

MINUTES
Business and Computing Faculty Council
Friday, September 15, 2023
9:00 AM, Zoom

Chair of the Faculty of Business and Computing: Chris Schinckus
Chair of the Faculty Council Meeting: Cyrus Chaichian

Present:

Alana Dallaire	Gerry Gannon	Nipuni Jayetileke
Amir Shabani	Ismail El Sayad	Omer Waqar
Ashley Bolding	Julie Croft	Opeyemi Adesina
Carl Janzen	Kevin deWolde	Parsa Rajabi
Chris Schinckus	Khyati Shetty	Raji Balagopal*
Cindy Stewart	Kim Milnes	Russell Campbell
Cynthia Lambert*	Kurt Siemens	Sha Scholtens
Cyrus Chaichian	Liz Wiebe	Sophie Farmani*
David Dobson	Mandeep Pannu	Talia Q
Dewang Marya	Mariana Toniolo Barrios	Tanya Vanpraseuth*
Felicia Chong	Marla Fralick	Yahya Rashid*
Frank Zhang	Mike Ivanof	Ziaul Hossain

Regrets:

Colleen Bell*	James Mandigo	Lorne Mackenzie
Elaine Newman*	Karen Cooper	Mark Breedveld

Recorder: Tanya Vanpraseuth

* Indicates Non-Voting Member

1. Call to Order and Territorial Acknowledgement

- Meeting called to order at 9:00 am.
- Chris welcomed new Faculty Council members and representatives.

2. Agenda and Minutes

2.1. Agenda – September 15, 2023

MOTION:

Motion: That the agenda of September 15, 2023 be approved as presented.
Cyrus Chaichian / Chris Schinckus
CARRIED

2.2. Minutes – June 2, 2023

MOTION:

Motion: That the minutes of June 2, 2023 be approved as presented.
Cyrus Chaichian / Chris Schinckus
CARRIED

3. Schools & Associate Dean's News

3.1. School of Business – *Khyati Shetty*

- The School of Business retreat occurred. One of the main themes was to understand the role of Artificial Intelligence and ChatGPT in classrooms. Staff were thanked for the organization of the retreat.
- The New Student Orientation welcomed over 400 business students.
- A Students Welcome Reception was hosted to welcome new and diverse Post-Baccalaureate students.
- The EFMD accreditation report is in progress and on track.
- The School of Business Welcome Back BBQ will occur in September.
- Faculty members had papers accepted in academic journals, presented new papers, participated as guest lecturers, and produced new articles.
- Planning for Lucerne Week is currently in progress.
- A student was hired to assist with the School of Business social media.

3.2. School of Computing – *Carl Janzen*

- Hiring updates, average class enrollment numbers, average class wait list numbers, and the number of fall class sections for the School of Computing was shared.
- The updated number of faculty, sessional instructors, and staff was shared. One new auxiliary was hired.
- Discussions with Teaching & Learning about new instructional spaces for hybrid courses are in progress.
- Discussions for student space expansions are in progress.
- The School of Computing is reaching out to colleagues in the Faculty of Science and Faculty of Applied and Technical Studies.
- A sessional faculty member orientation will occur in partnership with Teaching & Learning.
- There will be 2 Co-op information sessions for students in September.

3.3. Associate Dean – *Kevin Wainwright*

- The division of workload is currently being finalized.
- Two areas the Associate Dean will focus on are student engagement and performance.
- Discussions for new innovative certificates are currently in progress.
- Continued engagement with Enactus has a broad appeal.
- The new Associate Dean continues to connect with the faculty and institution.

4. For Decision

4.1. BUS 467 – New Course Approval – *Khyati Shetty*

- An overview for BUS 467 was shared.
- The importance of Indigenization in curriculum was highlighted.

MOTION:

Motion: That the new course BUS 467 Excellence in Management Consulting be approved as presented.

Khyati Shetty / Chris Schinckus

CARRIED

5. For Discussion

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

- The faculty welcomed five new B faculty members.
- All processes related to rank, tenure, and promotion are on track.

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

- No update to report.

6. Reports

6.1. Dean's Report – *Chris Schinckus*

- Chris welcomed Kevin Wainwright as the new Associate Dean. Certain areas the Associate Dean will oversee include faculty membership, reviews, student affairs, micro-credentials, associate certificates, and general development. A document detailing the areas of responsibility for the Associate Dean will be shared soon.
- The Bachelor of Computer Information Systems program review is in progress. Chris thanked the School of Computing for their work.
- The faculty welcomed Indigenous students from Northern Arizona University. The visit demonstrated how Indigenization can be combined with Internationalization.
- Internal UFV guest speakers will be invited to speak at upcoming Faculty Council meetings to discuss methods of working together.
- The Dean's Conversation Series will welcome exciting new speakers for upcoming sessions. October's speakers are representatives from UFV's Teaching & Learning Centre. December's session will welcome the Abbotsford District's Superintendent of Schools. February's speaker will be the Abbotsford Tech Chief Strategist Officer.

6.2. Learning Exchange Committee – *Kirsten Robertson*

- No update to report.

- 6.3. Faculty/College Council Reports**
- 6.3.1. Faculty of Applied & Technical Studies**
- No representative for updates.
- 6.3.2. College of Arts – *Russell Campbell***
- No update to report.
- 6.3.3. Faculty of Education, Community, and Human Development**
- No representative for updates.
- 6.3.4. Faculty of Health Sciences**
- No representative for updates.
- 6.3.5. Faculty of Science – *Frank Zhang***
- The Faculty of Science has a new Dean.
- 6.3.6. Faculty of Education, Community, and Human Development (Indigenization Committee) – *Saeed Rahman***
- No update to report.

6.4. Senate Report – *Gerry Palmer*

- No update to report.

7. Information Items – *Tanya Vanpraseuth*

7.1. BCFC Vacancies

- **Business and Computing Faculty Council and its subcommittees have the following vacancies:**
 - Representative from FBC to the Faculty of Applied & Technical Studies
 - Representative from FBC to the Faculty of Health Sciences
- The Learning Exchange Committee is currently seeking new faculty members.
- Members interested in any of these vacancies should contact FBC.Committees@ufv.ca.

7.2. Upcoming Events/Important Dates

- **September 29: Dean's Coffee Series**
- **October 2: National Day for Truth & Reconciliation (UFV Closed)**
- **October 9: Thanksgiving Day (UFV Closed)**
- **October 21: UFV Open House**
- **October 31: [ROSA release program](#) applications are due to Rosa.Release@ufv.ca on October 31.**
- **UFV [Research Advisory Council](#) (RAC) – Call for one Business and Computing faculty representative for the 2023-2024 academic year. If interested, please email tracy.morrison@ufv.ca**
- **A variety of digital pedagogy and teaching strategies workshops are being hosted by the [Teaching & Learning Centre](#).**
- **For upcoming events related to Inclusive Teaching & Indigenization, see UFV's [Teaching and Learning page](#).**
- **Learning and development workshops are being hosted by [Human Resources](#) to help employees improve their technical skills, physical and mental well-being, interpersonal communications, and more.**

7.3. Policy Revisions

- **Submit collaborative or individual feedback on the revisions to the Grading System (101) policy to policyconsult@ufv.ca by 4:00 pm on Wednesday, October 4, 2023.**
- **Submit collaborative or individual feedback on the revisions on the new Sustainability policy to policyconsult@ufv.ca by 4:00 pm on Wednesday, September 27, 2023.**

7.4. The next Faculty Council Meeting is October 13, 2023. Agenda deadline is September 28, 2023. Send submissions to FBC.Committees@ufv.ca.