

MINUTES OF A MEETING #407 OF THE GENERAL FACULTIES COUNCIL HELD ON

MONDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2002 AT 3:00 P.M. IN THE BOARDROOM, W646

Present: Seamus O'Shea (Acting Chair), Nancy Walker, Christopher Nicol, John Usher, Jane O'Dea, Ches Skinner, Patricia Wall, Shamsul Alam, Leslie Lavers, Kris Magnusson, Kas Mazurek, Leah Fowler, Cheryl Calver, Peter McCormick, Jim Thomas, Craig Monk, Lynn Ambedian, Joy Morris, Ian MacLachlan, Rene Barendregt, Angela Downey, Melanee Thomas, Jerrad Kubik, Rex Forsyth, Ian McAdam, Will Smith, Rae Hazelwood, Wes Balderson, Debra Basil, Chris Hosgood, Dennis Fitzpatrick, Preston Williams, Alfred chan, Gorm Hansen, Lindsay Mills, Peter Therrien, Jillian Erlandson

Regrets: Seamus O'Shea

3918.0 APPROVAL OF AGENDA

3918.1 MOTION:

Smith/Thomas

That the Agenda for Meeting #407 be approved as circulated with the addition of:

5.4 GFC Grade Appeal Committee

MOTION: CARRIED.

3919.0 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

3919.1 MOTION:

Balderson/Skinner

That the Minutes of Meeting #406, September 3, 2002 be approved as circulated.

MOTION: CARRIED

3920.0 ITEMS ARISING FROM MINUTES

There were no items arising from the Minutes.

3921.0 PRESIDENT'S REPORT

3921.1 Student Enrollment - Fall 2002

Leslie Lavers reported that as of September 9, 2002 student enrollment is 7,183.

Seamus O'Shea reported that over the summer the U of L has taken steps to limit the growth. As of today, the institution can accommodate the increase in size. International students is up by one third.

3921.2 Universities' Act

There is an indication that the Universities' Act will be opened and the result may be the unification of all three acts under one. Dr. O'Shea reported that the impact will be greater at our institution than at the other institutions due to population size. Although we have been effective competitors, the U of L will begin meetings to review the challenge it faces. Various units on campus will be consulted and reports will be provided to GFC. It is clear that the prospective changes will have an impact on GLER.

3921.3 Strategic Planning

The Strategic Planning report will be delivered to GFC and the Board of Governors in December.

3921.4 Canadian Foundation of Innovation

It is anticipated that CFI will be announcing another competition in October with closure in April. In all likelihood this may be the last of the funding which may be approximately \$800 million for the entire Country. There is currently no one in Cabinet speaking with the same strengths that they have had in the past.

3921.5 Management Building

The management building project is moving forward with development of building programs.

3921.6 Renovations

The old library space that has been renovated is approximately 95% complete. As a result there are 50 more academic offices. The move of Career Resource Center has provided for more effective operation.

Fine Arts has now received more rehearsal space and a lecture theatre for music.

3922.0 ITEMS FOR ACTION

3922.1 GFC Member Appointment to GFC Executive Committee

3922.1.1 MOTION:

McCormick/Downey That nominations cease.

MOTION: CARRIED

_____ was acclaimed.

3922.2 Faculty and Student Appointments to GFC Committees

3922.2.1 MOTION:

Thomas/Hansen That General Faculties Council approve the student appointments to GFC Committees as attached to the agenda.

MOTION: CARRIED

3922.3 Task Force to Review the University Examination Policy

3922.3.1 MOTION:

Fowler/Nicol That the Task Force to Review the University Examination Policy be approved.

MOTION: CARRIED

3922.4 GFC Grade Appeal Committee

3922.4.1 MOTION

Alam/Downey That nominations cease.

MOTION: CARRIED

Brian Titley was acclaimed.

Craig Monk was acclaimed.

3923.0 ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

3923.1 Alberta Union of Provincial Employees Letter

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3923.2 GFC Executive Committee Minutes of Meeting #374, September 23, 2002

The GFC Executive Committee Minutes of Meeting #374, September 23, 2002 were received as information.

3924.0 ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

3924.1 DRAFT Strategic Planning Vision and Mission Statement

Ian MacLachlan asked about the origin of the deletion of D- in the grading policy. The committee was a Minister's Ad Hoc Committee that was largely in part driven by the U of L. The common grading system has been long overdue. The result of the Ad Hoc Committee has been a common scale throughout all universities but has resulted in the U of L losing the D-.

3925.0 OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business.

3926.0 ADJOURNMENT

3926.1 MOTION:

Smith/Wall

That the meeting be adjourned.

MOTION: CARRIED

3927.0 QUESTION PERIOD

Question period was not minuted.