

Attendance

Ex-Officio Members (voting)

President:	Annette Trimbee, Chair		
Provost:	Craig Monk		
VPs:	Theresa Vladicka, <i>Acting</i>		
Deans:	Melike Schalomon	Heather McRae	Richard Perlow
	David Danto	Christy Raymond	
AVP, Planning & Analysis & Registrar	David McLaughlin		

Statutory Members (voting)

Students:	Myles Dykes	Steph Vasquez	
Faculty:	Katie Biittner	Andrea Wagner	Eric Legge
	Brendan Boyd	Cristina Anton (3:33)	Dawn Sadoway
	Kimberley Harcombe, GFC Vice-Chair	Chris Striemer	Josh Toth
	Kathy Miller	Erin Gray	Cynthia Zutter
	Brendan Cavanagh	Gregory Springate	Emily Khalema
	Fernando Angulo-Ruiz	Bob Graves	Kelly Morris
	Caroline Foster-Boucher		

Additional Appointed Members (voting)

AVPs:	Craig Kuziemy		
General Counsel:	Jason Fung		
Faculty:	Lucio Gemini	Vahid Rezania	Jim Head
	Bill Thompson	Tiffany Kriz	Mary Asirifi
	Lee Makovichuk	Martin Tucker	Eva Revitt
	Tory Pino	Tara Stieglitz	
Students:	Joseph La Torre	Thomas Cline	
Alumni:	Laura Gilmour		

Quorum: 29
Resource Members (non-voting)

Office of University Governance:	Sumiko Yip, University Secretary	Marco Turlione Recording Secretary	Kyla Krysko
	Ginikachi Ugwuegbu	Agata Lewandowski	
Absent, with Regrets:	Ion Bica	Tim Williams	Lucille Mazo
	Rose Ginther	Tim Tang	Rafat Alam
	Maureen Lomas	Karen Keiller	Allan Gilliland
Guest:	Robert Andruchow	Gabriel Ambutong	

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#	Item
1.0	Call to Order and Introduction of Guest(s)
	The Chair called the meeting to order at 3:15 pm.
1.1	Land Acknowledgement
	D. Sadoway acknowledged the traditional lands of the Indigenous peoples.
1.2	Approval of Agenda and Consent Items
	MOTION#GFC-01-04-17-2022/23: Moved by L. Gelmini and seconded that the General Faculties Council approve the agenda and consent items as presented. Motion Carried.
	*The consent items consisted of the minutes from February 27, 2023, for approval, and the GFC EC minutes from February 13, 2023, for information.
	The Chair acknowledged M. Dykes and thanked him for his service. The Chair also welcomed Gabriel Ambutong as the SAMU incoming president.
2.0	Reports
2.1	President's Report
2.1.1	President and Vice-Chancellor March 23 Open Report to the Board of Governors
	The Chair reported on the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The operating grant was maintained at existing levels, with an additional capital funding of \$125 million for the new academic building. • Funding for two programs, Bachelor of Science in Nursing, and Bachelor of Psychiatric Nursing was received. • MacEwan received a letter from the Minister about the reporting on free speech policy on campus. • MacEwan received guidelines on expectations as a public institution during the election.
2.2	Provost's Report
	C. Monk reported on the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MacEwan met the Investment Management Agreement as set out. • The new target for the upcoming year is 10 or 12 percent or more and MacEwan is around 8 percent. • The Provost's Office continues to work on professorial applications and expects to provide recommendation to the President before the end of this month (April). • Over 40 appointments have been made, with 10 searches still outstanding. • Starting June 5, 2023, Dr. Lisa Rochman will start as the new dean of the School of Continuing Education.
2.3	GFC Executive Committee Report

