

**Faculty of Science and Technology  
Faculty Council Meeting  
Friday, March 1, 2019  
12:30 to 2:00 p.m.  
ICSS Boardroom - Building 395, Room 210**

**MINUTES**

**Present:** Todd Barsby, Liz Gillis, Caroline Josefsson, Jerome Lesemann, Gara Pruesse, Dan Baker, Jennifer Dawson, Eric Demers, Don Noakes

**Regrets:** Mark Noyon, Brian Dick, Doug Corrin, Andres Enrich , Samuelle Simard-Provencal, Sandra Johnstone, David Bigelow, Daniela Fischer Russell

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**Approval of Agenda**

Motion: (Pruesse/Barsby)

Move RMOT Program Change prior to Minor in Aquaculture discussion.

Update Approval of Faculty Council Minutes to read February 8, 2019.

Moved that the agenda be approved as presented. Carried.

**Approval of Faculty Council Minutes – February 8, 2019**

Motion: (Gillis/Baker)

Moved that the February 8, 2019 meeting minutes be approved as presented. Carried.

**1) Dean's Report**

- Thank you to everyone who participated in Discovery Days. Overall it was a success although it is clear the steps are an impediment to our programs located in the upper campus. Feedback has been generally positive and please provide any useful suggestions for change when the organizers reach out for advice.
- Project AURORA – The 'Employee Recruitment' module has now been implemented. The target date for the 'Finance' module is October 1, 2019, 'HR/Payroll' is January 1, 2020 and 'Student Management' is October 1, 2020. These dates are tentative but good progress is being made on each of the modules.
- Seafood Innovation – BC Ministry of Agriculture provided funding for a feasibility study to create a Seafood Innovation Centre at Deep Bay. This will involve both Science and Technology (primarily) as well as Trades and Technology. The feasibility study has been completed and was well received by the Ministry. There are three other proposals being considered (all land-based interior) and we are expecting a decision in late March or early April on whether the Ministry will move forward with the proposal and provide funding to develop a business plan. The proposal is focused on seafood innovation including education and product development components and has strong industry support.
- New President – Dr. Deborah Saucier begins her term as VIU's President and Vice-Chancellor on July 4, 2019. She is currently the President of Grant McEwan University.

## 2) Senators' Report

No Report

## 3) RMOT Course and Program Change (Attachments 1-3)

**Liz Gillis**

Motion: To approve the proposed Program Change and change to RMOT 100, and the removal of FISH 207 from the program. (Gillis/Pruesse)

Increase RMOT 100 from 2 to 3 lecture hours. There is no HR impact with this extra 1 hour workload.

Carried

## 4) Minor in Aquaculture

**Mark Noyon, Jennifer Dawson,  
Spencer Russell, Dan Baker**

Motion: Move that Faculty Council approve the Minor in Aquaculture Program submission to move forward to Provost Council for review. (Baker/Pruesse)

Presentation and Summary Sheet Presented:

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<Aqua Minor summary for Faculty council Final.docx>

Faculty council recognized the great work on the Proposal.

### Summary of Discussion:

- 2<sup>nd</sup> year courses will be reduced to change the required credits from 58 to 49 credits
- Faculty Council requested both a BSc and a BA version of the Minor
- The proposal will come back to Faculty Council once the changes discussed have been made, and the courses have been added to CMS
- Some documents will need to be removed from the Appendix
- Indigenous Commitment needs to be highlighted in the Proposal
- Financial Impacts need to be laid out once the changes to the Proposal are made

Motion: Table this agenda item for further discussion, to a future Faculty Council meeting. (Pruesse/Barsby)

Meeting adjourned 2:10 p.m.