

Minutes of the Mount Royal Faculty Association

Meeting date: May 5, 2015

Call to order: An Executive Board meeting of the MRFA, was held in Mount Royal University, Calgary, Alberta on May 5, 2015. The meeting convened at 12:00pm, President, Marc Schroeder, presiding

Members Present

Marc Schroeder
Brenda Lang
Scott Murray

Elaine Mullen
Shiraz Kurji
Tracy Powell
Andreas Tomaszewski

April McGrath
Karen Manarin
Richard Sutherland

Agenda

Added: VP Negotiations Report
Approved

Minutes

Motion was made by Marc Schroeder to approve the minutes of the April 17, 2015 meeting. Motion Carried

New Business

1. MyMRU Refresh Focus Groups
As faculty members we should encourage faculty to attend.
2. Possibility of MRFA Research Excellence Award
The MRFA Service Award is primarily for service to the Association, and the Teaching Excellence Award was created because MRU's Distinguished Faculty Awards are biased towards scholarship. The MRFA will consider the extent to which the Association should be involved in giving out awards and the possible creation of a Scholarship Award.
3. Topics for Meetings with Guests
 - a. Michael Barr
 - b. Ariane TennantTopics considered: additional topics to be sent to Chantelle.

In Camera Session

VP Policy and Grievance Officer's report

Officer's report

President's Report

1. CAUT Council
Despite many institutions speaking against it, the MRFA membership application was approved with a clear majority.
2. Year End Executive Board Dinner Location
We will have dinner at a restaurant but the Association will not pay for it.
3. Updates
 - a. Faculty Centre Coordinator Hiring
The FA hiring committee, comprised of Marc, Melanie, Darlene and Chantelle, has hired John Santos. He will be starting on August 17 and Darlene will be here for one month to orient him to the Association.
 - b. Budget Advisory Committee
BAC was given with the same information as was presented at the public session.

VP Negotiations Report

The MoU Committee report on the Chairs, Directors, and Assistant Deans will not be ratified. The Board's team has rejected it based on feedback from Dean's Council.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 1:00pm.

Communications Officer,
Mount Royal Faculty Association

Date of approval