



**MINUTES**

**MEETING OF THE FACULTY COUNCIL**

Wednesday, March 21 2012  
 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Room 208

**Present:** L. Rose (Chair); T. Chan (Secretary); J. Angus; M. Barry; J. Boneng (Guest); E. Cambly; M. Dimassi; H. Dwyer; S. Johnston; P. Khan; Z. Ladha; D. Leung; A.M. Levac; M. Lyne; J. McMurray; K. Metcalfe; M. McGillion; M. Parry; S. Song; A. Tourangeau; E. Vandeven; F. Wynn

**Regrets:** S. Clarke; E. Hodnett; R. Macgregor; L. Nagle; L. Nelson; B. Stevens

Item #	Agenda Item	Presenter	Discussion	Action/Motion
1.0	Opening remarks	L. Rose	The Chair welcomed members to the meeting.	
2.0	Approval of Agenda	L. Rose	The agenda was approved and circulated.	Moved by A. Tourangeau Seconded by J. Angus
3.0	Approval of Minutes	L. Rose	The minutes of the meeting of October 26 2011 were approved.	Moved by A. Tourangeau Seconded by J. Angus
4.0	Approval of the revised Faculty Constitution and Bylaws	L. Rose	The Chair presented the motion to approve the revised Constitution and Bylaws that were circulated for feedback in November 2011.  Council members discussed accountability issues regarding the lack of a definition of quorum for the Executive Committee. Such a definition appeared in the Bylaws for all other Committees.	

			<p>Council members discussed that item C listed as one of the functions of the Awards Committee could be clarified.</p> <p><b>AMENDED MOTION #1:</b>  <b>THAT</b> the Faculty Council approve the revised Constitution and Bylaws proposed in November 2011 with the following amendments to the Bylaws:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- To add "Quorum is 50% plus one of all members" as procedures of the Executive Committee</li> <li>- To revise item C listed under functions of the Awards Committee to "support the planning and administering of annual award event/s to recognize outstanding student achievement"</li> </ul> <p>Refer to <b>Appendix A and B</b> for the approved Constitution and Bylaws.</p>	<p>Moved by A. Tourangeau;  Seconded by J. Macdonald  <b>MOTION CARRIED</b> with 1 abstention</p>
5.0	Approval of revised BScN admission requirements	F. Wynn	<p>F. Wynn presented the motion to approve the revised BScN admission requirements and the rationales for changes. Refer to <b>Appendix C</b>.</p> <p>Council members discussed that the prerequisite course requirements for Social Sciences and Life Sciences/Physical Sciences should be further clarified. The number of Psychology courses permitted for each prerequisite requirement should be spelled out.</p> <p>Council members raised the question how "Language courses" should be defined. It was suggested that a link to an FAQ could be added to the admission requirements. The FAQ could clarify that language courses that introduce students to grammatical structures, vocabulary and oral or written expression are not considered, whereas courses that focus on writing and reading skills in the humanities can be considered.</p>	

			<p>The minimum grade required for each prerequisite requirement was discussed. There were suggestions to clarify the grade equivalencies.</p> <p><b>AMENDED MOTION #2:</b>  <b>THAT</b> the Faculty Council approve the following BScN admission requirements for September 2013 intake:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. Out of the 1 full course equivalent in Social Sciences, only a half course (0.5) can be taken in Psychology.</li> <li>ii. Out of the 1 full course equivalent in Life Sciences/Physical Sciences, only a half course (0.5) can be taken in Psychology.</li> <li>iii. Language courses are normally not considered as acceptable prerequisite courses in humanities.</li> <li>iv. Each prerequisite course must be completed with at least 60% or C-.</li> <li>v. A personal interview may be required.</li> </ul> <p>Refer to <b>Appendix C</b> for details of the amendments</p>	<p>Moved by F. Wynn  Seconded by M. McGillion  <b>MOTION CARRIED</b> with 1 abstention</p> <p>Moved by P. Khan  Seconded by A. Tourangeau  <b>MOTION CARRIED</b> with 1 abstention</p> <p>Moved by J. Macdonald  Seconded by E. Cambly  <b>MOTION CARRIED</b> with 3 abstentions</p> <p>Moved by E. Cambly  Seconded by J. Macdonald  <b>MOTION CARRIED</b> with 2 abstentions</p>
6.0	Reports of Committees			
i)	Admissions Committee	F. Wynn	No item to report	

ii)	Awards Committee	J. Macdonald	J. Macdonald presented an update of the internal and external awards adjudication process, and complimented the efforts of the Awards team. Refer to <b>Appendix D</b> for full report.	
iii)	Committee on Standing	P. Khan	No item to report	
iv)	Curriculum	A. Tourangeau	<p>A. Tourangeau presented the approval activities of the Curriculum Committee in November 2011, February and March 2012. She then presented the motion to approve the changes in NP curriculum effective September 2013. Refer to <b>Appendix E</b> for full details.</p> <p><b>MOTION#3:</b>  <b>THAT</b> the Faculty Council approve the proposal of the Curriculum Committee to change the NP Curriculum as follows:</p> <p>i) NUR1115/16/17: Advanced Health Assessment and Therapeutic Management Adult/Paediatric/Primary Health Care-Global Health: To increase clinical hours from 300 to 500 hours and to increase online lectures from 25 to 50 hours for NUR 1115Y, NUR 1116Y and NUR 1117Y, respectively, over the Fall and Winter sessions.</p> <p>ii) NUR1110: Advanced Nursing Practice: Roles and Issues: To reduce clinical hours for NUR 1110Y from 300 to 200 hours.</p> <p>The above changes result in a total increase of 100 clinical hours in the NP program, from 700 to 800 clinical hours, effective September 2013 (for the admission cohort starting September 2012).</p>	<p>Moved by M. Parry  Seconded by K. Metcalfe  <b>MOTION CARRIED</b></p>

6.0	Report from the Dean	S. Nelson	<p>Dean Nelson provided an update of the external review, the MN program review and quality assurance.</p> <p>The external review focused on areas of academic leadership, quality assurance, accreditation, and structures to support mission. A draft report will be available soon.</p> <p>PhD graduate, Sheri Price was appointed to consult various stakeholders for the MN program review.</p> <p>All levels of nursing programs will be reviewed by the Quality Council in 2017. Council members also discussed upcoming changes of CRNE exams and agreed that new development regarding the CRNE exams should be further discussed at Faculty Council meetings.</p>	
7.0	Report from Nursing Undergraduate Society	Z. Ladha	<p>H. Dwyer presented NUS past, current and future events. She highlighted the success of the CSNA Conference. Refer to <b>Appendix F</b> for full report.</p> <p>Z. Ladha introduced the incoming NUS President, J. Boneng to Council members.</p>	
8.0	Report from Graduate Nursing Student Society	M. Dimassi	<p>M. Dimassi provided an update of GNSS activities. The GNSS site is available on Blackboard to connect with graduate students. Refer to <b>Appendix G</b> for full report.</p>	
9.0	Next Meeting		<p>The meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m. The next meeting will be held on <b>Wednesday, June 27, 2012.</b></p>	