

**UNIVERSITY OF REGINA
FACULTY COUNCIL OF ARTS
MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF 21 SEPTEMBER 2005**

The Faculty Council of Arts, University of Regina, met at 2:30 p.m. on Wednesday 21 September 2005 in the Fifth Floor Board Room of the Administration-Humanities Building (AH527).

PRESENT: T. Chase (Chair), E. Aito, D. Alfano, S. Alfaro, A. Ashton, K. Bell, P. Bell, P. Bisson, D. Blachford, M. Calkowski, B. Cecil, J. Conway, N. Côté, M. Çule, B. de Vlieger, P. Dorrington, S. Drury, P. Elliott, B. Fiore, D. Flood, I. Germani, T. Grande, V. Greifenhagen, H. Hadjistavropoulos, T. Hadjistavropoulos, P. Hansen, A. Hayford, M. Hurlbert, C. Ionescu, S. Johnston, D. Juschka, H. King, W. Kubik, J. Kuikman, H. Leeson, K. Leyton-Brown, C. Louis, L. Loutzenhiser, J.G. Mboudjeke, S. McCarthy, N. Meisner, P. Miller-Schroeder, R. Minic-Vidovic, J. Mulvale, F. Obrigewitsch, N. Onder, T. Ovaska, R. Petry, J. Pfeifer, T. Phenix, B. Plouffe, C. Polster, J. Praud, K. Probert, K. Rasmussen, Y. Ren, S. Rheault, C. Riegel, D. Riskedahl, N. Ruddick, J. Shami, D. Sharpe, J. Siemer, W. Smythe, E. Soifer, T. Sperlich, J. Stacul, R. Swales, B. Thraves, M. Trussler, M. Vetter, K. Wall, A. Ward, L. Wells, R. Widdis, M. Wigmore, S. Wilson, M. Zimmermann

SENATE MEMBERS: R. Krismer and L. Smandych

FROM OTHER FACULTIES: B. Misskey (Engineering), D. Nicholson (Library), B. Sterenberg (Science)

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES: M. Abrams, A. D'Autremont, T. Klassen, Q. Langer, K. Miller, L. Quick, V. Zavadskyi

REGRETS: W. Asikinack, J. Jeske, M. Jones, L. Julé, S. Juyal, J. van Eijk

VISITORS: None

1. Adoption of the Agenda

GERMANI/SMYTHE moved that the Agenda be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

2. Approval of the Minutes of 15 June 2005

CECIL/LEYTON-BROWN moved that the Minutes of the Meeting of 15 June 2005 be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

3. Business Arising from the Minutes

3.1 Task Force on Teaching Evaluation – the final report will be placed on the Arts website and will be discussed at the next Faculty Council meeting in October.

3.2 D. Peers, SSHRC (University of Calgary): visit went well. He reviewed applications by our colleagues.

4. Reports from Arts Representatives to Other Faculties

- Dr Juschka (representative to Science): construction on the addition to the Lab building continues and it has been reported that they are over-budget at this point; Transdisciplinary Conference Funds are available and there could be some collaborations worth investigating; a new CRC Tier II position (any area) is being considered.
- Dr Smythe (representative to Business Administration): the Faculty name change has been approved; curriculum review changes were completed to reflect this.
- Dr Kubik (representative to Education): restructuring has taken place and there are now 3 Associate Dean positions instead of 1; enrolment in the faculty is stable; new website launched with new logo and new tag line “Inspiring and Transforming Education”; five searches underway (4 tenure track and 1 instructor).

5. Reports from Representatives from Other Faculties

- D. Nicholson (representative from the Library): new legal resources have been added – Canadian Labour Law Library; LawSource and Index to Canadian Legal Literature.

