

Faculty of Arts Council

Minutes

Wednesday, January 10, 2018

12:30-1:30 PM

Present: Rachel Berg, Carlos Colorado, Brandon Christopher, Roewan Crowe, James Currie, Linda DeRiviere, Mike Emslie, Barbara Foucault, Matt Gibbs, Colin Goff, Pauline Greenhill, James Hanley, Steven Kohm, Roy Loewen, Shauna MacKinnon, Jaqueline McLeod-Rogers, Shailesh Shukla, Catherine Taylor, Sante Viselli, Tracy Whalen, Doug Williams

Regrets: Tim Babcock, Neil Funk-Unrau, Hugh Grant, Roy Loewen, Jacqueline Romanow

Motion to approve the agenda (C. Colorado/S.Kohm).

Motion to approve the minutes (T. Whalen /S. Kohm)

Budget

VP Admin Mike Emslie presented on the University budget. Questions were asked about ongoing cost of student residences, plans for a means test to ensure that students most affected by tuition increases received bursaries, and the force of mandate letters from the province.

A change in government will allow tuition costs to rise by 6.5%. UW is in the lowest third of tuition fees for universities across the country. Our graduation rates are low, and this reality could affect a budget that is becoming more dependent on tuition.

Business Arising

Internal function in the Nexus program prevents a connection between Nexus and Outlook. A student's email sent through Nexus can be seen in the instructor's Outlook email. But to respond that instructor will continue to be required to login and use the Nexus email function. Apparently the Nexus system is not really an email system.

Motion to adjourn (T. Whalen/P. Greenhill)