

# ACADEMIC COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES 14 October 2021

# Members:

Council Chair: Dr. Julia Dutove

Council Vice-Chair: TBD

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<u>Vice-President Academic and Research:</u> Dr. Vanessa Sheane Deans: Dr. Brian Redmond

Dr. Carly McLeod

<u>Director, Student Services:</u> Ms. Aman Litt <u>Academic Staff Association</u>: Dr. Julia Dutove

Ms. Lesley Brazier
Mr. Jeremy Parker
Dr. Craig Smith
Mr. Brent Boutilier
Ms. Deena Honan
Ms. Theresa Suderman

Ms. Lorelle Warr

Dr. Elena Voskovskaia

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<u>Alternates:</u> Ms. Tamara Van Tassell

Ms. Terrah Lindsay Ms. Cara Leaf Mr. Myles Mintzler Dr. Shawn Morton

Students' Association: Mr. John Tiede

Ms. Brooklyn Broaders

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Mr. Tyler Barr Mr. Jordan Drake Mr. Josh Winland Ms. Liberte Tiede Ms. Sara Yelligadu

Ms. Saransh Kapoor

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Employees' Association: Ms. Lana Bennett

Ms. Lisa Hollis

Alternate Ms. Tanya Kinderwater

<u>Alberta Union of Provincial Employees</u>: Ms. Lin Roy Alternate: Ms. Lynette Tye

Community Members: Ms. Dianne McWatt | Notice of Absence

Ms. Sasha Dorscheid

Non-Voting Guests: Ms. Tanya Lopez

Mr. Tony Shmyruk

#### 4143 CALL TO ORDER

The In-Person & ZOOM Academic Council meeting was called to order at 4:00 pm.

#### 4144 AGENDA

Dr. Vanesa Sheane added registration date change to the agenda as item 6.4 under New Business.

The agenda was **APPROVED** as presented by consensus.

**CARRIED** 

#### 4145 MINUTES OF 13 MAY 2021

The Minutes of 13 May 2021 were **APPROVED** as presented by consensus.

**CARRIED** 

#### 4146 COMMITTEE REPORTS

# **FAST TRACK COMMITTEE**

Academic Council received The Fast Track Committee Minutes for 9 June 2021. **MOTIONED** by Ms. Aman Litt; **SECONDED** by Dr. Carly McLeod to **APPROVE** the minutes for 9 June 2021 as presented.

**CARRIED** 

Academic Council received The Fast Track Committee Minutes for 24 June 2021. Discussion was held concerning the BBA Courses and Overview requiring substantial changes and Dr. Carly McLeod said it would be easier to just start the course outlines and online descriptions over.

**MOTIONED** by Ms. Aman Litt; **SECONDED** by Dr. Carly McLeod to **APPROVE** the minutes for 24 June 2021 as presented except for sections 3.1 to 3.10.

**CARRIED** 

### 4147 POLICY & RECOMMENDATIONS

# **ACADEMIC COUNCIL BYLAWS**

Dr. Vanessa Sheane went over changes to the bylaws which included updates to align with the PSLA, taking the final approval back to Board of Governors, removing Convocation Committee, Research Planning Committee, and Student Awards Committee. Also noted that meetings will be held 4 times a year and will normally be held to align with the Board of Governors meetings. Membership remains where concerning which are appointed by employers and the Board.

**MOTIONED** by Dr. Vanessa Sheane; **SECONDED** by Ms. Deena Honan that Academic Council Recommend to the Board of Governors to Approve the revised Academic Council Bylaws as presented.

**CARRIED** 

# **RESPONSIBLE CONDUCT OF RESEARCH POLICY**

**MOTIONED** by Dr. Vanessa Sheane; **SECONDED** by Dr. Brian Redmond that Academic Council Recommend to the Board of Governors to Approve the revised Responsible Conduct of Research Policy as presented with the only change being the approving body now be the Board of Governors.

**CARRIED** 

# **SCHOLARLY ACTIVITY POLICY**

Dr. Vanessa Sheane discussed how the policy was created, being drafted with heavy consultation from faculty and feedback from chairs and their departments. The reason for this policy is as we move towards degree granting, Campus Alberta Quality Council wants to see that GPRC has standard definition of Scholarly Activity.

**MOTIONED** by Dr. Vanessa Sheane; **SECONDED** by Ms. Lorelle Warr that Academic Council Recommend to the Board of Governors to Approve the newly created Scholarly Activity Policy as presented.

