

**Statutory/Ex Officio Members:** Dr. Daniel Doz, Chair, Nicole Hamilton, Michelle Housley, Dr. Alex Link, Scott Powell, Dr. Rob Stone

**Statutory/Elected Members**

**School of Communication Design:** Mike Kerr

**School of Craft and Emerging Media:** Anahita Mosayebi, Marty Kaufman, Paul Robert, Mackenzie Kelly-Frère

**School of Visual Art:** Richard Brown, Lisa Lipton

**School of Critical and Creative Studies:** vacant

**By Degree Area:** Laurel Johannesson, Suzanne Lemermeyer, Dr. Kara Stone

**Statutory Student Members:** Juli Song

**Other Members:** Wendy Harding, Dr. Pablo Ortiz

**Regrets:** Alana Bartol, Arif Ansari, Quynn Covey, Karl Geist, Dr. Janis Goldie, Nick Johnson, Silas Kaufman, Jamie Kroeger, Jamie Leong-Huxley

**Non-Voting Members:** Cherie Tutt, University Secretary

**GFC Meeting Resource Members:** Su Soyer, Academic Coordinator, Undergraduate Studies

**Guests:** Tak Pham, Curator - for Item 6.

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The Chair called the meeting to order at 2:02 p.m. and confirmed quorum.

**1. Approval of the Agenda**

**Moved/Seconded**

That the Agenda for the February 14, 2024 General Faculties Council meeting be approved.

**Carried**

**2. Conflict of Interest**

No conflicts were declared.

**3. Approval of the January 17, 2024 Meeting Minutes**

Documentation was included in the meeting materials.

**Moved/Seconded**

That the Minutes of the General Faculties Council meeting held on January 17, 2024 be approved.

**Carried**

**4. Report from the President and CEO**

Dr. Daniel Doz included the following in his report:

- The federal government, announced on January 22 an intake cap on international student permit applications, decreasing the number of undergraduate international postsecondary students coming to Canada. As more information is received, the potential impacts on our institution will be shared.

**5. Approval of the Revisions to the Admissions Procedure**

Documentation was included in the meeting materials. Dr. Pablo Ortiz, Dean of Students presented this item.

Highlights:

- The presenter provided an overview of the revisions to the Admissions Procedure reporting that information pertaining to graduate students has been incorporated into the Procedure, and specific entrance requirements have been removed and placed in the Academic Calendar to make the documents more student friendly.
- In response to questions, it was clarified that the Artstream Program doesn't fall under this Procedure.

**Moved/Seconded**

That the General Faculties Council (GFC) approve the changes to the Undergraduate Admission Requirements Procedure, including a name change to the Admissions Procedure and the retirement of Admissions Sections in the Consolidated Graduate Procedure, as set out in the documents provided to the GFC, effective Fall Term 2024, and as recommended by the Academic Policy Committee.

**Carried**

**6. Illingworth Kerr Gallery Advisory Council Terms of Reference**

Documentation was included in the meeting materials. Tak Pham presented this item.

Highlights:

- The presenter reported that the Terms of Reference for the Illingworth Kerr Gallery (IKG) Advisory Council have been finalized and an overview of the responsibilities and make-up of the Council was provided.
- In response to a question, the approach for recruiting external advisors was provided.

## 7. Reports from the Deans

Documentation was included in the meeting materials. Dr. Pablo Ortiz and Nicole Hamilton presented these items.

### Students

- The Government of Canada announced a cap on international student permit applications, which will result in a decrease in the number of study permits to be issued in 2024 to approximately 360,000, down 35% from 2023, AUArts has not yet been provided with the number of permits that it will be granted. The cap applies to undergraduate students only.
- Regularizing the Alberta Mental Health Grant for PSIs.
- An update on admissions numbers and offers made to date was provided.

### Innovation, Learning and Development

- The Library Booksale is taking place this week.
- A collection strategy is being developed for the information learning commons.
- The Associate Dean, Learning Innovation Resources, the Librarian and the Associate Dean, Research, Internationalization and Graduate Studies are working on creating a wiki page for the area of Craft and supports for students and faculty on wiki editing.
- An update to Mosaic, including a new look and features will be coming in the spring and training will be available to faculty before the summer break.
  - In response to a question, it was reported that information from current courses will be able to be transferred to the updated version.
- A Non-Credit Credential Policy and Framework are moving forward through governance, and it is anticipated that the documents will be presented to GFC for approval in April or May.

## 8. Students' Association Report

Documentation was included in the meeting materials. Quynn Covey presented this item.

- The Student Leadership Council (SLC) has voted against ceasing membership with Alberta Students' Executive Council, observing improvements in the organization under the current leadership.
- The SLC elections are starting on February 14<sup>th</sup> and will conclude on March 21<sup>st</sup>. Executive Committee positions are up for election.
- The Virtual Spring Market program begins on February 8.
- Micro-grant funding has closed and \$8000 of funding will go towards supporting 20 student run initiatives. Micro-grant funding will be renewed in Fall 2024.

- 9. Report from the Dean of Academic Programs**
- 10. School Council Minutes: MFA Craft Committee**
- 11. CC: BFA in Studio Arts Concentrations and Common Courses**
- 12. CC: Revisions to the FBRE Minor**

Documentation was included in the meeting materials for information only.

**13. AUArts Good News Moment**

Members of the GFC shared information on happenings around campus, including upcoming student and faculty events.

**14. Adjournment**

The General Faculties Council adjourned the February 14, 2024 meeting by consensus at 3:00 p.m.