Monday, October 31, 2011
Council Chamber, University Hall
2:00 PM – 4:00 PM

OPENING SESSION

1. Approval of the Agenda
   Presenter/Proposer: Carl Amrhein
2. Approval of the Minutes of September 19, 2011 (to be distributed)
   Presenter/Proposer: Carl Amrhein
3. Comments from the Acting President (no documents)
   Presenter/Proposer: Carl Amrhein

ACTION ITEMS

4. New Members of GFC
   [Note: A motion to appoint may be proposed only by a statutory member of GFC. A motion to receive may be proposed by any member of GFC.]
   Presenter/Proposer: Carl Amrhein

   Motion: To Appoint New Members
   Motion: To Receive New Members

5. Faculty of Graduate Studies and Research and Department of Mathematical and Statistical Sciences – Termination of the Postgraduate Diploma in Statistics
   Presenter/Proposer: Colleen Skidmore
   Presenter/Proposer: Mazi Shirvani
   Presenter/Proposer: Thomas Hillen

   Motion: To Approve

DISCUSSION ITEMS

6. “If universities were in business, they’d be out of business”: Presentation from Dr Gwyn Morgan
   Presenter/Proposer: Carl Amrhein
   Presenter/Proposer: Gwyn Morgan

7. Presentation from the President of the Students’ Union: The SU, Its Strategic Plan, and Goals (no documents)
   Presenter/Proposer: Rory Tighe

8. Question Period
   Presenter/Proposer: Carl Amrhein

   [Question Period Policy provides that Question Period is one half-hour in length and comprises both oral and written questions. Question Period can be extended if there is a motion to do so (General Faculties Council Terms of Reference).]

   8.1Q Question from GFC Member Jeremy Richards (Faculty of Science) Regarding Staff Ratios of Undergraduate Courses Taught
   8.1R Response from the Office of the Provost and Vice-President (Academic) to the Question Posed by Professor Richards

   8.2Q Question from GFC Member Jeremy Richards (Faculty of Science) Regarding Implementation of the University’s Travel Policy Suite
   8.2R Response from the Office of the Vice-President (Finance and Administration) to the Question Posed by Professor Richards
[At the close of Question Period, questions will be invited on the following Information Items (Executive Committee Minutes; Reports of the Board of Governors to GFC; Nominating Committee/Replenishment Committee Reports.)]

INFORMATION ITEMS

9. GFC Executive Committee Minutes of August 29, 2011
   Carl Amrhein

   (Minutes for GFC Executive Committee meetings are available online at:

10. Report of the Board of Governors (no reports to date)
    Louis Hugo Francescutti

11. E-Mail Reports of the GFC Nominating Committee (no reports to date)
    Ed Blackburn

12. E-Mail Report of the GFC Replenishment Committee (no reports to date)
    Garry Bodnar

13. Information Items Forwarded to GFC Members Between Meetings
    Carl Amrhein

   ➢ Provost’s PowerPoint Presentation (Provided at the September 19, 2011 GFC Meeting) – For Your Information (E-Mailed to Members on September 27, 2011)

14. Reports
    Carl Amrhein

   If a GFC member has a question about a report, or feels that the report should be discussed by GFC, the GFC member should notify the Secretary to GFC, in writing, two business days or more before GFC meets so that the Committee Chair (or relevant expert) can be invited to attend. [GFC Terms of Reference Section 4 (Procedures)]

   ➢ Annual Report on Enrolment from the Vice-Provost and University Registrar
   ➢ University of Alberta Museums Annual Report to General Faculties Council (GFC) for the Period July 1, 2010 – June 30, 2011
   ➢ Waiver of Advertising Requirements: Report to General Faculties Council

CLOSING SESSION

15. Next meeting date: Monday, November 28, 2011
    Carl Amrhein

Documentation was before members unless otherwise noted.

Notes for members: This is the 380th meeting of General Faculties Council.

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Acting President and Acting Chair, General Faculties Council; Provost and
Vice-President (Academic); and Chair, GFC Executive Committee

Ed Blackburn
Chair, GFC Nominating Committee

Garry Bodnar
Secretary to General Faculties Council and Coordinator, GFC
Replenishment Committee

Louis Hugo Francescutti
Academic Staff Representative on the Board of Governors

Thomas Hillen
Professor, Department of Mathematical and Statistical Sciences

Gwyn Morgan
Chairman, SNC-Lavalin Group Inc

Mazi Shirvani
Vice-Provost and Dean, Faculty of Graduate Studies and Research
(FGSR)

Colleen Skidmore
Vice-Provost and Associate Vice-President (Academic)

Rory Tighe
President, Students’ Union