

Executive Committee
January 18, 2016
7th meeting



9:30 am to 12:00 pm
LMX 387

Attendees: D. Fleming, N. Gazzola, B. Graves, R. Leblanc (chair), S. Lévesque
Excused: S. Chitpin, G. Reis
Invited P. Dalley, C. Morin, N. Ng-A-Fook

Minutes

7.01 Adoption of the Agenda

An updated version of the agenda, with the addition of item 7.04 – *Project of Heart*, is distributed to the members.

By a resolution duly proposed and seconded, the agenda is unanimously adopted.

7.02 Adoption of the Minutes of January 4, 2016 Meeting

By a resolution duly proposed and seconded, the minutes are unanimously adopted.

7.03 Business Arising from the Minutes of the January 4, 2016 Meeting

a) Practicum Information System

The Dean offers some information regarding the project proposal. He informs the committee that he followed-up with *Intrafinity* and the Dean of the Faculty of Education at York University regarding the possibility and cost of a perpetual licence for the platform. The purchasing cost of the licence would be \$80 000.

The project proposal is discussed and questions are listed before contacting the proposal developer at *Intrafinity*, Mr. Pdraig O'Shea. Mr. O'Shea joins by telephone and answers questions related to the simultaneous deployment of the French and the English platforms, the project timeline and the support and maintenance aspects of the contract.

The details of the contract are being looked at by different services within the University, including IT. It should be possible to present a motion at the next Executive Committee to approve the signature of the contract.

b) Amendment to the Policy on Release Time Stipends for Thesis Supervision

The Dean reads the amendment suggested for the Policy on Release Time Stipends for Thesis Supervision. He also mentions that he will discuss the issue related to thesis supervision in other faculties at the next Deans' meeting. The question about the necessity to review the *Policy on Release Time Stipends* for the new Faculty members is also raised.

7.04 New Business

a) Project of Heart

Professor Ng-A-Fook presents *Project of Heart*, an educational initiative aiming at bringing awareness about the history of Aboriginal people in Canada, in particular the Indian Residential Schools era. The University was approached to become the provincial centre for the project.

A meeting is being scheduled with the First Nations, Metis and Inuits Advisory Committee to establish a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) for the project. The Faculty's obligations would involve:

- Hosting a provincial webpage outlining activities related to the project;
- Hiring graduate students (scholarship recipient students) to act as coordinators of the project for the next three (3) years. The monetary obligation of the Faculty would total \$11 000 a year.

The members show their support for the initiative. A motion will be presented at the next Executive Committee.

7.05 Other Business

a) Applications

The Dean mentions the number of applications received for the next semester which totals 1215. Discussion follows regarding the francophone programs in Toronto and Windsor.

7.06 Next Meeting

February 1, 2016