

**Arts and Science Faculty Council
Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting held on September 16, 2016**

Present: A. Roy; D. Brind'Amour, Secretary; S. Salari, Recording Secretary; V. Aimar; C. Belkhodja; J. Capobianco; C. Calegeropoulos; A. Champagne; E. Champagne; Y. Chaubey; E. Chevrier; R. Courtemanche; M. D'Amico; C. DeWolf; M-F. Dion; C. Durand; L. Faure; A. Furlani; S. Gabriele; D. Gauvreau; A. Golish; P. Gossage; P. Gulick; M. Hale; P. Joyce; C. Kalman; M. Kenneally; A. Krasznai; I. Kraulis; G. LeBlanc; A. Mamikonyan; K. Manning; D. Liakin; P. Morden; D. Morris; M. Mulrennan; B. Nelson; S. Qandil; D. Parillo; V. Penhune; N. Rashedi; R. Rammal; K. Sawchuk; R. Schmid; D. Secko; M. Sharma; P. Stoett; A. Thompson

Regrets: E. Buzzetti; J. Camlot; L. Clarke; D. Dysart-Gale; P. Riva; P. Simard; M. Sokolon

Documents Circulated and/or Considered at the Meeting:

ASFC 2016-6M-D	Elections and Ratifications
ASFC 2016-6M-E	Department of Political Science, POLI-39
ASFC 2016-6M-F	Department of Religion, RELI-45
ASFC 2016-6M-G	Department of Applied Human Sciences, AHSC-23
ASFC 2016-6M-H	Reports from the Associate Deans

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called at 10:14 a.m.

2. Approval of Agenda

ASFC 2016-6M-10 It was moved and seconded (Kalman/Stoett) that the agenda be approved.
Carried, unanimously

3. Approval of the Minutes of the Meeting held May 27, 2016

ASFC 2016-6M-11 It was moved and seconded (Morden/Belkhodja) that the minutes of the meeting held May 27, 2016 be approved.
Mahesh Sharma and Erik Chevrier are to be added in the presences.
Carried, unanimously

4. Business Arising from the Minutes

There was none

5. Remarks of the Dean

Dean Roy thanked Jason Camlot, Miranda D'Amico, and Paul Joyce for accepting to renew their mandates as Associate Deans.

There has been a net registration growth of 5% for newly incoming undergraduate students overall, which slightly offsets the 1% de-growth we have seen at the graduate level. In some cases, registration of graduate students takes place rather late into the process and needs to occur sooner to ensure that the units capture the students. Also, the January intake at the graduate level could offset de-growth and should be looked into closely. Kim Sawchuk, Associate Dean Research and Graduate Studies, also emphasized that, beyond graduate funding, communication with admitted students is key to making them choose Concordia. A Graduate Program Director summit will take place on September 26 to discuss such issues. Dr. Sawchuk stressed that all units must be represented.

Last year, the FAS did not obtain any of the monies set aside for growth given its WFTE de-growth. This year, \$2M is available. The FAS is aiming to get a share of that amount.

Another \$2.5M will be invested in the strategic planning initiatives, and more funds have been allocated for post-doctoral programs.

The VRP results will be known later in the Fall. The Faculty will need a plan to absorb the repercussions of this program.

FAS 2025 was endorsed by Council in May. The document is reflective of the ideas and aspirations of the Faculty, and a plan to implement the latter will be shared with Council in October. In parallel, the "First Moves" of the University regarding its strategic directions will be presented at Senate on September 16. These "First Moves" contain several FAS priorities such as curriculum innovation, the indigenous strategy, summer schools, etc.

The Dean also encourages faculty members to join him at Shuffle and sponsor shufflers.

6. Consent Agenda

ASFC 2016-6M-12 It was moved and seconded (Joyce/Champagne) that the Consent Agenda be approved.
Carried, unanimously

7. Announcements

Announcements were made by:

- The Simone de Beauvoir Institute
- The School of Canadian-Irish Studies
- The School of Community and Public Affairs
- The Department of Political Science
- The FAS Communications Advisor

8. Question Period

Andre Furlani asked about how to proceed when there are requests to update classroom infrastructure and equipment. John Capobianco, Associate Dean, Planning and Academic Facilities, suggested that units forward their requests to his office. Dr. Capobianco's team will relay the information and requests to Facilities Management.

Danielle Gauvreau spoke to the need to change class schedules to obtain adequate facilities despite a reduction in course sections offered. John Capobianco informed Council that some time slots are left unused given their unpopularity, such as Monday and Friday slots, which results in a higher demand for other slots.

9. Other Business

There was none.

10. Notices of Motion

There were none.

11. Next Meeting of Council is on October 21, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. in room GE 110.00

12. Adjournment

ASFC 2016-6M-13

It was moved and seconded (Chaubey/Belkhodja) that the meeting be adjourned at 11:24 a.m.

Carried, unanimously