

Faculty of Science and Technology
Minutes – Faculty Council Meeting
Friday, April 29, 2016
12:30 – 2:00 p.m.
ICSS Boardroom – Building 395, Room 210

Present: Don Noakes (Chair), John Amaral, Todd Barsby, Bill Beese, Brian Dick, Stefanie Duff, Sandra Johnstone, Huizhu Liu, John Morgan, Aubrey Robertson (Student Representative), Venessa Sheehan (Recorder)

Regrets: David Bigelow, Caroline Josefsson, Erik Krogh

Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve and seconded.
All in favour. **CARRIED.**

Approval of Faculty Council Minutes – March 18, 2016

Motion to approve and seconded.
All in favour. **CARRIED.**

Dean's Report

Council discussed the Grade Appeal policy, which is currently under review, and the Dean is seeking input from all departments. Based on this input, Council members will prepare a draft consensus response.

The statement will be discussed at a future all-Faculty meeting, which will be scheduled next August.

<p>ACTION: <u>Council members</u> to send their department's feedback to Christine Couture.</p>
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Senators' Report

Program Planning and Priorities: The Fall 2016 timetable was changed to include an additional Study Day on October 11, the day after Thanksgiving, and an additional instructional day was added to the term, on December 6.

On October 20, a ShakeOut Drill is scheduled for mandatory participation.

Regarding the program assessment and appeals task force, members are encouraged to review the Aboriginal Education Plan, as this certainly ties into the learning and graduate outcomes. This is an ongoing discussion at Senate.

Building Maintenance

Bill Beese stated that Building 370's interior and exterior are in dire need of maintenance.

ACTION: Don Noakes to contact Facilities' Executive Director, Alan Cumbers, and discuss the possibility of renovations.

Curriculum Committee Submissions

Course Change Proposal – Physics Transfer Program:

There were inaccuracies in the VIU Calendar due to migration over time in the UVic and UBC Physics programs.

Motion to approve and seconded.
All in favour. **CARRIED.**

Course Change Proposal – Fundamentals of Engineering Certificate:

SFU and VIU recently signed a transfer agreement allowing students to enroll in the Certificate program at VIU and to transfer into second year at SFU. An additional course was added to the VIU program matrix to facilitate the transfer.

UVic and VIU recently updated the transfer agreement. UVic agreed to a guaranteed admittance from the VIU program into the second year UVic program.

Motion to approve and seconded.
All in favour. **CARRIED.**

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Motion to adjourn the meeting.  
All in favour. **CARRIED.**

Meeting adjourned at 1:02 p.m.