**CARRIED** 

## **PROGRAM REVIEW POLICY**

Dr. Vanessa Sheane went over changes to the policy adding that external consultation was conducted on existing process, new compositions to review committee, introducing a revised annual process, different templates and metrics, new comprehensive process every 5 years. This policy is a work in progress which will take 3 years to fully implement.

**MOTIONED** by Dr. Vanessa Sheane; **SECONDED** by Mr. Tyler Barr that Academic Council Recommend to the Board of Governors to Approve the revised Program Review Policy as presented.

**CARRIED** 

# **STUDENT AWARDS POLICY**

**MOTIONED** by Dr. Vanessa Sheane; **SECONDED** by Ms. Lorelle Warr that Academic Council Recommend to the Board of Governors to Approve the revised Student Awards Policy as presented.

**CARRIED** 

### STUDENTS RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITES POLICY

Dr. Carly McLeod explained changes that included combining the existing three policies-Students Rights and Responsibilities Policy, Academic and Non-Academic Misconduct Policy and Academic Grievance Policy into this new policy. This was done to align procedures and language; standard forms and letters will be used. The appeal process will now be a standing committee. **MOTIONED** by Dr. Vanessa Sheane; **SECONDED** by Dr. Carly McLeod that Academic Council Recommend to the Board of Governors to Approve the revised Students Rights and Responsibilities Policy as presented.

**CARRIED** 

# 4148 NEW BUSINESS

#### **NOMINATIONS & VOTING**

**MOTIONED** by Dr. Vanessa Sheane; **SECONDED** by Mr. Craig Smith that Academic Council membership be **ACCEPTED** as presented.

**CARRIED** 

Dr. Vanessa Sheane asked for nominations for Chair Position. Dr. Julia Dutove was the sole nominee and she accepted the position.

Dr. Julia Dutove asked for nominations for Vice Chair Position. Mr. Jeremy Parker was selected.

Curriculum Committee faculty vacant positions were filled by Ms. Lesley Brazier, Mr. Brent Boutilier, Ms. Theresa Suderman, and Ms. Lorelle Warr.

Program Review Committee required five more members. Positions were filled by Ms. Deena Honan, Mr. Craig Smith, Ms. Lesley Brazier, Mr. Brent Boutilier, Dr. Julia Dutove and the non-academic position was filled by Ms. Lenora Roy.

### **ENROLLMENT UPDATE**

Dr. Vanessa Sheane told everyone that an enrollment update will be a standing item on Academic Council agenda.

# TRENDING TOPIC TO DISCUSS AT NEXT MEETING

For next meeting Micro-credentials will be discussed. Information will be circulated before next meeting.

Other possible topics mentioned for future meetings: Skilled trades & Education Act, revoking tenure for professors at other universities, and scholarly activities.

# CHANGE THE DATE OF REGISTRATION FOR NEW AND CONTINUING STUDENTS

Ms. Tanya Lopez explained reasoning for changing date of registration. For the 2021-2022-year registration was on 3 May 2021 which allowed for spring processing and full filling prerequisites. By delaying registration for 2022-2023 academic year to 16 May 2022 it would bring the registration date to later than the last day of the add/drop date, later date to pay fees for spring 2022, would allow more time for winter grades to come in, checking prerequisites, month of May is a busy time with large batch of transcripts being and graduation parchments being prepared. Also noted that moving the continuing

to same date as new students has shown no impact.

There was a discussion held where concerns were brought up about continuing students not registering, students registering elsewhere earlier, earlier registration allows faculty to plan earlier, advising students-will there be enough time, earlier registration date is better for the mature students for planning around jobs/family.

**MOTIONED** by Dr. Vanessa Sheane; **SECONDED** by Mr. Brent Boutilier that Academic Council Recommend to the Board of Governors to approve the registration date change for new and continuing students to 16 May 2022 for the 2022-2023 year.

**CARRIED** 

### 4149 OPEN DISCUSSION

Ms. Lorelle Warr thanked everyone that worked on all the policy updates, said all the Terms of Reference were very clear and will give good guidance.

Ms. Theresa Suderman commented that she is happy the enrolment numbers will be shared with updates going forward.

#### 4150 ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned by consensus at 5:16 pm.

Julia Dutove Julia Dutove (Jul 13, 2022 09:55 MDT)	Terri Trask
Dr. Julia Dutove, Chair	Ms. Terri Trask, Records

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