

FACULTY COUNCIL
January 20, 2017 at 12:00 p.m.
Margaret Eaton Board Room (BN 302)

Minutes

Present: Ira Jacobs, Peter Donnelly (Chair), Dave Cooper, Lynda Mainwaring, Scott Thomas, Margaret MacNeill, Simon Darnell, Boba Samuels, Kaleigh Fernanad Pennock, Angela Fong, Kelly Arbour-Nicitopoulos, Jen Leake, Erica Lenton, Ryan Schwenger, Michael Atkinson, Tim Taha, Catherine Sabiston, Luc Tremblay, Ashley Stirling, Josie Lalonde, Catherine Amara, Robin Campbell, Greg Wells
Guests: Tim Linden, Jennifer Leake
Regrets: Marius Locke, Daniel Santa Mina, Katherine Tamminen, Rosanne Lopers-Sweetman, Beth Ali
Secretariat: Kerstin Giannini

1. Call to Order and Introductions

The meeting was called to order at 12:15 p.m. There was a call for a motion to approve Peter Donnelly as Chair of this meeting in Marius Locke's absence.

MOTION (*duly moved and seconded*)

THAT Peter Donnelly serve as Chair of this meeting in Marius Locke's absence.

The motion is **CARRIED**.

2. Approval of Agenda

MOTION (*duly moved and seconded*)

THAT the agenda of the Faculty Council meeting of **January 20, 2017** be approved.

The motion is **CARRIED**.

3. Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the December 2, 2016 meeting were circulated.

MOTION (*duly moved and seconded*)

THAT the minutes of the Faculty Council meeting of **December 2, 2016** be approved.

The motion is **CARRIED**.

4. Committee Reports

a. Undergraduate Examinations

Professor Mainwaring circulated a document with fall marks for academic and practica courses for information only. Professor Mainwaring reported that the Examinations Committee met to review and approve marks on January 16, 2017. The marks were presented to the Vice Dean, Academic Affairs, and Dean and were approved. Marks were released to students the next day.

Professor Mainwaring noted that in some instances course standard deviations appeared to be below the guideline lower limit. In these cases, the professors teaching these courses were contacted for further clarification and they attributed the low standard deviation to group work in the courses, scaffolded assignments, and high student engagement. Tim Linden also

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noted that grades of DNW (did not write/did not attend/did little work) are not considered for averaging purposes and may thus impact the standard deviation.

Professor Tremblay complimented the use of scaffolding to allow for feedback on assignments and asked if there is a way to include the highest range of grades in addition to the lowest in the next report. This suggestion was well received.

Angela Fong asked about the grades for the exercise modalities course and Tim Linden noted that it was a course where there had been more rigorous theory application points integrated.

Ryan Schwenger wondered if there was any comparison between KPE 180 and KPE 280, based on student concerns with the PRA curriculum. Professor Mainwaring noted that no direct statistical analysis had been conducted to compare courses. Professor Amara noted that while the courses are prerequisites, there isn't an expectation around the marks being similar.

MOTION (*duly moved and seconded*)

THAT Faculty Council receive the marks as presented.

The motion is **CARRIED**.

b. Undergraduate Curriculum

Professor Amara explained the rationale behind the proposed minor modification to the Combined Degree Program BKin/MT and BPHE/MT. This modification was presented at the last meeting of Faculty Council for information and is now being presented for approval.

The original combined degree program (CDP) proposal set out that students in the CDP were expected to take two compulsory MT graduate courses during the fourth year of study in the BKin or BPHE program. However, in response to accreditation requirements, OISE has amended this aspect of the program such that only elective courses may be taken while students are dually registered. Therefore, our undergraduate students in the CDP will now choose two 0.5 FCE elective MT courses during their fourth year of study. As was the case before, these courses will count toward both the undergraduate and graduate degrees. No other changes to the agreement have been made and all partner programs have been asked to make this minor modification. Professor Amara thanked Josie Lalonde for her assistance in moving forward with the combined degree program.

MOTION (*duly moved and seconded*)

THAT the proposed minor modification to the Combined Degree Program (BKin/MT and BPHE/MT) be approved.

The motion is **CARRIED**.

Professor Amara provided an update on the curriculum mapping exercise, which will continue throughout the term. The group brainstorming meetings to discuss program learning outcomes are nearing completion. The Undergraduate Curriculum Committee will be tasked with preparing initial drafts to share with the Professoriate for feedback. The next steps involve drafting expected program outcomes and the mapping course outcomes onto program learning outcomes.

