

Minutes of the Mount Royal Faculty Association
Meeting date: March 13, 2013

Call to order: An Executive Board meeting of the MRFA, was held in Mount Royal University, Calgary, Alberta on March 13, 2013. The meeting convened at 3:35pm, President Gerry Cross presiding and Kit Dobson, Communications Officer

Members Present:

Marc Schroeder
Scott Murray
Shiraz Kurji
Elaine Mullen
David Sabiston

Gerry Cross
Pat Kostouros
Kit Dobson
Marnie Kramer Kile
Brenda Lang

Agenda

Added: Presidents Report -Executive Dinner and -Meeting with MacEwan and ACAD

Approval of Minutes

Motion was made by Gerry Cross, and seconded to approve the minutes of the March 6, 2013 meeting as amended. **Motion carried.**

Order of the Day, 3:30pm

Draft Plan for Review of Tenure and Promotion Criteria

The draft plan does not suggest any policy changes: it is a plan for how to approach the review. We want to ensure that the main parties involved are not duplicating work or doing too much at the same time. In the current year, year 0, all parties shall agree to a plan for the review process and communicate this to all stakeholders. Then in year 1, the main work will be done in negotiations to address any key structural elements. The Negotiating Committee should plan to have a reopener for the following year. In year 2, APTC will review the institutional criteria while faculty councils and UTPC gather and provide feedback. In the final year, year 3, Faculty councils will review the criteria regarding discipline specific forms of evidence and associated standards.

- The MRFA shall be included in year 2 as an additional point. Its role shall be to gather and provide input.
- Marc will send the draft plan to Carlton Osakwe before the Executive meets with him to discuss it on Friday, March 15.

Officers' Reports

President's Report

1. Executive Board Dinner
Wednesday June 12 at 6:00pm
2. Meeting with MacEwan and ACAD
Members of the Executive are to confirm attendance via email.

Business Arising

1. Advocacy Committee Spending Approvals
 - a) Student Contract

Motion THAT the Executive Board approve the Advocacy Committee's request that the MRFA fund a research project at the rate of \$16.00 per hour to a maximum expense of \$500 that is to be undertaken by a student and has a deliverable of a draft ethical purchasing policy which the MRFA shall consider implementing.

Moved: Kit Dobson
Seconded: Scott Murray
Discussion
Vote
Carried

2. Speaker Honorarium

It is not in the purview of the MRFA, nor the MRFA's Advocacy Committee, to provide funding for Student clubs; therefore, the Executive Board ruled the request out of order.

The MRFA shall focus on the current situation, improve communications with students, and continue to send out press releases as the need arises. To this end, Marnie will keep Kit and Gerry informed of the situation in Nursing and Gerry will send a note of support to faculty, drafted by Pat and reviewed by the Executive.

Unfinished Business

1. Recruiting for Executive Board Positions
Deferred
2. Don Watts Memorial Scholarship
Deferred
3. Progress report on Executive Goals (att.)
Deferred

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 4:45pm.

Communications Officer
Mount Royal Faculty Association

Date of approval