

**FACULTY COUNCIL**  
**May 29, 2017 at 10:00 a.m.**  
**Margaret Eaton Board Room (BN 302)**

**Minutes**

**Present:** Simon Darnell, Marius Locke (chair), Angela Fong, Kaleigh Ferdinand Pennock, Dave Cooper, Kristine Drakich, Katherine Tamminen, Ryan Schwenger, Scott Thomas, Beth Ali, Paula Paunic, Daniel Santa Mina, Tim Welsh, Josie Lalonde, Ira Jacobs, Lynda Mainwaring, Catherine Amara, Robin Campbell, John Cairney, Peter Donnelly, David Frost, Kelly Arbour-Nicitopoulos, Natalie Biancolin, Michael Hutchinson, Ashley Stirling, Catherine Amara, Barb Brophy, Rosanne Lopers-Sweetman, Tim Taha Luc Tremblay

**Guests:** Tim Linden

**Regrets:** Margaret MacNeill, Tracia Finlay-Watson, Erica Lenton, Dan Moore, Catherine Sabiston, Boba Samuels, Locke Rowe, Catherine Fusco, Dena Taylor, Doug Richards, Katherine Lonergan, Tyson Beach, Michael Atkinson

**Secretariat:** Kerstin Giannini

**1. Call to Order and Introductions**

The meeting was called to order at 10:05 a.m.

**2. Approval of Agenda**

**MOTION** (*duly moved and seconded by Scott Thomas and Catherine Amara*)

**THAT** the agenda of the Faculty Council meeting of May 29, 2017 be approved.

The motion is **CARRIED**.

**3. Approval of Minutes**

The minutes of the January 20<sup>th</sup>, 2017 meeting and the notes of March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2017 were circulated.

**MOTION** (*duly moved and seconded by Catherine Amara and Ira Jacobs*)

**THAT** the minutes of Faculty Council meeting of January 20<sup>th</sup>, 2017 be approved.

The motion is **CARRIED**.

**4. Committee Reports**

**a. Undergraduate Examinations**

Professor Mainwaring, on behalf of the Examinations Committee, circulated a document with winter marks for academic and practica courses for information only. Professor Mainwaring reported that the Examinations Committee had met to review and approve marks on May 23<sup>rd</sup>. The meeting included student representation. The marks were reported to the Undergraduate Director, the Vice Dean, and the Dean. Professor Mainwaring thanked Professor Tremblay for his feedback regarding information to the report of Faculty Council about A+ course marks. Marks were reported to be in line with previous years. Professor Mainwaring noted that guidelines for marking reflect current university perspectives about grade distributions. Professor Amara noted that embedded supports and rising GPAs for new admissions may have had effects on marks. Professor Locke thanked the Examinations Committee, and Professor Mainwaring thanked Tim Linden for his work in supporting the

Examinations Committee. She also thanked KPE undergraduate students Natalie Biancolin and Richard Yu for their participation in the Examinations Committee deliberations.

**b. Undergraduate Curriculum**

Professor Amara reported that three summer courses are underway. Enrolments are similar to those from last year. Professor Amara said that she will share the results of discussions on mapping course outcomes to program outcomes with the professoriate and will consult over the summer.

**c. Undergraduate Admissions**

Professor Amara reported that the final round of offers have been sent out to prospective students and noted the success of the conversion events, thanking those who participated. Professor Amara noted that 590 offers of admission have been made, with applications from non-Ontario high school graduates and international applications on the rise. Professor Amara thanked Margaret Ajax for her work with the Admissions Committee.

**d. Graduate Committee**

Professor Locke reported that 10 new PhD students, 25 MSc students, and 36 MPK students have accepted their offers of admission to begin studies in the coming September.

**e. Research Committee**

Professor Tremblay reported the results of a survey he conducted about our KPE professoriate levels of satisfaction with the research support services available within the Faculty. Overall, faculty members reported they were satisfied with the research support, and laboratory technical support was indicated as needed. Professor Tremblay noted that efforts will continue to unfold to identify ways to equitably decrease the time faculty members spend on administrative, clerical and technical duties, with the goal of freeing up more time for knowledge creation and mobilization activities.

Professor Tremblay noted the annual Public Research Symposium was a success in addition to being the most subscribed symposium of the series originated by Dean Jacobs. Professor Tremblay thanked IT and PR and Communications for their support, as well as Professors Sabiston and Santa Mina for acting as co-presenters. The 2018 Public Research Symposium theme has already been approved and will highlight the research of Professors Arbour-Nicitopoulos and Cairney. The proposed symposium will leverage the 2018 Paralympics with a focus on physical literacy development in persons with physical disabilities.

**f. Council of Athletics & Recreation (CAR)**

Beth Ali reported on the ongoing gendered language analysis of CAR documents, which CAR continues to work through with the Equity Committee. They are specifically focusing on how students are identifying themselves in terms of gender and how the documents can be updated to reflect this.

