

# Olds College Academic Council

## MINUTES



Thursday, October 11th, 2018  
Dinner 4:30 pm, Meeting 6:15 pm  
Bell 954/955

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	<b>OCFA REPS</b>	<b>SAOC REPS</b>	<b>BOARD REPS</b>
<b>Present:</b>	Andrea Mix Bruce Brittain Ken Fry Lori Kemp Neil French Sandi Jones Wendy Daley	Connor Smith Angela White Benjamin Masson Carissa Samoila Jeffrey Bengtson Joel Cates Thomas Nussbaumer Brandon Dixon (ALT) Olivia Jasmin (ALT)	Debbie Thompson Dan Daley Dalin Bullock Barb Mulholland Peter Mal Gordon Gilchrist
<b>Regrets:</b>	Stuart Cullum		
<b>Guest:</b>	James Benkie		
<b>Chair:</b>	Peter Mal	<b>Recorder:</b>	Christean Konashuk

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### CALL TO ORDER

#### 1.0 APPROVAL OF AGENDA

*Motion AC101118.1 by K. Fry to approve the agenda as presented.*

**CARRIED**

#### 2.0 APPROVAL OF THE SEPTEMBER 13th , 2018 [MINUTES](#)

*Motion AC101118.2 by N. French to approve the September 13, 2018 minutes as presented.*

**CARRIED**

#### 3.0 NEW BUSINESS - ELECTIONS

##### 3.1 [Election of Academic Council Chairperson](#) (D. Thompson)

- P. Mal was nominated by B. Mulholland to continue in the role of Chairperson for the 2018 - 2019 Academic Council term. P. Mal allowed the nomination to stand. No other nominations were received and accepted.

*By acclamation P. Mal was voted in as the Chairperson of Academic Council for the 2018 - 2019 term.*

##### 3.2 [Election of Academic Council Vice Chairperson](#) (P. Mal)

- C. Smith was nominated by L. Kemp as Vice Chairperson for the coming Academic Council term. C. Smith accepted the nomination. No other nominations were received.

*By acclamation C. Smith was voted in as the Vice Chairperson of Academic Council for the 2018 - 2019 term.*

##### 3.3 [Appointment of Committee Members](#) (P. Mal)

###### Constitution Review Committee

- K. Fry, member of the committee in 2017- 2018, explained the process and the time commitment involved.

Board Representative - **Gordon Gilchrist** (nominated by D. Daley)

Student Representative - **Joel Cates** (nominated by J. Bengtson)

Faculty Representative - **Ken Fry** (nominated by G. Gilchrist)

The above nominations were accepted and no other nominations were brought forward.

#### **Appeal Committee Chairperson and Alternate**

Chairperson - Dan Daley (nominated by D. Thompson)

Alternate Chairperson - Dalin Bullock (nomination by B. Mulholland)

The above nominations were accepted and no other nominations were brought forward.

***The above members were voted in by acclamation for the 2018 - 2019 term.***

#### **4.0 REPORTS/CORRESPONDENCE**

**No reports submitted** (*D. Thompson*)

- It was explained that the reports and process of reporting has changed at the Board level. The Board has adopted a new reporting structure. As the previous reports are no longer generated, this section will be removed from future Academic Council agendas.

#### **5.0 NEW BUSINESS - MISC.**

##### **5.1 Agriculture Technology Program** (*J. Benkie*)

- J. Benkie, Dean of Program Development, Agriculture Technology gave members an overview of the new Agriculture Technology rationale and programs.
- It was stated that Olds College has focused itself as a leader in Smart Ag and the process of engagement of the college, industry, students, faculty and government to identify gaps and focus on production agriculture was outlined.
- It was mentioned that the Government (both Federal and Provincial) has identified Canada's competitiveness (in Agriculture and Agri Food) and the current disruptive nature of technology in the agriculture industry; they recognize the current gaps and the needs of the industry and are willing to invest in National Skills Hubs.
- The Pan Prairie Academic Training - Working Group was mentioned with their goal being to ensure new skills and ways to deliver the skills are being thought of.
- Discussion followed on the **new programming**:
  - Olds College is creating new programs; the rationale was explained that the programs will be aligned with industry engagement which will validate what the learners are learning to be relevant in the future.
  - The need for new skill sets on farms and in industry has been identified and Olds College will provide the training for the skillsets, through these programs, to support producer and industry needs. There is also a need for technology integration and agronomy regarding the technical side of Ag and also significant demand for design/system thinking.
  - New programs:
    - ✓ **Post diploma Certificate in Agriculture Technology Integration**
    - ✓ **Diploma in Precision Agriculture - Technology**
    - ✓ **BSc in Agriculture Technology** : working with Government on this credential; focus on thought leadership, critical thinking, design/system thinking data thinking
  - It was reinforced that the three new credentials will **complement our existing programs** with the funding for program development **available through the Werklund Institute.**

