SENATE COMMITTEE ON UNDERGRADUATE STUDIES

MINUTES

October 3, 2019 ~ 2:30 pm – 4:30 pm
W.A.C. Bennett Library Room 7200

Attendees: W. Parkhouse (Chair), K. Nordgren (secretary), S. Birnie, S. Chorney, J. Chou (Student), P. Gallilee (for M. Crouch), D. Hik, P. Kingsbury, C. Murray, K. Oldknow, A. Parmar (Student), P. Pasquier (via Bluejeans), C. Stevenson (for S. Spector), N. van Houten, K. Whittle

Regrets: M. Crouch(Library), E. Elle (Vice-Chair), S. Spector

- Identify trends and ideas from students that are thriving – use data to support students choosing the correct path for them.
- Understand disconnection and reasons for leaving SFU – research why dropouts happen, learn their story in order to help prevent other students from leaving SFU.
- Back on Track – reach out to students who have not reached out for help.
- During the budget consultation, affordability was a primary an issue for students due to high tuition fees.

Keeling and Associates concluded by saying that there was considerable interest expressed for change to improve the student [illegible]wy3.228 --0.00o(e v) Tw [(ihcUi5]TJ 4.337 0 tu(cUi530 >>BDC /12.9 6.9 (c)-1.6 (ha)-1.ua8 (say)12.8 (i)s (e)1

PROGRAM CHANGES

a. Faculty of Communication, Art and Technology (SCUS 19-55)

1. School of Interactive Arts and Technology

Motion 1

It was moved by P. Pasquier and seconded by C. Murray

> "that SCUS approve under delegated authority and send to Senate for information the following upper division requirement changes to the:
> - Interactive Arts and Technology Honours and Major – Bachelor of Arts programs
> - Interactive Arts and Technology Honours and Major - Bachelor of Science programs
> - Communication and Interactive Arts and Technology Joint Major - Bachelor of Science and Bachelor of Arts programs
> - Communication and Interactive Arts and Technology Joint Major – Bachelor of Science program
> - Interactive Arts and Technology and Business Joint Major – Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Business Administration and Bachelor of Science programs
> - Interactive Arts and Technology Second Degree – Bachelor of Arts programs
> - Interactive Arts and Technology Second Degree – Bachelor of Science programs
> - Interactive Arts and Technology and Business Joint Major – Bachelor of Science program effective Summer 2020."
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5. Other Business

a. SFU Library Instruction (Strategy) – for discussion

Introductions were made for the benefit of Karen Munro, Associate Dean of Libraries, the resource person presenting this agenda item.

K. Munro shared the document with the SCUS group regarding the new SFU Library Instruction strategic plan. K. Munro provided a brief overview and answered questions from the members.

A question was asked regarding the approach to making faculty broadly aware of the new instruction plan. K. Munro replied that the plan was recently published to their website, along with presentations to Senate committees meetings, including SCUTL and SCUS, and through the library liaisons.

b. Informal freeze of WQB designations

C. Murray spoke to this agenda item explaining that FASS will be forwarding to SCUS two new minors and is requesting that they not be delayed due to the moratorium of the WQB designations. The Chair reiterated that during this external review, there will be a moratorium on WQB courses but if d [(C)4 .7 (xpl)-4.6 ()CAttreeztt ipe plr.6 tf W

c. Sub-committees

K. Whittle spoke to this agenda item explaining that she connected with SCUS members regarding their preference to sit on specific sub-committees. There was a suggestion to schedule the sub-committee meetings just prior to the SCUS meeting for convenience.

Discussion ensued prioritizing SCUS issues and discussion items for each sub-committee.

Priorities for Policy and Procedures:

Graduation and program GPAs
Calendar publication schedule
Names on parchments
Exam policy
Course drop period and tuition refund
Repeat policy
Academic standing and continuance policy
Academic forgiveness
Class enrollment credit limit
Classroom scheduling policy

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