



ACADEMIC COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES November 13, 2008

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Dr. Som Pillay

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Mr. Ali Al-Asadi

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Mr. Don Gnatiuk

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Ms. Jean Nordin | **Notice of Absence**

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Dr. Jerry Petryshyn

Dr. Scott McAlpine

Academic Staff Association:

Mr. Ali Al-Asadi

Mr. Franco Carlacci | **Notice of Absence**

Ms. Pat Caulfield Fontaine | **Notice of Absence**

Mr. Garth Finlay | **Notice of Absence**

Ms. Nancy Fraser

Dr. Rene Gadacz | **Notice of Absence**

Ms. Shonda Holt

Ms. Arlene Loewen | **Notice of Absence**

Ms. Lori Palmer (Alternate)

Dr. Som Pillay

Ms. Carolyn Vasileiou

Students' Association:

Ms. Jessica Bull

Mr. Jacob Hiller | **Notice of Absence**

Mr. Jules LaPrairie

Ms. Corry Lemire

Ms. Vannessa Maisonneuve | **Notice of Absence**

Ms. Amy Penson

Mr. Jesse Sopko

Mr. Rory Tarant | **Notice of Absence**

Mr. Jordan Zeyha | **Notice of Absence**

Employees' Association:

Ms. Lynne Ness

Mr. Gordon Pellerin

Ms. Cate Sazwan

Community Members:

Ms. Janet Longmate

Ms. Terri Scott

Guests: Ms. Lori Nock

3434 CALL TO ORDER

The Chair called the meeting to order at 4:03 p.m.

3435 APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOVED by Dr. McAlpine, **SECONDED** by Ms. Fraser that the agenda of November 13, 2008 be approved with the addition of Item 6.3 Research and Ethics Policy.

CARRIED

3436 MINUTES OF OCTOBER 9, 2008

MOVED by Ms. Sazwan, **SECONDED** by Ms. Lemire, that the Minutes of October 9, 2008 be approved as presented.

CARRIED

3437 ACADEMIC COUNCIL AUTHORITY AND BYLAWS

Academic Council Authority and Bylaws have been changed to reflect the addition of the new sub-committee Distance Education Committee. The revised Academic Council Authority and Bylaws were approved by consensus.

3438 ACADEMIC COUNCIL COMMITTEE ELECTIONS

STUDENT AWARDS COMMITTEE

The additional nominee for the Student Awards Committee is Amber Amy.

MOVED by Mr. Gnatiuk, **SECONDED** by Ms. Vasileiou that Academic Council approve the addition of Amber Amy to the Student Awards Committee for 2008-2009.

CARRIED

DISTANCE EDUCATION COMMITTEE

The nomination slate for the Distance Education Committee was circulated for information.

3439 RESEARCH AND ETHICS POLICY

The draft Research and Ethics Policy was distributed for approval. The Policy has been approved by Executive Committee and will be subject to Tri-Council approval as well as written approval from the University of Northern British Columbia.

MOVED by Ms. Bansgrove, **SECONDED** by Dr. McAlpine that Academic Council approve the Research and Ethics Policy with the changes as follows:

Page 3 – second paragraph – “In cases of minor class-based projects for the purposes of pedantics, presentations/research papers, the instructor, subject to the authority of the REB, shall review the project for adherence to this policy.”

Page 8 – seventh paragraph – “...research involving observation of participants in public places, for example, political rallies, demonstrations or public meetings should not require REB review...”

CARRIED**3440 COMMITTEE REPORTS***CURRICULUM COMMITTEE MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 4, 2008*

Academic Council received the Curriculum Committee Minutes of November 4, 2008.

MOVED by Dr. McAlpine, **SECONDED** by Mr. Pellerin, that Academic Council accept the recommendations recorded in the Curriculum Committee Minutes of November 4, 2008 with revisions as follows:

Motion 5.1 "MOTION; Recommend Academic Council approve the addition of PALEO400 3 (0-0-6) Paleontology Field School.

Item 5.5 ".....CD2000 3(3-0-3)..."

CARRIED

Discussion occurred regarding using three digits instead of the usual four digits numbering system. Power Campus can now accommodate three digit numbers. It was felt course numbering should be consistent to eliminate confusion for the students.

ACTION: Dr. McAlpine will raise the issue at the next Curriculum Committee meeting.

PROGRAM REVIEW COMMITTEE

S. Bansgrove advised that no programs will be reviewed this year while the six year review template and the bi-annual review template undergo major revisions.

3441 ORIENTATION TO ACADEMIC COUNCIL

Ms. Nock reviewed the responsibilities of Academic Council members and the Academic Council Authority and Bylaws. Discussion occurred regarding attendance at meetings and the importance of minimal absences at meetings.

3442 ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 4:53 p.m.

Dr. Som Pillay, Chair

Ms. Barb Johnston, Records

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