

Faculty of Science and Technology
Minutes – Faculty Council Meeting
Friday September 20, 2013
12:30 - 1:00 pm
ICSS Boardroom – Building 395, Room 210

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

Regrets: Greg Klimes

Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve: T. Barsby
Seconded: H. Liu
All in favour. **CARRIED.**

Approval of Faculty Council Minutes – September 6, 2013

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

Greg Crawford welcomed Dean Slonowsky to Faculty Council, not only as Vice-Chair, but as Member-at-Large. Greg also mentioned there is still one Member-at-Large position to be filled.

Engineering Transfer Certificate – Phase 2

Faculty Council must approve Phase 2 before it goes to Planning and Priorities, and then Senate. The Registrar recommended changing the name to “Fundamentals of Engineering Certificate.”

Brian Dick made a motion to Council “to approve that the Fundamental of Engineering Certificate proceed to Stage 2.”

The wording between the proposal and the cover sheet recommends Physics for admission; however, this should be changed to a requirement. The purpose of the proposed program is to better manage student enrollment and to market the program.

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

RMOT Department Name Change

The Forestry and RMOT Departments will meet next week to discuss the Natural Resource Management name branding and future planning. The Dean would also like to meet with the departments of Earth Science, Fisheries and Aquaculture, and Geography, and perhaps others, to discuss how we might better frame VIU's offerings in the areas related to Natural Resource Management.

VIU's Policies and Procedures do not require a name change to go through Faculty Council, but the RMOT Department asked for Council's support before going forward. This issue is on hold until a future Council meeting.

Additional Item: Other Business

Eric Demers, Brian Dick, and the Dean met with Fred Jacklin and Tina McComb to discuss whether Calculus 12 would ever be an admission requirement for the Bachelor of Science. Council members were asked to discuss this with their departments and to bring back comments to the next meeting.

<p>ACTION: <u>Eric Demers</u> to check other universities' Math 12 prerequisites and to bring his findings to a future Council meeting. Further discussions with Fred Jacklin will be required.</p>
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Motion to adjourn: D. Bigelow

Seconded: P. Lucas

Meeting adjourned at 12:50 pm