1.0 Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 4:30 pm., as quorum had been met.

The meeting started with a 2 ½ minute video by Heather Molzan on the move from South Campus (the video was later shown to AGC).

2.0 Agenda/Consent Agenda

SOBC-01-04-23-2014

MOTION: Moved by Tom Carter, and seconded by Chris Hancock that School of Business Council approve the Agenda that was presented, as well as the Consent Agenda, which includes the Minutes for the School Council meeting of February 5, 2014, as well as motions for Business Program and Curriculum Committee, updates from Faculty Development/Sabbatical Leave and the Academic Title Committee plus the Academic Governance Council update.

The Chair proposed moving item 6.1 to the Consent Agenda as the vacant positions for Vice Chair, members of Executive Committee and Business Programs and Curriculum Committee had been filled for each position posted. As a result, no election would be required.

SOBC-02-04-23-2014

MOTION: Moved by Bob Graves and seconded by Noufou Ouedraogo that the Consent Agenda be amended by adding item 6.1. CARRIED

SOBC-03-04-23-2014

MOTION: Moved by Teresa Costouros and seconded by Bob Graves that the Agenda/Consent Agenda be approved as amended. CARRIED
3.0 Announcements

3.1 Odette Pinto invited all faculty to attend the meeting of the BRIEF planning committee on April 30. BRIEF, which stands for Business Research Information Exchange Forum, is a series of seminars for faculty working on applied research with businesses in Edmonton and surrounding areas. The next seminar is planned for Nov. 21 with the topic of corporate social responsibility. Odette would like to see faculty provide input and consider collaboration. If faculty have any questions about BRIEF they were asked to contact Odette by email.

3.2 Chris Hancock informed faculty that the draft Integrated Strategic Plan was to be going the next day to a joint meeting of AGC and the Board of Governors. It would then go to AGC on April 29. If faculty members had feedback, they were to provide it in the next few days through their SOB members of AGC - Chris, Teresa Costouros, Mohammad Hossain and Norene James.

3.3 Chris Hancock also mentioned the Faculty Association Annual general meeting would be on May 7.

3.4 Michael Roberts advised that he would be hosting the Canada-Asia Energy Technology & Services Forum on April 28 & 29. There was an impressive line-up of speakers on 3 panels. There was still room to register manually on the website.

4.0 Dean’s Update
• The Chair noted that the Allard Chair Luncheon was a success and that Dave Mowat plans to be back in the fall to do further activities.
• The Chair also mentioned that the SOB had a very successful Student Business Conference and that good feedback was received.
• The Chair thanked the Vice Chair, Evandro Bocatto for his service, as well as the other departing members of Executive Committee - Lyle Benson, Tom Carter, Bob Graves and Albena Pergelova. The Chair welcomed Chris Hancock as the new Vice Chair, as well as the other new members - Teresa Costouros, Sherif Elbarrad, Darlene Lowe and Michael Roberts.
• The Chair thanked Raina Rudko for returning to serve on the BPCC Committee and welcomed the new members - Stephanie Ibach and Dal Pirot. The Chair also thanked the members who were to complete their terms on June 30 - Noufou Ouedraogo and Lorrie Adams.
• At the University level, Randy Jenne was elected to the Academic Governance Council Information and Technology Management
Committee. Tom Carter and Ali Taleb were elected as the School of Business representatives to AGC.

5.0 School Reorganization (Evandro Bocatto, Vice Chair)

The Vice Chair took over the Chair position so the Dean could participate in the discussion.

The Dean discussed the reorganization of the School of Business, which had begun two years ago. The BCom program had been reorganized into four departments, but at that time there had been no consensus to move forward with reorganization of the diploma/certificate programs. Now, with the University’s Integrated Strategic Plan soon to be in place, the launch of the Faculty of Continuing Education, the announcement of the School of Business Vision and Mission and the consolidation of South Campus faculty at City Centre Campus, it seemed like a good time to revisit the matter.

The Dean said that she envisioned reorganizing the School into discipline-based departments. The Dean indicated she was looking for an advisory committee to review and provide feedback on proposals for reorganization.

A robust discussion ensued and the following motions were put forward by members of School Council:

SOBC-04-04-23-2014

MAIN MOTION:
Moved by Bob Graves and seconded by Chris Hancock that in relation to School Reorganization:
School of Business Council should establish an ad hoc committee to provide a recommendation to School Council at the fall meeting.

The following composition was proposed:
- The Dean
- One faculty member from the Business Management program
- One faculty member from the Accounting program
- Two faculty members from additional career programs
- Four Bachelor of Commerce faculty members
There was further discussion and the following amendments were proposed:

SOBC-05-04-23-2014

MOTION TO AMEND THE MAIN MOTION:

It was moved by Mike Henry and seconded by Muhammad Hossain that the Main Motion be amended as follows:

- delete “to provide a recommendation to School Council at the Fall meeting” and replace it with “provide advice to the Dean”
- add “one from each department” after “Four Bachelor of Commerce faculty members”; and
- add “Two Advisors – one degree program, one career program”

There was further discussion, and an amendment to the amendment was proposed as follows:

SOBC-06-04-23-2014

MOTION TO AMEND THE AMENDMENT:

It was moved by Travis Huckell and seconded by Gordon Lucyk that the Motion to Amend be considered line by line, as follows. CARRIED

- deleting “provide a recommendation to School Council at the Fall meeting” and replacing it with “provide advice to the Dean”. REJECTED

- adding “one from each department” after “Four Bachelor of Commerce faculty members”. CARRIED
- adding to the composition: “Two Advisors – one from degree program, and one from the career program.” CARRIED

SOBC-07-04-23-2014

MOTION TO AMEND THE MAIN MOTION:
Moved by Travis Huckell, seconded by Eloisa Perez, that “non-voting member” be added after “the Dean.” **CARRIED**

After more discussion, the following amendment was proposed:

**SOBC-08-04-23-2014**

**MOTION TO AMEND THE MAIN MOTION:**

Moved by Ken Sutley and seconded by Mike Henry, that the Main Motion number SOBC-04-04-23-2014, be amended by deleting “to provide a recommendation to School Council at the Fall meeting” and replacing it with: “to work with the Dean to design a discipline-based department structure for the School of Business. The Dean will present the design to School Council for approval at its Fall meeting.”

As a result, the first paragraph of the Main Motion would read:

School of Business Council will establish *an ad hoc* committee to work with the Dean to design a discipline-based department structure for the School of Business. The Dean will present the design to School Council for approval at its Fall meeting.

**MAIN MOTION:**

The final wording of the main motion reads as follows:

School of Business Council will establish *an ad hoc* committee to work with the Dean to design a discipline-based department structure for the School of Business. The Dean will present the design to School Council for approval at its Fall meeting.

That committee is composed of:

i) Dean (non-voting)

ii) One faculty member from Business Management program

iii) One faculty member from Accounting program

iv) Two faculty members from additional career programs
v) Four Bachelor of Commerce faculty members (one from each department)

vi) Two advisors, one degree, one career program

   CARRIED

6.0 SOBC Committee Reports - Included in the Consent Agenda.

7.0 Old Business – No old items were raised

8.0 New Business – No new items were raised

9.0 Question/Period/Open Discussion – No questions were asked.

10.0 Future Agenda Item – No future agenda items were proposed.

11.0 Next Meeting - TBD

SOBC-09-04-23-2014

12.0 Adjournment (6:05 p.m.)

   Adjournment was moved by Ali Taleb.  CARRIED

Minutes taken by D. Tymchuk