

FACULTY OF HUMANITIES MEETING

8 November 2018

IN ATTENDANCE: 27 members, 4 observers, Jackie Osterman (Assistant Dean), Jennifer Richardson (Recording Secretary)

REGRETS: 17 regrets received

MINUTES OF THE MEETINGS OF 4 OCTOBER 2018

Dr. Eilers **MOTIONED** and Dr. Walmsley **SECONDED** the motion to adopt the minutes from the previous faculty meeting on October 4, 2018. The motion **CARRIED** unanimously.

BUSINESS ARISING

There was no business arising due to the minutes.

DEAN'S REMARKS

The Dean thanked all who participated in the Faculty review last week. The review is part of the process of selecting a new Dean. The search for a new Dean is now posted on the Daily News. Senate has appointed a search committee and Boyden has been hired to conduct the search.

There will be another change next year. Patrick Deane is stepping down as President of McMaster to become Principle at Queen's University. The Provost is going to assume the role of acting President for the time being. The Provost was already going to lead the new research campaign and it makes sense for this new campaign to be led by the President. We may hear more about the research initiative next term.

We are also finding a new Director of Finance for the Faculty, we think we have found a suitable candidate, however the appointment has not been confirmed at this time.

Hooker speakers required for next year. Preference to those who have broad appeal across the Faculty and campus. We have to have a department to be the administrator for any speaker.

The new newsletter is slowly coming out, the new format is based on stories in the Daily News. Thanks to everyone who participates in stories for Daily News or the Brighter World site. We wouldn't be able to do the newsletter so easily without those stories.

ASSOCIATE DEAN'S OF GRADUATE STUDIES AND RESEARCH'S REMARKS

It is scholarship season for grad awards. Thanks to all for sitting on committees, which can be time consuming.

Grad curriculum is in process. There are several dates set aside for that. University Scholar search underway. The annual Research Gala was held last week, Drs. Lapointe, Anderson, Woolhouse and Ibhawoh were highlighted. Deanna Tigani, Grace Pollock, Dr. Corner and Dr. Swett have just returned from a conference on university advancement.

ACTING ASSOCIATE DEAN'S REMARKS

Dr. Corner welcomed and introduced the new staff from the Dean's office. Jenna Gloazzo will be replacing Christine Chauvin during her leave. Leanna Aref is our new recruitment officer, she comes most recently from the School of Business and has an MA from Toronto and an undergraduate degree from our Classics Department.

Dr. Corner met with people from the bookstore about concerns about orders at the beginning term. They recognize that there were some issues, due to a staffing shortage in their area. Concerns were communicated to them, they were engaged in the conversation and appeared to be on board with things that need to be improved on both sides.

Course management is coming up. Thanks to Chairs and Administrative Coordinators for all of their work on this. The last Fall Preview was well attended, the next one is Nov 17. These events are very important for recruitment. Thanks to all volunteers.

We are doing more on the advancement front for students. Need to think about how to better identify and support struggling students. How to engage students from non-traditional backgrounds and support their success.

The Dean stated that applications to the university are way up, including applications to the Humanities, from this time last year. We are getting signs of students applying earlier. We hope that this continues and translates in to real increased numbers at the end of the admission cycle.

UPDATE FROM SENATE

Dr. Silcox reported that the October 10th meeting of Senate was a very short meeting. They approved appointments from other Faculties, but there was nothing really pertaining to Humanities.

REPORT ON FROM UNDERGRADUATE CURRICULUM AND CALENDAR COMMITTEE

Dr. Eilers chaired the committee and presented the report. He thanked the members of the committee for all of their hard work: Drs. Gough, Quail, Serruys, Corner, Pearl (the undergrad student rep), Jackie Osterman, Elizabeth Williams, Jenna Gloazzo, as well as Brad Coburn, editor of the calendar.

Each unit will require its own motion for approval.

[The full curriculum report is available on the Faculty of Humanities meeting webpage].

Studio Art

Dr. Eilers MOTIONED and Dr. Aksan SECONDED the motion that the faculty approve for recommendation to Undergraduate Council the curricular revisions for Studio Art as described in this report. The motion CARRIED unanimously.

Art History

Dr. Eilers MOTIONED and Dr. Sheng SECONDED the motion that the faculty approve for recommendation to Undergraduate Council the curricular revisions for Art History as described in this report. The motion CARRIED unanimously.

Music

Dr. Eilers MOTIONED and Dr. Aksan SECONDED the motion that the faculty approve for recommendation to Undergraduate Council the curricular revisions for Music as described in this report. The motion CARRIED unanimously.

Theatre & Film Studies

Dr. Eilers MOTIONED and Dr. Hladki SECONDED the motion that the faculty approve for recommendation to Undergraduate Council the curricular revisions for Theatre & Film as described in this report. The motion CARRIED unanimously.

Classics

Dr. Eilers MOTIONED and Dr. Walmsley SECONDED the motion that the faculty approve for recommendation to Undergraduate Council the curricular revisions for Classics as described in this report. The motion CARRIED unanimously.

