



General Faculties Council
Campus Law Review Committee
Approved Minutes

Thursday, April 28, 2011
3-15, UHALL
9:30 am – 11:00 am

ATTENDEES:

Heidi Julien – Chair, Deborah Eerkes, Frank Robinson, Al Belanger (Delegate), Dima Utgoff, Chase Hollman, Andrea Rawluk, Zac Scabar, Rory Tighe, Lise Gotell, Andrew Gow, Adrienne Wright, Ada Schmude, Sen Li, Maxi Miciak, Elaine Geddes (Delegate), Garry Bodnar (Coordinator), Iva Spence (Acting Scribe)

PRESENTERS AND GUESTS:

Neil Buddel, Associate Director, Residence Life
Deborah Eerkes, Director, Office of Student Judicial Affairs
Heidi Julien, Chair, GFC Campus Law Review Committee
Dima Utgoff, Director, Residence Services

OPENING SESSION

1. Approval of the Agenda

Materials before members are contained in the official meeting file.

Motion: Utgoff/Gow

THAT the GFC Campus Law Review Committee approve the Agenda.

CARRIED

2. Approval of the Open Session Minutes of March 24, 2011

Materials before members are contained in the official meeting file.

Motion: Eerkes/Schmude

THAT the GFC Campus Law Review Committee approve the Open Session Minutes of March 24, 2011.

CARRIED

3. Comments from the Chair (no documents)

The Chair welcomed Colten Yamagishi, Vice-President (Student Life) from the Students' Union, to the Committee. The Chair announced that she would be leaving the University to take up a position at University of Alabama. Professor Andrew Gow, Vice-Chair of GFC CLRC, will Chair the last two (ie, the May and June) meetings of GFC CLRC.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

4. Residence-Specific Rules

Materials before members are contained in the official meeting file.

Presenters: Deborah Eerkes, Director, Office of Student Judicial Affairs; Dima Utgoff, Director, Residence Services; Neil Buddel, Associate Director, Residence Life

Purpose of the Proposal: To provide, as requested by General Faculties Council (GFC) and the Board of Governors, the set of residence-specific rules for information. These rules have been created (or migrated from GFC Policy Manual Section 98) under delegated authority from GFC and the Board of Governors to Residence Services and the applicable residence student association.

Discussion: Further to the October 28, 2010 meeting of GFC CLRC when the changes to the Residence Community Standards were recommended by the Committee to General Faculties Council, members understood that the "Residence Specific Rules," once established in accordance with the relevant Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) in place between the University of Alberta and the Residences' student associations, would be provided to General Faculties Council and the Board of Governors for information prior to formal implementation.

A template was created which allowed each Residence to fill in the Residence Specific Rules (for example, private space, shared pace, common space, etc). The presenters noted that students and staff really enjoyed the process of defining what acceptable rules were for each Residence.

A member questioned a cohort program specific expectation that everyone participate. The presenters noted that there are "specified residence cohort groups" to engage students in the Residence.

A member questioned the process that is in place to train individuals who will be involved in the Restorative Justice Process. The presenters noted that David Carp and Dru Fischer (leaders in processes associated with Restorative Justice) would be at the University to do a three-day training session for a group of on-campus trainers. In addition, the presenters noted that a Restorative Justice session would be held in July which will introduce the campus to the process and how it has been implemented on college campuses across the country.

The presenters were asked to describe the Communication Plan and noted that: the Orientation for new residents would be a key component in providing information on the Restorative Justice Process; a video would be provided for current and prospective students regarding expected behaviours; there would be one central portal for all Residences containing the Residence Standards; and there would be a standard website brochure.

Members complimented the proposers on the Residence specific template and standards.

It was noted that the final version of the Residence Specific Rules would be provided to GFC CLRC as the Committee has direct responsibility for approval of these standards.

5. Question Period

There were no questions.

INFORMATION ITEMS

6. Items Approved by the GFC Campus Law Review Committee by E-Mail Ballots

There were no items to date.

7. Information Items Forwarded to Committee Members Between Meetings

There were no items to date.

CLOSING SESSION

8. Adjournment

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 10:05 am.