

# PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE Minutes of Meeting

Date: Wednesday February 24, 2021

**Time:** 2:00-2:35pm

Room: MS Teams Virtual Meeting

**Committee Members:** Randy Bowers, Greg Chung-Yan (Chair) Jamie Crawley, Emily Fraser, Pedro Kantati, Douglas Kneale, Erika Kustra, Diana Marion, Kevin Milne, Ken Montgomery, Karen Pillon, Jeremy Rawson, John Sutcliffe, Maureen Sterling, Patricia Weir, Jeremy Worth.

Absent: Mitul Konsadariya (regrets), Maggie Liddle (regrets), Aman Patel(regrets), Nurlan Turdaliev (regrets).

**Attendance:** Marcello Guarini, Lee Rodney, Renée Wintermute (University Secretary), Alison Zilli (University Secretariat).

## **Formal Business**

1 Approval of Agenda

MOTION: That the agenda be approved.

Jaimie Crawley/Karen Pillon

**CARRIED** 

2 Minutes of Meeting of January 18, 2021

MOTION: That the minutes of the meeting of January 18, 2021 be approved.

Jaimie Crawly/Karen Pillon

**CARRIED** 

3 Business Arising from the Minutes

Nothing to report.

4 Outstanding Business

Nothing to report.

## **Item for Approval**

5 Reports/New Business

\*5.1 Political Science – Request for Waiver of Course Deletions

(See document PDC210224-5.1 for more details.)

MOTION: That the Request for Waiver of Course Deletions for the following courses, be approved:

POLS-3790. Politics and Culture POLS-4120. Canadian Federalism

POLS-4400. Remaking North America: Geographic Perspectives on US-Canada Politics

\*CARRIED

\*5.2 Communication, Media and Film – Request for Waiver of Course Deletion

(See document PDC210224-5.2 for more details.)

MOTION: That the Request for Waiver of Course Deletions for the following courses, be approved:

CMAF-3610. Public Relations Today: Issues and Practices

\*CARRIED

#### \*5.3 Languages, Literatures and Cultures – Request for Waiver of Course Deletion

(See document PDC210224-5.3 for more details.)

MOTION: That the Requests for Waiver of Course Deletions for the following courses be approved:

ARAB-1100. Introduction to Arabic I ARAB-2100. Intermediate Arabic I ARAB-2110. Intermediate Arabic II

FREN-3500. French Literature Middle Ages and Renaissance

ITLN-4000. Proficiency in Italian

ITLN-4010. Proficiency in Written Italian SPAN-4000. Proficiency in Spanish

\*CARRIED

## \*5.4 MBA/JD Business (Graduate) – Minor Program Changes (Form C)

(See document PDC210224-5.14 for more details.)

MOTION: That the degree requirements for the MBA/JD program be changed according to the program/course change form.^

^Subject to approval of the expenditures required.

\*CARRIED

## \*5.5 MBA Business (Graduate) – Minor Program Change (Form C)

(See document PDC210224-5.5 for more details.)

MOTION: That the degree requirements for the MBA program be changed according to the program/course change form.^

*^Subject to approval of the expenditures required.* 

\*CARRIED

#### \*5.6 Business (Graduate) – New Course Proposal

(See document PDC210224-5.6 for more details.)

MOTION: That the following course addition be made:\*
BUSI-8070. Financial and Managerial Accounting

\*Subject to approval of the expenditures required.

\*CARRIED

## \*5.7 PhD Physics (Graduate) – Minor Program Changes (Form C)

(See document PDC210224-5.7 for more details.)

MOTION: That the admission and degree requirements for the PhD Physics program be changed according to the program/course change form.^

^Subject to approval of the expenditures required.

\*CARRIED

## \*5.8 MSc Physics (Graduate) – Minor Program Changes (Form C)

(See document PDC210224-5.8 for more details.)

MOTION: That the admission and degree requirements for the MSc Physics program be changed according to the program/course change form.^

^Subject to approval of the expenditures required.

