

Minutes of the Faculty Council - REVISED
Faculty of Kinesiology and Physical Education
March 3, 2014, 4:10p.m.
Margaret Eaton Board Room (Benson 302)

Present: Jack Goodman (Chair), Karen McLeister, Paula Paunic, Carla Hagstrom, Ira Jacobs, Beth Ali, Danielle Bentley, Scott Thomas, Robin Campbell, Margaret MacNeill, Kelly Arbor-Nicitopoulos, George Mammen, Kimberley Chau, Dan Moore, Gretchen Kerr, Anthony O'Brien, Michelle Brownrigg, Marius Locke, Kwame Sarpong, Cathy Amara, Craig Cuizon, David DiFonzo, Guy Faulkner, Luc Tremblay, Rachel Cheung, George Mammen

Regrets: Rosanne Lopers-Sweetman, Dave Cooper, Caroline Fusco, Lynda Mainwaring,

Guests: Robin Campbell

Secretariat: Zarine Ahmed

1) Call to Order and Introductions

The meeting was called to order at 4:10 p.m.

2) Approval of Agenda

The agenda as circulated was approved. (**Motion:**Locke/Jacobs) All in favour.

3) Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the January 13, 2014 meeting were reviewed and approved. (**Motion:**MacNeill/Arbor) All in favour.

4) Committee Reports

a) Undergraduate Examinations – L. Mainwaring

No report.

b) Undergraduate Curriculum – G. Kerr & C. Amara

Cathy Amara reported that the committee is continuing to discuss revisions for implementation in 2015/16. The focus has been on the 3rd and 4th year courses and degree requirements. A subgroup of the committee, chaired by Professor Atkinson, is working on developing a research strand in the undergraduate curriculum. The strategy entails modification and revision of the 2nd year research and design course and modifications to the 3rd and 4th year research opportunities with clear distinction between these two research experiences. The most notable change to be discussed at an upcoming Professoriate meeting is the implementation of a new 1st year course in research inquiry. There are continuing revisions to the Practica courses with the immediate change for the next calendar year splitting the 1st and 2nd year courses into two half courses which would separate the movement strand from the sports skills strand. The committee will continue to review the BKIN course and pre-requisite requirements as well as admissions requirements.

c) Undergraduate Admissions – M. MacNeill

Margaret MacNeill reported that the committee met and issued the first round of offers. There are currently 1671 applicants mostly from Ontario. 140 offers were made primarily to A/A+ students and 6 have accepted to date. She thanked the faculty who made personal phone calls to the early admitted students. She also mentioned the upcoming March Break and May recruitment events. In addition, she asked for any photos of labs, students or any recent events for slide presentations for recruitment purposes.

d) Graduate Committee – M. Locke

Marius Locke reported that the committee is discussing new models of funding for graduate students and will report on this in the future. They are currently working on admission and have received over 80 applications

for Masters and 30 applications for PhD. First round of admission offers will be sent out by the end of the month.

e) Research Committee – G. Faulkner

Guy Faulkner reported on four activities that the committee has been working on. Announcements have been sent out to all the undergraduate students regarding the application process for the upcoming Undergraduate Research Opportunity Program, which is a 12- week research opportunity program offered over the summer (May-August) and providing a salary of \$4800. The committee has a role in assessing internal faculty research grants and have decided to hold only one contest per year for the short term until this process has been reviewed. The next Faculty symposium will be held in late April or early May and will have a focus on concussion in sport led by Lynda Mainwaring and Doug Richards. In addition, the committee has a role in providing oversight on the ethics review process for undergraduate students and have worked this year to improve this system.

Margaret MacNeill recommended that in future the cycle of the Faculty research symposiums could be linked with the alumni reunions which are now held in May to bring in new audiences or link with fundraising.

f) Council of Athletics & Recreation – A. Comella

Beth Ali reported on behalf of Anita Comella that the revised intercollegiate sport model was passed at CAR on February 12th. The revised model was provided to Council members. The final phase of consultations took place from November to January with only a few changes made to the model. Two sports requested reconsideration of their original placement in the model requiring an arm's length committee to be convened. The committee was comprised of five members including an executive director of a national sport organization, a senior Faculty of Arts and Science administrator, a student who was not a varsity athlete or a student in the Faculty of Kinesiology & Physical Education, a UTSC staff member and a member of staff from CSI (Canadian Sport Institute - Ontario). Each sport had the opportunity to put in a request for consideration that was provided to the committee. Beth Ali responded to questions from the committee around the sport model review and concerning those sports that had submitted requests for reconsideration. The committee's report was submitted to Anita Comella and then to Dean Jacobs. The committee recommended that the requests of the two sports for divisional realignment were denied and that the revised sport model not be changed.

