General Faculties Council  
Academic Planning Committee  
Approved Open Session Minutes

Wednesday, April 19, 2017  
2-31 South Academic Building (SAB)  
2:00 PM - 4:00 PM

ATTENDEES:

Voting Members:
- Steven Dew, Chair, Provost and Vice-President (Academic)
- Lorne Babiuk, Member, Vice-President (Research)
- Nadir Erbilgin, Member, Academic Staff-at-large
- Ali Talaei, Member, President, Graduate Students' Association (Delegate)
- Florence Glanfield, Member, Department Chair at-large
- Loren Kline, Member, Academic Staff-at-large
- Gitta Kulczycki, Member, Vice-President (Finance and Administration)
- Pierre-Yves Mocquais, Member, Dean Representative
- Roger Moore, Member, Academic Staff, Member of GFC
- Fahim Rahman, Member, President, Students' Union
- Sarah Stahlke, Member, Academic Staff, Member of GFC
- Eleni Stroulia, Member, Academic Staff, Member of GFC

Non-Voting Members:
- Lisa Collins, Member, Vice-Provost and University Registrar

Staff:  
- Meg Brolley, Coordinator, GFC Academic Planning Committee  
- Marion Haggarty-France, University Secretary  
- Andrea Patrick, Scribe

OPENING SESSION

1. Approval of the Agenda

Materials before members are contained in the official meeting file.

Motion: Mocquais/Kline

THAT the GFC Academic Planning Committee approve the Agenda  
CARRIED

2. Approval of the Open Session Minutes of March 8, 2017

Materials before members are contained in the official meeting file.

Motion: Kline/Stroulia
THAT the GFC Academic Planning Committee approve the Minutes of March 8, 2017.  

CARRIED

3.

Comments from the Chair

The Chair provided an update in regards to the Provincial Budget, noting that despite the generous 2% increase to the Campus Alberta grant, the new funding will not keep up with increases in costs. On the Federal Budget, the Chair noted there were no increases in tri-council funding but that the university received funding support for AI (artificial intelligence) research.

In regards to Bill 7, provincial legislation that will impact how post-secondary institutions bargain as they move away from essential service. He further noted that post-doctoral fellows will be classified as employees making a total of four bargaining units. Members expressed several questions in relation to this item surrounding the status of post-doctoral fellows at the academy.

The Chair thanked departing student members of the Committee for their service and reminded members of the special GFC meeting scheduled for April 21, 2017.

Finally, the Chair reported on the recent freezer malfunction which led to damage to the ice core samples, and he explained that a follow-up investigation has been planned to determine the cause.

ACTION ITEMS

4.

Proposal for the Termination of the Bachelor of Music Liturgical Arts Major and the Bachelor of Music Musical Arts Major, Augustana Faculty

Materials before members are contained in the official meeting file.

**Presenter(s): Jonathan Hawkins**

**Purpose of the Proposal:** Approval of the (proposed) Termination of the Augustana BMus Liturgical Arts Major and the BMus Musical Arts Major.

**Discussion:**
Mr Hawkins reported that there have been no students registered in either major since the University of Alberta began officially maintaining the Augustana Faculty student records in September 2006 and that this proposal would allow Augustana Faculty to focus on the three remaining music majors.

Members discussed the enrolment numbers of the remaining BMus majors.

Motion: Mocquais/Glanfield

THAT the GFC Academic Planning Committee recommend to General Faculties Council the termination of the Augustana Bachelor of Music Liturgical Arts Major and the Bachelor of Music Musical Arts Major as set forth in Attachment 1, and as proposed by Augustana Faculty, to take effect upon final approval.

CARRIED

5.

Proposal for a New Health Care Aide (Préposé aux soins de santé (PSS) Certificate Program, Centre collégial de l’Alberta (CCA)

Materials before members are contained in the official meeting file.
Presenter(s): Dolorèse Nolette

Purpose of the Proposal: To establish a Health Care Aide (Préposé aux soins de santé (PSS) certificate program, as licensed by the Ministry of Health, at the Centre collégial de l’Alberta

Discussion:
Following introductory remarks from the Dean of Faculté Saint-Jean, Ms Nolette reported that the proposed certificate includes one year of training and that funding has been secured through Health Canada. She noted that the proposal must also go through a process of accreditation and licensing from Alberta Health.

Members noted that there were no courses on intercultural training; Ms Nolette noted that the program would include intercultural components through all of the courses. Dean Mocquais added that they were working with all programs at Campus Saint-Jean to incorporate intercultural components. Questions were also asked about enrolment targets and the projected start date.

