

# **Arts and Science Faculty Council**

## **Minutes of Council**

Meeting #: 59

Date: August 29, 2024

Time: 10:00 a.m.

Location: 9-323 (Kule Theatre)

FC.20240829.1 - 8 Motion #s:

#### **Present:**

Schalomon, M

(Chair)

Cartledge, S (Vice-

Chair)

Bruins-Smith, T (Secretary)

Cott, A (Secretary)

Abbas, N Alam, R Amundson, L

Anton, C Anton, Cr Augustyn, C

Bailey, C Beltaos-Kerr, E Bereska, T

Bernstein, N

Bica, I

Botero-Ramirez, A

Bourrie, B Bowles, V Boyd, B

Brisbois, M Carroll, M Christensen-Dalsgaard, K

Cobzas, D Colonescu, C

Copland, S

Corrigall, K Davies, K

Davis, J Digweed, S

Einarsson, R El-Hajj, M

Elliot, C Elmorsy, M

Elsaadany, M Epp, M

Falconer, R Farvolden, P Fedoruk, J

Ferede, E Firoozjaei, M

Flaherty, L Fong, J Forth, A

Furlong, C Gelmini, L

Giacomin, M Gibbs, M

Gonzoles-Lucena, F

Guest, R Gulayets, M Hackett, E Half, J Hamilton, T Hannan, S

Harcombe, K Hassall, C

Hatherly, C Hayman, S

Hira-Friesen, P Hollingshead, D

Hu, R Hunter, H

Indratmo Intungane, D

Islam, S Ivanescu, C Jarick, M

Judge, K Kenney, J Kim, C

Krasotkina, A Krys, S

Lee, R Lemieux, S

Li, Y Llano, J Locky, J

Lorimer, S Malloy, N Martin, D McKeown, N Mensah, C

Miller, J Mills, S Moscicki, M Murphy, G

Nelund, A

Ndulue, C Overend, A

Pang, C Papin, M Penney, A

Peters, J Prince, P

Puplampu, K Qorbani, S

Ramsey, C Rezanejad, H Rezania, V

Ruiz-Serrano, C

Saleh, H Schmaltz, R

Ross, M

Schultz, W Semenya, S Shaw, R Skelhorne, A

Skye, A Speake, S Stepnisky, J Striemer, C

Strungaru, N Summers, K Swanston, T Symbaluk, D

Tessier, A Thiessen, D

Tcaciuc, A

Thurairajah, K	Wolansky, M	Friesen, K	Ex Officiis and
Ting, Z	Woywitka, R	Jung, S	Delegates
Toth, J	Yakovenko, S	Lipes, R	Chapardar, H
Towle-Straub, K	Zaidi, H	Milner, K	Green, J
Van der Marel, C		Mugo, S	Monk, C
Watson, D	Other - Voting	Skeffington, J	O'Shea, J
Whiting, A	Berezowsky, S		Reisdorfer, E
Wiznura, R	Coulthard, R		

## **Public Members**

Champoux, G (CTL)
Crouse, N (SCE)
Dyer, C (CTL)
Kruger, B (Provost's Office)
Powell, R (PSYC)
Soper, R (OCM)

## **Regrets**

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Anderson, N	Hills, M	McKenzie, H	Rogers, S
Beauclair, A	Holland, K	Mewhort, R	Rollings-
Blatz, C	Honey, L	Minaker, J	Magnusson, S
Biittner, K	Johnson, B	Offrey, L	Seredycz, M
Bott, T	Korpesho, E	Panjvani, C	Witherell, R
Bratt, S	Legge, E	Patterson, A	Zadorozhna, N
Buryak, S	Lorkovic, E	Peace, K	Zutter, C
Davis, M	Martin, L	Perschon, M	
Dawson, L	McFayden, D	Pope, A	

**Move into Session:** The meeting was called to order by Melike Schalomon at 10:02 a.m.

# I. Adoption of Agenda

**Motion #FC.20240829.1** To approve the agenda and consent items.

- Faculty Council Minutes of June 7, 2024.
- Executive Committee Minutes from May 23, 2024

Wiznura/Skye Adopted

## II. Reports:

- a. Academic Affairs Update (Dr. Craig Monk)
  - Breanna Kruger is the new Communications Coordinator in the Provost's Office.