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	<p>K. Harcombe reported on the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Approved updates to the Council of Student of Affairs membership. • Approved 2023-24 meeting schedule GFC governance schedule. Improved alignment of the Board of Governors and General Faculties Council schedules.
2.3.1	<p>GFC Bylaw Updates (MOTION)</p> <p>MOTION#GFC-02-04-17-2022/23: Moved by K. Harcombe and seconded that the General Faculties Council approve the revised GFC Bylaws. Motion Carried.</p> <p>K. Harcombe indicated that this is the Council's second time reviewing the document and that the Office of University Governance received further comments via email, which were incorporated.</p>
2.4	<p>Academic Planning & Quality Assurance Report</p>
2.4.1	<p>Proposed Bridge to Canadian Nursing Certificate (MOTION)</p> <p>MOTION#GFC-03-04-17-2022/23: Moved by D. Sadoway and seconded that the General Faculties Council approve the proposed Bridge to Canadian Nursing Certificate program proposal. Motion Carried.</p> <p>D. Sadoway offered the following report:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Government of Alberta sent a Call for Proposals to publicly funded post-secondary institutions for Bridge to Nursing programs to address the critical shortage of nurses. • The certificate addresses gaps and differences in education and competencies, allowing for Internationally Educated Nurses to become licensed and integrate into Alberta's health care system. • Members of APQA were impressed with the timely response from Nursing.
2.4.2	<p>Digital Experience Design: Post Diploma Certificate (MOTION)</p> <p>MOTION#GFC-04-04-17-2022/23: Moved by K. Miller and seconded that the General Faculties Council approve the Post-Diploma Certificate proposal in Digital Experience Design (DXD) Motion Carried.</p> <p>D. Sadoway offered the following report:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The committee approved and recommended approval on the condition that two issues were addressed. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Program to include English 102 as part of the requirement to align with MacEwan's general admission programs requirements. ○ Adjust program to be completed in 3years instead of four years to align with the Program Time Limits policy.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Both issues have been addressed as presented to GFC. <p>Discussion followed the update.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Concerns were raised that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continuing Education was not included in the consultation process. the new proposal will create competition as the school of continuing education's program is a non-credit certificate, more expensive, and add to more confusion in the marketplace. Consultation should have taken place with internal and external partners.
2.5	Academic Standards, Curriculum, & the Calendar Report
	F. Angulo-Ruiz did not provide a report as the committee's meeting was cancelled. The council was advised that there would be items to report on at the following meeting.
2.6	Scholarly Activity Report
2.6.1	Tactical Plan on Scholarship (MOTION) MOTION#GFC-05-04-17-2022/23: Moved by C. Kuziemyky and seconded that the General Faculties Council approve the Tactical Plan for Scholarship at MacEwan document. Motion Carried. C. Kuziemyky introduced the item. Highlights included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Committee had a final discussion on the document. Goals are defined and there is a clear distinction between goals and objectives.
2.7	Teaching & Learning Report
	E. Revitt reported on the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discussion on the Textbook Program Initiative which will be brought to GFC for information. Artificial Intelligence and Academic Integrity Working Group was created to look at best practices and advise GFC on the implementation and use of AI tools in the classroom. Teaching and Learning symposium will be held on May 23 and 24, this is presented in partnership with other post-secondary institutions.
2.8	Council on Student Affairs Report
	K. Biitter reported on the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Approved a new membership model, which reflects the needs of the institution. At the next meeting, the Council on Student Affairs will discuss the definition of a student.
3.0	New Business
3.1	Revised Arts and Science Faculty Council Bylaws (MOTION)

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	<p>MOTION#GFC-06-04-17-2022/23: Moved by M. Schalomon and seconded that the General Faculties Council approve the revised Arts and Science Faculty Council Bylaws as circulated.</p> <p>Motion Carried.</p> <p>M. Schalomon presented the item. Highlights included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The aim of bylaw revisions was to align with the GFC Bylaws. • The creation of new standing committee specifically for awards was included. • Very clear definition of minor curriculum change. • By making Directors voting members, they are now able to bring forward motions. • Clarified that abstentions do not count and are part of the bylaws now.
4.0	Other Business
	Termination of the Cardiac Care Program was brought forward for approval; however, registrar confirmed a formal motion was not required due to recent policy change.
5.0	Adjournment
	The Chair adjourned at the meeting at 4:19 pm.