



Arts and Science Faculty Council

Minutes of Council

Meeting #: 53
Date: June 15th, 2023
Time: 1:00 p.m.
Location: 9-323 (Kule Theatre)
Motion #s: 484-497

Present:

Schalomon, M
(Chair)
Martin, D (Vice-
Chair)
Bruins-Smith, T
(Secretary)
Cott, A (Secretary)
Alati, D
Amundson, L
Badalova, L
Bailey, C
Barran, S
Bott, Tina
Boyd, B
Cartledge, S
Christensen-
Dalsgaard, K
Cobzas, D
Colonescu, C
Copland, S
Davies, K
Einarsson, R
Elmorsy, M
Epp, M

Falconer, R
Farvolden, P
Ferede, E
Fong, J
Gelmini, L
Giacomin, M
Gibbs, Matt
Gonzalez-Lucena, F
Hackett, E
Hannan, S
Harcombe, K
Hayman, S
Hills, M
Honey, L
Intungane, D
Islam, S
Ivanescu, C
Jarick, M
Kim-Bernard, K
Lemieux, S
Llano, J
Long, J
Lorimer, S
Lorkovic, E
MacDonnell, C
McFayden, D

McKenzie, H
McKeown, N
Miller, Joshua
Mills, S
Milne, E
Moscicki, M
Nelund, A
O'Connor, J
Offrey, L
Overend, A
Pang, C
Panjvani, C
Papin, M
Patterson, A
Peace, K
Penney, A
Powell, R
Prince, P
Rezania, V
Romney, J
Ruiz Serrano, C
Schultz, W
Seredycz, M
Shaw, R
Sibley, L
Skye, A

Stepnisky, J
Striemer, C
Swanston, T
Symbaluk, D
Towle-Straub, K
Woywitka, R
Wright, J
Zadorozhna, N

Other - Voting

Beke, N
Friesen, K
Gilmour, L
Lipes, R
McLaughlin, D
Milner, K
Minaker, J
Mugo, S
Robertson, S

Ex Officio and Delegates

Public Members

None

Regrets

Alam, R
Beltaos-Kerr, E
Bereska, T
Bernstein, N
Bica, I
Bratt, S
Buro, K
Carroll, M
Chaldeans, M
Chartrand, J

Coulson, J
Cowling, E
Croxen, H
Das, M
Dawson, L
El-Hajj, M
Foster, A
Hamilton, T
Howell, A
Hu, R
Irwin, Robert

Judge, K
Jung, S
Keiller, K
Krys, S
Lakowski, R
Lumsden, P
Mewhort, R
Perschon, M
Pritchard, L
Ramsey, C
Raymond, C

Rollings-
Magnusson, S
Ross, M
Schmaltz, R
Skeffington, J
Su, W
Tessier, A
Toth, J
Thurairajah, K
Watson, D
Zalghout, A

Move into Session: The meeting was called to order by Melike Schalomon at 1:01pm.

I. Adoption of Agenda

Motion #484 That the agenda and consent items be adopted.

- Minutes of April 24th, 2023 Faculty Council
- Executive Committee Minutes April 13th, 2023
- Curricular Items approved at Program and Curriculum Committee

Minaker / Beke

Consensus

- MATH 114 was removed from curricular items

II. Reports:

a. Dean's Report

- BSc action plan was discussed and will come forward for approval at the August 31, 2023 Meeting.
- This fall, the Dean's Office will work on a tactical plan for the Faculty. The goal of this plan is to create action items for the near future that connect to the university's strategic vision. Much of the growth is anticipated for the BSc because there is unmet demand, though the goal is to grow the BA proportionately. Next year's focus will be on the expansion of the BSc and what it means for FAS and the university. Congratulations to members who received promotions and early tenure.
- 10% of our membership are now Professors.
- Congratulations to award recipients and members with new Associate Dean appointments.
- There has been a change in the administration of Finance in the Faculty. Shawna Charles is our new Finance Officer who will also work with the Library, and we are hiring a new Finance Technician.
- Election results were announced. Voter turn out was almost the same as last year: 67.9%
- FAS Convocation ceremony is on June 20th in the morning, Milestones recognition event will follow council.

