Minutes

6.01 Adoption of the Agenda

Added agenda item: d) Strategic Mandate Agreement

The motion to adopt the agenda was duly moved and seconded.

6.02 Adoption of the Minutes of January 31, 2014*

The motion to adopt the minutes was duly moved and seconded.

6.03 Business arising from the Minutes of the January 31, 2014 Meeting

6.04 New Business

a) Educational Policy Committee Election

Professor David Trumpower had to step down from the Committee on Educational Policy since he has assumed the position of Director of Teacher Education (Interim) until June 30, 2014. Following the close for nominations on February 10, 2014, we have received one duly completed ballot.

Motion: That Faculty Council accepts that Professor Maclure be elected by acclamation to the Committee on Educational Policy.

b) Approval of the 2014-2015 Teacher Education and Formation à l’enseignement Calendars

The Formation à l’enseignement Program and the Teacher Education Program have tabled their 2014-2015 calendars.

Motion: That Faculty Council accepts the proposed 2014-2015 Formation à l’enseignement calendar.

c) **Amendment to Regulation on Bilingualism**

The Faculty of Education is seeking an exception to the University’s Policy on Bilingualism for its B.Ed. program to ensure that the language of instruction and communication is consistent with the requirements of the teaching profession in Ontario.

The mandate of the *Formation à l’enseignement* program is to prepare teachers for the Franco-Ontarian school system, which serves as an important means to support the francophone community in Ontario. The Ministry mandates curriculum for Franco-Ontarian schools. Having all communications (written assignments and discussions) in French will ensure that students demonstrate the required level of proficiency in French. This policy applies to all courses in the Formation program, except those relating to the teaching of English, in which case all communications must be in English, as per the Regulation adopted by the Senate in 1974.

This policy will also apply to the Teacher Education program, whose mandate is the preparation of teachers for the Ontario English school system. Students in this program must submit their assignments in English. In courses that relate to the teaching of the French language (FSL courses), professors must specify in their course syllabus that communication will be in French.

The members discussed the document provided regarding the amendment to the regulations on bilingualism with regards to assignments. These must be written in the same language as the course.

Modifications to be made are as follow: that this sentence be added at the end of the text under number 1 *Pour que les étudiants remettent les travaux dans la langue du programme* (s’applique à tous les cours sauf les cours de langues et les cours d’enseignement de langue).

And that B.Ed program be plural (programs).

Since a text revision was recommended, this item will be discussed at a future Faculty Council meeting.

d) **Strategic Management Agreement**

An important presentation from President Rock at the Board of Governors was held recently. He explained that for the next year, the University will operate within these three main guidelines:
- Limit the budget deficit.
- Pursue the 2020 goals (including the hiring of 60 additional professors).
- Develop a strategy to comply with MTCU differentiation policy.

MTCU expects a Strategic Mandate Agreement document from all universities by the end of March. As a Faculty we should be proactive and inform the central administration of our priorities and strength so that this information could be incorporated in the University document. For example, we should mention that Second Language Teaching and Learning is an asset that we play a major role within the French language community. The document could be written by the Executive Committee

**Motion:** That the Executive committee members draft a document to inform the Central administration about the Faculty of Education’s priorities and strength.
I. Michel Laurier, Dean

The Morocco Symposium organized by Marie Josée Berger will take place next week. Dean Laurier will be accompanied by several professors and students. This is a good opportunity for the University of Ottawa.

Maintaining a good relationship with Morocco is important as international students from a French speaking country no longer have to pay international tuition fees. The University of Ottawa will absorb the costs.

The General Assembly will likely be held in the second or last week of May.

Additional qualifications courses must absolutely include 100 hours of contact and 25 hours of work per week. In recent years, the Ontario College of Teachers reminded us that we do not offer the full 100 hours. We have to comply with the norms of APTPUO collective agreement. One solution would be to offer more of the AQ courses online. We will be meeting with the OCT representative on April 6, 2014, in order to discuss, among other things, the additional Qualifications.

We are planning to have a Faculty award for the Quality of supervision. However it would not be awarded every year. The Dean along with Richard Barwell and Carole Fleuret came up with this idea. The following criteria could be used:
- Number of students under the professor supervision;
- Publication by/with the student;
- Duration of studies;
- Professional accomplishment of graduates;
- Contribution in improving peers supervision skills.

II. Nick Gazzola, Vice-Dean and Faculty Secretary*

- The fall was relatively quiet on the appeals front however it has currently picked up with two formation grade appeals, one practicum appeal and one grade appeal with Teacher Ed.
- The Scholarship Gala will be held on June 16, 2014, the day prior to the convocation
- The hiring committee for the Didactique des mathématiques is going well. We have interviewed two of the three candidates that were short listed.
- The Governance section of the website project is still ongoing.
- Scholarships update: The Vice-Dean thanks professors Cheryll Duquette, Cynthia Morawski, Anne Thériault and Louis Trudel for their hard work. They hope that the internal scholarships will receive more publicity. The Vice-Dean reported the results of the external scholarship competitions as well as the internal scholarships to date.

III. Raymond Leblanc, Vice-Dean, Research

This report will be deferred to the next meeting
IV. Barbara Graves, Vice-Dean, Programs

Both two year B.Ed programs were accepted at the Council on Undergraduate Studies meeting and Johanne Bourdages will present them at the Executive Committee meeting of the Senate before being submitted to the Senate. They will then have to undergo the Ontario Quality Assurance process.

V. Students

Joanne Lalonde (EGSA student, Anglophone): They are having a conference 2.0 workshop on Monday in order to help students with conference applications. We are planning events for la semaine de la francophonie. The organization of the Jean-Paul Dionne Symposium is going very well.

6.06 Reports from the Executive Committee – January 13 and 27, 2014

6.07 Other business

6.08 Next meeting

March 21, 2014