

# ACADEMIC COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES May 11, 2023

### Members:

Council Chair: Dr. Julia Dutove Council Vice-Chair: Ms. Brooklyn Broaders

President:

Mr. Justin Kohlman Provost and Vice-President Academic: Dr. Vanessa Sheane Dr. Andrew Dunlop Deans: Dr. Carly McLeod

Registrar:

Ms. Megan Slifka Academic Staff Association: Dr. Julia Dutove

Ms. Lesley Brazier

Ms. Teresa Evans | Notice of Absence Mr. Misha Albert | Notice of Absence

Ms. Carolyn Vasileiou Dr. Deena Honan

Ms. Theresa Suderman | Notice of Absence Dr. Shawn Morton | Notice of Absence

Dr. Elena Voskovskaja Mr. Shawn DeGreeve

Ms. Darlene Horseman Alternates:

Ms. Abigail Head

Students' Association: Ms. Brooklyn Broaders

Mr. Josh Winland | Absent

Ms. Melanie Pack

Ms. Dessy Downey I Absent

Ms. Wendy Anthony | Notice of Absence Ms. Faith Evans | Notice of Absence

Mr. Mason Huckabone | Absent Mr. Quentin Spiers | Absent Ms. Dominique Fjeld | Absent Ms. Ashley Bishop | Absent

Employees' Association: Ms. Tanya Kinderwater

Ms. Lisa Hollis

| Notice of Absence | Notice of Absence

Ms. Desiree Mearon Alternate:

Alberta Union of Provincial Employees: Ms. Lin Roy

Alternate: Ms. Lynette Tye

Community Members: Ms. Dianne McWatt Absent Ms. Sasha Dorscheid | Absent

Non-Voting Guests: Mr. Chris Laue

Ms. Carla Dodd Ms. Hala Ezzeddine Ms. Kim Ferguson Mr. Jideofor Odoh

### 4213 CALL TO ORDER

The In-Person and Zoom Academic Council meeting was called to order at 3:59 pm.

### 4214 AGENDA

The agenda was approved as presented by consensus.

### 4215 MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 9, 2023

The Minutes of February 9, 2023 were approved as presented by consensus.

### 4216 COMMITTEE REPORTS

# **Co-Curricular Committee**

Academic Council received the Co-Curricular Committee Minutes from the following meetings:

- November 10, 2022
- December 13, 2022
- February 2, 2023

**MOVED** by M. Slifka; **SECONDED** by V. Sheane to recommend to the Board of Governors the approval of the November 10, 2022, December 13, 2022 and February 2, 2023 Co-Curricular Committee Minutes with student names being removed.

**CARRIED** 

# **Curriculum Committee**

Academic Council received the Curriculum Committee Minutes from the April 25, 2023 meeting.

**MOVED** by C. McLeod; **SECONDED** by D. Honan to recommend to the Board of Governors the approval of the curriculum changes from the April 25, 2023 Curriculum Committee meeting as presented.

**CARRIED** 

# **Program Review Committee Update**

Academic Council received the Program Review Committee Minutes from the January meetings (January 16, 20, and 23, 2023).

**MOVED** by V. Sheane; **SECONDED** by D. Honan to recommend to the Board of Governors the approval of the recommendations from the January 2023 Program Review Committee meetings as presented.

**CARRIED** 

# **Annual Program Review Action Plans**

Academic Council received the approved annual program review action plans for each of the academic programs for information.

### **4217 NEW BUSINESS**

## **Policy Updates**

## **Academic Freedom Policy**

**MOVED** by V. Sheane, **SECONDED** by D. Honan that Academic Council recommend to the Board of Governors the approval of the revised Academic Freedom Policy as presented with the following edit:

In the Cross-Reference section change "Intellectual Property and Ownership Police" to "Intellectual Property and Ownership Policy".

CARRIED

# **Scholarly Activity Policy**

**MOVED** by V. Sheane, **SECONDED** by S. DeGreeve that Academic Council recommend to the Board of Governors the approval of the revised Scholarly Activity Policy as presented.

**CARRIED** 

# **Academic Standing and Progression Policy**

**MOVED** by V. Sheane, **SECONDED** by M. Pack that Academic Council recommend to the Board of Governors the approval of the revised Academic Standing and Progression Policy as presented.

CARRIED

# **Course Outline Policy**

**MOVED** by V. Sheane, **SECONDED** by D. Honan that Academic Council recommend to the Board of Governors the approval of the revised Course Outline Policy and Course Outline Template as presented.

