

SCIENCE FACULTY COUNCIL MINUTES - APPROVED

Friday, May 30, 2025 - 1:00 PM - D213

Chair

Ian Affleck

In Person

Michael Hitch, Janice Nagtegaal, Alan Reid, Caroline Majeau, Stan Manu, Chris Bodnar, Vanessa Radzimski, Carmen Herman, Jeff Chizma, Robin Endelman, Anna Kuczynska, Renee Prasad, Stefania Pizzirani, Gilliam Mimmack, Daniel Iwama, Afia Raja, Almaz Butaev, Mitra Tabatabaee, Harley Gordon, Alida Janmaat, Janice Nagtegaal, Dina Navon, Jake Spooner, Ben Vanderlei, Dylan Ziegler, Mark Rempel, Andrew Staal, Vahid Tadayon

Virtual

Carolyn Atkins, Jenn Barrett, Frank Zhang, Jay Thomas, Cindy Loten, Sandra Gillespie, Justin Lee, Kristen Switzer, Nathan Bialas, Dina Navon, Declan Roshea, Linus Chang, Serhii Myroshnychenko, Natalia Varankovich, Hardil Singh, Yvonne Dzal, Kseniya Garaschuk, Cory Beshara

Recorder

Alison Reeves

- 1. WELCOME
- 2. AGENDA and MINUTES
 - 2.1 Approval of Agenda

MOTION: that Faculty Council approve the agenda as presented.

Approved with 4.12 moved to be 4.3. 1st Gillian Mimmack, 2nd Daniel Iwama. Carried.

2.2. Approval of the Minutes - April 4, 2025

MOTION: that Faculty Council approve the minutes as presented. 1st Alan Reid, 2nd Afia Raja. Carried.

3. GUESTS

None

4. FOR DECISION

- 4.1. PHYS 118 New Course
- 4.2. PHYS 499 New Course

4.3. PHYS 281 New Course

MOTION: to approve Physics New Courses 118, 281 and 499

Approved with edits

1st Vanessa, 2nd Almaz. Carried.

4.4. PHYSICS Minor Program Changes

4.5. PHYSICS Major Program Changes

4.6. PHYSICS Honours Program Changes

MOTION: to approve the Physics Program Changes for Minor, Major & Honours

Approved with edits

1st Vanessa, 2nd Jeff. Carried.

4.7. GEOG 260 and PLAN 260 Cross listed

MOTION: to approve GEOG/PLAN 260

Approved with edits 1st Stefania, 2nd Renee. Carried.

4.8. MATH / ENGR 152 Course Changes

4.9. MATH 415 Course Changes

4.10. MATH 416 Course Changes

MOTION: to approve MATH/ENGR Course Changes 152, 415 and 416

Approved with edits

1st Almaz, 2nd Gillian. Carried.

4.11. AGRI 292 Course Changes

MOTION: to approve AGRI 292

Approved with edits and update to newest course outline 1st Chris, 2nd Renee. Carried.

4.12. BAS Program Changes

MOTION: to approve BAS Program Changes

Approved with edits

1st Chris, 2nd Renee. Carried.

5. FOR DISCUSSION

5.1. Divisional Review Committee (DRC)

Discussion of committee organization.

ACTION: Michael to send academic standards to the FC.

6. INFORMATION ITEMS

6.1 Monthly reports to the Provost from the Faculty of Science can be found below. If you have news to share, please email Alison so it can be included on our next report. https://ufv.ca/science/deans-office/monthly-department-highlights/

6.2 Rhodes Scholarships

7. REPORTS

Dean's Report – Budget review

Advising – Graduation applications complete, Planning sessions for incoming students happening

BSc – External report complete, action plan to address external report in work

Indigenization – School Visits in planning stages, Nov 12 tentative date

EDI – No Report

Senate – No Report

Student Report – No Report

8. ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

- 8.1. Awesome Achievement Award Daniel Iwama
- 8.2. Terrific Teaching Award Gillian Mimmack
- 8.3. Outstanding Outreach Award Mitra Tabatabaee
- 8.4. Remarkable Research Award Chris Bodnar
- 8.5. Superb Service Faculty Anna Kuczynska
- 8.6. Superb Service Staff Rilla Apostolakis
- 8.7. Perfect Attendance

9. ADJOURN

Next Meeting: September 5, 2025 @ D213

Quorum - 14 voting members