1. Approval of the agenda

**MOTION** to approve the May 10, 2016 Faculty Council agenda.

**FFACFC-01-05-10-2016**
Moved by Scott Spidell, seconded by Carole Charette.

**MOTION CARRIED**

2. Approval of April 6, 2016 Faculty Council minutes

**MOTION** to approve the April 6, 2016 Faculty Council minutes.

**FFACFC-02-05-10-2016**
Moved by Tom Van Seters, seconded by Rose Clancy.

**MOTION CARRIED**

3. Review of May 2, 2016 Executive Committee draft minutes

There was no discussion.

4. Chair’s update

Denise congratulated Constanza Pacher and Ray Baril, who were recipients of Distinguished Teaching awards. Theatre Arts graduate David Cormican will be recognized at convocation and John Taylor,
retiring Music sessional faculty member, will be Mace Barrer. Two FFAC students had successful applications for the Medal of Excellence and two students were nominated for a President's Medal, but the winners have not yet been announced. A faculty member from Arts and Cultural Management will be recognized as Distinguished Proctor. Denise also recognized all the recipients who will be receiving long-service awards at this afternoon’s BBQ.

There have been increased communication activities around the new building. We recently had a town hall, and more will be scheduled for the fall. The architects and other consultants have begun a series of meetings with the program areas to ensure that they review and understand the spaces they will be using, and program chairs will be meeting soon to discuss office allocations. An application for a federal infrastructure grant was submitted to request funding that would permit the School of Business to move into the shelled-in fifth floor. It is unclear at this point how this plan would play out if the funding is not granted.

The proposal for the Bachelor of Design passed AGC and will be submitted to the Provincial government soon to begin the external approval process. Convocation will be on June 22, and Denise encouraged faculty to attend. A workshop will be held on June 9 about preparing annual reports. Annual reports are due September 15.

5. Department updates

Art and Design
- The portfolio show was a success
- Constanza Pacher won a Distinguished Teaching Award
- The Bachelor of Design degree proposal passed AGC

Arts and Cultural Management
- Rose Ginther and Annetta Latham will be attending Great Teachers
- Approved for a STEP student

Communication
- Brian Gorman was appointed Associate Professor effective July 1
- In the process of finalizing the hire of a new full-time Journalism faculty member
- Riyah Lakhani won second place in the Written Word category of the Emerge Media Awards
- Kathryn Adachi won a Sir Winston Churchill Society Journalism Scholarship

Music
- Ray Baril won a Distinguished Teaching Award
- Music grads and faculty will be playing in West Side Story at the Citadel Theatre
- The student performances that toured Calgary, Lethbridge, Medicine Hat, Saskatoon and Edmonton were well-received

Theatre
- Jim Guedo was promoted to associate professor
- Approved for a STEP student, who will also serve on the
Faculty Council next year

- Theatre Arts alumni will be featured in the performance of HAIR at the Mayfield Dinner Theatre
- Alumni will be featured in the production of West Side Story at the Citadel Theatre
- Jim Guedo will be directing Love’s Labours Lost for the 2016 Freewill Shakespeare Festival
- Two students won IATSE scholarships

6. AGC update

Rose Ginther gave a brief report on AGC.

**Key updates**

- The Bachelor of Design proposal and admission criteria, including the revision of the diploma requirements from the current 90 credits to 60 credits, was approved
- The 2016/17 to 2018/19 Comprehensive Institutional Plan was recommended to the Board of Governors for approval
- AGC endorsed the Indigenous Initiatives Principles and supported the creation of an Indigenous Advisory Council. Faculty were encouraged to apply if positions become available on this Council

To read full reports, please visit the AGC Website.

7. New business

7.1 MacEwan International Presentation

-Kimberley Howard

Kimberley Howard gave an overview of the role of MacEwan International, and what services it can provide to faculty and students.

