

3. Open Discussion

a. Courses and Affordability

The Chair began the discussion regarding courses and affordability, referring to the VPA's Joint Operations Group (JOG) review of the complexity of SFU's curriculum to understand why students are taking more courses than required for graduation.

The Secretary distributed documents showing data on the number of new courses approved versus the number of courses deleted over the past five years. He will provide a list of courses that have not been offered in at least two years, and those that have been temporarily withdrawn for two or more years, for the Associate Deans to review.

The Chair reiterated the process for temporary withdrawing or 'mothballing' a course that has not been offered in the past two years.

The primary concern raised in the ensuing discussion was the net increase in new courses with little to no increase in faculty complement. The Chair commented that the process to create new courses is easier now than in the past and suggested that stricter rules should be set. There was a suggestion to have faculties not only look at courses not offered in the past two years, but to also report on those offered on a less-tr 0sve y

4. Old Business

a. Faculty of Science (SCUS 19-54)

1. Department of Physics

- (i) New Course Proposal: PHYS 416-3, Introduction to Quantum Information Science

Secretary's Note: This agenda item was approved by Senate at its November 4th meeting before an overlap check was concluded. This new course proposal has now been reviewed by all faculties.

K. Oldknow and D. Hik confirmed that a concern had been raised which prompted further discussion and this has now been resolved.

5. New Business

NEW PROGRAMS

a. Faculty of Environment (SCUS 19-75)

1. Department of Geography

Motion 1

It was moved by P. Kingsbury and seconded by K. Oldknow

“that SCUS approve and recommend to SCUP the Notice of Intent: Geographic Information Science (GIScience) Minor.”

CARRIED

N. van Houten and C. Murray expressed interest in including their courses in this GIScience Minor.

P. Kingsbury was commended on how clear and concise this NOI has been formatted.

b. Faculty of Science (SCUS 19-76)

1. Department of Biomedical Physiology and Kinesiology

Motion 2

It was moved by D. Hik and seconded by C. Murray

“that SCUS approve and recommend to SCUP the Full Program Proposal for the Professional Kinesiology Certificate.”

TABLED

There were several concerns regarding this agenda item. Discussion ensued with focus on how to accommodate students whom already have degrees and wish to enroll in this program. S. Birnie confirmed that there is no mechanism currently in place for these types of students. A concern was raised regarding the requirement for external certification. All agreed to table this item until the January SCUS meeting for further discussion.

b. Faculty of Communication, Art and Technology

1. School for the Contemporary Arts

- (i) Title change for CA 117 and 118
- (ii) Course number and equivalent statement change for CA 227
- (iii) Changes to course number, title, description, prerequisite and equivalent statement for CA 237
- (iv) Description change for CA 270 and 271
- (v) Title and description change for CA 312 and 314
- (vi) Changes to course number, units and equivalent statement for CA 317
- (vii) Description change for CA 325
- (viii) Course number, title, prerequisite and equivalent statement change for CA 335
- (ix) Course number, title, description, prerequisite and equivalent statement change for CA 337
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PROGRAM CHANGES

a. Beedie School of Business (SCUS 19-72)

Motion 4

It was moved by S. Spector and seconded by K. Oldknow

“that SCUS approve under delegated authority and send to Senate for information the requirement changes to the Business Technology Management Certificate effective Fall 2020.”

CARRIED

b. Faculty of Communication, Art and Technology (SCUS 19-73)

1. School for the Contemporary Arts

Motion 5

It was moved by P. Pasquier and seconded by A. Parmar

“that SCUS approve under delegated authority and send to Senate for information the:

- Changes to description, admission and upper and lower division requirements for the Dance Extended Minor program
- Description, admission and lower division requirement changes to the Film Extended Minor program
- Changes to admission and lower division requirements for the Music Extended Minor program
- Changes to the admission and the upper and lower division requirements for the Theatre Extended Minor program
- Changes to description, admission and the upper and lower division requirements for the Visual Art Extended Minor program

CARRIED

c. Faculty of Science (SCUS 19-74)

1. Department of Biological Sciences

Motion 6

It was moved by D. Hik and seconded by C. Murray

“that SCUS approve under delegated authority and send to Senate for information the requirement changes to the Cells, Molecules, and Physiology (CMP) Concentration for the Major and Honour Programs in Biological Sciences effective Fall 2020.”

CARRIED

The Chair wished everyone a great holiday season and again thanked Stephen Spector and Kevin Oldknow for their time and commitment to the SCUS committee.

Meeting was adjourned at 4:25 pm