

FACULTY OF SCIENCE
Meeting of Faculty
Tuesday, December 1, 2009
Leacock Council Room - L232

ATTENDANCE:

Associate Dean Hendren moved , seconded by Prof. Harpp, that the above program changes be approved.

The motion carried .

SECTION B: NEW COURSES

Computer Science COMP 559	Fund. Computer Animation 4 credits	AC-09-42
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401.5 Associate Dean Hendren said that the above course had been offered as a special topics course, and was now being presented for adoption as a regular course.

Associate Dean Hendren moved , seconded by Prof. Verbrugge, that the course be adopted.

The motion carried .

SECTION C: MAJOR COURSE CHANGES

1) Geography GEOG 503	Advanced Topics in Health Geog Changes: activities, title, description, prerequisites, and restrictions 3 credits	AC-09-44
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401.6 Associate Dean Hendren explained that the course had actually been approved the previous year as a new course, but in order to use the number 503, it was being brought back as a major change to the current GEOG 503.

Associate Dean Hendren moved , seconded by Prof. Moore, that the changes be approved.

The motion carried .

2) Earth System Science ESYS 104	The Earth System Course renumbered from ATOC/EPSC/GEOG 104 3 credits	AC-09-39
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3) Atmospheric & Oceanic Sciences Course Retirement: ATOC 104	The Earth System 3 credits	AC-09-40
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4) Geography Course Retirement GEOG 104	The Earth System 3 credits	AC-09-41
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401.7 Associate Dean Hendren said that ESYS 104 would be a Freshman course. It had previously been offered under three different prefixes, ATOC 104, EPSC 104, and GEOG 104, by the three units. This had been very confusing for students as well as for the McGill bookstore, etc. EPSC 104 was being renumbered to ESYS 104, and ATOC 104 and GEOG 104 were being retired.

Honorary degrees (closed session)
 Senate nominating committee
 Student affairs/scholarships
 More push on bringing in more international graduate students. Yet no additional funding.

- Prof. D. Harpp: Joint Senate -Board Meeting of October 26, 2009

During the Joint Senate-Board Meeting, there was a survey entitled "Are we who we think we are?" presented by Dr. Pierre Moreau from Planning and Institutional Analysis. The results of the survey can be obtained from Josie D'Amico (josie.damico@mcgill.ca).

- Prof. L. Hendren: Senate Meeting of November 4, 2009

After the normal prelude the Principal made her remarks, touching upon the Centraide campaign, the University's response to H1N1, the success of Campaign McGill, the Leadership Summit, homecoming, and so on. She mentioned the Quarter Century Club celebration which honoured people who have worked at McGill for 25 years (which includes our very own Josie D'Amico).

There was only one question about the posting of the membership and dates for responses to advisory committees. Dates were provided and memberships updated on the web.

Jim Nicell presented a PowerPoint giving the vision of Sustainability at McGill. It was very green and seemed reasonable overall.

A new version of an Anti-Doping Policy was approved.

A new policy on the Conduct of Research was discussed. The proposed policy is quite far-reaching and defines, among other things, what is data (almost everything), how long it must be stored (longer than most research council require). It does not define how resources to store the data will be provided. It is worth looking at the policy at <http://www.mcgill.ca/files/senate/D09-18PolicyConductResearch.pdf> and providing your feedback to either a Science Senator, or even better, send it to Rima Rozen (rima.rozen@mcgill.ca) and Bill Foster (william.foster@mcgill.ca).

The meeting ended with committee reports, none of which had significant impact on the Faculty of Science and the meeting ended at 4:50pm.

Full documents of the meeting can be found at:
<http://www.mcgill.ca/senate/senate2009-2010/documents/november42009/>

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406.2 In response to another member concerning the changes in McGill's employee benefits and the reaction of the different associations and unions, Dean Grant said that it was certainly an active topic of discussion at all levels of the University.

(7) OTHER BUSINESS

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3:40 p.m.