- Questions and comments:
 - It could be helpful for student recruitment to have a section on the website to celebrate student achievements and to debunk myths.
 - Is there a plan for how the university will support this growth? We will continue to hire, space will remain an issue that continues to be addressed. Each department will have different opportunities to support the growth and we are looking at increasing out-of-Faculty minors to divert students to other areas and increase interdisciplinary opportunities.
 - Since we are already scheduling two years down the road, are we able to start consideration which classes could offer more sections? This is ongoing in the Faculty over the oversight of the Director, Programs and Curricular Planning. If we need more sections, and we can enroll the minimum number of students and find someone to teach it, it gets scheduled. Low enrolled sections are cancelled. We had an influx of first year students last year, scheduled more 100 level classes, and as these students progress, scheduling is adjusted to accommodate them.
 - Is there advice for how to bring hiring requests forward? It's about finding the balance between being proactive and being able to ensure we have enough sections for new hires in the long run.

b. Reports from Standing Committees

- As presented in the meeting materials.

Items for Action:

a. Curricular Items

- **New and Revised MCS**

Motion #485	That Arts and Science Council approve AEPS 497, ECON 311, POLS 331, URBW 389, and URBW 497.	
Bott/Gelmini		Adopted
Motion #486	That Arts and Science Council approve POLS 330.	
Bott/Gelmini		Adopted
Motion #487	That Arts and Science Council approve changes to BIOL 107, BIOL 108, BIOL 208, and BIOL 323.	
Bott/Gelmini		Adopted
Motion #488	That Arts and Science Council approve changes to CMPT 250.	
Bott/Gelmini		Adopted
Motion #489	That Arts and Science Council approve changes to ENGL 399.	
Bott/Gelmini		Adopted
Motion #490	That Arts and Science Council approve changes to ENGL 499.	
Bott/Gelmini		Adopted
Motion #491	That Arts and Science Council approve changes to CLAS 309, CLAS 316, and CLAS 380.	
Bott/Gelmini		Adopted
Motion #492	That Arts and Science Council approve changes to CLAS 101, PHIL 201, PHIL 240, PHIL 248, PHIL 333, PHIL 370, and PHIL 383.	
Bott/Gelmini		Adopted
Motion #493	That Arts and Science Council approve changes to CHEM 410.	

Bott/Gelmini Adopted
Motion #494 That Arts and Science Council approve changes to SOCI 318 and SOCI 326.
 Bott/Gelmini Adopted
Motion #495 That Arts and Science Council approve changes to SOCI 215 and SOCI 333.
 Bott/Gelmini Adopted

- **Revised Programs of Study**

Motion #496 That Arts and Science Council approve changes to the following programs of study:

Anthropology Major	Philosophy Major
Anthropology Minor	Political Science Major
Anthropology Honours	Political Science Minor
Classics Minor	Political Science Honours
Economics Major	Sociology Major
Economics Honours	Sociology Honours
English Honours	Accounting Minor for Arts and Science
Film Minor	Digital Experience Design Minor for Arts and Science

Bott/Gelmini Adopted

- No discussion on curricular items.

b. Performance Review Criteria Approval

Motion #497 To approve the Faculty of Arts and Science Performance Review Criteria as presented.

Martin/Minaker adopted

- Members had an opportunity to provide feedback, none was received.
- The table has been removed. This process is now more a conversation or dialogue. Therefore, the format of the criteria was updated. Having a table would create a check list, but the intent was to encourage a conversation, or faculty driven narrative.

III. Items for Information:

a. GFC Update

- At the last meeting, GFC endorsed the new strategic measures dashboard, which will be brought to the Board for approval. It tracks progress related to the Investment Management Agreement.
- Digital Design and Bridge to Nursing programs were approved, a number of policies approved and rescinded.
- This was Kim Harcombe's last meeting as Vice-Chair, and a new Vice-Chair from FFAC was appointed.

b. Draft Faculty Council meeting dates for 2023-24

- As discussed at the Executive Committee, in-term Faculty Council meetings are scheduled a little earlier, from 2-4pm. It is not always as easy as it seems to find dates that do not conflict with other meetings.
- August 31 will be the first meeting; April was squeezed in between classes and exams. Some will conflict with classes, but it is impossible to avoid all conflicts.
- Modality was discussed at length at Executive Committee and the membership is divided on preferences.
- It was raised that Executive Committee might want to consider doing another survey.
- Participation is higher at in-person meetings, even if more members might be logged in for online meetings.

c. Reports from Dean's Representatives to other Faculty/School Councils

- Reports were presented in the meeting materials.
- School of Business is developing a minor in cybersecurity. This will become an interdisciplinary minor, and Computer Science will be included.

IV. Items for Discussion:

a. BSc Action Plan

- The draft BSc Action plan was recently added to the meeting materials and is available to faculty members.
- A summary of the report was presented. The Action Plan outlines identified tasks and responsible parties.
- The report will be presented for approval at the August 31 Faculty Council meeting.

V. Other Business

- N/A

VI. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 2:16 p.m.