**g. Equity Committee**

On behalf of Professor MacNeill, Professor Darnell reported on the Task Force on Race and Indigeneity. The Task Force is making minor changes to the terms of reference with the addition of a third co-chair. Professor Darnell, Sharon Grandison, and Lamia Aganagic (student) will be co-chairing. The committee will be extending their timelines as well as finalizing the working groups, which will focus on four main themes. These

will include student recruitment, admissions success and retention, staff and faculty recruitment and advancement, curriculum, research pedagogy and learning, and recreation, sport, and community outreach. There will be a call in the coming months announcing the creation of the working groups and seeking expressions of interest from those interested in becoming members of the various working groups.

Beth Ali added that the group is also looking for an individual to provide support from an academic view.

**h. Awards Committee**

Robin Campbell reported that the Bob Laycoe award was updated to “one award up to the league limit” from “one award at \$4000”. In addition, it has been updated to reflect the name change of CIS to U-Sport.

**MOTION** (*duly moved and seconded by Luc Tremblay and Ashley Stirling*)  
**THAT** the proposed award changes be approved.

The motion is **CARRIED**.

Robin Campbell reported a second award change to the Sheehan Kennedy Family Swim Award of Merit. The award record has been updated to reflect the name change of CIS to U-Sport. Additionally, the second source of funding has been updated to the Swim Program Endowment Fund (Fund: 303349).

**MOTION** (*duly moved and seconded by Luc Tremblay and Beth Ali*)  
**THAT** the award changes be approved with an amendment to Note 1.

The motion is **CARRIED**.

**i. Restricted Funds Committee**

No report.

**j. Sponsorship Committee**

No report.

**5. Centre Reports**

**a. Centre for Sport Policy Studies**

Professor Donnelly noted that the Centre members were awarded University of Toronto Canada 150 funds for a project proposal.

**b. Centre for Motor Control**

Professor Welsh reported on the success of the Centre’s fourth annual research symposium, with 29 rapid-fire presentations and 50 attendees. Professor Welsh thanked the graduate students who helped to organize and run the symposium, and the Faculty for the space and financial support.

**6. Deans’ Reports**

**a. Dean**

Dean Jacobs expressed thanks to:

everyone for their hard work during the academic year; Professors Sabiston, Santa Mina, and Tremblay, research services officer Marisol D’Andrea, and the event management

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crew for their work with the public symposium; Professors Tamminen and Beach for the augmentation of the research infrastructure in the Faculty through their recently awarded Canada Foundation for Innovation (CFI) awards members of the PTR committee; and, Josie Lalonde and Kerstin Giannini for their work surrounding the updates to the Faculty Council By-laws and Constitution. Dean Jacobs noted that Professor Linda Trinh has accepted an offer of appointment as an assistant professor and will be joining the Faculty as of January 1, 2018.

Dean Jacobs noted the University of Toronto's sixth place ranking in the QS World University ranking of disciplines related to sport, exercise sciences, kinesiology and physical education. Dean Jacobs urged faculty members to always cite the "Faculty of Kinesiology & Physical Education" as their primary affiliation in publications (including student publications) because it has an effect on the Faculty's ranking and grant proposals.

Dean Jacobs remarked that the Provost's report at the professoriate retreat was informative and noted that the Faculty will be well positioned to be an important contributor to metrics by which the University's performance will be assessed by the Province of Ontario in the future.

Dean Jacobs provided an update on the University's new policy on Reporting of Sexual Harassment and Sexual Violence. Dean Jacobs urged everyone to become familiar with this policy and sensitized to these issues.

Dean Jacobs reported on a recent meeting with the Director, Professional Practice (CAPS) and Quality Assurance at Health & Wellness to review the Faculty's embedded Wellness Counsellor service. The meeting highlighted the types of issues experienced by our students, which are very broad. Dean Jacobs has asked for a deeper analysis in the future.

Dean Jacobs outlined his priorities for the remainder of his term as Dean, which include:

- Expanding international experiences for undergraduate students in our Faculty
- Continuing education programs
- Advancement and naming of our facilities, including Varsity Stadium
- Addition of a new professional master's program
- Strategic planning for future co-curricular physical activity programs with a focus on demographic trends
- Physical space
- Academic world rankings

Dean Jacobs reported on his recent trip to the University of Edinburgh and Loughborough University. The intent is to identify a select group of partnering universities abroad with stature, programs, and partnering interests similar to ours, so that we can clearly identify to our students those programs where course equivalencies have been pre-approved. Institutions currently under consideration are those in the Netherlands, Norway, Australia, in addition to the University of Edinburgh and Loughborough in the UK.

Dean Jacobs asked that Faculty Council authorize the Executive Committee to endorse the standing committees' membership until the new committee memberships roster can be presented to Faculty Council in the fall.

**MOTION** (*duly moved and seconded by Ira Jacobs and Rosanne Lopers-Sweetman*)  
**THAT** Faculty Council authorize the Executive Committee to endorse the appointment of standing committee members such that they are acting until Faculty Council can approve the new membership at its first meeting of 2017-2018.

