

**FACULTY OF ARTS AND SCIENCE
FACULTY BOARD**

A meeting of the Faculty Board was held on Friday, March 15, 2019 at 3:30 p.m. in Dunning Hall 14. J. Rose was the Chair.

Before beginning the business of the meeting, there were two tributes paid. The first was in honour of Professor E. Mewhort of the School of Computing and was presented by B. Butler. Professor G. Lessard presented a tribute in honour of Professor E. Michael Levison also of the School of Computing. A copy of the tributes will be sent to the family.

1. Adoption the Agenda

Moved by G. Walker, seconded by J. Mingo, and carried that the “agenda be adopted.”

2. Approval of the Minutes

Moved by M. Taylor, seconded by I. Smith, and carried that the “minutes of January 18, 2019 be adopted.” (Changed Mr. Rose to J. Rose)

3. Business Arising from the Minutes

There was no business arising from the minutes.

4. Arts and Science Undergraduate Society Report.

S. Sharma presented an overview of different activities of ASUS. The following are highlights.

1. Election of a new, all female executive for ASUS, more inclusive
2. Focus is on recruitment
3. Focus on development of technical skills
4. Focus on building a stronger alumni connection
5. Workshop to be held on March 20, to support undergraduate research
6. Development of awards: undergraduate teaching awards and an ASUS scholarship for achievement for a student in fourth year
7. They are in the process of transition and hiring

5. Dean’s Report

Details of the Dean’s report can be found at: <https://www.queensu.ca/artsci/>

She mentioned the climate change protest being held on campus on March 15 (today)

She also spoke about using carry forward to help with faculty renewal, classroom innovation and cuts to student fees.

Question asked:

J. Morelli asked about numbers of faculty attrition. The Dean promised to send him the numbers.

D. Beauchemin asked about the Arts and Science investment with regard to climate change. The Dean indicated that investment was done at higher levels.

Question asked about renewal funding: what can be cut? The Dean replied that they

Would need to eliminate some new staff positions and use some carry forward, as well as find new ways to create more revenue

Associate Dean (Studies,) J. Stephenson, presented an announcement that the Exams Office is seeking information on midterm exams (2018-2019) to help support future exams. A survey was sent out in order to acquire data.

6. Question Period

None

7. Curriculum Committee Omnibus Report Part III – Appendix A – for approval

Moved by J. Stephenson and seconded by R. Ascough and carried “that the Omnibus Report Part III be approved.”

8. New Undergraduate Program: Bachelor of Arts in Employment Relations Proposal – Appendix B –for approval.

Moved by J. Stephenson, seconded by R. Hickey and carried “the New Undergraduate Program – Bachelor of Arts in Employment Relations Proposal be approved

9. New Undergraduate Certificate – Data Analytics Proposal – Appendix C - for approval.

Moved by J. Stephenson, seconded by J. Dingel and carried “that the New Undergraduate Certificate – Data Analytics Proposal – be approved.

10. Report of the Nominating Committee – Appendix D – for approval.

Moved by P. Fachinger, seconded by R. Ascough and carried, “that the Faculty of Arts and Science Committee Membership attached be approved.

11. Faculty of Arts and Science (FAS) Draft Strategic Plan – Appendix E – for discussion.

An energetic discussion ensued. Some of the issues discussed were:

1. Is there an agenda implied for getting rid of disciplines (NO)
2. The fact that there is a lack of focus on students. What kind of students do we want to produce? How do students represent that outside the university?
3. Suggestions for different wording and the difficulties in establishing appropriate language, some new text which should be added, etc.

12. Other Business:

None.

Meeting Adjourned at 5:10 p.m.

J. Mennell, Secretary
Faculty Board

J. Rose, Chair
Faculty Board