

General Faculties Council
RESEARCH AND SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE
Approved Minutes

Meeting 33
December 12, 2017, 2:00 – 2:30 p.m.

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Voting Members

John Reynolds, Co-Chair Designate
Nancy Arthur, Academic Co-Chair
Carolyn Emery
Tom Keenan * – left after Item 4
Andy Knight
Tina Miller
Hermann Schaetzel
Ashkan Tehrani
Karen Then
Lisa Young
Gerald Zamponi *

Non-Voting Members

Andre Buret
Jeremy Haasdyk
Hamid Habibi

Secretary

Susan Belcher

Scribe

Elizabeth Sjogren

Regrets

Eric Donovan
Jasmine Girgis
Thomas Hickerson
Alan McLuckie
Roger Thompson
Annette Timm
Rose Tobias
Alain Verbeke
Run Ze Yang

Guests

Ed McCauley, Vice-President (Research) – present for Item 4

* by telephone

The Academic Co-Chair called the meeting to order at 2:04 p.m. and confirmed quorum.

1. Approval of the Agenda

Moved/Seconded

That the Agenda for the December 12, 2017 Research and Scholarship Committee meeting be approved.

Carried

2. Remarks of the Co-Chair and Academic Co-Chair

The Co-Chair included the following in his remarks:

- D'Arcy Moynagh has been recruited as the University's new Chief Information Officer
- The University's Institutional Research Information Services Solution (IRISS) system, an online system that manages all human ethics and animal care protocols for the University, is currently being updated with new features

The Academic Co-Chair reported that the University's Canada Research Chairs Equity Diversity and Inclusion Action Plan was approved by the General Faculties Council on December 7, 2017.

3. Approval of the October 17, 2017 Minutes

Documentation for this item was circulated with the Agenda. One revision to the Minutes was requested.

Moved/Seconded

That the Minutes of the Research and Scholarship Committee meeting held on October 17, 2017 be approved, with the requested amendment.

Carried

4. Recommendation of the Research Plan

Documentation for this item was circulated with the Agenda. Ed McCauley, Vice-President (Research), presented this item.

Highlights:

- The proponent reviewed the revisions to the Research Plan, and reported that the opening section, which will be common with the Academic Plan and will link both documents to the *Eyes High* strategy, is still in development
- The Committee discussed the relationship between the Research Plan and the University's Comprehensive Institutional Plan
- The Committee noted that postdoctoral scholars are considered employees of the University, and therefore suggested the following revision on page 7 of the Research Plan: "*...advance on the national stage in almost all research competitions, including major programs such as Canada Excellence Research Chairs, Canada First Research Excellence Fund, Canada Foundation for Innovation, Banting and Vanier Scholarship Competitions, and Tricouncil Competitions*"
- The Committee expressed overall satisfaction with the plan

Moved/Seconded

That the Research and Scholarship Committee (RSC) recommend that the General Faculties Council (GFC) approve the Research Plan, in the form provided to the RSC, and authorize the proponent to make non-substantive changes to the Research Plan prior to its presentation to the GFC.

Carried

5. RSC Appointment to the Information Asset Management Committee

Secretary's note: Tom Keenan was excused from the meeting at this point, for a conflict of interest by reason of being the subject matter of this item.

Documentation for this item was circulated with the Agenda. The Co-Chair presented this item.

Highlights:

- The Co-Chair reported that Tom Keenan has been serving as the Committee's representative on the Information Asset Management Committee (IAMC), but the Committee needs to formalize this appointment
- The Committee requested that Tom Keenan report regularly to the Committee on the work of the IAMC, beginning in April 2018

Moved/Seconded

That the Research and Scholarship Committee appoint Tom Keenan to the Information Asset Management Committee effective immediately, for a term ending June 30, 2019.

Carried

6. November 21, 2017 Meeting Notes

Documentation for this item was circulated with the Agenda for information only.

7. Other Business

There was no other business.

8. Adjournment

Moved/Seconded

That the Research and Scholarship Committee adjourn the December 12, 2017 meeting.

Carried

The meeting was adjourned at 2:34 p.m.