



SENATE

MEETING DATE: *January 30, 2012*

AGENDA #: *6*

PRESENTED BY: *Anne Lavack*

Issue: **New Faculty Update**

For Information: Please see the Sharepoint site at:
<https://our.kwantlen.ca/sites/committees/amalgamation/SitePages/Home.aspx> for future updates.

Governance/Bylaws: The Bylaw Task Force continues its work. A draft summary document has been prepared, identifying differences between the bylaws of the respective Faculties, and a focused number of issues where new language may need to be developed. Open meetings are being planned on the Surrey campus (Feb 9) and the Richmond campus (provisionally February 14). The meetings have been delayed by about one month from the approved timeline due to scheduling and room availability issues.

Naming the new Faculty: A draft process for naming the new Faculty was reviewed at the January meeting of the Humanities Faculty Council, and will be reviewed, with an eye to adoption, at the upcoming meeting of the Social Sciences Faculty Council.

Executive Steering Committee: At the December 19, 2011 meeting of the Executive Steering Committee, the Sharepoint web site was reviewed. It has subsequently been launched. The Executive Steering Committee recommended that the Deans meet with representatives from the Registrar's Office and the Office for Strategic Enrolment Management to anticipate and address necessary changes to registrarial practice and student recruitment arising from amalgamation. A meeting has been set for January 30, 2012.

Staff Reorganization: Diane Naugler began a one-year, non-renewable term as Associate Dean for the Faculties of Humanities and Social Sciences on January 1, 2012. Robert Adamoski will complete his term as Dean on April 30, 2012. Farhad Dastur will be appointed as Dean of Social Sciences from May 1, 2012 until the new Dean of Arts is appointed (anticipated July 2012). After discussion with the Humanities Faculty Council, Dean Mazen Guirguis will continue as Dean until the new Dean of Arts is appointed. A term-limited Associate Dean position will be posted shortly to assist with daily operations during the transitional period (likely a term position of 6 months or less).

Staff formerly located in the Dean of Humanities Office on the Richmond campus relocated to the Surrey campus during the semester break. We are pleased to have Mary Jones, Operations Manager, Eva McDonald, Administrative Assistant, and Gloria Bettenson, Administrative Support join us in the Dean's Office in Surrey, and we join many of you in thanking Lorraine Dowdall for her years of service as Dean's Assistant as she retires this week.

Mary Jones and Jennifer Kook have been busy filling a number of vacant positions in the Faculties. We welcome our new staff:

- Christy Prins began her new role as Administrative Coordinator for the Faculties in January. Christy is located in the Office of the Dean in Arbutus 2110.
- Desiree Yu is providing administrative support to the Psychology department effective January 2012. She will be located in office 2881-21.
- Irene Kuo will be providing Faculty-level curriculum support for Social Sciences and Humanities. Irene is located in the office of the Dean in A2110.
- Angela Mwangi will be providing administrative support to the Asian Studies, History, and Modern Languages departments. Angela will be located in office C3850E.
- Sony Obregon will be providing administrative support to the Office of the Dean. She will be located in office A2110.
- Olu Akinwumi will be providing administrative support to the Office of the Dean as well. She will be located in the office of the Dean in A2110.

We are planning an open house to introduce faculty to our Surrey office, and to the new members of our team.

Decanal Search: The Search Advisory Committee for the decanal search is being assembled. The Search Advisory Committee will be composed as follows:

- 2 Social Sciences faculty members, to be recommended by Social Sciences Faculty Council and approved by Senate
- 2 Humanities faculty members, to be recommended by Humanities Faculty Council and approved by Senate
- 2 KFA representatives (1 from Social Sciences, 1 from Humanities)
- 2 BCGEU representatives
- 2 excluded representatives (1 from Social Sciences, 1 from Humanities)
- 2 students (1 from Social Sciences, 1 from Humanities, to be approved by Senate)
- 1 Dean or Associate Dean from another Faculty
- 1 University Administration representative

The Search Advisory Committee will be chaired by Anne Lavack, Provost & Vice-President Academic. Dates for the Search Advisory Committee meetings have been set. All information related to the Decanal search will be posted on the website of the Provost (i.e., names of committee members, meeting dates, progress reports).

The decanal position will be advertised as a “Dean of Arts”, but this will be changed if/when the above-mentioned Faculty naming process provides a different name. The target date for having the new Dean in place is July 1, 2012.

Budget and Finance: The Dean’s Office received a consolidated status quo budget document from Finance in mid-January, 2012. We will begin review of the document and hope to have org codes finalized by early March.