

FACULTY OF HEALTH AND COMMUNITY STUDIES

Faculty Council

### MINUTES Monday, December 4, 2023 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm. 9-102

#### **Voting Attendees:**

Amber Dion
Anna Azulai
Anna Rissanen
Baiju P. Vareed
Brendan Cavanagh
Carolyn Parkes
Cassie Prochnau
Christine, Pope
Cynthia Puddu
Dave Kato
David Danto
Donna Barker
Etienna Moostoos-
Lafferty
Fiona Edwards-
Akunesiobike
Fiona Gironella

Frank Yeh Fred McGinn Hellen Gateri Jeff Moggach Jenny McGrath Jody Marshall John Haney John Valentine Kelsey Reed Kris Wells Lee Makovichuk Lisa Paniak Lun Li Maria Di Stasio Matthew Halton Natalia Rohatyn-Martin

Nicole Patrie Noah Kenneally Ozlem Cankaya Paul Chahal Rebecca Stiller Rhonda Fischer Robin Murray Roseleen John Stewart Callioux Tim Williams

#### Non-Voting Attendees:

Christina Burrows (recording) Maria Candeias Brandi Pawliuk Dallin Wynnychuk Regrets: Danielle Larocque Darren Tellier Doug Johnson Erin Gray Faye Hamilton Hongmei Tong – On leave Kealey Dube Melissa Merrigan Nancy Thomas Valerie Ouedraogo – On leave

#### Absent:

Tara Winsor Jiu-Lin Wang Gerard Bellefeuille Ann Basualdo John Corlett Tatum Albert Call to order at 3:00 pm.

# **1.0** Welcome and Introductions

Welcome and Introductions were made.

# 2.0 Update – Office of Research Services – Dana Chamot, Research Grants and Development Officer

Dana Chamot shared a PowerPoint entitled Research Mythbusters. The presentation covered Myths and Realities from the Office of Research.

The Last Brown Bag session, Managing Different Parts of Research – Managing Student Mentorship for Research, is scheduled for December 7. These sessions are online.

A newsletter from the office will include information regarding funding for summer students.

# 3.0 Centre for Teaching and Learning Highlights – Fernanda Santos and Geneve Champoux, Educational Developers Centre for Teaching and Learning

Fernanda and Geneve shared a PowerPoint highlighting how the Centre for Teaching and Learning provides leadership, guidance, and support, which include:

- Pedagogical Practices
- Scholarship of Teaching and Learning
- Building Communities
- Design high-impact courses
- Foster and exceptional digital learning environments

You can contact the center at <u>teaching@macewan.ca</u> for any inquiries.

# 4.0 Approval of the Agenda/Consent Agenda

The following items were approved:

- **4.1** October 16, 2023 Minutes
- **4.2** Subject Code Creation CYJU
- **4.3** Subject Code Creation PSJS

After discussion, the following motion was adopted.

# FHCSFC-01-12-04-2023

Moved by Kelsey Reed/Kris Wells to accept the Agenda/Consent Agenda as presented

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## 5.0 Program and Curriculum Approval Matrix

The Program and Curriculum Committee has developed a new Approval Matrix. The matrix will outline the approval process, including approvals made at all Governance levels and where it continues at higher levels if needed.

After discussion, the following motion was adopted.

### FHCSFC-02-12-04-2023

#### 6.0 Program and Curriculum Committee Terms of Reference

Minor changes were made to the Program and Curriculum Committee Terms of Reference. Changes included the Chair model, committee responsibilities, and cleaning up of the language.

After discussion, the following motion was adopted.

#### FHCSFC-03-12-04-2023

# Moved by Kelsey Reed/Baiju P. Vareed that the Health and Community Studies Faculty Council approve the revised Terms of Reference for the Faculty of Health and Community Studies Program and Curriculum Committee.

#### 7.0 Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion Committee Update

Twenty participants attended the EDI Workshop on November 6. A survey reported the workshop was well received, with 86% of participants rating the event as excellent or good. More events will be scheduled, including participation in Pride Week.

#### 8.0 Committee on Scholarly Activity Committee Update

Brown bag sessions continue. An email went out today with the details of the December event. January's event will be cohosted with kihêw waciston.

A faculty survey will be coming out soon to learn about faculty research projects. A Research Symposium is in the early planning stages. The Office of Research is applying to host an EXPO Conference for 2025. The Research Symposium is thought to be the launching pad of the larger EXPO Conference.

Supplementary funds will be available again this year. Details on the application process are expected soon.