Motion: Mocquais/Erbilgin

THAT the GFC Academic Planning Committee approve the proposed Health Care Aide (Préposé aux soins de santé (PSS) Certificate Program, as submitted by the Centre collégial de l’Alberta (in cooperation with Faculté Saint-Jean) and as set forth in Attachment 1, to take effect in September 2017. CARRIED


Materials before members are contained in the official meeting file.

Presenter(s): Steven Dew; Wendy Rodgers

Purpose of the Proposal: The Budget and Capital Plan components of the CIP were approved by GFC APC in February 2017 and the Board of Governors in March 2017. The remainder of the document is present for approval during the current governance cycle.

Discussion:
Vice-Chair Loren Kline assumed the Chair.

Dr Dew and Dr Rodgers provided members with an overview of the Comprehensive Institutional Plan (CIP), noting that due to formatting considerations, the document was presented in two pieces. Dr Dew noted that a major change in this year’s document was a request from the Provincial Government to feature enrolment data based on programs as opposed to Faculties.

Dr Dew noted that the CIP is structured around the government’s five principles: accessibility, affordability, quality, coordination, and accountability; but that it also aligns with the goals within For the Public Good.

Members discussed the projected enrolment targets in the document, the goals in relation to equity in recruitment, how outcomes will be measured, the impact of the United States’ travel ban on international recruitment, and the use of the Academic Price Index (API).

Motion: Dew/Babiuk

WHEREAS the University of Alberta Comprehensive Institutional Plan (2017-2020) Appendices A: Financial and Budget Information and F: Capital Plan were previously approved by the GFC Academic Planning Committee in
February 2017 and the Board of Governors in March 2017,

THAT the GFC Academic Planning Committee recommend, with delegated authority from General Faculties Council, that the Board of Governors:

- approve the University of Alberta’s Comprehensive Institutional Plan (2017-2020) including the university’s Enrolment Table, as set forth in Attachments 1 and 2, and

- empower administration to incorporate the Enrolment Table into the CIP, as well as make any other editorial changes to the CIP, as needed, as long as the changes do not have the force of policy.

CARRIED

Dr Dew assumed the role of Chair.

**DISCUSSION ITEMS**

7. Update on the Budget

There were no documents.

*Presenter(s): Steven Dew; Gitta Kulczycki*

*Purpose of the Proposal: For information/discussion.*

*Discussion:*
The Chair noted that the institution has begun exploring a new budget model which would improve transparency, incentivize revenue generation and allow the institution to properly deal with the new realities of funding.

He noted that developments on this issue would be delivered to the Committee as they become available.

8. Programs in Progress on Campus

There were no documents.

*Presenter(s): Steven Dew*

*Purpose of the Proposal: To provide an update on the status of programs that have been proposed to the Provincial Government.*

*Discussion:*
The Chair provided an update to members in regards to proposals being considered by the Provincial Government:

Recently approved:
- Name change of Bachelor of Commerce in ‘Entrepreneurship and Family Enterprise’ to ‘Entrepreneurship and Innovation’, approved by GFC APC December 16, 2016
- Name Change of Bachelor of Science in Family Ecology to Family Science, approved by GFC APC December 16, 2016
- (New) PhD in Indigenous Studies approved by APC December 10, 2015

To be Proposed to Government:
- (New) Load Change in BSc Dental Hygiene, substantive changes approved by GFC APC November 16, 2016; Published in 2017-18 calendar, first intake of students in September 2017

Currently with AE undergoing System Coordination Review:
- (New) Major in Fashion Business Management in the Bachelor of Science approved by GFC APC February 10, 2016
- (New) University Certificate in Digital Learning approved by BLDC February 29, 2016
- (New) Specialization in Human Resource Management in the Techniques en Administration des affaires program Centre collégial de l’Alberta approved by GFC APC January 18, 2017
- (New) Freestanding For Credit University Certificate in Teaching Students with Complex Communication Needs, Faculty of Education approved by BLDC February 27, 2017

External reviews requested:
- Grant MacEwan University for a new Legal Studies in Business major in its Bachelor of Commerce program
- Mount Royal University for 3 new majors (Finance, International Business, and Supply Chain Management) in its Bachelor of Business Administration program
- Ivey Business School, University of Western Ontario for delivery of the Executive Master of Business Administration in Calgary
- University of Calgary’s Doctorate in Business Administration program proposal

9. Question Period

There were no questions.

INFORMATION REPORTS

10. Items Approved by GFC Academic Planning Committee by e-mail Ballots

There were no items.

11. Information Items Forwarded to Committee Members Between Meetings

There were no items.

CLOSING SESSION

12. Adjournment

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 3:55 p.m.