
Minutes of the meeting of the Academic Policy and Planning Committee held on 29th April 2004, from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. in Room 609, James (Administration) Building

Present: L. Vinet (Chair), J. Beheshti, A. Bryan, V. Choy, M. Crago, F. Groen, H.G. Leighton, A.C. Masi, S. McDougall, L. Proulx, J. Zucchi, H.M.C. Richard (Secretary to the Committee)
Regrets: C. Bushnell, E. Cooper, G. Demopoulos, Ph. Depalle, M. Dowsley, J. Galbraith, M. Graham, W. Hendershot, H. Knox, M. Kuan, R. Roy
Guest: V. Bélanger (item 9)

11.01 Proposed agenda

The agenda was adopted with deletion of item 8 (CSP report #12) and addition under item 7 of the SCTP report on a meeting held on April 8, 2004 (03-APPCC-04-49, circulated electronically before the meeting).

11.02 Minutes of meeting held on April 15, 2004

Approved.

11.03 Business arising

None.

11.04 Report on Senate meeting on April 21, 2004 - SCTL Terms of Reference (03-APPCC-04-47)

The Chair reported that Senate had approved the recommendation that the Committee on Teaching and Learning should cease to be a Senate Committee (which it was on a three-year trial basis) and revert to being a subcommittee of APPC. The Provost will designate the person who will chair the SCTL.

11.05 APPC Terms of Reference – proposed revision (03-APPCC-04-48)

It was noted that in addition to including the Chair of the Subcommittee on Teaching and Learning as ex-officio member in APPC's composition, titles should be updated, and the terms of reference of APPC should integrate the core mission of SCTL. This item will be taken under advisement and a more complete set of revisions will be brought back to APPC for consideration at its next meeting.

11.06 SCTP – new member for approval (03-APPCC-04-43)

APPC approved the appointment of Professor Heather Goad as replacement for Professor Jane Everett on the Subcommittee on Courses and Teaching Programs. APPC also approved the membership renewal of Professor James Brawer from the Faculty of Medicine and Professor William Hendershot from the Faculty of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences, for another three-year term. In addition to Professor Goad, the membership comprises: Professors Jim Brawer, Luc Chouinard, Sam Drury, William Hendershot, Ms Charlotte Légaré (GPSO), students Brian Carrillo and Leah Coutinho, Associate Provost Martha Crago as Chair, and Ms Cindy Smith as Secretary.

11.07 SCTP Reports

a) Meeting held on March 25, 2004 (03-APPCC-04-46)

All items were for information only.

b) Meeting held on April 8 (03-APPCC-04-49)

APPC approved the proposed B.A. & Sc.; Faculty Program in Cognitive Sciences for submission to Senate.

11.08 Comité de suivi sur les programmes (CSP)

Report # 12 – Psychology, Psychoeducation, Sexology, Social Work, Social and Cultural Facilitation, Criminology and Gerontology (English translation) (03-APPC-04-44)
http://www.crepuq.qc.ca/rubrique.php3?id_rubrique=187&var_recherche=Comite+de+suivi+sur+les+programmes (French text)

Consideration of this item was postponed until a member of the Department of Psychology can be available to present it to APPC.

11.09 Student exchange agreement – Law and Universitat de Barcelona (03-APPC-04-45)

Me Véronique Bélanger, Assistant Dean (Student Affairs) in the Faculty of Law joined the meeting and presented the proposed bilateral exchange agreement between McGill's Faculty of Law and the Faculty of Law of the University of Barcelona. This would be the Faculty's third student exchange with a Spanish-language institution but the first such exchange with an institution in Spain. It grew out of ongoing collaboration. The format of the Agreement of Collaboration includes aspects of both McGill's and the University of Barcelona's standard templates. It was noted that the first paragraph on the second page of the memorandum from the Faculty of Law should have stated that 36 000 journal volumes, not 36 000 journals, were available at the UB's library system. Classes at UB are given either in Spanish or Catalan and the University offers introductory Catalan courses. UB offers a sufficient number of Law courses in Spanish for McGill students to have a useful experience. As for UB students coming to McGill, French would be an asset for it would give students more flexibility in course selection, but having no French would not be an impediment. And even if French is desirable, a French requirement would limit exchange possibilities too much. Asked how the UB students would fit in McGill's trans-systemic program in Law, Me Bélanger responded that a good number of students who come to the Faculty of Law on exchange are interested in public and international law.

APPC approved the proposed. It will be reported to Senate.

11.10 Other business

None.

The meeting adjourned at 4:00 p.m.