

**Minutes of the AFC Meeting
November 12, 2024
Held by Zoom**

PRESENT: J. Allan; K. DeForest; R. Dwivedula; M. Ebeid; K. Edmunds; P. Harms; D. Hétu; R. Hinthier; M. Malainey; A. Marshall; V. Maud; E. Mihelakis; S. Medd; J. Naylor; S. Robinson; L. Robson; B. Rose; K. Saunders; D. Smid; D. Taylor; M. Torabi; M. Tsoy; L. Wood; F. Zehtab-Jadid; H. Zhuang; M. DiMuro (Science); M. Williams-Joel (BUSU); G. Kennedy (Chair); S. Mott (recorder)

ABSENT: R. Baker; D. Combet; R. Gasse; H. Gillander; W. Kelly; S. Koosel; D. Klonowski; R. Kramer; D. Lakevold; L. MacKay; L. Mayer; A. McCulloch; K. McKenzie; L. McLachlan; A. Mulhern; I. Puppe; D. Racine; D. Ramsey; C. Schneider; E. Varley; H. Venema; D. Winter; K. Wong; L. Xu;

REGRETS: A. Abdou; K. Bessant; C. Boulton; S. Grills; A. Hanemaayer; E. Holland; S. Petrella

ON LEAVE: B. Strang

GUEST: None

Call to Order

Dr. Kennedy called the meeting to order, gave the land acknowledgement and spoke briefly on the Seven Sacred Teachings.

1.0 Approval of Agenda

MOTION (Naylor/Zehtab-Jadid): THAT the Agenda be approved.

CARRIED.

2.0 Approval of the Minutes

MOTION (Zehtab-Jadid/Ebeid): THAT the minutes of the AFC meeting held on August 28, 2024 be approved.

CARRIED.

3.0 New Business

3.1 Calendar/Course Changes

3.1.1 Native Studies – V. Maud

MOTION (Maud/Hetu) - THAT the Native Studies calendar revisions be approved as presented.

CARRIED.

3.1.2 Liberal Arts Distributed Major – G. Kennedy

MOTION (Kennedy/Smid) – THAT the calendar changes to the Liberal Arts Distributed Major (BA) program be approved as presented.

CARRIED.

3.1.3 Justice Studies Certificate

MOTION (Saunders/Mihelakis) – THAT the course 78.353 Indigenous Politics be included in the Justice Systems Certificate program, offered under the Political Science course stream.

CARRIED.

3.1.4 History/Public History – R. Hinthier

MOTION (Hinthier/Hetu) – THAT the new capstone course for the Public History program be approved as presented.

CARRIED.

3.1.5 Business Administration – H. Zhuang

MOTION (Zhuang/Saunders) – THAT the Business Administration calendar changes be approved as presented.

CARRIED.

3.1.6 Political Science – K. Saunders

MOTION (Saunders/Maud) – THAT the four calendar changes for the Political Science department be approved as presented.

CARRIED.

3.1.7 Francophone Studies and Languages – E. Mihelakis

MOTION (Mihelakis/Smid) – THAT the calendar/course revisions for Francophone Studies and Languages be approved as presented.

CARRIED.

Discussion: A suggestion was made to add course outlines/syllabus for the requested changes. The department will include the outlines in their submission to the Senate Office if it is policy to do so.

3.1.8 Economics – M. Ebeid

MOTION (Ebeid/Medd) – THAT the new course proposal for the Department of Economics be approved as presented.

CARRIED.

3.1.9 History – J. Naylor, P. Harms

MOTION (Naylor/Ebeid) – THAT the program change for the first-year requirements in Public History be changed as presented.

CARRIED.

MOTION (Harms/Zhuang) – THAT the new course for the Department of History be approved as presented.

CARRIED.

3.1.10 English, Drama and Creative Writing –D. Smid

MOTION (Smid/Rose) – THAT the new courses, and program/course changes for English, Drama and Creative Writing be approved as presented.

CARRIED.

Discussion: The new title of the Indigenous Literature course was met with some discussion, due firstly to the roles that French and English play in Canadian literature and secondly, seeing that a Francophone Indigenous Literature course also exists, the suggestion was made that the title reflect a more inclusive way, as an example “Anglophone Indigenous Literature”. This suggestion was met with concerns about the Indigenous Content Committee approvals and how to change this one thing would send the course all the way back to the start of the approval process, delaying the initialization of the course even further. The conclusion was that AFC will approve the course as is and the three departments concerned (EDCW, Francophone Studies and Languages and Native Studies) will discuss the title for the next cycle.

3.1.11 IWGIDVA Visual Arts – L. Wood

MOTION (Wood/Maud) – THAT the proposed changes for IWGIDVA Visual Arts be approved as presented.

CARRIED.

3.1.12 Religion – A. Marshall

MOTION (Marshall/Hetu) – THAT the course change for Daoism in the Department of Religion be approved as presented.

CARRIED.

3.1.13 Philosophy – S. Robinson

MOTION (Robinson/Ebeid) – THAT the course changes, one revision and multiple course deletions proposed by the Philosophy department be approved as presented.

CARRIED.

MOTION (Robinson/Medd) – THAT the changes for program requirements in the Philosophy Major and Honours programs be approved as presented.

CARRIED.

4.0 Adjournment (Hétu)

Meeting adjourned at 1:44pm