**CARRIED** 

# **Continuing Education Policy**

**MOVED** by V. Sheane, **SECONDED** by M. Pack that Academic Council recommend to the Board of Governors the approval of the revised Continuing Education Policy as presented with the following change:

In item 6.1.4, remove "Dean of Business" and replace it with "applicable Dean".

CARRIED

# **Grading Policy**

**MOVED** by V. Sheane, **SECONDED** by D. Honan that Academic Council recommend to the Board of Governors the approval of the revised Grading Policy as presented.

CARRIED

# Adjunct Faculty Policy (Formerly named the Visiting Scholar Policy)

**MOVED** by V. Sheane, **SECONDED** by M. Pack that Academic Council recommend to the Board of Governors the approval of the revised Adjunct Faculty Policy as presented.

**CARRIED** 

# **Library Loans and Fines Policy**

**MOVED** by V. Sheane, **SECONDED** by B. Broaders that Academic Council recommend to the Board of Governors the approval of the revised Library Loans and Fines Policy as presented with the following change:

Replace all instances of the word "College" with the word "Polytechnic" within the policy.

**CARRIED** 

# **Animal Care and Animal Usage Policy**

**MOVED** by V. Sheane, **SECONDED** by M. Pack that Academic Council recommend to the Board of Governors the approval of the revised Animal Care and Animal Usage Policy as presented.

**CARRIED** 

## **Membership**

Academic Council received recommendations for board approved 2023-2024 Academic Council membership as per the Academic Council Authority and Bylaws.

**MOVED** by V. Sheane and **SECONDED** by B. Broaders that Academic Council recommend to the Board of Governors the approval of the following members to Academic Council for a two-year term beginning May 25, 2023:

- Dr. Andrew Dunlop, Dean, School of Applied Science and Technology
- Ms. Marcia Aldred, EA Representative
- Ms. Robin Smith-Wilson, EA Representative (alternate)
- Ms. Penny Rose, Public Community Member
- Ms. Nancy Gorgichuk, Public Community Member
- Ms. Lenora Roy, AUPE Representative
- Ms. Jori Grimm, AUPE Representative (alternate)

**CARRIED** 

# **Academic Council Authority and Bylaws**

Academic Council reviewed the Academic Council Authority and Bylaws.

**MOVED** by V. Sheane; **SECONDED** by D. Honan that Academic Council recommend to the Board of Governors the approval of the Academic Council Authority and Bylaws as presented with the following change:

Appendix 1, Item 1.2.2.1: Change to read, "Elected students will serve a one-year term from the date of approval by the Council until the end of April."

**CARRIED** 

Dr. Sheane applauded all members for their diligent work in completing the review and revision of a large number of Academic Policies over the 2022-2023 Academic Year.

### **Co-Curricular Committee**

Academic Council participated in a discussion regarding the direction of co-curricular at NWP, including education and communication and what next steps need to be taken to review co-curricular. A Co-Curricular sub-committee was formed with the following members: Megan Slifka, Melly Pack, Carla Dodd and Desiree Mearon. The sub-committee will return to Academic Council with recommendations.

### 4218 TRENDING EDUCATION TOPIC

# ChatGPT Program

Guest Amanda Wills presented on the topic of ChatGPT and how it is affecting and influencing post-secondary learning. The opportunities and challenges of AI in education were discussed from both the faculty and student perspective.

## **Topic for Next Meeting**

The trending education topic chosen for the next meeting will be Equity, Diversity and Inclusion (EDI) in education with Melly Pack leading the discussion.

### 2023-2024 ACADEMIC COUNCIL MEETING DATES

- September 28, 2023 or October 5, 2023
- November 23, 2023 or November 30, 2023
- February 1, 2024 or February 8, 2024
- May 9, 2024

Meeting invites will be sent out for all of the above dates as holds and once the 2023-2024 Board of Governors schedule of meetings is confirmed, the four meeting dates for Academic Council will also be confirmed.

### 4219 OPEN DISCUSSION

No discussion occurred.

### **4220 ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned by consensus at 5:31 pm.

 Julia Dutove
 Ms. Wanda Moen, Records

# **4213 CALL TO ORDER**

- 4214 AGENDA
- 4215 MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 9, 2023
- **4216 COMMITTEE REPORTS**
- **4217 NEW BUSINESS**
- **4218 TRENDING EDUCATION TOPIC**
- **4219 OPEN DISCUSSION**
- **4220 ADJOURNMENT**

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