MINUTES
School of Art - School Council
Friday November 24, 2017 - 9:15am-11:15am
364 ARTlab


Regrets: S. Alward, K. Justl, L. Lofgren, C. Pancoe, K. Sankar, S. Steiner, L. Valmestad

Absent: M. Lacosse

I APPROVAL OF AGENDA

L. Bridges MOVED, seconded by S. Ciurysek, THAT the agenda of the School Council be approved with additions.

CARRIED-UNANIMOUS

II APPROVAL OF MINUTES

O. Botar MOVED, seconded by D. Jones THAT the minutes of the School Council meeting held on March 31, 2017 be approved as circulated.

CARRIED-UNANIMOUS

III REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR

We are happy to announce that the Indigenous Scholar position has been accepted by the Provost and we are now moving forward for hiring a faculty member for July 1, 2018. There were six (6) applications submitted. I have met with Lynn Lavallee the Indigenous Vice-Provost and she is interested in being part of the hiring committee to provide a linkage to the indigenous office.

IV REPORTS OF SCHOOL COUNCIL COMMITTEES

1. Library Report – L. Valmestad

Library Hours - December 9 to 20:

Monday to Friday - 8:30 – 4:30pm
Monday to Thursday - 4:30 – 8:00pm – There will be a commissionaire on site
2. Report of the Undergraduate Program Committee – D. Foster

The Art History Working Group met on March 17, 2017 and recommended that the following motion be brought forward to School Council for approval:

The Chair MOVES, on behalf of the Undergraduate Program Committee, THAT School Council eliminate the second language requirement for the BFA Art History Degree program, to be replaced by six (6) credits of open electives, with the recommendation to take French, German or Italian language courses if students intend to pursue further studies in the history of art at the graduate level.

CARRIED

The Undergraduate Committee met on October 13, 2017. Ongoing discussions include the ‘digital boot camp’ course and the audit of current and recent “Topics” courses at the 2xxx and 3xxx levels.

The Chair MOVES, on behalf of the Undergraduate Committee, THAT the Honours Art History degree requirements be amended to replace one (1) Art History elective with one (1) one 4000 level Art History elective.

CARRIED

3. Report of Graduate Program Committee – P. Hess

The Graduate Program Committee met on October 25, 2017. Three MFA student events were well attended. Graduate course outlines were updated and distributed to advisors. Graduate awards and bursaries are in process. Faculty presentations to MFA students occurred on October 18th and were well attended. In future, undergraduate students may be invited as well. The MFA Review site visit occurred October 26-27 and went well. An external report will be forthcoming. Open Studio Doors event is proposed for December 7th – 1:00-3:00pm. An announcement will be sent out. The committee is working on an MFA brochure to promote our program. The School of Art regularly advertises in Border Crossings and Canadian Art.

The draft BFAR statement was circulated to School Council members. Information was sent November 7 from University Secretary’s office stating that the approval process has been revised and a committee has been struck that will review the information prior to going to Senate for approval. The Director met with the MFA students and discussed the BFAR’s for their feedback as well.

The Chair MOVES, on behalf of the Graduate Program Committee, THAT School Council approve the recommended BFAR’s for the MFA program, to be forwarded to the Implementation Working Group, University Secretary’s office.

CARRIED
MATTERS FORWARDED FOR INFORMATION

1. Student Gallery Show
   November 23, 2017 show opening

2. Indigenous Initiatives
   The School of Art has been awarded the Indigenous Faculty member position from the Provost office. The hiring committee will include Lynn Lavallee Vice-Provost (Indigenous Engagement). The expected start date is July 1, 2018.

   Sebastien Aubin is participating in a symposium at the WAG.

3. Curriculum Innovation Fund
   There were two applications received. The committee is meeting on November 27, 2017.

4. Undergraduate Program Review discussion
   The next meeting is scheduled for November 29, 2017 - 1:00-2:30pm in room 377 Tache

BUSINESS ARISING

1. Appeals and Discipline Committee
   After further discussion, it has been decided that there will not be any changes made to the Appeals and Discipline committee.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Endowment Committee Terms of Reference
   The document was distributed to committee members. The comments that were received will be taken into account and further discussion will occur at the next School Council meeting in January.

NEXT MEETING DATE(S):

   January 26, 2018
   March 23, 2018
   May 4, 2018

ADJOURNMENT – 11:10am