Luc Tremblay inquired about the references in the report about the revised intercollegiate sport model to intercollegiate strength and conditioning and the access to and support from "sport science" in the model. Beth Ali, the Director of Intercollegiate and High Performance Sports, explained that currently, for what has been labelled as the provision of "sport science" support within the model, consultation and advice is provided to coaches and athletes in the areas of strength and conditioning, mental training and nutrition; and, some of that consultation includes the engagement of faculty members who choose to become engaged by providing their disciplinary expertise. For example, track and swimming are programs where Tim Taha, Greg Wells, Tyson Beach have done so. In the revised intercollegiate sport model, the intent is to continue to seek consultation and assistance for the university division from those faculty members who choose to become so engaged. Over the next 16 to 18 months, the Director of Intercollegiate and High Performance Sports will be approaching faculty members to explore opportunities to work together and identify the most effective means of doing so.

Dean Jacobs noted that faculty may interpret the term sport science differently than does CIS and gave the example of access to nutritional counselling as sport science in that realm. In addition, the academic plan identifies using the co-curricular program as a whole, including the intercollegiate sport portion, as a platform for research resulting in increased opportunities rather than barriers.

Dean Jacobs congratulated and thanked everyone involved in the sport model review on behalf of the University of Toronto community and acknowledged CAR for their guidance and endorsement of the entire process.

Marius Locke asked about the rationale for the separation across the divisions for men's and women's sport in rugby and lacrosse. Beth Ali noted that gender equity was also considered when this model was created to ensure equitable numbers of teams in each of the divisions and also looking at roster sizes on each of the teams to have an equitable number of athletes across the three divisions. She explained that women's rugby is a CIS and OUA sport while men's rugby is only an OUA sport. Men's lacrosse is neither CIS nor OUA sport as it is run through the provincial sport organization while women's lacrosse is an OUA sport.

Marius Locke also asked if the three teams, golf, rugby and field hockey, will not have full time university coaches. Beth Ali responded that this is correct. She noted that golf provided an opportunity for a non-traditional CIS sport to be included in the university division given the external support it receives. It is not a CIS sport but has a partnership with Golf Canada that provides a grant to support the program as well as a relationship with Angus Glen who allow the faculty to run our program there free of charge. In addition, there is a strong relationship between Golf Canada and university level golf in terms of national team and national team development.

Michele Brownrigg mentioned that the initial sport model review looked across the continuum of sport offering with the first recommendation being to look at the intercollegiate sport model. They are now beginning the process of reviewing how club sport and intramural sport are being delivered across the 3 campuses. They will be working closely with Beth Ali and the Athletic Directors at UTSC and UTM and then a team that is representative across the 3 campuses will consider implications for other sport delivery areas.

Beth Ali highlighted that the majority of the work in terms of the review of the programs and the club program intramural and tri-campus intramural was done in the beginning (April 2012) and the next part was to create the models and then to conduct consultations. Gretchen Kerr added that indicators of equity and diversity will also be tracked as the measures of success given that it was one of the guiding principles.

Motion to endorse this report (**Chau/ Thomas**) All in favour.

g) Equity Committee – G. Kerr

Gretchen Kerr reported that the committee has met twice since last Faculty Council Meeting and reviewed the terms of reference to ensure relevance to both curricular and co-curricular aspects of the Faculty. They are currently involved in an environmental scan as there is a tremendous number of equity related initiatives already in place and they would like to review what is in existence, identify gaps and review everything from signage to curriculum related aspects of graduate and undergraduate programs.

h) Awards Committee – J. Goodman

Robin Campbell reported that the committee met last month via email and approved four awards including the Elaine Andrews Scholarship (amended to be a general athletic award); the Sheryn Posen Entrance Scholarship (amended award criteria and funding source); the Robert Goode Entrance Scholarship (amended to reflect change to CTEP program); and, the Tom Watt Hockey Award of Merit (new award). These awards have been reviewed by the committee and presented to Faculty Council for approval.