- Construction on the Business Building is continuing. The instructional space in the building will not be exclusive for the School of Business.
- Goals:
  - The next Collective Agreement will take us to the occupation of the new building and near the end of the Strategic Plan.
  - A new structure for Student Affairs is being implemented. Student
    Affairs has grown faster than any other area and, going forward, will
    have two areas: Student experience and development (includes
    advising, retention, exam services, and career development) and
    student support and accountability (includes counseling, and academic
    integrity). The goal is to expand advising, recruitment, and retention
    efforts.
  - Christy Raymond, Dean, Faculty of Nursing is Vice-Provost this year. The focus will be on immersive learning and using new technology to support learning in Nursing.
  - Terri Cardinal is the new AVP Indigenous Initiatives and Engagement.
     One aspect of the Strategic Vision is to honour our place in O-day'min.
     One goal is to expand the kihêw waciston cross-appointment hiring, as well as expanding counseling services and targeted scholarships and awards to measure supports that go to Indigenous and equity-deserving students.
  - The 5<sup>th</sup> Canada Research Chair search is ongoing, and eventually, we will seek a 6<sup>th</sup>. The planning and prioritization of this process is an academic decision, and discussions with GFC are essential.
  - Overseeing the progress towards the metrics that measure Teaching Greatness: The Provost's Office is working to operationalize the processes to support accurate reporting.
- Question period not minuted

## b. Dean's Report

- Stefan Cartledge is this year's Vice-Chair of Faculty Council.
- Strategic goals will be discussed in more detail at Department Councils.
  - Completing and consolidating the curricular development that started last year. Ongoing work on creating consistency in the relationship between contact and instructional hours and number of course credits.
  - Building further capacity for experiential learning
  - Consultations have started regarding space and the Faculty's growth plans. A Science Lab expansion project is commencing in the Fall.
     Proposals are expected to go to Executive Council in the new year.
  - Student recruitment: There is good uptake for the BSc, however space is a constraint. For the BA, applications have stagnated. Discussions have started to generate information that recruiters can access regarding the benefits of a BA at MacEwan, which could also be used at Open House.
- The Dean has applied for reappointment, and the reappointment committee has been struck. A decision is anticipated during the Fall term.
- Hiring efforts continue and requests for this year have been submitted. This
  year we are excited to welcome alumni to our faculty complement.

Question period not minuted

### III. Items for Action:

a. Ratification of common External Tenure and Promotion Committee members

Motion #FC.20240829.2 That Arts and Science Faculty Council approve the following common external members and alternates to serve on Tenure and Promotion Committees, for the 2024-2025 academic year:

	External Member	Alternate
Humanities	Bill Thompson	Michael Carroll
	Associate Professor, English	Professor, History
Natural Sciences	Rui Hu	Chris Striemer
	Associate Professor, Mathematics	Professor, Psychology
	and Statistics	
Social Sciences	Ergete Ferede	Alissa Overend
	Professor, Economics	Associate Professor, Sociology

Tcaciuc/Martin D

**Adopted** 

N/A

### b. Curricular Items - MCS

MCS - Psychology

Motion #FC.20240829.3 That Arts and Science Faculty Council approve PSYC 381.

Skye/Striemer

Adopted

N/A

Motion #FC.20240829.4 That Arts and Science Faculty Council approve changes to PABA 487.

Skye/Jung

Adopted

N/A

**Motion #FC.20240829.5** That Arts and Science Faculty Council approve PABA 488, PABA 496, and PABA 497.

Skye/Corrigall

**Adopted** 

N/A

c. Curricular Items - Programs of Study

**Motion #FC.20240829.6** That Arts and Science Faculty Council approve the Environmental Sciences Major.

Rezania/Mugo

**Adopted** 

N/A

**Motion #FC.20240829.7** That Arts and Science Faculty Council approve the Post Baccalaureate Certificate in Behaviour Analysis.

Skye/Mugo

**Adopted** 

 Offering a post-baccalaureate certificate is permissible. Post-diploma certificates exist in other Faculties. These programs offer upgrading in specific disciplinary areas for additional skills needed for specific job opportunities.
 There is demand, and other institutions offer them.

- Certificate recipients will walk the stage to receive the certificate just like the BA/BSc graduates.
- The certificate is housed in Arts and Science because it is connected to Psychology. The Behaviour Analysis program was previously attached to Continuing Education, but courses were offered by faculty members in the Department of Psychology and the PABA curriculum was determined by the Psychology Department
- This will allow easier access for Psychology students. The program results in a credential, continuing education does not offer credit programs. While programs like this might be offered through extension Faculties elsewhere, the MacEwan structure is not set up that way.

## d. Psychology Department Council ToR

**Motion #FC.20240829.8** That Arts and Science Faculty Council approve the revised Terms of Reference for the Psychology Department Council.

Skye/Schmaltz Adopted

 As a Department with labs, why is there no Safety Committee listed as a Standing Committee? Safety Committees report to Health, Safety, and the Environment. The Department does have a safety committee, but it is outside the legislative governance structure.

#### IV. Items for Information

- a. 2024-25 Academic Staff List
  - As presented. Please advise if there are any errors.
- b. 2024-25 Committee Membership Lists
  - As presented
- V. Other Business
  - N/A
- VI. Adjournment The meeting was adjourned at 11:25 a.m.