The motion is **CARRIED**.

Dean Jacobs nominated Professor Donnelly to continue as the KPE Hearing Officer, to hear cases under the Code of Student Conduct.

**MOTION** (*duly moved and seconded by Ira Jacobs and Luc Tremblay*)  
**THAT** Peter Donnelly be appointed as Hearing Officer for the Faculty.

The motion is **CARRIED**.

**b. Acting Vice-Dean, Academic**

Professor Donnelly reported on the status of revisions to the guidelines on teaching and tenure promotion. There will be one more meeting and the guidelines will then go to Faculty Council for approval. Dean Jacobs thanked Professor Donnelly for assuming the role of Acting Vice-Dean in Vice-Dean Kerr's absence.

**c. Associate Dean, Research**

Professor Tremblay discussed a potential motion to amend the By-Laws of the Faculty. The goal of the proposed amendment is to reduce the total number of person-hours on all committees and to ensure consistency. The motion also will include a proposal for meetings to be held as open meetings. Professor Tremblay noted that other formal committees across the university, including Governing Council, hold open meetings unless confidential matters are being discussed. According to the University of Toronto Act, our Faculty Council and standing committee meetings also should be open.

There was discussion regarding whether the motion ought to be circulated electronically. Professor Tremblay said that he will circulate information regarding the proposal so that Faculty Council members can consider it.

Professor Tremblay reported on changes to the research renewal process. These updates are from the Federal level, and propose various recommendations, including creation of a National Advisory Council on Research and Innovation. This is intended to make federal research funding more stable from year-to-year. The report specifies the highest priority to be investigator-led operating grants. Professor Tremblay encouraged all members to pay attention to the report.

Professor Tremblay also reported that the University of Toronto has initiated its review of the Strategic Research Plan. The Vice-President, Research and Innovation struck a committee for the review process, and a draft plan will be shared with the University of Toronto community by fall 2017, seeking governance approval for January 2018.

Professor Tremblay made notable mentions to Professor Tamminen and Tyson Beach for securing a Canada Foundation for Innovation Award (and the associated Ontario Research Fund Award). In addition, Professor Cairney, Sabiston, and Welsh achieved a 100% success level on their SSHRC grant applications.

**d. Executive Director of Co-Curricular Athletics and Physical Activity**

Beth Ali noted changes, which will be implemented in the co-curricular staffing structure.

**e. Chief Administrative Officer**

Rosanne Lopers-Sweetman thanked everyone who attended the Recognizing U event. It was a very celebratory and well-attended event.

Rosanne Lopers-Sweetman also reported that the construction projects happening around the building are on schedule. Any questions should be directed to Rosanne or Andy MacDonald.

**7. Student Governments' Reports**

**a. KPEUA**

Ryan Schwenger thanked Faculty Council and noted that Natalie Biancolin will be taking over as KPEUA President. Natalie Biancolin reported that orientation week planning is underway, with new initiatives coming over the next academic year.

**b. KPEGS**

Angela Fong reported that KPEGS had received a GSU cheque with the incorrect amount. This is being resolved with the GSU. KPEGS executive committee elections are coming up in July. Professor Stirling inquired about the deadlines for elections to increase MPK participation, and KPEGS noted they would work with the MPK students to rethink the deadlines for elections.

Kaleigh Ferdinand Pennock reported on the success of the Bodies of Knowledge Conference, which was well attended and hosted by the Canadian Obesity Network's National Research Blitz. KPEGS also hosted several well-attended social outings. Kaleigh Ferdinand Pennock thanked Professor Hutchinson, Professor Locke, Professor Arbour-Nicitopoulos, and Dean Jacobs for their support.

**8. Other Business**

**a. Amendments to Constitution and By-Laws**

Josie Lalonde reported for information purposes on the amendments to the Faculty Council By-Laws and Constitution, which were required by the Governing Council.

**MOTION** (*duly moved and seconded by Ira Jacobs and Catherine Amara*)  
**THAT** the revised Constitution and By-Laws be endorsed by Faculty Council.

The motion is **CARRIED**.

**b. MPK Minor Modification**

Professor Thomas reported on minor modifications to the MPK programme. These changes provide a further emphasis to human movement analysis by dividing the MPK4000Y course into two half courses (MPK3999 and MPK4000). As well, additional support to experiential learning is provided through changes to MPK4005, MPK4010 and MPK4015. These changes do not change the total course load and were approved through the Graduate Committee and presented to Faculty Council for information.

**c. Online Course Evaluation System**

Professor Amara reported on the progress of the iterative implementation of the online course evaluation system. Most members were supportive of the introduction of the online course evaluation system, however further critical discussion over the questions will be addressed at the Professoriate.

**9. Announcements**

Professor Darnell reminded members of the upcoming research symposium with the topic of Sport and Sustainable Development.

**10. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 12:02 p.m.