

Faculty of Arts Council Minutes
Wednesday, November 18, 2020
12:30-1:30 PM via Zoom

Present: Adina Balint, Jackie Benson, Rachel Berg, Derrick Bourassa, Christopher Brauer, Brandon Christopher, Rory Dickson, Jonathon Franklin, Joan Grace, Pauline Greenhill, Kelly Gorkoff, Peter Ives, Paul Lawrie, Lisa McLean Jaqueline McLeod Rogers, Mark Meuwese, Glenn Moulaison, Ben Nobbs-Thiessen, Jonathan Sears, Conor Whately.

Regrets: Jacqueline Romanow

Motion to approve the agenda (C. Brauer/K. Gorkoff). **Approved.**

Remarks from the Chair

Thanks to Departments (Chairs and DPCs) for getting Activity Reports reviewed, and for completing the staffing exercise.

Motion to adopt the minutes of 4 November 2020 (B. Christopher/J. McLeod Rogers). **Approved.**

Business Arising from the Minutes

Future Student Night will be scaled down, and so no booths will be required from Departments.

There will be a Deans' meeting following Arts Council, and concerns raised about the Research Office will be raised there—in particular, the request to suspend the changes to grant submission deadlines.

Bookstore

Concerns were raised regarding communication issues, timeliness of book orders, and availability of books. The question was raised as to whether instructors are actually required to use the services of the Bookstore. It was noted that the book rental option seemed to be appreciated by students.

Events

Concerns were raised regarding the communication style of Events. It was felt that the tone should be gentler and more conciliatory, rather than demanding, especially given the pressure everyone is feeling with regards to time.

Next Meeting

December 2, 2020.

Motion to adjourn (C. Brauer/B. Christopher). **Approved.**

Glenn Moulaison

Date