

Minutes of the meeting of the Arts Faculty Council
Held November 8, 2016 in room 104 Clark Hall

PRESENT: K. Bessant; P. Bondy; D. Combet; K. DeForest; R. Gasse; Heather Gillander; A. Hanemaayer; P. Harms; R. Hinthier; E. Holland; D. Lakevold; M. Malainey; M. Malazdrewicz; S. Petrella; D. Racine; L. Robson; M. Serfaty; K. Winzowski; L. Wood; L. Xu; L. Davidson (BUSU); C. Simonot (Music); D. Tryphonopoulos (Chair); L. Murray (recorder).

REGRETS: A. Marshall; S. Medd; J. Naylor; K. Noll.

1.0 Approval of the Agenda

MOTION: (Petrella/Gasse) – That the Agenda be approved.

CARRIED.

2.0 Approval of the Minutes

MOTION: (Serfaty/Holland) – THAT the Minutes be approved with minor changes as discussed.

CARRIED.

3.0 Recognition

Welcome to Prof. N. Simonot from Music and to our student rep.

4.0 Chairs Report

The Dean circulated Dr. Jonathan Alan's book. A celebration to recognize the many outstanding scholars in the Faculty of Arts is happening November 18th at 4:30 p.m. in the Library Gathering Space following the Arts Speaker's Series and just before Deanna Smid's play.

Our enrolment numbers as of November 1 are up 9.1%. This is against the trend across the country; most Arts Faculties have seen decreases. Overall increase at BU is 4.9%.

5.0 Course/Calendar Changes

MOTION: (Malainey/Holland) – THAT the course changes in Anthropology be approved.

CARRIED.

MOTION: (Malainey/Holland) – THAT the combined Honours proposal be approved.

Dr. Gasse commented that most Departments now have the combined honours. Gillander mentioned that Business has several double-majors and have reduced their requirements to make this possible.

CARRIED.

MOTION: (Gillander/Behme) – THAT the adoption of the calendar changes in Business Administration as circulated be approved and THAT the cross listing of 16:170 Introduction to Information Technology between Business and Math be deleted.

CARRIED.

MOTION: (Robson/Gasse) – THAT the English and Creative Writing changes be approved.

CARRIED.

MOTION: (Xu/DeForest) – THAT all Visual Arts changes be approved and, THAT the new Minor option also be included in calendar.

CARRIED.

MOTION: (Gasse/Petrella) – THAT the G&WS changes be approved.

CARRIED.

Dr. Malainey noted that a notation was made that attendance in class is required. Dr. Gasse explained that it is directly tied to participation marks.

CARRIED.

MOTION: (Harms/Behme) – THAT the History changes be approved as circulated.

CARRIED.

MOTION: (Combet/Petrella) – THAT the Languages changes be approved.

Dr. Combet thanked Dr. Bouliane for her hard work in preparing the documents. The Department did not previously have a 4-year minor and wish to offer that to students. Dr. Gasse noted that the minor is a little artificial as there is no real need for a 4-year Major in any area to take a 4-year minor.

CARRIED.

MOTION: (Simonot/Gasse) – THAT the changes brought forth by Music and cross-listed in Arts be approved.

CARRIED.

MOTION; (Serfaty/Behme) – THAT the changes put forth by Political Science be approved.

CARRIED.

A full list of the changes is attached.

Dr. Tryphonopoulos read an email from Dr. Marshall noting that the Academic Dishonesty policy number should be current in all course outlines. The Calendar notation was outdated on the Arts webpage and has been corrected.

MOTION: (Petrella/Hanemaayer) – THAT the course description for 90:271 Sociology of Health, Illness, and Disease be approved, and THAT the Cultural Diversity and Equity Studies Stream changes be approved.

CARRIED.

5.2 Cultural Diversity and Equity Studies Stream Proposal changes
Dealt with in above motion.

5.3 Valid Program Combinations Proposal

MOTION: (Malazdrewicz/Behme) – THAT the Program Combinations Proposal be approved.

There was discussion regarding the 4-year combined honours not being mentioned, problems with the 3-year double major and double minors. Dr. Tryphonopoulos thought perhaps Ms McDaniel should review the proposal and consult certain people in Arts. **Dr. Gasse made a friendly motion to table.**

CARRIED.

6.0 Business Arising from the Minutes
None.

7.0 On November 18th, Dr. Patrick Bondy, will be the speaker for the Arts Speakers' Series. Dr. Serfaty noted that on November 22nd Dr. Andy Night from the University of Alberta will give a talk on female suicide bombers, in the Louis Riel Room at 7:00 p.m.

Dr. Gasse asked for confirmation on the status of the Study Week proposal. Dr. Tryphonopoulos does not have the approved minutes but believes it was passed by Senate. We will email AFC with the exact result.

Motion to adjourn at 1:20 p.m.