



**MINUTES**  
**Professional Studies Faculty Council**  
Friday, September 16, 2022  
9:00 AM, Zoom

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**Chair of the Faculty of Professional Studies:** Chris Schinckus

**Chair of the Faculty Council Meeting:** Cyrus Chaichian

**Present:**

Adrianna Bakos  
Amir Hajbaba  
Amir Shabani  
Carl Janzen  
Chris Schinckus  
Colleen Bell\*  
Cyrus Chaichian  
David Dobson

Felicia Chong\*  
Frank Zhang  
Ismail El Sayad  
Kelli-Ann Rollins  
Kevin deWolde  
Kim Milnes  
Liz Wiebe  
Mandeep Pannu

Maryam Siahbani  
Nipuni Jayetileke\*  
Opeyemi Adesina  
Rod Hayward  
Russell Campbell  
Saeed Rahman  
Tanya Vanpraseuth\*

**Regrets/Absent:**

Al Wiseman\*  
Allison Kilgannon\*  
Cindy Stewart  
David Johnston\*  
Diljot Kaur\*  
Elaine Newman\*  
Gabriel Murray  
Gerry Gannon  
Gerry Palmer  
Gurneet Anand\*  
Edward Lo  
Harleen Kaur\*  
Jelena Brcic

James Mandigo\*  
Joanne MacLean  
Jon Thomas  
Karen Cooper  
Keith Lownie  
Kirsten Robertson  
Laura Crawford\*  
Leon Pan  
Lorne MacKenzie  
Luciana Hakak  
Mariano Mapili\*  
Mark Breedveld  
Masud Khawaja

Mike Ivanof  
Prachee Sehgal\*  
Quan Cheng  
Raymond Leung  
Rilla Apostolakis  
Sara Babae\*  
Sha Liao  
Sha Scholtens  
Shyam Vyas\*  
Sophie Farmani\*  
Talia Q  
Ziaul Hossain\*

**Recorder:** Tanya Vanpraseuth\*

**\* Indicates Non-Voting Member**

- 1. Call to Order and Territorial Acknowledgement**
- 2. Agenda and Minutes**
  - 2.1. Agenda – September 16, 2022**

**MOTION:**

That the agenda of September 16, 2022 be approved as presented.  
Cyrus Chaichian / Chris Schinckus  
CARRIED

**2.2. Minutes – May 6, 2022**

**MOTION:**

That the minutes of May 6, 2022 be approved as presented.  
Cyrus Chaichian / Chris Schinckus  
CARRIED

**3. FPS News**

**3.1. Schools News**

- Rod Hayward – School of Business is moving forward with exciting initiatives, with more to share in the future.
- Carl Janzen – No new updates.

**4. For Decision**

**4.1. Dissolve FPS Curriculum Committee – *Chris Schinckus***

**MOTION:**

Motion: That the Faculty of Professional Studies Curriculum Committee be dissolved.  
Cyrus Chaichian / Chris Schinckus  
CARRIED

**4.2. BUS 444 Advanced Management Accounting – Major Revisions – *Liz Wiebe***

**MOTION:**

Motion: That BUS 444 Advanced Management accounting – Major Revisions be approved as presented.  
Cyrus Chaichian / Chris Schinckus  
CARRIED

**4.3. Faculty New Name – Faculty of Business and Computing – *Chris Schinckus***

**MOTION:**

Motion: That Faculty of Business and Computing be approved as the new faculty name.  
Cyrus Chaichian / Chris Schinckus  
CARRIED

## 5. For Discussion

### 5.1. Rank and Tenure – Standing Item – *Chris Schinckus*

- On track with all processes related to Tenure & Promotion.
- All individuals involved within the process this year have been connected with.
- Dean's Office will contact individuals eligible to apply for the next year with more information.

### 5.2. COVID-19 Update – Standing Item – *Chris Schinckus*

- Employees are reminded to follow proper health practices.
- Employees are reminded that wearing a mask is a personal choice.
- A public health update will be distributed by Chris via email.