- **Timeline:** programs of study with outcomes will be created with the curriculum being created after approval from the Government
  - ✓ **September of 2019** - curriculum could come to Academic Council as early as this date depending on when approval is granted
  - ✓ **October 22 to November 2, 2018** - J. Benkie will be holding engagement sessions with Faculty and students.
  - ✓ **November 8th** - presenting the credentials to Academic Council for approval
  - ✓ **Dec 13th, 2018** - if approved through Academic Council, to the Board then submitted to PAPRS / Government December 2018
  - ✓ **May have approval in 4 - 6 months for the certificate and diploma**
  - ✓ **Targeted First intake of students, depending on approval date, Sept 2020**
- J. Benkie encouraged the group to stop in at JMB 329 if anyone has questions regarding the new programs.

## 5.2 [Constitution and Bylaws](#) / [Terms of Reference](#) (D. Thompson)

### Revision to membership (amend to 3 alternates for each group and inclusion of chairs) and delete Board approval of Constitution and Bylaws ([PSLA](#) for Reference)

- Explanation was given on the changes made to the Constitution and By Laws and the Terms of Reference. It was noted that the number of members proposed is within scope of the Post Secondary Learning Act (PSLA). A need for an increase in membership was noted as attendance is challenging at certain times of the year.
- It was also noted that the PSLA does not indicate that the Board must approve changes to the Constitution and By Laws and Terms of Reference.

**Motion AC101118.3 by D. Thompson to approve the above noted changes to the Constitution and By Laws and Terms of Reference as presented. *FIRST APPROVAL OF THREE REQUIRED APPROVALS.* CARRIED**

## 6.0 NEW BUSINESS - POLICY APPROVAL

No policies were submitted for approval.

## 7.0 NEW BUSINESS - CURRICULUM APPROVAL

### 7.1 School of Agribusiness, Land and Fashion

#### 7.1.1 [Approve the revised admission requirements for the Apparel Technology Diploma Program](#) (B. Mulholland)

- It was stated that changes were made to the admission requirements to add to the process, acknowledgement statements and a pre admission questionnaire. This was done for the applicant to articulate goals and experiences related to the area of apparel technology and their desired major as it is felt that student preparedness contributes to student retention and success.
- It was added that a Comprehensive Program Review was done and, with consultation of the PCC, these changes were identified.
- It was also noted that the questionnaire encourages students to do some reflection, may identify those not prepared for the programs rigors and is an opportunity to early identify students' preferences.
- A suggestion was given that documentation may want to state that students are not being judged on their answers but that it is an admission requirement - presenting language will be important for students.
- **Amendment to wordings:** Under **Admission Requirements:**
  - *Completion of Acknowledgement Statements*
  - *Completion of Pre-Admission Questionnaire*

**Motion AC101118.4 by B. Mulholland to approve the revised admission requirements for the Apparel Technology Diploma Program as amended above.** **CARRIED**

**7.1.2 [Approve the revised course outline and name change for SPM 1240 Sports Leadership \(to Sports and Recreation Leadership\) \(B. Mulholland\)](#)**

- It was stated that the name will be changed from Sports Leadership to Sports and Recreation Leadership to expand the course to include recreation facilities, in addition to sports teams.

**Motion AC101118.5 by B. Mulholland to approve the revised course outline and name change from SPM 1240 Sports Leadership to Sports and Recreation Leadership.** **CARRIED**

**7.1.3 [Approve the revised course outline for SPM 2230 Sports Promotion and Professional Networking \(B. Mulholland\)](#)**

- It was mentioned that the description change is to eliminate material covered in previous SPM courses. The material added is meant to prepare students for a career in the Sports Management industry, providing tools and resources to be successful.

**Motion AC101118.6 by B. Mulholland to approve the revised course outline for SPM 2230 Sports Promotion and Professional Networking.** **CARRIED**

**7.1.4 [Approve the revised program of study for the Hospitality and Tourism Management Diploma program \(B. Mulholland\)](#)**

- It was explained that this revision is to better identify how the program is delivered to students and also aligns with how the program is reported to PAPRS.

**Motion AC101118.7 by B. Mulholland to approve the revised program of study for the Hospitality and Tourism Management Diploma program.** **CARRIED**

**7.1.5 [Approve the suspensions of the Finance Major and Marketing Major in the Agricultural Management program \(B. Mulholland\)](#)**

- Explanation was given that the Finance and Marketing majors have been replaced by the ministry approved major of AgriCommerce for 2018/19 intake. Courses in the second year Finance major and second year Marketing major will continue to be offered in 2018/19 so that second year students can complete their Finance and Marketing Majors in the Agricultural Management Diploma program. No students will be disadvantaged, by this suspension, in completing the program.

