Heffernan, Chris Horbachewski, Chris Hosgood, Murray Lindsay, Ian McKenna, Jenn Prosser, Rhys Stevens

450.1 **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

MOTION:

Kopp/Parkinson That the Agenda for Meeting #450 be approved.

MOTION: CARRIED

450.2 **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

MOTION:

Pattenden/Bocksnick That the Minutes of Meeting #449 October 6, 2008, be approved as amended.

MOTION: CARRIED

450.3 **ITEMS ARISING FROM MINUTES**

450.3.1 **IT Security Issues**

Darren Schell gave a presentation on, "Information Security". A copy of the presentation is filed with the minutes. Darren spoke about the importance of information security at the U of L and of the large number of threats that are routinely handled. The password policy was identified as a small but important portion of the U of L's information security protocols. Darren answered several questions from Council members. Andrew Hakin thanked Darren for his presentation.

450.4 **PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

Andrew Hakin noted that President Cade was in Hong Kong on University business.

450.4.1 **Dianne Dutton**

Andrew Hakin reported that a colleague, Dr. Dianne Dutton, a member of the Department of Modern Languages from 2005-2007, passed away on October 31, 2008. A minute of silence was observed.

- 450.4.2 **Polaris Award**
Andrew Hakin informed GFC that Dr. Bruce MacNaughton was the recipient of the inaugural AHFMR Polaris Award, a 20 million dollar award over a period of 10 years. Andrew Hakin stressed the importance of this award since it will create opportunities at the University of Lethbridge for graduate students and the building of research and teaching programs. Credit goes to Dennis Fitzpatrick, Vice-President (Research) who went above and beyond to ensure that the U of L was positioned well with the granting agencies. Andrew Hakin mentioned what a thrill it was to have the Premier, Ed Stelmach, and Minister Doug Horner on campus to make the announcement on October 23.
- 450.4.3 **ASTech Awards**
Andrew Hakin reported that Howard Tennant received the “2008 ASTech Outstanding Contribution to the Alberta Science and Technology Community” Award at the Alberta Science and Technology Awards in Edmonton on October 24th.
- 450.4.4 **Pronghorn Women’s Rugby**
Andrew Hakin stated that the U of L’s good news was continued by the U of L Pronghorn Women’s Rugby Team winning the CIS National Woman’s Rugby Championship on Sunday October 26. The Pronghorn’s won the Monilex Trophy for the second year in a row.
- 450.4.5 **Globe and Mail Canadian Universities Report**
Andrew Hakin mentioned that the U of L did very well in the Globe and Mail Canadian Universities Report. The report card can be viewed at:
<http://globecampus.ca/in-the-news/globecampusreports/#canadian-university-report-2009>
- 450.4.6 **Alberta Water and Environmental Science Building (AWESB)**
Acting Chair Hakin reported that the official opening of the AWESB will be on November 13, 2008 at 11:00 am. Minister of Environment, Rob Renner will be in attendance.
- 450.4.7 **Canadian Federation for the Humanities and Social Sciences (CFHSS)**
Ian MacLachlan reported that he was the U of L Representative for CFHSS and the Raymond Klibansky Prize was awarded to Professor Leslie Dawn for his book, “National Visions, National Blindness: Canadian Art and Identities in the 1920’s”.
- 450.4.8 **Canada Council for the Arts Award**
Jane O’Dea reported that Darcy Novakowski received a literary award from the Canada Council for the Arts for her first novel, “Odori.” Darcy wrote the novel under her family name of Tamayose. She will receive the award in late November at the Japanese Embassy in Ottawa.

450.5 ITEMS FOR ACTION

450.5.1 2008/2009 Committee Nomination

MOTION: That Brian Black be nominated for a two year term to the University Review Committee.

Wasiak/Rodych That nominations cease.

MOTION: CARRIED

Brian Black was acclaimed

450.5.2 2008/2009 GFC Membership

MOTION:

Vossepoel/Pattenden	That the appointment of Brett Stephenson to GFC as a Student Member, to replace Willis Norrie be approved.
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MOTION: CARRIED

450.6 ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

450.6.1 Minutes of October 20, 2008 GFC Executive Meeting

The minutes were received as information.

450.6.2 GFC Composition

Gloria Roth gave an explanation of the required composition adjustments to GFC.

450.7 ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND OTHER BUSINESS

There were no items for discussion or other business.

450.8 **ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION:

Piquette-Tomei/Magnusson That the meeting be adjourned.

MOTION: CARRIED