### 5.3. Status of Existing and New Committees – *Chris Schinckus*

- Chris will continue the discussion of the status of committees to determine which ones should stay active.
- Faculty Council Terms of Reference changes are in progress.
- Having cross-committees between FECHD, School of Business, and School of Computing was discussed and will be further examined.
- With the new change in the faculty name, there may be more opportunities to create new subcommittees.
- Carl Janzen suggested connecting with committees to identify their needs and stated that the commonalities with the School of Computing and Faculty of Science can result in cross-committees.
- Rod Hayward suggested initiating a new standing committee on committees.
- Carl recommended that committees propose initiatives and voting can occur on motions if needed.
- Cyrus and Chris welcome the committee to contact them with suggestions.
- Chris will update the PSFC with any new details during the next meeting.

## 6. Reports

### 6.1. FPS Curriculum Committee

- No update to report.

### 6.2. Indigenization Committee

- No update to report.

### 6.3. Learning Exchange Committee – *Kirsten Robertson*

- No update to report.

**6.4. Faculty/College Council Reports**

6.4.1. Faculty of Applied & Technical Studies

- No update to report.

6.4.2. College of Arts – *Russell Campbell*

- No update to report.

6.4.3. Faculty of Education, Community, and Human Development

- No update to report.

6.4.4. Faculty of Health Sciences

- No update to report.

6.4.5. Faculty of Science – *Frank Zhang*

- No update to report.

**6.5. Senate Report – *Gerry Palmer***

- No update to report.

**6.6. Teaching and Learning Advisory Committee Report**

- No update to report.

**6.7. Race Antiracism Network Report**

- No update to report.

**6.8. Field Placement Committee**

- No update to report.

**6.9. Dean's Report – *Chris Schinckus***

- Chris thanked Rod and Carl for their leadership as the Faculty of Professional Studies adjusted to including only two schools.
- Chris emphasized the importance of the new faculty name and how it can lead to less delays in certain processes.
- Chris plans to appoint an adjunct professor from University of Zurich, with expertise in entrepreneurship, innovation, and technology.
- Plans for working with external sources were discussed and more information will be shared once the new faculty name is finalized.
- Next step of the faculty name change will be to submit a proposal to Senate via the Provost Office.

**7. Information Items**

**7.1. General Announcements & Comments**

- The opportunities to connect with the Dean at the Dean's Coffee and Dean's Conversation Series were emphasized by Chris.
- Chris emphasized the importance of connecting with colleagues and students for the upcoming year, especially with the new faculty name.

- 7.2. **Course & Program Approvals from FPS Curriculum Committee**
- No update to report.
- 7.3. **PSFC Vacancies**
- Professional Studies Faculty Council and its subcommittees have the following vacancies:
    - 1 student representatives – please communicate this opportunity to your students.
    - 1 member of Senate.
    - Representative from FPS to the Faculty of Applied & Technical Studies
    - Representative from FPS to the Faculty of Health Sciences
  - The Faculty of Professional Studies Curriculum Committee has the following vacancies:
    - Alternate Representative for the School of Computing.
  - Members interested in any of these vacancies should contact [FPS.Committees@ufv.ca](mailto:FPS.Committees@ufv.ca).
- 7.4. **Upcoming Events/Important Dates**
- A variety of digital pedagogy and teaching strategies workshops are being hosted by the [Teaching & Learning Centre](#).
  - Learning and development workshops are being hosted by [Human Resources](#) to help employees improve technical skills, physical and mental well-being, interpersonal communications, etc.
  - September 29: [Dean's Coffee Series](#) - AB B121
  - September 30: National Day for Truth and Reconciliation - Campus Closed
  - October 10: Thanksgiving Day - Campus Closed
  - October 19: [Dean's Conversation Series](#) - AB B121
- 7.5. **Results of E-Vote – May 6, 2022 PSFC Meeting**
- 7.6. **2022-23 Professional Studies Meeting Schedule**
- 7.7. **OpenAthens – New and Improved Access to the Library's Online Resources**
- 7.8. **Policy Revisions**
- [Arts and Acquisition and Exhibition \(4\) - Feedback due September 15](#)
- 7.9. **The next Faculty Council Meeting is October 14, 2022. Agenda deadline is September 29. Send submissions to [FPS.Committees@ufv.ca](mailto:FPS.Committees@ufv.ca).**