**Motion AC101118.8 by B. Mulholland to approve the suspensions of the Finance Major and Marketing Major in the Agricultural Management program.** **CARRIED**

**7.1.6 [Approve the suspensions of the Marketing and Sales Major and the Accounting Major in the Business Management Diploma program \(B. Mulholland\)](#)**

- It was explained that the Marketing and Sales major and the Accounting major are no longer offered. Suspension will allow students to complete the program and arrangements will be made for any stop-gap students.

**Motion AC101118.9 by B. Mulholland to approve the suspension of the Marketing and Sales Major and the Accounting major in the Business Management Diploma program.** **CARRIED**

**7.1.7 [Approve the termination of the Agricultural Finance Certificate program \(B. Mulholland\)](#)**

- It was stated that the Agricultural Finance Certificate program is no longer offered. The Agricultural Management Diploma program - AgriCommerce and Production Majors provide a pathway for students into the agricultural industry.

**Motion AC101118.10 by B. Mulholland to approve the termination of the Agricultural Finance Certificate program. CARRIED**

**7.1.8 [Approve the termination of the General Major in the Agricultural Management program \(B. Mulholland\)](#)**

- Explanation was given that the General major in the Agricultural Management Diploma program is no longer used. Students were previously reported as General major and declared a major in the second year. But now students declare a major in AgriCommerce or Production upon application.

**Motion AC101118.11 by B. Mulholland to approve the termination of the General Major in the Agricultural Management program. CARRIED**

**7.1.9 [Approve the termination of the Hospitality and Tourism Management programs \(B. Mulholland\)](#)**

- It was explained that this program is no longer offered and the following programs were suspended by Academic Council in January 2014.
  - Hospitality and Tourism Management Certificate - Food and Beverage
  - Hospitality and Tourism Management Certificate - Accommodation and Marketing
  - Hospitality and Tourism Management Diploma - Food and Beverage
  - Hospitality and Tourism Management Diploma - Accommodation and Marketing

**Motion AC101118.12 by B. Mulholland to approve the termination of the Hospitality and Tourism Management programs as listed above. CARRIED**

**7.1.10 [Approve the terminations of the Environmental Stewardship Major and Rural Land Use Planning Major in the Land and Water Resources Diploma program \(B. Mulholland\)](#)**

- It was stated that these majors are no longer offered. They were suspended by Academic Council in April 2012.

**Motion AC101118.13 by B. Mulholland to approve the terminations of the Environmental Stewardship Major and Rural Land Use Planning Major in the Land and Water Resources Diploma program. CARRIED**

**7.1.11 [Approve the termination of the Land and Water Resources Diploma Environmental Reclamation program \(B. Mulholland\)](#)**

- It was mentioned that the Land and Water Resources Diploma - Environmental Reclamation program is no longer offered.

**Motion AC101118.14 by B. Mulholland to approve the termination of the Land and Water Resources Diploma Environmental Reclamation program. CARRIED**

**7.1.12 [Approve the termination of the General Specialization in the Office Administration program \(B. Mulholland\)](#)**

- It was explained that the Office Administration - General Specialization program is no longer offered; it was suspended as of October 2013.

**Motion AC101118.15 by B. Mulholland to approve the termination of the General Specialization in the Office Administration program. CARRIED**

**8.0 NEW BUSINESS - DEAN APPROVAL (FOR INFORMATION ONLY)**

**8.1 School of Animal Science and Horticulture**

**8.1.1** [Revised course outline and evaluation for EQN 2413 Reproductive Fundamentals \(D. Bullock\)](#)

**8.1.2** [Revised course outline and evaluation for EQN 2414 Maximizing Fertility in the Mare and Stallion \(D. Bullock\)](#)

**8.2 School of Agribusiness, Land and Fashion**

**8.2.1** [Revised course outline, competencies, resources and evaluation for SPM 1240 Sports and Recreation Leadership \(B. Mulholland\)](#)

**8.2.2** [Revised course outline, competencies, and resources for SPM 2230 Sports Promotion and Professional Networking \(B. Mulholland\)](#)

**8.2.3** [Revised course outline and delivery for EVS 2560 Environmental Statistics and Database Management \(B. Mulholland\)](#)

No questions were forthcoming on these items

**9.0 [NEXT MEETING](#)**

**Date: November 8, 2018**

**Time: Dinner 5:30 pm at the Elements dining cafeteria**

**Meeting 6:15 pm**

**Venue: Bell 954/955**

**Deadline for agenda item submission: OCTOBER 25, 2018**

**Meeting was adjourned by P. Mal at 7:22 pm.**