

Faculty of Science and Technology
Minutes – Faculty Council Meeting
Friday, January 24, 2014
12:30 - 1:30 p.m.
ICSS Boardroom – Building 395, Room 210

Present: Dean Slonowsky (Vice-Chair and Member-at-Large), John Amaral, Dave Bigelow, Todd Barsby, Eric Demers, Brian Dick, Don Furnell, Liz Gillis (RMOT Representative), Dustin Howie (Student Representative), Huizhu Liu, Tim Stokes, Rae-Anne Savard (Recorder)

Regrets: Doug Corrin, Greg Crawford, Greg Klimes

Guest: Phoebe Lo Patigdas (Student)

Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve: D. Howie
Seconded: T. Barsby
All in favour: **CARRIED.**

Approval of Faculty Council Minutes – January 10, 2014

Motion to approve: D. Furnell
Seconded: B. Dick
All in favour: **CARRIED.**

Discussion on the Faculty's Future Directions

The previous Science and Technology Future Directions Committee was discussed: their goal and whether there was documentation, or a master list or a mechanism in place for strategic planning within the Faculty. It was suggested that Council create a new, smaller group that parallels Senate's Planning & Priorities, with the future possibility of becoming a permanent sub-committee of Council.

Motion by L. Gillis:
Council to form Science and Technology Planning & Priorities Sub-committee to plan and prioritize future programs from a Faculty perspective.
Seconded: D. Bigelow
All in favour: **CARRIED.**

Motion by D. Bigelow:
The Terms of Reference for the Science and Technology Council's Planning & Priorities Sub-committee shall include "to provide advice to Council on the priorities for implementation of new programs and courses leading to certificates, diplomas or degrees."
Seconded: E. Demers
All in favour: **CARRIED.**

The sub-committee would report to Council in early May.

Furthermore, Council discussed the composition of the sub-committee.

Motion by E. Demers:

The Science and Technology Council's Planning & Priorities Sub-committee shall be comprised as follows:

- a minimum of five members and a maximum of seven members;
- at least one of the members should also sit on the Senate Planning & Priorities Committee;
- at least one member should come from a technology department (Fisheries and Aquaculture, Forestry, RMOT);
- at least two members should come from academic departments (Biology, Chemistry, Computing Science, Earth Science, Mathematics, Physics/Engineering/Astronomy); and
- at least one member should be a student from our Faculty.

Seconded: B. Dick

All in favour: **CARRIED.**

The following put forth their names: Dustin Howie (Student), Doug Corrin (Technology department representative), and John Amaral, Todd Barsby and Brian Dick (Academic department representatives). Liz will ask other technology departments for interested faculty, and John will ask other academic departments for interested faculty.

Additional Item:

For future discussion: Should our Faculty's issues related to curriculum and educational standards be dealt with at a sub-committee level, and then brought forward to Council (i.e., paralleling Senate sub-committees)?

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Motion to adjourn: L. Gillis

Seconded: H. Liu

All in favour: **CARRIED.**

Meeting adjourned at 1:40 p.m.