

FACULTY OF SCIENCE  
Meeting of Faculty  
Tuesday, 18 April, 2016  
Leacock Council Room - L232

ATTENDANCE: As recorded in the Faculty Appendix Book

DOCUMENTS: S-16-29, S-16-30

Before the main Agenda items, Prof. Vincent van Hi

(1) PSYC 513 will be added to List A:

**B.A. & Sc. Programs:**

Major Concentration Psychology (36 credits)

**B.Sc. Programs:**

Liberal Program Core Science Component Psychology (45 credits)

Major Psychology (54 credits)

Honours Psychology

Director Allard moved , seconded by Prof. Fussmann, that the changes be approved.

The motion carried.

III. Program Revisions:

Atmospheric & Oceanic Sciences/Physics

- Joint Major in Atmospheric Science & Physics

AC-16-65

804.4 Director Allard said that in order to provide students with more flexibility in the above Joint program, some Required courses were moved to the list of Complementary courses. The Complementary courses will offer a wider selection of courses, including a research course and a new double-prefix course. In addition, a hidden prerequisite course was being explicitly included in the list of Required courses. The total number of program credits has increased from 67 credits to 69.

Director Allard moved , seconded by Prof. Gyakum, that the program changes be approved.

The motion carried.

IV. Other (For Approval)

1) Courses on Dean's Multidisciplinary Undergraduate Research List (DMURL) AC-16-60

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5) DEAN'S BUSINESS

a) Budget

805.1 Dean Lennox thanked the Director of Administration, Maria Babiak, the Faculty Budget

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Dean Lennox said that the Faculty was very much involved in McGill's Sustainability Sciences and Technologies Initiative (SSTI). The next workshop will take place in May 2017, with funding starting in June 2017 and then October 2017.

activities of Equity and Diversity, and noted that McGill24 had raised 1.39m, up from 0.793m last year.

The Chair then made some comments on academic freedom and responsibility. From the official minutes:

The Chair then took this opportunity to note that while the accomplishments of McGill students, employees and alumni, have a positive impact on the McGill community and the University, unfortunate actions or words may carry a negative impact. She stressed that academic freedom is one of the foundational principles at McGill and it must be defended with vigor. She noted that responsibility is also an important principle and members of the McGill community, especially those with roles in governance and administration within the University, must remind themselves of their responsibility and the impact of their actions and words on the McGill community.

In her Kudos, the Chair congratulated, among others, Professor Aashish Clerk (Physics) on being awarded a Simons Fellowship, and Professor Maksym Radziwill (Mathematics and Statistics) on being awarded a Sloan Fellowship.

Questions: A question on the sale of lecture materials (procedures, proceeds, restrictions, copyright) etc. The response from Provost and VP Research discussed IP issues, but acknowledged shortcomings in the current procedures. A follow-up question on tutoring service Prep 101, and whether it was welcome on campus, was discussed.

Reports: The following Reports/Annual Reports were tabled

- o Scholarship and Student Aid: \$110m last year in aid, a 3.1% increase.
- o Enrolment and Strategic Enrolment Management: 1.3% increase in Fall 2016 over 2015. Strategic goals include increasing enrolment from CEGEPs, and maintaining international student enrolment at 25-30%. Yield rates are declining. Graduation rate is 84%. A question on the relationship between enrolment and capacity was left unanswered.
- o The Provost, Senator Manfredi, presented the second Budget Report for 2017-2018. The predicted deficit (from 2016, 2.7m) has not materialized. Otherwise, some small amendments to earlier reported budget plans/forecasts were presented.
- o Academic Committee: The Quantitative Life Sciences (QLS) PhD program was approved.
- o Nominating Committee
- o Honorary Degrees and Convocations Committee (ie McGill Medal Terms of Reference)
- o Proposed Revisions to the IP Policy: some discussion ensued, with handling of different types of IP discussed. This still seems to be a work in progress.

At this point the Chair had to leave, and Senator Lennox took over as Chair.

The next report was the annual report from GPS covering 2015-2016, presented by

8) MEMBERS' QUESTION PERIOD

- 808.1 Prof. Grütter informed members that the McGill Policy on Intellectual Property would be on the Agenda for the coming Senate meeting scheduled for 20 April, 2017.
- 808.2 In reply to Prof. Fussmann, Dean Lennox said that he had no further information on the Faculty NSERC Maintenance and Operations funding.
- 808.3 In response to Prof. Grütter concerning the average salary for graduate students in the Faculty of Science, Dean Lennox said that Associate Dean Laura Nilson had indeed gathered data from departments. He emphasized that it was important that GPDs work together in providing detailed and accurate information.

9) OTHER BUSINESS

There being no other business, Prof. Damha moved , seconded by Prof. Lydon, that the meeting be adjourned at 4:10 p.m.

The motion carried.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, 23 May, 2017