Motion – to accept the report (Campbell/Thomas)

Campbell mentioned that once the awards are approved by Faculty Council, they then go to Enrolment Services and then to Governing Council for acceptance.

Marius Locke noted the environmental course requirement in the Elaine Andrews Award and asked whether this should be an undergraduate award given the relevance to the KPE Outdoor Projects. Campbell clarified that this award is for student athletes.

Kimberley Chau asked about the criteria for the Robert Goode Entrance Scholarship given that we no longer admit students to the CTEP program. Dean Jacobs commented that although we will no longer have an intake for CTEP, we do have students in other programs at KPE who still have an interest in teaching and may go for further study in education. Margaret MacNeil noted that this information is collected through the KPE Statement of Interest as part of the admissions process.

All in favour.

i) Restricted Funds Committee – R. Campbell

No report.

j) Sponsorship Committee – R. Campbell

No report.

5) Centre Reports

a) Centre for Sport Policy Studies – P. Donnelly

No report.

b) Centre for Motor Control – T. Welsh

Luc Tremblay reported that the Centre is finalizing planning of activities for the 2nd annual symposium. They are attempting to reschedule the original mid-week date while avoiding any conflict with Bodies of Knowledge (BOK). The committee hopes to maximize attendance with more presenters this year. More details on timing will follow.

6) Deans' Reports

a) Dean – I. Jacobs

Dean Ira Jacobs reported that Professor Bruce Kidd is now the Interim Principal of UTSC and Vice-President of University of Toronto. He is appointed for an interim period until a new Principal has been selected.

The Canada Research Chair Advisory committee has commenced their work to identify an applicant to become our Faculty's first Canada Research Chair, in this case one in physical activity and mental health. The Associate Dean, Research Advisory Committee is also meeting and hopefully we will be able to make an announcement in this regard at the next Faculty Council meeting.

The Faculty's budget letter for the 2014/15 budget year starting in May has been received with no negative surprises. Funding for augmentation of our base budget was requested to allow us to make additional new appointments however no additional funds were given. We do have unfilled positions available and we will be proceeding to make academic appointments as soon as possible. We also have key staff positions that with searches underway; one is the Executive Assistant in the Office of the Dean to back-fill for Nadine McHorgh's secondment and the other is the Director of Communications. Nadine McHorgh is currently seconded as the Special Projects Assistant and temporarily will also act as Interim Director of Communications.

Dean Jacobs also mentioned that he has held three Dean's Breakfast with 3rd year students. He was interested in learning what deviation, if any, exists between their expectations when they entered the Faculty in first year compared to the reality as they look back in 3rd year. On the whole the students were highly laudatory about the distinguishing factors of the Faculty that they pointed to including the opportunity to conduct independent research projects, participate in placements, work with cadavers in Anatomy, among others. Discussion about the cancellation of the ODP was also brought up at the breakfast and the students

responded that both socially and behaviourally, in the opportunity for leadership, and content-wise was viewed as a very a positive experience. Dean Jacobs felt that the breakfasts were very useful and he plans to continue them again next year.

Dean Jacobs noted that the Council of First Entry Deans discussed the demographics of the prospective high school student population both in Ontario and the University of Toronto specifically and found that across the system the numbers of applications to universities are down quite significantly. It was explained that this is an issue of demographics as fewer students are coming out of high school. At the University of Toronto, high school applications are also down but not as much as at other institutions and we have seen a significant increase in applications from transfer students. In our Faculty we are holding steady on applications and we should view that as a good sign.

Dean Jacobs advised that he is a member of a Provostial advisory group on student mental health. He noted that members in the associated subgroups are considering analytically, constructively and creatively both the upstream preventive initiatives that might be worthwhile to consider that are currently not in place at the University of Toronto as well as the downstream issues associated with managing the very significant uptake that is a characteristic of all our universities in terms of mental health concerns of our student population. The advisory group report and recommended initiatives will be available in the Fall.

b) Vice-Dean, Academic – G. Kerr

Gretchen Kerr welcomed Paula Paunic to the Registrar's Office and advised that she is assisting as the Placement Coordinator for the next few months in Ashley Stirling's absence to help out with the professional placement process. Paula has also helped to coordinate the Career Café planned for March 6th where we will have 15 alumni volunteers speak about their experiences and 80 undergraduate students signed up to attend with another 20 on the waitlist. Other events coming up include March Break recruitment events as well as the Undergraduate National Research Day on March 28th. The latter event welcomes students from sister institutions to present their research work along with an opportunity for our graduate students to take part as session moderators. Craig Cuizon asked if there would be a Placement Information session coming up. Kerr responded that visits will be made to compulsory classes to inform students about the processes. Rachel Cheung asked if there will be a Mentor Appreciation Banquet. Kerr responded that there was a Mentor Banquet for mentors only on February 27th at the Faculty Club and it was a successful event.

c) Associate Dean, Research Program – S. Thomas

Scott Thomas reported that the Research Integrity Committee that is working across the university is reviewing how researchers conduct themselves and interact with each other and with graduate students to ensure these are handled appropriately. He attended a session for CIHR representatives to talk about the changes in their funding program, their division of items into a foundation grant and project grants and how this will be rolled out in the next two years. In addition, there was a recent budget announcement from the federal government about a new research excellence fund that we will be taking a further look at to identify any opportunities for our Faculty.

d) Assistant Dean, Co-curricular Physical Activity & Sport – A. Comella

No report.

e) Chief Administrative Officer – R. Lopers-Sweetman

Dean Jacobs reported on behalf of Rosanne Lopers-Sweetman that the Goldring Centre for High Performance Sport construction is on schedule and that they have commenced planning for the physical move. He further noted that the construction schedule for the artificial turf fields is also on track to be open for the summer.

7) Student Government Reports

a) KPEUA – A. O'Brien

Anthony O'Brien thanked all professors he has been in contact with for their support for KPEUA visits to their classes to provide information on the elections and the referendum. KPEUA is seeking an increase of \$1 per semester in the referendum which will provide an extra \$3000 for their budget next year. He has learned that part time students technically do not pay fees to KPEUA as APUS represents them and he recommends this as an item that KPEUA needs to explore next year. The referendum voting will take place next week on March 11, 12 and 13th. Election voting takes place on March 18th and 19th and they hope that all 8 positions will be filled so there is no need for by-elections. On March 20th, 26 students will be missing classes to represent our university at the KIN Games at McMaster University; it is the responsibility of these students to notify their instructors. A silent auction will be hosted March 4th from 7am-6pm in the AC lobby. Orientation coordinators have been hired and they will now begin receive applications for frosh leaders.

David Difonzo reported that the Career Café is set for March 6th at 6-8:30pm in the Varsity Centre Blue & White Lounge and is sponsored by TD Canada Trust Insurance. 14 alumni members are confirmed covering a range of professions from dentists to scientists. There was good interest from students with 84 students registered. Emails have been sent to all students reminding them of the event details. He thanked Rachel Keeling for her assistance in organizing this event with KPEUA.

b) KPEGS – G. Mammen

George Mammen reported that KPEGS is organizing a food drive for Easter for the community. In addition, Danielle Bentley reported that the Bodies of Knowledge conference registration is now open with an automated process that allows students to pay on line. They are optimistic that it will be as successful as last year as they have added extra features such as another social, award competitions, and elevator talks. The dates are May 8th and 9th in the Benson Building.

8) Other Business

9) Announcements

Beth Ali announced that there will be an invitation for the President's Reception for varsity athletics on March 28th from 12:00 to 2:00 pm in the Sports Gym.

Cathy Amara announced on behalf of Lynda Mainwaring that her research work on concussions is on display at the Ontario Science Centre.

Anthony O'Brien announced that the Athletics Association is hosting their annual PHE4all event with over 400 students attending and that they are using Varsity as well as AC facilities.

10) Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 5:10pm (Locke/ Amara) All in favour.