

**SCIENCE FACULTY COUNCIL
MINUTES**

Friday, May 31, 2019 - Room D213

Chair: Lucy Lee, Dean

Present: Aileen Ablog, Ian Affleck, Carolyn Atkins, Nathan Bialas, Margret Bollerup, Carin Bondar, Robin Endelman, Cherie Enns, Grant Fritzke, Wendy Gracey, Olav Lian, Cynthia Loten, Pedro Montoya-Pelaez, Vanessa Radzinski, Alan Reid, Michelle Rhodes, Greg Schlitt, Norm Taylor, Ben Vanderlei, Jane Webb

Regrets: James Bedard, Cory Beshara, Linus Chiang, David Chu, Golfam Ghafourifar, Claire Hay, Longlong Huang, Jonathan Hughes, Karin Loots, Stan Manu, Greg Schmaltz, Tony Stea

Recorder: Caroline Majeau

1. GUESTS and INTRODUCTIONS

Lucy introduced to the Faculty of Science, Carin Bondar our temporary Science Communicator. She will be working with the Dean's office to help promote our faculty. Deanna Devitt, Work-Integrated Learning Coordinator at UFV was in attendance to and answer questions regarding the coop and the BSc, Agenda Item #3.1.

1.1. Lorna Andrews, Teaching and Learning Specialist (Indigenization)

Her role at UFV is to assist faculty and staff in their efforts towards reconciliation and indigenization. She can connect faculty with community resources. Please contact her at lorna.andrews@ufv.ca, Teaching and Learning G104d, or local 4881 if you're looking for resources. Lorna will be facilitating an Educators Journey Towards Reconciliation workshop on June 6-7 and would encourage faculty to attend. Lucy also advised that HR has several workshops focusing on indigenization coming up and encouraged faculty to sign up.

2. AGENDA and MINUTES

2.1. Adoption of Agenda

MOTION:

THAT the Science Faculty Council adopt the agenda as presented.
Karen C. / 2nd Alan R.; all in favour; approved.

2.2. Approval of the Minutes - May 3, 2019

MOTION:

THAT the Science Faculty Council approve the minutes from May 3, 2019 as presented.
Alan R. / 2nd Ben V.; all in favour; approved.

3. DISCUSSION / DECISIONS

3.1. Proposal to include coop in the BSc degree as an elective credit.

Deanna Devitt, Work-Integrated Learning Coordinator at UFV was invited to attend and answer questions regarding the coop and the BSc. The discussion continued from the last SFC meeting held on May 3, 2019 as to whether to allow coop credits in the BSc. Deanna advised that coop is a great advantage for students and provided recent examples.

Although coop is 18 credits it was suggested that we could accept as many as we want in the BSc. Discussion continued on allowable credits.

MOTION:

THAT the Science Faculty Council approve the request to now include up to 6 lower level elective coop credits in the BSc degree.

Robin E. / 2nd Karen C.; all in favour; approved.

4. FSCC (Curriculum Committee) - For Decision

4.1. **MATH 265 Transition to Advanced Mathematics** - Course revision

Greg Schlitt spoke to the revisions. The changes will bring the course in line with how it is currently being taught.

MOTION:

THAT the Science Faculty Council approve the revisions to MATH 265 as presented.

Greg Schlitt / 2nd Norm T.; all in favour; approved.

5. FSCC (Curriculum Committee) - For Information

5.1. **Biochemistry Major** - program revision

Revisions include replacing discontinued CMNS 155 with CMNS 125; and to remove CHEM 312 from the biochemistry program as the course has been discontinued.

6. REPORTS

6.1. **Dean's Report** - Lucy Lee

- Lucy provided the new incoming Provost with our faculty overview. She requested recent publications from the science faculty and received 30+ publications for 2018-19.
- She will be away after convocation from June 10-13 and will be attending a conference in Tampa, Florida with 3 of her students.
- Congratulations to Nathan Bialas, Grant Fritzke and Spencer Copeland for their attendance at all 9 Science Faculty Council Meetings this year!
- The 3-year reviews and IPECs are now complete.
- Reminder that the Faculty of Science Post Convocation Ceremony Celebration is being held outside this year in the parking lot area across from the Abbotsford Centre. Lucy encouraged all faculty to attend.

6.2. **BSc Committee** - Greg Schlitt

The BSc Program Working Group anticipate having something to bring to council in the fall with hopes to have everything in place by 2020. Their next meeting is June 14.

- 6.3. **Advising** - Karen Cooper
- The Faculty of Science will be celebrating 100+ graduates at convocation on June 4.
 - She invited new faculty to connect with her if they are in need of any resources.
- 6.4. **Senate**
Lucy advised that Jonathan Hughes is the new Faculty of Science representative at Senate. Congratulations Jonathan!
- 6.5. **Library** - Grant Fritzke
Grant provided an update on the allocation of budget funds.

7. AAA Awards Celebration

Congratulations to this year's winners!

- Awesome Achievement – Claire Hay
- Terrific Teaching – Nathan Bialas
- Remarkable Research – Cherie Enns
- Outstanding Outreach – Greg Schlitt
- Superb Service / Faculty – Stan Manu
- Superb Service / Staff – Aileen Ablog

8. INFORMATION ITEMS

- 8.1. NSERC has launched its new Alliance Grant program to fund research partnerships, and will begin accepting applications May 21, 2019. Please visit the following link to read all about the new Alliance grant: http://nserc-crsng.gc.ca/Innovate-Innoover/alliance-alliance/partners-partenaires_eng.asp. If you are interesting in discussing a research partnership and would like assistance, please contact Jerri-Lynne Cameron, jerri-lynne.cameron@ufv.ca, Director Research Services and Industry Engagement.
- 8.2. The Faculty of Science Convocation is on Tuesday, June 4, 2019 starting at 9:30 am. Faculty are encouraged to join the UFV faculty procession. Immediately following the convocation we will be hosting a reception for our students and their families, so please join us. Light snacks and refreshments will be served.
- 8.3. **Research Grant Information:**
- If you are thinking of applying for an NSERC Discovery Grant this year, NSERC will be offering webinars on May 22, June 4 and June 19 (<https://tinyurl.com/yc2ygosc>).
 - The Discovery Grant NOI is now available on the research portal at <https://tinyurl.com/zk4nnrx>. Deadline to submit an NOI is August 1, 2019, 8 pm EST.
 - Please don't forget to notify jerri-lynne.cameron@ufv.ca or kelly.tracey@ufv.ca if you plan to apply for an NSERC Discovery grant this year.

9. ADJOURN - 2:35 PM

Next Meeting: September 6, 2019 @ 1:00 PM Room TBC