

**Summary Minutes of a Meeting of the  
COUNCIL OF THE FACULTY OF GRADUATE STUDIES AND RESEARCH  
Held in the Council Chamber, University Hall  
Friday, November 9, 2007, 2:00 pm**

Attendance

MRT Dale in the Chair	M Shirvani
M Allen	J Varsava
L McGann	

Department Representatives

E Bork, Ag, Food & Nutri Sciences	A Samek, Library & Information Studies
G Forth, Anthropology	T Nadasi, Linguistics
J Greer, Art & Design	H Van Roessel, Math & Statistical Sciences
H McDermid, Biological Sciences	L Guilbert, Medical Microbiology & Immunology
C Lucy, Chemistry	P Lacy, Medicine
N Amaral, Computing Science	R Thornberry, Modern Lang & Cultural Studies
P Erdmer, Earth & Atmospheric Sci	H Bashaw, Music
A Commons, East Asian Studies	K Moore, Nursing
S Wilson, Economics	Y Bhambhani, Occupational Therapy
F Peters, Educational Policy Studies	R Godbout, Oncology
C Rinaldi, Educational Psychology	M Suresh, Pharmacy & Pharmaceutical Sciences
C Devereux, English & Film Studies	L Harder, Political Science
M Adria, Extension (MACT)	N Galambos, Psychology
M Cavanagh, Fac Saint-Jean	A Senthilselvan, Public Health Sciences
H Madill, Health Promotion Studies	P Hagler, Rehabilitation Medicine
C Mackay, History & Classics	P Blenis, Renewable Resources
A Oak, Human Ecology	N Krogman, Rural Economy
W Renke, Law	P Schneider, Speech Pathology & Audiology

Graduate Student Representatives

J Charchun, GSA President	B Jensen, Earth & Atmospheric Sciences
T Freeman, GSA VP Academic	M Shahbakhti, Mechanical Engineering
D MacRitchie, Biological Sciences	A Medvedev, Modern Lang & Cultural Studies
S Oladepo, Chemistry	M Lamey, Physics
A Camino, Civil & Environ Engg	C Shaoul, Psychology

Ex Officio

K Adams, Director of Libraries

**1. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

The agenda was approved.

**2. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

a. Approval of the minutes of September 14, 2007

The minutes were approved.

b. Matters arising

A Councilor asked about the status of the proposed agreement between Athabasca University and the University of Alberta to allow faculty members from the other university

to serve on examining committees. The Chair reported that the University of Alberta had approved it but that there was still no word from Athabasca.

Dr P Demers gave a brief announcement about the Royal Society of Canada, noting that the University of Alberta would be hosting the annual general meetings November 15 – 18. She asked that Councilors publicize this event and urged staff and students to attend the symposium.

Dr C Amrhein reported that FGSR would be undergoing a unit review initiated by his office and that upon Dean Dale's term ending in June 2008, an acting dean would be appointed, possibly for up to two years.

**3. NEW BUSINESS**

**3.1 Approval of the List of Graduands for Fall Convocation 2007**

Council had before it the list of graduands.

It was moved by N Amaral and seconded by L McGann that the list be approved. The motion was PUT and CARRIED, unanimous.

**3.2 Proposal for a Master of Financial Management (MFM), School of Business**

Council had before it the proposal for a Master of Financial Management. The course-based proposal, to be delivered in China, was presented by Dr T Scott, School of Business.

It was moved by T Scott and seconded by J Varsava that the proposal to offer a Master of Financial Management be approved. The motion was PUT and CARRIED, 44 – 2, 5 abstentions.

**4. INFORMAL BUSINESS**

a. Question Period

b. Announcements and Reports by the Chair and Councilors

1. Killam Centre of Advanced Studies update

The Chair reported that the Faculty of Graduate Studies and Research would be moving into the Killam Centre for Advanced Studies during the Christmas break.

2. Canadian Association for Graduate Studies 2008 Conference

The Chair reported that the University of Alberta (Faculty of Graduate Studies and Research) would be hosting the annual CAGS conference in Edmonton from October 15 to 18.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 2:35 pm.