

# FACULTY OF ARTS AND SCIENCE

## **Arts and Science Faculty Council**

Minutes of the meeting held on Friday, September 22, 2023

**Present:** P. Sicotte, C. DeWolf, I. Lacelle, J. Muir, E. Angelova, R. Berger, M. Bertola, P. Caignon, S. Carliner, J. Carty, S. Chlopan, T. Chowdhury, N. Cohn, R. Courtemanche, S. De Celles, E. De Martinis, E. Despland, J. Didur, A. Gagne, G. Grant, J. Hansen, E. Hervieux, A. Hunter, A. Johnson, P. Joyce, M. Lafrance, K. MacDonald, D. Meneksedag Erol, E. Miller, F. Naudillon, B. Nelson, G. O hAllmhurain, E. Pettorelli, R. Reilly, M. Rivosecchi, A. Rowley, A. Ryder, D. Salee, F. Scala, A. Sheftel, N. St-Onge, C. Townsend, D. Walsh, S. Yeager, V. Zazubovits

Regrets: S. Baptiste-Brown, D. Berube, G, Carr, J. Ewais, L. Nadarajah, A. Whitelaw

Guests: A. Antonakopoulos, M. Evans, N. Freeman, J. Johnston, G-A. Jones

# **Documents Circulated and/or Considered at the Meeting**

ASFC 2023-5M	Minutes of the meeting held on May 12, 2023
ASFC 2023-5M	Presentation on the Credit / No Credit notation
ASFC 2023-5M-A	Elections Ratification
ASFC 2023-5M-B	Reports
ASFC-2023-5M-C	Department of English, AS-ENGL-5363
ASFC-2023-5M-D	Department of Health, Kinesiology and Applied Physiology, AS-
	HKAP-5248
ASFC-2023-5M-E	Science College, AS-SCOL-5329
ASFC-2023-5M-F	Simone de Beauvoir Institute, AS-WSDB-5282
ASFC-2023-5M-G	Department of Political Science, AS-POLI-5323
ASFC-2023-5M-H	School of Community and Public Affairs, AS-SCPA-4641

#### 1. Call to Order

The meeting was called by P. Sicotte at 10:24am

#### 2. Approval of the Agenda

ASFC 2023-5M-1 It was moved and seconded that the agenda be approved.

Carried, unanimously

## 3. Approval of the Minutes of the meeting held Friday, May 12, 2023

ASFC 2023-5M-2 It was moved and seconded that the minutes be approved. **Carried, unanimously** 

#### 4. Business Arising from the Minutes

There was none.

5. Presentation by Julie Johnston, Manager, Curriculum Innovation and Development and Meredith Evans, Associate Registrar on the Credit / No Credit notation (CR/NC)

Those in attendance asked questions and a discussion ensued.

#### 6. Remarks of the Chair

- P. Sicotte informed everyone that the new director for the CTL, John Paul Foxe is partnering with the Faculty to offer a session for faculty members on promoting academic integrity in light of Gen AI. He has been in conversation with N. Cohn, P. Caignon and A. Noce. P. Sicotte thanked them for their efforts. The session will take place on October 18<sup>th</sup> from 1:30pm 3:00pm. An outline and description will be distributed soon. The CTL is also creating a set of best practice guidelines on the use of Generative AI. The draft will be shared with the chairs within a week or so. P. Sicotte mentioned that J.P. Foxe will attend the all chairs meeting on October 12<sup>th</sup>.
- P. Sicotte mentioned that in regards to student enrolments, many programs numbers are either stable or increasing and thanks everyone for all their work in making this happen. There are some programs that show a decrease though. N. Michailidis and I. Lacelle will be looking at trends over a few years and asses ways forward. This might potentially lead to a deeper look at some programs. P. Sicotte was happen to inform us that our PhD numbers are up by 20% this year.
- P. Sicotte stated that she would like to have a discussion with the steering committee and Associate Deans about moving the reports from the consent agenda into the regular agenda. This would give Council more time to discuss the reports and ask questions.
- P. Sicotte stated that the college of reviewers is running well. At the moment 17 grant applicants have been matched with reviewers.

P. Sicotte reminded the Chairs and Principals about the email she sent out the day prior which mentioned the hiring pause. She reminded everyone that it is supposed to last until September 30<sup>th</sup>, however we do not know at this time if it will be extended or not. She reminded everyone to please be patient and understanding as it is a lot more difficult to hire at this point in time and she is not sure if we will be back in full hiring mode after September 30<sup>th</sup>.

#### 7. Question Period

There was none.

#### 8. Consent Agenda

- a. Elections Ratification ASFC-2023-5M-A
- Reports, ASFC-2023-5M-B
   Christine DeWolf, Vice-Dean
   Aaron Johnson, Associate Dean, Research and Infrastructure
   Richard Courtemanche, Associate Dean, Academic Programs
   Jill Didur, Associate Dean, Faculty Affairs and Inclusion
   Francesca Scala, Associate Dean, Research and Graduate Studies
   Philippe Caignon, Associate Dean, Student Academic Services
   Patrick Leroux, Associate Dean, Research

#### c. Undergraduate Curriculum

Department of English, AS-ENGL-5363, ASFC-2023-5M-C Department of Health, Kinesiology and Applied Physiology, AS-HKAP-5248, ASFC-2023-5M-D

Science College, AS-SCOL-5329, ASFC-2023-5M-E Simone de Beauvoir Institute, AS-WSDB-5282, ASFC-2023-5M-F

## d. Graduate Curriculum

Department of Political Science, AS-POLI-5323, ASFC-2023-5M-G School of Community and Public Affairs, AS-SCPA-4641, ASFC-2023-5M-H

ASFC 2023-5M-3 It was moved and seconded that the documents be approved.

Carried, unanimously

#### 9. Other Business

There was none.

# 10. Notices of Motion

There was none.

# 11. Next Meeting

The next meeting of Faculty Council will be held on Friday, October 27, 2023

# 12. Adjournment

ASFC 2023-5M-4 It was moved and seconded that the open session be adjourned at

11:18am

Carried, unanimously