Faculty of Arts Council

Minutes

Wednesday, November 16, 2016

12:30-1:30 PM

Present: Christopher Brauer, Karen Barkhouse, Carlos Colorado, Brandon Christopher, Jim Clark, Linda DeRiviere, Barbara Foucault, Matt Gibbs, James Hanley, Pauline Greenhill, Fiona Green, Catherine Hunter, Tim Johnson , Lisa McLean, Jaqueline McLeod Rogers, Glenn Moulaison, Jacqueline Romanow, Jim Silver, Sante Viselli.

Regrets: Neil Funk-Unrau, Steven Kohm, Roy Loewen.

Motion to approve the agenda (B. Christopher/J. Hanley). Approved with addition of enrolment, study leave, and a "click and pay" option. Approved.

Motion to approve the minutes (C. Brauer/ C.Hunter). Approved.

Business Arising Financial Services

Glenn spoke to Mike Emslie about changes in forms. Mike reports that notifications are indeed sent when significant changes are made, but understands the desire to have perhaps less obviously significant changes communicated more widely.

Future Student Night

The event will be held on Tuesday, November 22 between 6:30 and 9:00 in Riddell. Set up can be done between 3:00 and 6:00 P.M.

Met Schools

Tim Johnson of the Seven Oaks School Division came to acquaint Council with Met Schools. These are schools that allow high schools students to enter an alternative structure. These students take the full high school curriculum but are able to devote 2 days a week to a topic, concern or profession that they are involved with. Some students have connections with trades such as plumbing; business is of interest to some. But Tim has students whose interests lay in theatrical productions, history, sociology, etc. The goal is to have students connect with adults in these professions. Students look to have conversations, to shadow practitioners and, if possible, find a mentor. For humanities and social science concerns, student have a harder time finding practitioners or venues in the community.

To help students with a more academic focus, Tim wanted to let Chairs know that this was an accredited high school program with the full backing of Seven Oaks and Maples School

Divisions. Tim feels that he or students themselves may want to contact professors involved in such a student's area for, perhaps, an internship, a research assistantship, strategies and suggestions for further studies.

Tim hopes that Chairs will share this information with their colleagues.

Experts Guide

The University is updating and enhancing its Experts Guide. This is faculty driven in that faculty can choose to offer or not offer an entry to the guide. The entry is written by the faculty member in a way that he or she feels best describes applicable areas of expertise.

Global College

Global College is requesting Humanities or Social Science designation for a number of its courses. As Glenn receives these requests, he will forward them to the appropriate departments for consideration and review. Subsequently, the request for the designation will be considered at Council. That decision will be forward to Senate.

Other

- Enrolment push: Chairs are asked to continue to monitor enrolment in winter courses.
- Activity reports are due soon.
- Study leaves were announced recently. Chairs may need to work with colleagues to ensure that teaching resources are maintained. Study leave deferrals do not penalize the faculty member.
- Communications has a "click and pay" option for advertising UW Departments. If viewers on selected sites see an ad and click on a UW ad, the university pays for the advertisement. As a result, there is a push to upgrade and standardize UW sites. Departments are concerned about what, if any resources, are available to them to enhance their sites. Glenn indicates that he will take these concerns forward.

Motion to adjourn (J.Hanley/P.Greenhill). Approved.