

# MINUTES

**142nd Meeting of the Science Faculty Council  
Friday, September 8, 2017, at 10:00 am in  
Senate Chambers, E3-262 EITC**

**PRESENT:**

S. Baum (Chair)	B. Li	C. Adams
L. Chan	J. Treberg	R. Churchill
G. Anderson	V. Nemykin	A. Kumar
G. Hausner	D. Court	K. Koczanski
R. Eskicioglu	P. Loewen	P. Graham
J. McConnell	R. Flynn	J. Xidos
H. Luong	R. Davis	J. Stacey
B. Hann	D. Herbert	R. Thomas
E. Huebner	K. Jeffries	Judy Anderson
K. Shamseddine	J. van Lierop	S. Muthukumarana
S. Kirkland	S. Cooper	J. Waterman
J. Tichon	L. Wang	M. Zapp
A. Thavaneswaran	T. Booth	M. Domaratzki
S. Durocher	S. Cardona	C. Rathgeber
N. Harland	S. McKenna	S. Harris
A. Kuchison	P. Hultin	M. Doob
C. Shaw	M. Davidson	M. Bieringer
P. Blunden	M. Shantz (recorder)	

**REGRETS:** J. van Wijngaarden, E. Smirnova, J. Hare, K. Gough, T. Kucera

**GUESTS:** K. Kindrachuk, J. Galaugher, T. Schultz

## 1. Approval of Agenda

**MOTION:** to approve the agenda. Moved by S. Kirkland, seconded by M. Doob.

**CARRIED**

## 2. Approval of Minutes

**MOTION:** to approve the minutes of the 141<sup>st</sup> meeting of Faculty Council, held on February 9, 2017. Moved by T. Booth, seconded by J. McConnell.

**CARRIED**

## 3. Business Arising from the Minutes - nothing to report

#### 4. Introduction of New Members and Other Academics

The following new members of Faculty Council were introduced:

Biological Sciences	Steven Harris, Professor and Head
Chemistry	Angela Kuchison, Instructor 1
Computer Science	Shahin Kamali, Assistant Professor
Mathematics	Susan Cooper, Assistant Professor
	Leo Butler, Associate Professor
Physics and Astronomy	Bob Stamps, Professor and Head
	Jacob Burgess, Assistant Professor

The following Other Academics were introduced:

Jolen Galaugher	Industry & Community Liaison Officer
Geoff Anderson	Co-op Education Director

#### 5. Introduction of SSA Members

Ryan Churchill	President
Laura Chan	Vice-President

#### 6. Recognition of Promotions and Tenure

The following faculty members were granted tenure and promotion in 2017:

Biological Sciences:	Jason Treberg	to Associate Professor
Chemistry:	Gregg Tomy	to Associate Professor
Computer Science:	Neil Bruce	to Associate Professor

The following faculty members were granted promotion in 2017:

Biological Sciences:	Margaret Docker	to Professor
	Darren Gillis	to Professor
	John Markham	to Professor
	Paul Messing	to Instructor 2
Computer Science:	John Braico	to Senior Instructor
Mathematics:	Rob Borgersen	to Instructor 2
Statistics:	Zenaida Mateo	to Senior Instructor
	Andrew Morris	to Instructor 2
	Carrie Paquette	to Instructor 2

## **7. Undergraduate Course and Program Changes**

The undergraduate course changes are brought to Faculty Council for information only. The program changes as outlined by B. Li were recommended by Faculty Executive and brought to Faculty Council for approval. No discussion ensued.

**MOTION:** to approve the program changes, as circulated. Moved by K. Shamseddine, seconded by P. Graham.

**CARRIED**

## **8. Faculty Senate Election Results**

The following individuals were elected to serve on Senate:

John Anderson, Computer Science  
Jim Hare, Biological Sciences  
Brian Mark, Microbiology  
Joan McConnell, Dean's Office

Since the Standing Rules of Senate provide that terms should expire in successive years, John Anderson, Jim Hare and Brian Mark were elected for the three year term June 1, 2017 - May 31, 2020, and Joan McConnell for a two year term June 1, 2017 - May 31, 2019.

## **9. Dean's Report**

Dean Baum presented a broad overview of the many activities, events and projects that are ongoing in the Faculty. Most notable were the ongoing review of the 3-year degree program, a review of admission requirements, the review of graduate student funding, improvements in student advising procedures, research funding success, hiring initiatives, and attempts to reduce the amount of paper required for course and program changes. As part of the report, B. Li was called upon to provide an update on the Integrated Science Scholar initiative; P. Loewen was called upon to provide an update on renovation projects in the Faculty; K. Koczanski was called upon to provide an update on the Pedagogy Series and the Interdisciplinary Speaker Program; D. Herbert provided an update on the Science Indigenous Speakers Program; S. McKenna provided an update on the significant curriculum changes being considered by the Department of Chemistry; and J. Galagher provided an overview of her initial work related to liaison with industry and community.

## **10. Other Business - nothing to report**

## **11. Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 11:30 am