
Regrets: D. Laitsch, T. Leacock

Absent: E. Chenier, R. Dunsford

1. Approval of the Agenda
   • Approved as submitted.

2. Approval of the Minutes of December 4, 2019
   • Approved as submitted.

3. Business Arising from the Minutes of December 4, 2019
   Items forwarded to Senate (January 6, 2020):
   • Renaming of a Chair (Confidential)
   • Suspension of Admission to the Development and Sustainability Graduate Certificate
   • Suspension of Admission to the Sustainable Development Post Baccalaureate Diploma
   • Suspension of Admission to the Latin American Studies Minor Program
   • Name Change of the Department of First Nations Studies
   • Full Program Proposal for the Minor in Creative Writing
   • Full Program Proposal for the Minor in Social Data Analytics

Open Session

4. Faculty of Environment: External Review of the Department of Archaeology
   Guests: G. Nicholas, N. Krogman and G. Nicholls

A fire suppression system was recently installed in the Museum but the lack of humidity control is still a concern. Facilities management is looking at installing protective measures such as adequate environmental control systems to prevent loss of collections. The Department and the Dean’s office are working together to address staffing needs and workloads. It was noted that lack of IT support is not only an issue in the Department of Archaeology but throughout the Faculty. The CIO offered to work with the Faculty Dean to address IT issues. Professional development initiatives for graduate students are underway.

Motion:

“That SCUP approve and recommend to Senate the Action Plan for the Department of Archeology that resulted from its external review.”
The question was called and the motion: Carried

G. Nicholas, N. Krogman and G. Nicholls left the meeting.

5. Faculty of Science: External Review Mid-Cycle Report for the Department of Chemistry (For Information)
   Guest: V. Williams

A committee member noted that the educational goal, EG8, (Be able to identify and solve chemistry-related problems and to apply this to the exploration of new areas of research.) had not been implemented across the program. The committee member suggested that perhaps a new course or modification of the curriculum was necessary to achieve the educational goal. A committee member asked how the Department is assessing educational goals for its courses. V. Williams commented that the Department has established a Learning Outcomes Committee that is charged with surveying faculty and students on core courses and reconciling the responses. The Department is still grappling with assessing soft skills. A committee member suggested including feedback on educational goals on course and instructor evaluations at the end of the semester. V. Williams noted that since the external review, the Department is offering more service courses. This report was received by SCUP for information and will be forwarded to Senate for information.

V. Williams left the meeting.

   Guest: A. Gemino

The Indigenous Business Leadership program has been running as a stream of the executive MBA. New courses offered for this program that will reflect the Indigenous aspect that is currently not as visible under the umbrella of the existing EMBA. The proposed program will have the same quality as the EMBA. To bring added credibility and depth to the classroom, Indigenous faculty will be hired for this program. Resources required for the program have been allocated.

Motion:

“That SCUP approve the Notice of Intent for the Indigenous Business Leadership Executive Master in Business Administration within the Beedie School of Business.”

Moved: A. Parmar
Seconded: T. Bubela

The question was called and the motion: Carried

A. Gemino left the meeting.

7. Faculty of Environment: Notice of Intent for the Geographic Information Science Minor
   Guest: T. Brennand
The committee commented that there may be a high demand for the proposed program. A committee member suggested to collaborate with Archaeology. Faculty of Health Sciences may also be interested in participating in the program.

Motion:

“That SCUP approve the Notice of Intent for the Geographic Information Science Minor in the Department of Geography within the Faculty of Environment.”

Moved: C. Shaw
Seconded: T. Davis

The question was called and the motion: Carried

Closed Session

8. Terms of Reference and Naming Consultation of a Chair

Meeting adjourned at 2:52.