

DEPARTMENT OF EARTH SCIENCES

Closed Departmental Meeting

Monday January 14th, 2019 at 10:30 am

In Attendance:

Andy Calvert, Kevin Cameron, Robbie Donald, Dan Gibson, Jessica Pilarczyk, Eileen van der Flier-Keller, Brent Ward (Chair), Doug Stead, Glyn Williams-Jones, Matt Plotnikoff, Aspen Anderson (Grad Rep), Bonnie Karhukangas, Tarja Vaisanen

Not attending: Diana Allen, Brendan Dyck, Shahin Dashtgard, Cindy Hansen, Dirk Kirste, Gwenn Flowers, Dan Marshall, Derek Thorkelson

Academic Integrity: K Cameron

- i. Last meeting Kevin attended it came up that EASC had low incident of reports being submitted. We do have a lower student count, but have we not been reporting?
 - Students chatting amongst themselves, and the perception is that it is easy to cheat in our dept. In some classes the assignments are the same each year, and students are copying from the previous year.
 - paying for term papers could also be an issue.
 - They have to be caught in the act which is challenging, we don't know what percentage that may actually be cheating.
 - How to improve? Suggestion to have a Code of Conduct that is signed at the beginning of the course outlining what's expected. (Academic Dishonesty disclaimer on the bottom of each undergrad course outline).
 - They are looking at updating Academic Dishonesty to include rules for electronic devices.
 - Be more vigilant. File incident reports – this will help to bring attention to repeat offenders, or at least talk to a suspected offender and it may help to stop the cheating,