#### 9.0 Centre for Sexual and Gender Diversity

Jessica Scalzo has been busy with classroom presentations. The center is here to provide support to classroom instruction and activities. Contact the office to book Jessica for the winter semester.

Pride Week is being planned. Student involvement is encouraged, and a premade rubric is available to issue credit. Contact the center for information.

The Centre for Sexual and Gender Diversity Holiday Open House is scheduled for December 7 at 4:00 pm.

The speaker series Queer Horizons continues with Reverand Michael Coran being the next guest. Information regarding this and other initiatives can be found on the website.

# **10.0 Department Council Updates**

## **10.1 Allied Health and Human Performance**

No update was given.

#### 10.2 Child and Youth Care

Christine Pope received an extension of probation, and Kelsey Reed received tenure.

This is the first year of changes in the new program of study. There are positives in the changes and some areas that require more attention.

Donna Barker has been busy organizing first-year and fourth-year practicums. She is also updating and streamlining curriculum documents and evaluation tools to align with the new program of study.

Acknowledgment was given to the CYC Faculty – for the program's creative, innovative, and relational teaching. Our team exemplifies CYC practice in the classroom.

Christine Pope and Jenny McGrath presented at an international CYC conference in Dublin and attended a global leadership retreat.

Three fourth-year students also presented at the conference. They were excellent representatives of both CYC and MacEwan. All received USRI funding.

On November 29, 2023, third- and fourth-year students participated in a public showcase that featured research completed in two classes taught by Dr. Gerard Bellefeuille.

The hiring committee will soon meet to shortlist candidates for the faculty posting.

One of the CYC students received the CYCAA (Provincial Association) scholarship.

### 10.3 Human Services and Early Learning

Lee Makovichuk, Ozlem Cankaya, and Maria DiStasio have all obtained their tenure. Noah Kenneally and Rhonda Fischer have obtained their Extension of Probation.

Ann Basauldo, Professional Resource Faculty, has placed over 100 students between the Educational Assistant and Bachelor of Early Childhood Curriculum Studies programs.

The hiring for the new Faculty member in the Bachelor of Applied Human Services shortlisting meeting has been made.

## 10.4 Public Safety and Justice Studies

Stewart Callioux has obtained his Extension of Probation.

The proposed degree, Bachelor of Public Safety and Justice Studies, received feedback from external Deans.

Student feedback suggests that 52% of students would enroll in the degree.

The Dean's Council has endorsed the Cybersecurity minor and will go for approval at the General Faculties Council in April. The minor should be available for enrollment by Fall 2025.

#### 10.5 School of Social Work

Kealey Dube has obtained her Extension of Probation.

Anna Azulai has been approved for Sabbatical Leave for July 2024.

The Field Education Facilitator is currently being advertised.

Faculty were involved in several workshops, which included Immersion to Indigenous Wellness, Amber Dion, Regugee Youths Mental Health and Migration, Fiona Edwards-Akunesiobike and Hellen Gateri, Navigatin Identities: Understanding the Impact of Time, Space and Community on Immigrants in Canada, Baiju P. Vareed, Canadian Association on Gerontology and Gerontological Society of America, Lun Li.

# 11.0 Standing Items

#### 11.1 Budget

As at the end of October (November results are not yet available), the faculty is still trending with favorable variances in its most significant expenditure categories:

Salaries and benefits, Materials and supplies, and Services and Professional Fees. Revenue from contract programs is trending higher than budgeted, with contracts signed with Edmonton Catholic Schools and Northland School Division to provide dual credit programming.

#### 11.2 Dean's Report

Position updates: Ads are up for Tenure Track appointments in Child and Youth Care, Human Services, and Early Learning.

The social Work posting is up for the Field Education Facilitator.

We have successfully searched for an Associate Dean: Dr. Matthew LaGrone is due to start January 1.

The Faculty Governance Coordinator position shared with Nursing is in the final stages of extending an offer. Hopefully, it will be staffed in a few weeks.

Lab Coordinator: The offer has been extended

One administrative III position has been reposted.

## 12.0 Life Kits

Thanks were given to Cynthia Puddu's students from the Social Determinants of Health course, who collected donations. There are enough hygiene materials to add to 50 backpacks. Sleeping bags have been purchased. Donations will be accepted until Friday, December 8, when the life kits will be assembled. Pizza lunch will be provided to the volunteers, and at 1 pm, Boyle Street will provide a presentation followed by assembly of the Life Kits.

The meeting adjourned at 4:20 pm.