6. Report of the Dean

- A warm welcome to all, whether returning or new. Summer, it is hoped, has been restful and productive.
- Thank you for all the notes and expressions of support – look forward to the next 2 years with trepidation – it is a demanding job – exciting times.
- Dean’s priorities: continuing to implement recommendations of Faculty Plan; recruitment and retention process; looking at areas of pressing need in the Faculty.
- Several challenges: space, academic positions, student support; particular challenges faced by our colleagues at First Nations University.
- Recruitment timelines were advanced to bring us more closely into line with other universities. Six tenure-track recruitments are under way - History, Journalism (2), Justice Studies, Political Science and Psychology, as well as three term recruitments – Economics, Geography and Religious Studies. Advance thanks to all who will be serving on recruiting committees – this is some of the most crucial work we do.
- Student Orientation was a great success – thanks to Dr King, his staff, and heads and their representatives.
- Dr Drury has been elected as a fellow of the Royal Society of Canada (FRSC). This is a great honour. The Faculty offers warm congratulations.
- Our colleagues Drs Gauthier, Diaz and Cecil have embarked on a multi-university, multi-million dollar study of land use and sustainability in the Great Sand Hills of southwest Saskatchewan.
- Drs MacLennan, Piwowar and Cecil led the National Summer Institute for Statistical and GIS Analysis of Crime and Justice Data – registrants from across the country. This will be repeated next year. There is.
- New interdisciplinary degrees in International Studies, Health Studies, and Social and Political Thought.

- More than a dozen Arts colleagues served on the editorial board of the *Encyclopedia of Saskatchewan* and many more contributed articles and materials to it. This is a 1000+ page volume which was released two weeks ago. Publisher and General Manager is Dr Gauthier (Geography/CPRC).
- The Faculty Plan (C6) recommended freeing up time for research. We hope to hold Faculty Council meetings to 90 minutes and when possible hold bi-monthly meetings.
- University has 1.3M debt from 2004-2005; this debt will be paid down in the current fiscal year while balancing the current budget. Deans have been “asked for caution” on spending, particularly with regard to carry-forward.
- Labour: UR/US still negotiating with CUPE; “very optimistic” about reaching an agreement; APT bargaining going well; URFA bargaining commenced today.
- Board of Governors has approved the 2006-2007 Operations Forecast: highlights – SK high school graduations dropped by about 2% from 2000-2003; demographic projections for 2009 and beyond show a period of substantial decline; recruitment and retention of students will become important. Arts is doing well; compliments to Harvey. We need to target Indigenous students; the University’s goal is to increase INDG student enrolment from the current 12% to 20%. Not competing with FNUC.
- Associate Dean appointments – D. Blachford, External Relations, commencing in October 2005 and L. Wells, Research & Graduate Studies, commencing in January 2006.

6.1 Faculty Changes

In addition to the ones listed on Appendix II the following were recognized:

Dr J Pfeifer, Law Foundation of Saskatchewan Chair in Police Studies

Campion: Dr D. Flood, Assistant Professor of History; Dr C. Ionescu, Assistant Professor of Philosophy; Dr A. Ward, Assistant Professor of Philosophy (Interdisciplinary); Dr T. Phenix, Assistant Professor of Psychology; Dr B. Fiore, new President of Campion and Professor of Religious Studies. Term appointments: Dr S. Bauman in English. Searches ongoing for tenure-track position in English and a term in French.

Luther: Dr R. Petry, Assistant Professor in Philosophy.

Students representatives were also acknowledged.

7. Report of the Associate Dean (Undergraduate)

- Enrolments statistics were presented.
- Co-op program update

7.1 Approval of Graduands

KING/JUSCHKA moved that the award of the Bachelor of Arts (4-year) degrees, Bachelor of Arts Honours degrees, Bachelor of Human Justice degrees, Certificates in Economics and Certificates in Indian Communication Arts be approved for the students listed, that these lists be recommended to Executive of Council and that the Dean of Arts be authorized to make any necessary last-minute additions or deletions.

CARRIED.