Communication Studies and Multimedia

Dr. Eilers MOTIONED and Dr. Myhr SECONDED the motion that the faculty approve for recommendation to Undergraduate Council the curricular revisions for Communication Studies and Multimedia as described in this report. The motion CARRIED unanimously.

CARRIED unanimously.

English and Cultural Studies

The Department is making serious revisions to their 1st year offerings. There are additional course revisions, including removing the prerequisite of being in an English program from a number of courses and several course deletions.

Dr. Eilers MOTIONED and Dr. Walmsley SECONDED the motion that the faculty approve for recommendation to Undergraduate Council the curricular revisions for English and Cultural Studies as described in this report. The motion CARRIED unanimously.

French

Minor changes to programs and courses, also one course addition and one deletion. The Department is also introducing a new Concurrent Certificate in Professional French.

Clarification was requested about the difference between the existing certificate in Essential French and the new certificate. Dr. Stout stated the Essential French certificate only covers introductory courses, 1Z06, 2Z06 and 2M06 while the new certificate has a specific focus on professional language and requires specific upper year courses for completion.

Dr. Eilers MOTIONED and Dr. Stout SECONDED the motion that the faculty approve for recommendation to Undergraduate Council the curricular revisions for French and the approval of the concurrent certificate in Professional French as described in these reports. The motion CARRIED unanimously.

History

Extensive revision to a number of courses, the deletion of the third year inquiry course and rolling the requirement into Level 4 courses. 3H13 will still be offered next year for those student who are already enrolled in the program.

Dr. Eilers MOTIONED and Dr. Heathorn SECONDED the motion that the faculty approve for recommendation to Undergraduate Council the curricular revisions for History as described in this report. The motion CARRIED unanimously.

Humanities

Updating some language, 2 new courses, including 3D12 (internship course).

A member asked about 3D12. Ms. William responded that it is a full-time, one term, unpaid internship course offered at the Discovery Channel. The credit value is there to recognize the time commitment and academic value of the course. The course can be done over the summer. The course was offered on Dean's Letter last year.

Dr. Eilers MOTIONED and Dr. Corner SECONDED the motion that the faculty approve for recommendation to Undergraduate Council the curricular revisions for Humanities as described in this report. The motion CARRIED unanimously.

Linguistics & Languages

Dr. Eilers MOTIONED and Dr. C. Anderson SECONDED the motion that the faculty approve for recommendation to Undergraduate Council the curricular revisions for Linguistics and Languages as described in this report.

The motion CARRIED unanimously.

Peace Studies

Dr. Eilers stated the Peace Studies proposal met with discussion at the committee. There are 7 new courses which are not actually new. They are adding back cross-lists which were previously deleted. As a committee we should determine policy as to when cross-lists are appropriate and when they are not. There are times when cross-listings are pedagogically and practically useful.

Dr. Eilers MOTIONED and Dr. Doubleday SECONDED the motion that the faculty approve for recommendation to Undergraduate Council the curricular revisions for Peace Studies as described in this report. The motion CARRIED unanimously.

Philosophy

Updating of JPPL course lists some new courses and deletion of one course

Dr. Eilers MOTIONED and Dr. Stotts SECONDED the motion that the faculty approve for recommendation to Undergraduate Council the curricular revisions for Philosophy as described in this report. The motion CARRIED unanimously.

Women's Studies

No changes, no motion

Certificates and diploma programs are approved by a different committee therefore if these changes are approved on a separate report.

McMaster English Language Development (MELD) Diploma

A non-credit lab component has been added, changes to some course titles and descriptions to better reflect current course content.

Dr. Eilers MOTIONED and Dr. Corner SECONDED the motion that the faculty approve for recommendation to Undergraduate Council the curricular revisions for McMaster English Language Development Diploma as described in this report. The motion CARRIED unanimously.

Diploma in Music Performance

Dr. Eilers MOTIONED and Dr. Aksan SECONDED the motion that the faculty approve for recommendation to Undergraduate Council the curricular revisions Diploma in Music Performance as described in this report. The motion CARRIED unanimously.

Concurrent Certificate in Professional French

Approval was given earlier in the meeting with the curricular changes to French.

Concurrent Certificate in Leadership & Cross-Cultural Literacy

Dr. Eilers MOTIONED and Dr. Corner SECONDED the motion that the faculty approve for recommendation to Undergraduate Council the curricular changes to the Concurrent Certificate in Cross-Cultural Literacy as described in this report. The motion CARRIED unanimously.

Concurrent Ethics and Policy for Technological Innovation Certificate (EPTIC)

Dr. Eilers MOTIONED and Dr. Serruys SECONDED the motion that the faculty approve for recommendation to Undergraduate Council the curricular changes to the Concurrent Ethics and Policy for Technological Innovation Certificate as described in this report. The motion CARRIED unanimously.

Dr. Cruikshank thanked Dr. Eilers for his leadership of this committee.

ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM CHAIRS AND DIRECTORS

Dr Walmsley announced Katherine McKittrick will be holding a talk tomorrow at 11:00 am as part of the English and Cultural Studies Visiting Speaker Series. All Faculty should have received an email.

OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business.

The meeting concluded at approximately 10:30 a.m.