

**Minutes of the
FQS Faculty Council Meeting
Friday, October 2, 2009
Surrey, G2110**

Attendance:	Douglas Baker	Jas Parmar	Nicola Soles
	Sarah Hickenbottom	Anthea Pasin	Ann Talbot
	Lorraine Irvine	Christina Pikiros	Barb Thomas-Bruzzese
	Angela More	Peter Robbins	Newton Wainman
	Elly Morgan	Kim Rose	Danny Wrench
	Joel Murray	Wendy Royal	Trina Ojo (recorder)
Regrets:	David Atkinson	Geoff Dean	

1. Opening of the Meeting/Introductions

The Dean opened the meeting at 10:05 am, and asked members to provide an introduction, including what they would like to see Council do/achieve. These items include

- Having our students belong in the University
- Improving our Faculty profile at the University
- Increasing and Improving intra- and inter-Faculty communication
- We operate professionally and respond to issues
- Report our desires to Senate
- Get to know our Departments better
- Work together in a non-political way
- Carve out a place for ourselves and our students at the institution (supportive)
- Communicate to our students who we are and what they are part of
- Increase credibility and respect in all directions
- Have a non-suppliant voice
- Respect and value our diversity
- An opportunity to share our expertise and connect with the University as a whole
- Develop harmonious, respectful and productive relationships

2. Additions to the Agenda

Representation

- Details were provided with respect to the Council Member at Large election.
- Students – Bylaw #37 refers to the procedure to follow, and allows for recent alumni to be student reps on Council. Chairs will go back to their Departments and nominate students to the Nominations & Governance Committee, who will make a recommendation to Council.

What Does Each Department Do? – Deferred to end of meeting, time permitting.

3. Formation of Standing Committees

Standing Committees are dealt with the Bylaw 69ff. Only three are on today's agenda. Committee membership can be drawn from the rest of the Faculty as well as from the Council.

Recommendation: a list of committees and members be included on the Council website. A hard copy of this will be provided to Council.

Motion: The Nominations & Governance Committee be directed that at least one FQS member of Senate Standing Committee be automatically made a member of the parallel FQS Faculty Council committee.

(Barb/Jas) carried

Curriculum Committee

- This committee has been functioning well for years and it would be difficult to start from scratch.
- Currently includes five members of Council.
- Would probably be highly desirable to have a student on this committee.
- Will want a report from the Committee for now.

Motion: Until such time as the Nominations & Governance Committee can review the membership of the FQS Curriculum Committee, the current committee continue to function as it exists, with the addition of the S2C2 FQS representative. (Newton/Ann) passed, one abstention

Nominations & Governance Committee

- To get the committee started it was decided to have two members of the Senate Nominations & Governance Committee (one Senator, and one QS rep.) These are Douglas Baker and Joel Murray.
- The number of members required for this committee was discussed, but not yet set so we have flexibility to change as needed.
- Right now the bulk of the work for this committee will be nominations. Later, governance will take up the bulk of the work.
- the Chair of Vice-Chair of Council will be a member

Motion: We accept the Nominations & Governance Committee as being represented by Joel Murray, Christina Pikios, Kim Rose, Newton Wainman, and additional members of the Faculty as recruited by the Nominations & Governance Committee as prescribed by the Bylaws. (Ann/Sarah) carried

Academic Planning & Priorities Committee

- We are in budget season and though this is not a budget committee the plans and priorities will need to be received by the committee and translated into priorities. This is a critical committee and it was recommended that the Nominations & Governance Committee populate this as quickly as possible.
- The current procedure has been for Chairs/Coordinators to make recommendations on planning and priorities to the Dean.

Motion: In order to allow planning and priorities to function, the Chairs/Coordinators will continue to make recommendations and advise the Dean and Manager of their department priorities. (Kim/Newton) carried

Motion: The Nominations & Governance Committee shall set it as a priority to recommend the selection process for the membership of the Academic Planning & Priorities Committee. (Ann/Elly) carried

4. Election of Officers

Motion: The election of officers shall be deferred until such time as the Nominations & Governance Committee has made recommendations to Faculty Council on the process for the election of officers. (Kim/Wendy) carried

5. Senate Taskforce on Learning Services

- As requested by the Leadership Team, Joel made a motion at Senate around this taskforce. This motion was to include Qualifying Studies as a user of learning services rather than a service provider. This motion passed.
- Douglas is recommending Robin Russell as the FQS representative to this taskforce.
- The taskforce will hear from individuals and groups so opportunities to participate exist.
- Further discussion of the taskforce will be on the next agenda. Information will also be available on the Senate website.

Motion: That Faculty Council endorse Robin Russell as the FQS representative on the Senate Taskforce on Learning Services. (Barb/Elly) carried

6. Future Meetings

Future meeting dates for this academic year were set as follows:

Friday, October 30 1:00 – 3:00, Surrey G2110

Friday, November 27 1:00 – 3:00, Surrey G2110

Friday, January 29, 2010 1:00 – 3:00, Surrey G2110

Friday, March 26, 2010 1:00 – 3:00, Surrey G2110

The next meeting of the Faculty as a Whole will take place on Friday, April 30, 1:00 – 3:30 Surrey Conf A/B.

7. Adjournment: Motion for adjournment made (Wendy/Peter) carried.

Adjourned at 12:15 pm.