



Athabasca University General Faculties Council

Executive Committee

Approved minutes for Meeting 128 of the Executive Committee held on April 25, 2018, President's Boardroom, AU-Athabasca and via Skype.

Present: Neil Fassina (Chair), Natasha Donahue, Deborah Hurst, Douglas MacLeod, Richard MacLeod, Susan Moisey, Ann Reynolds

Regrets: Matthew Prineas, Terry Beckman, Steven Johnson, Eric Strikwerda, Mira Singh

Governance Staff: Carol Lund (University Secretary), Eileen Hendy (Governance Coordinator)

Call to Order

The Chair called the meeting to order at 1:00 PM

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

- 1.1 Motion 128-01** That the Executive Committee approves the agenda and thereby approves the consent agenda including the minutes of meeting 124 held February 28, 2018 and the asynchronous minutes of meetings 125 held March 05, 2018; 126 held March 16, 2018; and 127 held April 04, 2018 as presented.

Hurst

Carried

2. CONFLICT OF INTEREST

- 2.1 Action** Subject to the Conflict of Interest provision of the General Faculties Council Rules, the Chair asked members to declare any conflict they may have with respect to the meeting agenda.

No conflicts declared.

3. DISCUSSION ITEMS

3.1 Strengthening the Role of GFC (verbal update)

A discussion was held on strengthening the role of GFC. The President will provide an update on the suggestions and comments on strengthening the role of GFC he received following the March 14, 2018 GFC meeting in his report of the Chair.

3.2 Submission received for GFC Agenda

A discussion was held on the submission received for the May 09, 2018 GFC meeting agenda.

Motion 128-02 That the Executive Committee moves General Faculties Council hears the petition; and the petitioners and the Provost and Vice President Academic meet prior to the May 09, 2018 GFC meeting to discuss the petition.

Hurst

Carried

4. ACTION ITEMS

- 4.1 Motion 128-03** That the Executive Committee recommends to General Faculties Council approval of the General Faculties Council Rules, effective May 09, 2018.

Richard MacLeod

The proposed changes for the General Faculties Council Rules were discussed.

Carried



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- 4.2 Motion 128-04** That the Executive Committee recommends to General Faculties Council approval of the following, effective May 09, 2018:
- Executive Committee Terms of Reference and Membership
 - Academic Excellence Awards Committee Terms of Reference and Membership
 - Academic Research Committee Terms of Reference and Membership
 - Student Academic Appeals Committee Terms of Reference and Membership
 - Student Awards Committee Terms of Reference and Membership

Moisey

The proposed changes for the General Faculties Council Standing Committee Terms of Reference and Membership were discussed.

Carried

- 4.3 Motion 128-05** That the Executive Committee approves the draft agenda for General Faculties Council Meeting 45, May 09, 2018, as amended.

Donahue

It was agreed agenda item 4.1 Strengthening the Role of GF Update, under Business Arising from the Minutes, be deleted and the update on suggestions and comments received following the March 14, 2018 GFC meeting be included in the Report of the Chair – agenda item 6.1.

It was also agreed the meeting time be extended to 5:00 PM.

Carried

- 5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM CONSENT AGENDA**
None

- 6. ADJOURNMENT**

- 6.1 Motion 128-06** That the meeting be adjourned.

Moisey

Carried

The meeting adjourned at 1:55 PM.