

# Olds College Academic Council

## MINUTES



THURSDAY, OCTOBER 9, 2025  
Meeting 5:15 pm  
Location: In person WATC 301/302

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	OCFA REPS	SAOC REPS	BOARD REPS
<b>Members:</b>	Andrea Mix Robert Spencer Dan Karran Laura Mills Mark Fournier Keith Friedlander Dan Reaman	Sukhpreet Singh Jatinder Attwal Rachel Chater Simranpreet Kaur Brooklyn Niznik Daniel Schafer	Dillon Andrus-Dobbs Dennis Beaudoin Dalin Bullock Lori Kemp Barb Mulholland Jay Steeves Nicole Zukiwsky - <b>voting on behalf of D. Thompson</b> Paul Blankestijn (alt) Megan Ducharme (alt)
<b>Chair:</b>	Dalin Bullock Dillon Andrus-Dobbs	<b>Recorder:</b>	Bronwyn Petersen
<b>Regrets:</b>	David Prins (alt), David Johnson (alt), Kyle Puchala (alt), Whitney Moore (alt), Sukhwinder Singh, Debbie Thompson		

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### CALL TO ORDER

D. Bullock called the meeting to order at 5:17pm.

1. **WELCOME TO 2025-2026 ACADEMIC COUNCIL** (D.Bullock)
  - 1.1. *Member Introductions*

2. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

*Motion AC100925.1 by N.Zukiwsky to approve the agenda as presented*

**CARRIED**

3. **APPROVAL OF THE [JUNE 12, 2025](#) MINUTES**

*Motion AC100925.2 by M.Fournier to approve the June 12, 2025 minutes as presented*

**CARRIED**

4. **NEW BUSINESS**

#### 4.1. Elections

##### 4.1.1. Election of Academic Council Chairperson (Article 9.4) (D.Bullock)

- D.Andrus-Dobbs was nominated by D.Beaudoin for the role of Chairperson for the 2025-2026 Academic Council term. Seconded by K.Friedlander. D.Andrus-Dobbs allowed the nomination to stand. No other nominations were received and accepted.

***By acclamation D.Andrus-Dobbs was voted in as the Chairperson of Academic Council for the 2025-2026 term.***

##### 4.1.2. Appointment of Committee Members (Article 13) (D.Andrus-Dobbs)

###### Constitution Review Committee (Article 13.3)

- The Constitutional Review Committee shall be appointed by the Council and shall consist of three persons, one representative from each of faculty, students and Board; and shall be responsible for a yearly constitutional review as per Article 12.5.
- L.Kemp was nominated by D.Bullock. S.Signh nominated himself. A.Mix was nominated by L.Mills.
- The following representatives have agreed to sit on this committee and review the constitution as per Article 13.3.

Board Representative - Lori Kemp

Student Representative - Sukpreet Signh

Faculty Representative - Andrea Mix

***Motion AC100925.3 by B.Mulholland to appoint the above-mentioned representatives to the Constitution Review Committee for the 2025-2026 term.***

**CARRIED**

###### Appeals Committee Chairperson and Alternate (Article 13.4)

Chairperson - Jay Steeves

Alternate Chairperson - Brooklyn Niznik

- J.Steeves was nominated by B.Mulholland for the role of Chairperson. **By acclamation, J.Steeves was voted in as the Chairperson to the Appeal Committee for the 2025-2026 Academic Council Term.**
- D.Beaudoin was nominated by B.Mulholland for the role of Alberta Chairperson. B.Niznik nominated herself for the role of Alternate Chairperson. There was a secret ballot vote. Based on a majority vote, **B.Niznik is the Alternate Chairperson to the Appeal Committee for the 2025-2026 Academic Council Term.**

#### 4.2. November Academic Council Meeting Date (D.Andrus-Dobbs)

- The scheduled November 13 Academic Council meeting conflicts with a lot of members' calendars.
- The By-laws state to bring it to the table for review and approval to move an Academic Council meeting.
- November 20th is the proposed alternate date.

***Motion AC100925.4 by A.Mix to move the November 13th Academic Council meeting to November 20, 2025. CARRIED***

#### 5. NEW BUSINESS - DEAN APPROVAL (FOR INFORMATION ONLY)

##### 5.1. Werklund School of Agriculture Technology

###### 5.1.1. [GIS 1300-Introduction to GIS](#) (J.Steeves)

**6. STATUS UPDATE (FOR INFORMATION ONLY)**

- 6.1.** VETMEDR, VETMEDO - Veterinary Medical Receptionist - PAPARS approved
- 6.2.** EQNMSTP - Equine Massage Therapy - PAPARS approved
- 6.3.** AGHEQUD - Agricultural and Heavy Equipment - PAPARS approved
- 6.4.** New Program - MEATMGT - Meat Processing Management - approved by BoG, pending PAPRS approval
- 6.5.** New Program - AIT Electrician Apprenticeship - approved by BoG, pending AIT approval

**7. [NEXT MEETING](#)**

**Date: November 20, 2025**

**Meeting time: 5:15 pm**

**Location: WATC 301/302**

**Deadline for agenda item submission is **October 30**; the Kuali workflow must be completed by that date.**

**Links & Documents**

**[Academic Council Website](#)**

**D.Andrus-Dobbs adjourned the meeting at 5:44pm**