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Faculty of Education  
Faculty Council  
MINUTES  
October 4 2023 – 1:00 p.m – 3:00 p.m.  
Room 233

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Present:

Elected members: Professors Amir Kalan, Allison Gonsalves; Shanna Williams; Rachel Langevin; Benoit Gentil; Tyler Churchward; Venne; Veronica Bergsten; Celena Scheele; Belinda; Andee Shuster; Helena Silen; Jenny Kang

Non-elected members: Professors Sheryl Smith, Gilman, Victoria Talwar, Caroline Paquet, Marie-Hélène Pennest, Limin Jao, Stephen Shaw and Gordon Bloom

### CHAIR'S REMARKS

Interim Dean Victoria Talwar welcomed everyone to the first Faculty Council meeting of the 2023/2024 academic year. The Dean asked members of Faculty Council to introduce themselves around the table. The Dean shared that the first event of the year, We Will Walk Together, was a success. The Dean acknowledged that staffing issues were still an ongoing issue in the Faculty but the Dean is aware of the situation and the Faculty is taking steps to address the situation. The Faculty is actively recruiting new hires.

### ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA OCTOBER 2023

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seconded : x The projects inédits en sciences Ministry of Education was sent to all departments. Proposals asked for initiatives to enhance pre-service and in-service teacher education, as well as projects focused on sustainability in teacher education. Internal submissions being reviewed this week. Final, translated proposals are due to Julie Degans by Oct 12 to be sent to the Ministry by Oct 16th the latest.

- x The Program « Soutien au parcours de formation en sciences de l'éducation » is being renewed for another year with an allocation of \$769,230 to be awarded to the Faculty of Education.

Ministry student funding for teacher education:

- x Bourses Perspective:: Stagiaire funding for B.Ed. continues as is at \$2500.00 each stage)
- x The “Bourses d'excellence aux futurs enseignants” for B.Ed. students being renewed this year. (\$7500.00 per stage year). The Ministry has informed us that this may be the last year for this offer.
- x Bourses de persévérance pour les étudiants inscrits à la maîtrise : For MATL students, the funding will cover an amount up to \$2500.



Answer:MH Pennestri responded that there is a committee at the Faculty level that works in collaboration with Central for awards and competitions. Researchers can reach out to MH Pennestri if they are interested in a particular award.

## ASSOCIATE DEAN ADMINISTRATION

### Updates on Construction Projects

- x PENDING: Education Garage is managed solely by FMAS (Facilities Management and Ancillary Services) and is therefore the sole unit responsible for its reopening and operation. The Faculty of Education is not involved with the Garage operations. The Dean's Office communicates regularly with FMAS to obtain updates on the reopening. FMAS was optimistic for an opening at the end of August, but I was recently informed that we are now looking at an opening date in November. If Faculty members or staff require assistance with parking, they should contact Parking Services directly (operating under FMAS). Parking services should be able to propose solutions to Faculty and staff.

### Ongoing Renovations:

#### Active Projects

- x Education 627: update of the space to be functional (removal of computers and arms). Awaiting confirmation of updates to the projection system and podium from TLS.

#### Request for scientific equipment (Teaching Labs):

- x \$98k of equipment approved for the Science Teaching Lab, Tassone Teaching Lab, and ECP clinic.
- x Every year, the University Teaching Lab Working Group (UTLWG) accepts applications to update/replace equipment for our teaching labs. A call for equipment may be issued in October/November, depending on the UTLWG budgets. Please inform the contact persons overseeing a teaching lab you use and communicate any equipment needs to the AD Administration

#### Space:

- x Space Audit ongoing. Space allocation to be communicated by the end of 2023.

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Question: R.Langevin asked



PedTalkthe First PedTalk with Mr. Tino Bordonaro was held on Monday, September 25th from 11:00 a.m. -12:30p.m. on the topic ofthe Concerns and Recommendations of the Advisory Board on English Education (ABEE) regarding Bill 96

Asian Author Library

Equity Commissioners Serena Sethi and Nattamon Tokaeo curated a list of literature created by Asian authors.