

MINUTES

**140th Meeting of the Science Faculty Council
Wednesday, September 7, 2016, at 1:00 p.m. in
Senate Chambers, E3-262 EITC**

PRESENT:

S. Baum (Chair)	P. Loewen	P. Irani
K. Koczanski	I. Oresnik	J. McConnell
V. Nemykin	P. Graham	J. Mammei
G. Gwinner	D. Court	C. Rathgeber
D. Rivers	A. Kumar	D. Mlinar
R. Borgersen	J. Arino	Judy Anderson
E. Smirnova	E. Huebner	S. Whyard
J. McLeese	D. Gillis	K. Jeffries
B. Hann	N. Kenkel	T. Booth
P. Blunden	C. Zelmer	S. Renault
S. Durocher	A. Leblanc	S. Muthukumarana
L. Wang	Z. Mateo	A. Doshi
A. Morris	J. Tichon	D. Kalajdzievska
K. Sharma	T. Kucera	G. Moghaddam
N. Harland	M. Davidson	D. Krepski
K. Shamseddine	S. Kirkland	R. Slevinsky
M. Khajehpour	S. McKenna	P. Budzelaar
P. Hultin	K. Brassinga	J. van Lierop
B. Mark	M. Domaratzki	A. Thavaneswaran
M. Shaw	D. Punter	J. Bate
M. Doob	M. Bieringer	J. Hare
M. Docker	J. Treberg	K. Scott
P. Messing	J. Stacey	F. Bristow
R. Cameron	D. Pahud	J. Sorensen
L. Brown	R. Davis	H. Luong
H. Perreault	R. Eskicioglu	A. Miller
John Anderson	T. de Kievit	C. Adams
M. Shantz (recorder)		

REGRETS:

G. Anderson	J. van Wijngaarden	M. Whitmore
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1. Approval of Agenda

MOTION: to approve the agenda. Moved by R. Eskicioglu, seconded by P. Loewen.

CARRIED

James Hare moved that the Instructor Guidelines and Teaching Policy be added to the agenda as an item of discussion. Dean Baum suggested that she has already spoken to various groups and preferred to reserve Council meetings for matters mandated by the Collective

Agreement. Kevin Scott challenged the decision of the chair, calling for a vote of those present to add this item to the agenda.

A vote was held resulting in 37 in favour, 2 opposed, 24 abstentions.

Dean Baum assured discussion at the next Faculty Council meeting
James Hare subsequently withdrew the motion with this promise.

2. Approval of Minutes

MOTION: to approve the minutes of the 139th meeting of Faculty Council, held on February 8, 2016. Moved by T. Booth, seconded by P. Graham.

CARRIED

3. Business Arising from the Minutes - nothing to report

4. Introduction of New Members

The following new members of Faculty Council were introduced:

Biological Sciences	Kenneth Jeffries, Assistant Professor
Chemistry	Victor Nemykin, Department Head/Professor
Computer Science	Avery Miller, Assistant Professor
	Franklin Bristow, Instructor I
Mathematics	Richard Slevinsky, Assistant Professor
	Nick Harland, Instructor I
Microbiology	Diana Mlinar, Instructor I
Physics and Astronomy	Ruth Cameron, Instructor I
	Danielle Pahud, Instructor I
Statistics	Jenna Tichon, Instructor I
	Ankit Doshi, Instructor I

5. Introduction of SSA Members

Steven Wong	President
Kay Xu	Vice-President

6. Recognition of Promotions and Tenure

The following faculty members were granted tenure and promotion in 2016:

Biological Sciences:	Mark Fry	to Associate Professor
Computer Science:	Jim Young	to Associate Professor
Statistics:	Saman Muthukumarana	to Associate Professor

The following faculty member was granted tenure in 2016:

Biological Sciences:	Jeffrey Marcus
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The following faculty members were granted promotion in 2016:

Mathematics:	Julien Arino	to Professor
	Gholamhossein Moghaddam	to Senior Instructor
Microbiology:	Teri de Kievit	to Professor
Physics & Astronomy:	Johan van Lierop	to Professor
	Jesko Sirker	to Associate Professor
Statistics:	Po Yang	to Associate Professor

7. Undergraduate Course and Program Changes

The undergraduate course changes are brought to Faculty Council for information only. The program changes have been recommended by Faculty Executive and are brought to Faculty Council for approval. P. Irani asked if there were any comments on the undergraduate course and program changes, as circulated. No discussion ensued.

MOTION: to approve the program changes, as circulated. Moved by P. Irani, seconded by S. Kirkland.

CARRIED

8. Faculty Senate Election Results

- Congratulations to T. Booth who was elected to serve a 3-year term, effective June 1, 2016.
- One of our Senators, P. Blunden, will be off campus for 6 months during his sabbatical and we need to elect a leave replacement. In the previous Senate election there were two nominees – T. Booth and M. Bieringer. M. Bieringer has been consulted and he is willing to serve in this capacity. If Faculty Council so moves, there will be no election and M. Bieringer will serve as the Senate leave replacement.

MOTION: to elect M. Bieringer as the leave replacement for P. Blunden for the 6-month term October 1, 2016 to March 31, 2017. Moved by T. Booth, seconded by R. Eskicioglu.

CARRIED

9. Dean's Report

- Faculty of Science Interdisciplinary Seminar
 - theme area is 'Big Data Revolution'
 - four talks upcoming this fall/winter
- Science Pedagogy Talk Series
 - overseen by Joe O'Neil
 - talks are planned for this fall/winter
- SSA Science Fair
 - being held September 15 in the Science & Technology Library and SSA Lounge
- Nature Museum
 - discussions ongoing
- Armes Redesign

- in progress and should be completed by September 2017
- Buller 207 Revamp
 - real time videotaping and active learning in progress
 - should be completed by mid-summer 2017
- Co-op
 - hiring process for a Co-op Lead has begun
- Dean Baum gave a slide presentation with various data (attached)

10. Other Business - nothing to report

11. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 2:25 pm