\*CARRIED

## \*5.9 BFA in Acting – Minor Program Changes (Form C)

(See document PDC210224-5.9 for more details.)

MOTION: That the degree requirements for BFA in Acting be changed according to the program/course change form.^

^Subject to approval of the expenditures required.

\*CARRIED

## \*5.10 Computer Science – Minor Program Changes (Form C)

(See document PDC210224-5.10 for more details.)

MOTION: That the degree requirements for BFA in Acting be changed according to the program/course change form.^

^Subject to approval of the expenditures required.

\*CARRIED

#### \*5.11 Chemistry and Biochemistry – Minor Program Change (Form C)

(See document PDC210224-5.11 for more details.)

MOTION: That the degree requirements for the Minor in Biochemistry be changed according to the program/course change form.^

^Subject to approval of the expenditures required.

\*CARRIED

#### \*5.12 Bachelor of Forensic Science – Minor Program Changes (Form C)

(See document PDC210224-5.12 for more details.)

MOTION: That the degree requirements for the Bachelor of Forensic Science be changed according to the program/course change form.^

*^Subject to approval of the expenditures required.* 

\*CARRIED

## \*5.13 FAHSS (Digital Journalism) – Minor Program Changes (Form C)

(See document PDC210224-5.13 for more details.)

MOTION: That the Combined Honours Digital Journalism in English, Combined Honours Digital Journalism and English and Creative Writing, Combined Honours Digital Journalism and Political Science, and, Combined Honours Digital Journalism and Communication, Media and Film be discontinued effective Spring 2021.

^Subject to approval of the expenditures required.

## **Items for Information**

#### \*5.14 Business (Graduate) – Summary of Minor Course and Calendar Changes (Form E)

(See document PDC210224-5.14 for more details.)

The document was received for information. \*

## \*5.15 Disability Studies – Summary of Minor Course and Calendar Changes (Form E)

(See document PDC210224-5.15 for more details.)

The document was received for information. \*

## \*5.16 Dramatic Art – Summary of Minor Course and Calendar Changes (Form E)

(See document PDC210224-5.16 for more details.)

The document was received for information. \*

## \*5.17 Mathematics and Statistics – Summary of Minor Course and Calendar Changes (Form E)

(See document PDC210224-5.17 for more details.)

The document was received for information. \*

## **Item for Information/Discussion**

## 5.18 BA (Honours) Media Arts and Culture - Interim Report

(See document PDC210224-5.18 for more details.)

#### NOTED:

- PDC was reminded that the School of Creative Arts (SoCA) was given until Fall 2023 to meet the enrolment threshold for the BA in Media Arts and Culture (MAC) after which time the program will be deleted if the enrolment threshold has not been met.
- Although the number of majors has been low in recent years, the Media Arts and Culture courses currently service the academic requirements for the BFA Visual Arts and the Built Environment, as well as the BFA Visual Arts requiring no additional resources.
- The Media Arts and Culture is the only honours degree that currently offers the potential for interdisciplinary study in the School of Creative Arts.
- There are program changes forthcoming to update the curriculum to contemporary standards, including deleting courses in art history that focus on colonialist perspective.
- In addition, the revised program will focus on new modes of research creation that will provide students with a strong balance of academic and studio courses.
- If the Media Arts and Culture program is deleted, it will have no impact on course offerings for the BFA, VABE and double majors, *etc*. The courses will still be offered for other programs and the faculty who teach the courses can continue to teach them.
- There are plans to have targeted marketing and outreach to reach prospective applicants. It was stressed that this should commence prior to 2022.
- The document was received for information.

## 6 Question Period/Other Business

#### Equity, Diversity and Inclusion

Consideration be given to incorporating language related to equity, diversity, anti-racism, anti-black racism, and overall inclusivity into the PDC Forms.

## 7 Adjournment

MOTION: That the meeting be adjourned.

Erika Kustra/Randy Bowers