**Presentation highlights**

- The mandate of MacEwan International is to develop and implement MacEwan’s internationalization strategy in alignment with the Integrated Strategic Plan and with the advice of the MacEwan Committee on Internationalization
- International students are defined as students who pay international tuition and fees—some students, such as exchange, refugee, and new Canadian students, may present as International students, but do not pay international fees
- 2% or 17 International students are from FFAC
- MacEwan International encourages international partnerships, and currently has partnerships in Ukraine, Ecuador, UK, Japan, Netherlands, England and Finland
- MacEwan International provides useful resources for faculty that can help establish partnerships, develops education abroad activities, and offers professional development educational activities through CAFÉ

**During the presentation, the following questions arose:**

- Are the exchanges between institutions or between programs?
  - MacEwan International prefers to sign institutional agreements, though sometimes the agreement is with a specific program
- Are your agreements particular to Bachelor degrees?
Faculty were encouraged to bring forward possible international collaborations to MacEwan International, after having it cleared with the Chair and the Dean. If the program is supportive, MacEwan International can facilitate and say what partners have opportunities. Faculty can speak with Rey Rosales if they have ideas or questions.

7.2 Committee elections

Denise thanked faculty members who have finished their committee terms.

7.2.1 Curriculum Committee election of members-at-large

Nominations were received from Darci Mallon and Jim Head. Scott Spidell put his name forward from the floor.

MOTION to close nominations for the Curriculum Committee member-at-large vacancies.

FFACFC-03-05-10-2016
Moved by Rose Ginther, seconded by Ray Baril.

MOTION CARRIED

Jim Head, Darci Mallon and Scott Spidell won by acclamation.

7.2.2 Research Committee election of members-at-large

Nominations were received from Melissa Cuerrier, Sony Raj, Leslie Sharpe and Tom Van Seters. Each nominee gave a short speech on why he or she would like to be elected.

MOTION to close nominations for the Research Committee member-at-large vacancies.

FFACFC-04-05-10-2016
Moved by Carole Charette, seconded by Jim Head.

MOTION CARRIED

Leslie Sharpe, Sony Raj and Tom Van Seters won the election.

MOTION to destroy the ballots by May 13, 2017.

FFACFC-05-05-10-2016
Moved by Melissa Cuerrier, seconded by Bill Richards.

MOTION CARRIED

7.3 Marketing Task Force update – Melissa Cuerrier and Rose Ginther

There are planned promotion and recruitment activities for the new building, which include identifying marketing principles for each program to guide each program with consistent messaging.

7.4 New campus committee overview and terms of reference – Rey Rosales

Rey provided an overview of the new building planning committees and demonstrated how the Steering Committee, PCCM group, New Campus Consultation groups, Project Manager, and faculty and staff
are working together to drive this project.

7.5 Bylaw revisions –Executive Committee

MOTION to recommend the revised Faculty Council Bylaws to AGC, effective for the 2016-17 academic year.

FFACFC-06-05-10-2016
Moved by Bill Richards, seconded by Ray Baril.

MOTION CARRIED

7.6 Students in distress session –Rose Ginther

The Students in Distress session is scheduled for Monday, May 30 from 4 -6 p.m. in room 437 at CFAC.

8. Committee reports

8.1 Curriculum Committee –Rey Rosales

There are two remaining meetings, one on May 26 and June 20. The June meeting will be the final meeting to approve 2017-18 changes to MCS and POS.

8.2 Faculty Development, Research, and Sabbatical Committee –Rey Rosales

The Committee will be meeting once more this year to finalize the call for funding for next academic year.

8.3 Visiting Scholar and Artist Committee –Rey Rosales

The deadline for nominations is Friday, May 13.

9. Open discussion and future agenda items

The following questions were raised:

- Are there any updates on the capital campaign?
  - There appears to be more activity around this campaign in the last few weeks, including tours through the new building. There has been some success with raising funds and the capital campaign will be moving into the public phase shortly

- Has the South Campus been sold?
  - There is a serious buyer for the South Campus. The closing date has been extended, with final documents expected to be signed off soon.

10. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m.