# AGENDA and Minutes
## FACULTY OF ARTS
### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

**Meeting 32**

**Social Sciences 1339**

**Thursday, September 29, 2016**

1:00pm – 2:30pm

Regrets & Questions: Kate Rollestone, Executive Assistant, [kate.rollestone@ucalgary.ca](mailto:kate.rollestone@ucalgary.ca)

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Opening remarks – Richard Sigurdson

The roll of Executive Committee in the Faculty of Arts:

- A representative from each department/school in the Faculty considers, deliberates and recommends items for approval to Arts Faculty Council which then go on to General Faculties Council (GFC) for approval
- Important within the Faculty as a sounding board and to provide advice

32.1 Motion to accept Sep 29, 2016 Agenda
Accepted

32.2 Motion to approve Apr 4, 2016 Minutes
Moved by Ali Kazmi, seconded by Noreen Humble, no discussion, all in favour - Moved

32.3 Chair’s Remarks

There are high-level challenges facing the Faculty:

- Indigenous – Strategy committee as lead by Florentine Strzelczyk made recommendation for Indigenous cluster hire with expertise in research and learning, and community engagement. Chair will take lead on Indigenous strategy within the Faculty and create a new committee consisting of a representative from each department and school. Richard Sigurdson will chair the committee and Florentine Strzelczyk will still be involved as she sits on the University committee.
- Internationalization – Committee is about to report out with recommendations. Issues are broad. We want to encourage our students to have international experience.
- Budget – We have a 2.5% percent decrease in budget, $3.5m. Need to look at our academic programs, there are a large number of courses because they are needed for majors, but we will have to look at options to be sustainable.
- Nurturing the faculty – Faculty, students, staff – we need to make sure we take care of people and the new faculty members should be mentored. We have a good program for new faculty members but we need to take care of mid-career faculty also. University has a mental health strategy, it is a signature piece for our university, we need to be proactive so that we make this a great place to work and study. There are engagement plans for each employee group – Faculty, AUPE and MaPS.
- Questions or comments? None.

32.4 Work Assignment Policy & 32.5 Arts Faculty Committees Terms of Reference

For information only – These items were passed at the last Executive Committee but the following Faculty Council had a lengthy Agenda item (the new school, SLLLC) so these two items were removed. They will go to Faculty Council next week.

32.6 CARC Calendar Changes 2017-18

There was an electronic vote at CARC, which resulted in 14/15 in favour. Permission asked of Chair to add 4th motion – Granted

Motion 1 presented by Virginia Tumasz
Discussion: Kenneth Delong – Word program debated – will go to government to remove program but all courses can still be taken
Carried? Unanimously

Motion 2 presented by Virginia Tumasz
Discussion: None
Carried? Unanimously

Motion 3 presented by Virginia Tumasz
Discussion: None
Carried? Unanimously

Motion 4 Virginia Tumasz distributed hard copy “New Course Proposal: Philosophy 677”
Discussion: Will there be a change in teaching load? Nominal change as they will take course that already exists with a pass/fail option not graded. Not included in GPA, but would get credit for it, satisfies logic requirement. Carried: Unanimously

32.7 Student Appeals Committee Terms of Reference
Document presented by Eugene Beaulieu:
The Appeals Committee approved this document. There were wording changes to simplify the document and bring it in line with university wording.
Motion to accept by Anthony Wall, seconded by Katherine Reese-Taylor
Discussion: 4.3.5 Gavin Cameron raised a concern with this section regarding “parent excluded”. This initiated a discussion where various points were raised including:

- These are best practices at the university level, the language is the same as university wording, there has been consultation with legal counsel, it is a working document, exceptional circumstances would be taken into consideration so it is not categorical, there is an option available for parental attendance as defined by chair
- What are protected grounds, i.e., religious observance, income level, gender, disability, etc. Person can consult in a recess, so why does it matter who can or cannot come. Because students who can afford a lawyer should not have an advantage. Students have to be responsible for actions and there is the privacy of the student to consider, information cannot be shared with parents.

It was therefore moved that the passage 4.3.5 be amended and brought before Faculty Council in an amended state. Carried: Unanimously.

32.8 Motion to accept Oct 6, 2016 Faculty Council Agenda
Moved by Richard Dyck, seconded by Brian Moorman
Carried: Unanimously

32.9 Other business
ASHA item tabled as it was not ready to come back to Executive Committee. The rule is that is cannot be tabled again, therefore it will come back as a new motion on a future Agenda for Executive Committee.

The meeting concluded at 2:10pm