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c. Undergraduate Admissions

Professor Amara reported that there has been a 20% increase in undergraduate applications for the Faculty of Kinesiology and Physical Education as compared with a 12% increase in the University of Toronto overall. Professor Amara noted that first choice applications are up 30% and international applications are up 13%. Professor Amara thanked Sophie Harding, KPE's Recruitment, Events and Communications Coordinator, for her hard work this year.

With the introduction of a joint International Recruitment Officer (shared with the Faculty of Music), it is expected that applications from the US and China will increase in future years. The Faculty also has been approached by UTSC to participate as a transition partner for students from China who are applying to the University through the Green Path – China admissions program.

Professor Amara noted that the selection meetings will be underway shortly, with a target of 250 new students. The Admissions Committee will be aggressive with initial offers in order to enhance the timing of when offers are made. A higher quality of applicants is anticipated this year.

Finally, Professor Amara noted that there are several conversion events happening in the coming months, intended to convince newly admitted applicants to accept their offers of admission. Professor Amara thanked all members of the Faculty who have accepted invitations to contribute to these events.

d. Graduate Committee

Professor Donnelly noted that PhD applications are available for review for those interested in taking on new PhD students. Dean Jacobs noted there are resources available to facilitate meeting with prospective PhD students.

e. Research Committee

Professor Tremblay noted that applications for the internal grants are due February 15th. Professor Tremblay also reminded faculty that if they have had internal grants in the past to please file the final report. Professor Tremblay noted more grants will be coming out so faculty should stay posted for further details.

Professor Tremblay noted that faculty should begin to consider any undergraduate students they would like to work with over the summer as NSERC, USRA, and SSHRC UTEA awards will be coming available.

f. Council of Athletics & Recreation (CAR)

No report.

g. Equity Committee

Margaret MacNeill is replacing Caroline Fusco for the remainder of the year as co-Chair. Professor MacNeill thanked Terry Gardiner for his hard work and welcomed back Susan Lee from a secondment to her role as co-Chair. Professor MacNeill reported on CAR's goal to address some of the binary language in their Constitution. Dean Jacobs noted that any changes to the Constitution will require Governing Council approval.

Jen Leake will be working closely with the Equity Committee to address this CAR request through the formation of a new working group on language.

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Dean Jacobs will be establishing a *Task Force on Race and Indigeneity (TFRI)* and is requesting recommendations from the Equity Committee on potential members. Jen Leake confirmed that a working group of the Equity Committee is generating a shortlist of nominations for the TFRI and that this would be shared soon.

h. Awards Committee

No report.

i. Restricted Funds Committee

No report.

j. Sponsorship Committee

No report.

5. Centre Reports

a. Centre for Sport Policy Studies

Professor Donnelly continues to work toward re-establishing the website for the Centre for Sport Policy Studies.

b. Centre for Motor Control

Professor Tremblay reported on behalf of Professor Welsh. Professor Tremblay noted that plans are underway for the 4th Research Symposium. Professor Tremblay noted that the inter-institutional research and training grant is being revised based on feedback from NSERC last year.

6. Deans' Reports

a. Dean

Dean Jacobs explained that a motion is being presented for Steve Manchur and Barb Brophy to serve as Investigating Officers under the Code of Student Conduct. Dean Jacobs explained the rationale for proposing these two individuals and noted that they were selected in consultation with the KPEUA and KPEGS. Their experience, positions, and demeanours were considered.

Upon approval by Faculty Council, the names will be recommended to the Office of the Vice Provost, Students special training will be provided.

MOTION (*duly moved and seconded*)

THAT Steve Manchur and Barb Brophy be recommended to serve as Investigating Officers under the Code of Student Conduct.

In response to questions, Dean Jacobs clarified that the roles have a two-year term with the possibility of reappointment and that Steve Manchur would not necessarily be the first contact.

The motion is **CARRIED**.

Dean Jacobs reminded the group that the current Hearing Officer, Peter Donnelly, will be coming to the end of his appointment ending June 30, 2017. Dean Jacobs invited anyone who would like to step into this role to come forward. He noted that very few allegations are investigated and even fewer proceed to a hearing.

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Dean Jacobs noted that the report for Truth and Reconciliation is now public, and encouraged all members to read it. Our Task Force on Race and Indigeneity well places us to act on the recommendations.

The University's Policy on Sexual Violence and Sexual Harassment has been endorsed by Governing Council and is now in place. Dean Jacobs explained that the policy stemmed from provincial legislation that required universities to have a policy in place to address sexual violence by February 1, 2017. Some key points:

- The policy covers all incidents involving the University of Toronto community, including those that occur off campus or online
- There is a clear distinction between disclosing and reporting sexual violence. Under this policy there is no requirement to make a report in order to access supports available through the University.

Dean Jacobs noted that the tenure stream search attracted 141 applications. An initial review with criteria from the search committee narrowed this to 102 applications. The search committee will meet at the end of the month to filter this to a shortlist.