8. Committee Reports

8.1 Academic Program & Development Committee:

KING/LOUIS moved to: revise the major (BA and BA honours) requirements in English; revise the Concentration in Creative Writing; to delete the English Groups I-V; to create RDWT 120, RDWT 121, ENGL 213, 221, 222, 223, 312AA-ZZ, 313AA-ZZ, 314AA-ZZ, 315AA-ZZ, 354, 490, and 491; to revise ENGL 100, 110, 310AA-ZZ, 322AA-ZZ, 400AA-ZZ, 405AA-ZZ, 410AA-ZZ, 415AA-ZZ, 420AA-ZZ, 425AA-ZZ, 430AA-ZZ, 435AA-ZZ, 440AA-ZZ, 445AA-ZZ, 450AA-ZZ, 455AA-ZZ, 460AA-ZZ, 465AA-ZZ, 470AA-ZZ, 475AA-ZZ, 480AA-ZZ and 485AA-ZZ' delete the following course – ENGL 090, 091, 220, 311AA-ZZ, 323-324AA-ZZ, 366,389AA-ZZ,401-404AA-ZZ, 406-409AA-ZZ, 411-414AA-ZZ, 416-419AA-ZZ, 421-424AA-ZZ, 426-429AA-ZZ, 431-434AA-ZZ, 436-439AA-ZZ, 441-444AA-ZZ,446-449AA-ZZ,451-454AA-ZZ, 456-459AA-ZZ, 461-464AA-ZZ, 466-469AA-ZZ, 470-474AA-ZZ, 476-479AA-ZZ, 481-484AA-ZZ, 486-489AA-ZZ AND 499, and, to revise Section 21.4 Course descriptions pages 266 & 268.

CARRIED.

KING/JUSCHKA moved to add HIST 373 and STS 271 to Section 11.34.5 Other Courses in Women's Studies.

CARRIED.

KING/JUSCHKA moved to revise STS 332.

CARRIED.

KING/SHAMI moved to make the Leadership and Dialogue Program permanent.

CARRIED.

8.2 Research & Graduate Studies Committee:

RUDDICK/DRURY moved to approve a new course proposal for SOPT 890AA-ZZ.

CARRIED.

RUDDICK/MULVALE moved to approve the proposal for a Qualifying Program to Pursue an MA in Police Studies.

CARRIED.

8.3 Scholarship Committee:

KING/GERMANI moved to recommend Karl Persson as our candidate for the University Prize in Arts and Arla Cameron for the President's Medal.

CARRIED.

9. New Business**9.1 Faculty of Graduate Studies (Dr R. Kelln, Dean of FGSR)**

- The new graduate calendar has been completed. The online version is the most up-to-date and is the official calendar.
- Statistics – 1300 students for the Fall; Arts has 226 grad students
- Liber – compliments to the Faculty on this publication; highlights new programs
- Change in application fees for International students - \$100
- Completed a Unit Review so recommendations are being implemented
- Scholarship budget - \$240,000 (\$120,000 from province and matched by the University) almost completely distributed this year.
- Special Topics/Reading classes being reviewed

Because of time constraints Dr Kelln will be invited back to the next meeting. Any questions/concerns can be directed to the Dean.

9.2 Graduate School of Public Policy (Dr K. Rasmussen, Director of GSPP)

- Update of GSPP: Fall 2005 enrolment figures; two new degrees, MPP and MHA, with proposals for graduate certificates and PhD program; winter 2006 courses; internship with Provincial government.

10. President Hawkins – Introduction & Welcome

Dr Chase introduced President Hawkins and provided a brief biography. The President appreciates all the hard work done by the faculty and is excited about all the new programs and initiatives. He welcomed new faculty members and wished them luck for a rewarding career here. An informal visit to all faculties is being scheduled for later in the fall.

11. Other Business and announcements

- Luther Lecture “The Sacrifice of War and the Christian Sacrifice” will be given by Dr Stanley Hauerwas on 22 September 2005 at 7:30 p.m. in the Education Auditorium.
- Jean-Claude Parrot (past President of the Canadian Union of Postal Workers) will present “My Union, My Life” on 28 September 2005 at 11:00 a.m. in LI 215.
- Andrea Dworkin panel discussion will take place on 23 September 2005 at 3:30 p.m. in CL 431. Chairs – Dr S. Drury, with panel participants – Drs Soifer, Hayford and Anderson.

Everyone was reminded and encouraged to attend the reception being held at the University Club immediately following this meeting.

There being no further business, Dr SHAMI moved the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED