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# FACULTY OF SCIENCE FACULTY COUNCIL OF SCIENCE MINUTES OF MEETING OF NOVEMBER 15, 2017

A meeting of the Faculty Council of the Faculty of Science was held on Wednesday, November 15th, at 1:00 p.m. in room C-2045.

## FSC 2546

### **Present**

#### **Biochemistry**

Berry, M.

#### **Biology**

Staveley, B.

#### **Chemistry**

Bottaro, C. Fridgen, T.

#### **Computer Science**

Bungay, S.

#### **Earth Sciences**

Welford, K.

#### **Mathematics & Statistics**

Booth, I. Loredano-Osti, J. Mantyka, S. Sullivan, S.

#### **Ocean Sciences**

Fletcher, G.

#### **Physics & Physical Oceanography**

Curnoe, S. Lagowski, J. Saika-Voivod, I.

#### **Psychology**

Neath, I.

#### **Dean of Science Office**

Foss, K. Foster, A. Harding, S. Jackson, G. Zedel, L.

**CITL**

Todd, A.

**Library**

Gamsby, M.

**Engineering**

Bazan, C.

**Registrar's Office**

Murray, M.

**FSC 2547**

**Regrets**

Cook, N.      Edinger, E.      Jones, I.      Poduska, K.

**FSC 2548**

**Adoption of Minutes**

**Moved:** Minutes of October 18, 2017, meeting be adopted (Sullivan/Berry).

**1 Abstention. Carried.**

**FSC 2549**

**Business Arising:**      None

**FSC 2550**

**Correspondence:**      None

**FSC 2551**

**Reports of Standing Committees:**

**A.      Undergraduate Studies Committee:**

Report presented by Shannon Sullivan, Chair, Undergraduate Studies Committee

a) i) **Moved:** Department of Ocean Sciences, calendar change, proposal for a new course, OCSC 3600, Marine Microbiology. (Sullivan/Fletcher). **Carried.**

ii) **Moved:** Department of Ocean Sciences, calendar change, changes to the Major and Honours regulations for the Environmental Physics program. (Sullivan/Fletcher). **Carried.**

The December Faculty of Science Council meeting is the last meeting to approve changes for the 2018/19 calendar. FoSCUGS last meeting is Monday, November 27<sup>th</sup>, so all agenda items for this meeting must be submitted by Monday, November 20<sup>th</sup>.

**B.      Graduate Studies Committee:**

J.C. Loredó-Osti, Chair, Graduate Studies Committee, presented the special topics course for Earth Sciences, EASC 6953, Principles of Mineral Exploration Geochemistry, for information purposes only.

**C. Nominating Committee:** None

**D. Library Committee:** None

**FSC 2552 Report of Teaching Consultant**

Amy Todd reminded council that after the Christmas break there will be calls for awards nominations so it is good to start thinking about who you want to nominate now. Also, Amy is in the final stages of preparing syllabi guidelines for the faculty. She hopes to have it available in early December. On December 4<sup>th</sup> CITL will hold a pan-university session to discuss how we teach for critical thinking in the disciplines, and it would be great to see Faculty of Science representatives at the table. The Office of the Provost and Vice-President (Academic) is moving towards a more learner focus for the University and will be supporting the teaching and learning framework through various programs including: Graduate Student Supervision, Semester in Dialogue, and student success by working with EAB. We are anticipating more information at the end of the semester when the official report is released.

**FSC 2553 Reports of Delegates from Other Councils:**

Carlos Bazan introduced himself as the Faculty of Engineering and Applied Science representative to the Faculty of Science Council.

**FSC 2554 Report of the Dean:**

Mary Courage provided an update on the Canada Research Chairs; unofficially, Amanda Bates has been approved as a Tier II CRC in the Department of Ocean Sciences and Sue Ziegler as a Tier I CRC in the Earth Sciences department. The Chemistry chair position and the Canada 150 are still in progress.

**FSC 2555 Question Period**

**FSC 2556 Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 1:11 p.m.