A teaching stream position will be distributed in the coming week for endorsement for posting.

Dean Jacobs expressed his thanks to the recruitment team for their efforts and the positive early application results.

Dean Jacobs noted the positive results of reviews for faculty members. He congratulated Kelly Arbour-Nicitopoulos, Dan Moore, and Katherine Tamminen for their successful reviews. Dean Jacobs also congratulated Professor Ashley Stirling on her promotion to the rank of Associate Professor, Teaching Stream.

Dean Jacobs alerted the faculty to the graduate and undergraduate level awards available for scholarly achievement in the general area of violence against women.

Dean Jacobs announced that the Canadian Memorial Chiropractic College has approached the Faculty of Kinesiology and Physical Education with a draft agreement that would reserve a number of spaces for students from our Faculty. Dean Jacobs encouraged any feedback from faculty members regarding this connection. Professor Atkinson noted that there was not a lot of interest in this when it was discussed last year and will provide Dean Jacobs with more information on those discussions.

b. Acting Vice-Dean, Academic

Professor Donnelly spoke to the possible introduction of a fall reading week in the next academic year. The Faculty of Arts & Science will be introducing a Fall Reading Week for undergraduate students only and ours would be aligned. Professor Donnelly noted that the undergraduate orientation week is most impacted by this as it would be compressed to two days. Dean Jacobs questioned the Faculty's autonomy in making this move toward alignment. Josie Lalonde indicated she would look further into this topic. Ryan Schwenger noted that shortening the orientation week could take away from the sense of community created through orientation activities. Professor Tremblay noted his support for a move toward a reading week because of its beneficial impact on student wellbeing and long term knowledge retention for our students. Dean Jacobs asked that this issue be presented at the next meeting of Faculty Council.

c. Associate Dean, Research

No report.

d. Executive Director of Co-Curricular Athletics and Physical Activity

No report.

e. Chief Administrative Officer

No report.

7. Student Governments' Reports

a. KPEUA

Ryan Schwenger reported that clothing from the clothing drive is now available for pick up for those who have made orders.

Ryan Schwenger shared the concern amongst KPE students and other student associations over the introduction of a Fall Reading Week and the consequent shortened orientation week. There will be a meeting with the Vice-Provost, Students, next week.

Ryan Schwenger noted that Winterfest was successful and that the KPEAU has been steadily progressing towards achieving their goals with members of the team represented on all undergraduate committees. Ryan Schwenger noted upcoming events, which include a sandwich street patrol for the homeless, mental health awareness day, and Career Café.

One of the issues most prevalent amongst the undergraduate students involves the PRA curriculum and a lack of student awareness with respect to avenues through which they can seek recourse in grading. Referring to a past working group, Ryan Schwenger wondered if there are any recommendations available and whether those documents could be shared. Professor Stirling noted that there has been a lot of strength and rigour built in to the curriculum, and encouraged KPEUA to bring forward concerns to Professor Amara through the Curriculum Committee. Professor Amara noted the difficulty in standardizing grading practices, teaching and content. The work of the working group could be made available to share, however it is not in a formal document. Professor Mainwaring clarified the processes for bringing forward concerns over teaching and courses. Ryan Schwenger clarified that the issue with the procedure itself is that the concerns seem to be somewhat transient.

Ryan Schwenger also shared concerns about communications around the change to the Faculty's Health and Wellness Counsellor. Josie Lalonde clarified that the Health and Wellness Counsellor has been replaced and will continue to be available for students. Josie Lalonde welcomed KPEUA's feedback on expanding communication and advertisement of this service and faculty noted their willingness to advertise through Blackboard. Josie Lalonde will inquire with Health and Wellness on the possibility of having the Counsellor introduce herself to students in classrooms.

b. KPEGS

Angela Fong reported that the first KPEGS meeting that integrated Masters of Professional Kinesiology students went well. MPK students expressed their interest in participating in events.

Angela Fong noted that KPEGS has been approved monetarily through the GSU.

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The Bodies of Knowledge Conference planning is underway, with this year's theme of research to practice.

The annual student vs. faculty hockey game will be happening on March 30, 2017 at 4 p.m. KPEGS is seeking hockey players from faculty members and teaching assistants.

8. Other Business

None.

9. Announcements

Professor Tremblay noted that Professor Darnell has secured a SSHRC grant for a two-day symposium on sport, development, and environment.

Dean Jacobs reminded faculty that there is a Professoriate retreat on March 7, 2017, which has caused the rescheduling of the Faculty Council meeting for that month. New Faculty Council meeting dates will be announced shortly.

10. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 1:47 p.m.