

The following Motions and Documents were considered by the GFC Executive Committee at its Monday, January 11, 2021 meeting:

Agenda Title: Draft Agenda for the Next Meeting of General Faculties Council

CARRIED MOTION:

THAT the GFC Executive Committee approve, under delegated authority from General Faculties Council, the Agenda for the January 25, 2021 meeting of General Faculties Council, as set forth in Attachment 1, as amended.

FINAL Item 8





For the Meeting of January 11, 2021

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Governance Executive Summary Action Item

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Motion

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Item

Action Requested		
Proposed by	Bill Flanagan, President and Chair, GFC Executive Committee	
Presenter(s)	Bill Flanagan, President and Chair, GFC Executive Committee	
	Kate peters, Secretary to General Faculties Council (GFC) and Manager	
	GFC Services	

Details

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Responsibility	GFC Executive Committee	
The Purpose of the Proposal is (please be specific)	To approve the Agenda for the General Faculties Council meeting to be held on Monday, January 25 th , 2021.	
Executive Summary (outline the specific item – and remember your audience)	The GFC Executive Committee is responsible for the approval of the agenda for all regular and special meetings of General Faculties Council, ensuring items are ready to be presented to GFC and are ordered and timed appropriately.	
	In addition to approving the agenda, GFC Executive Committee will be asked to review changes to voting protocols beginning with the January 25, 2021 meeting of General Faculties Council (GFC). During the December 7th special meeting of GFC, members experienced numerous connectivity and functionality issues with the voting platform (eClicker). University Governance has determined that the Zoom polling function is the best option for voting on motions before GFC going forward.	
	Zoom polling is used by numerous other academic senates in the U15. Use of this Zoom tool will require that only GFC members be allowed into the Zoom room, to ensure that only GFC members can vote. Observers will continue to have access to the YouTube livestream.	
	The Zoom polling tool will allow for the creation of a record of who voted, and how. However, polling results that will be shared in the meeting will indicate only the percentage of votes for each option. This aligns with GFC Meeting Procedural Rules, which state that the minutes shall reflect the decisions made and reasons for the decision (14.2). Voting tallies are not included in the minutes.	
Supplementary Notes	At the March 16, 2020 meeting of GFC Executive Committee, a motion was approved to delegate the details of implementation of virtual attendance and participation of GFC members to the GFC Secretary.	

Engagement and Routing (Include meeting dates)



GFC EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

For the Meeting of January 11, 2021

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	Those who are actively participating:	
Consultation and Stakeholder	Bill Flanagan, President and Vice-Chancellor and Chair, GFC Executive	
Participation	Committee	
(parties who have seen the	Office of the President	
proposal and in what capacity)) Office of the Provost and Vice-President (Academic)	
	University Governance	
	GFC Executive Committee	
Approval Route (Governance)	GFC Executive Committee – January 11, 2021	

Strategic Alignment

Alignment with For the Public	Objective 21		
Good			
Alignment with Institutional	Please note below the specific institutional risk(s) this proposal is		
Risk Indicator	addressing.		
	☐ Enrolment Management	☐ Relationship with Stakeholders	
	☐ Faculty and Staff	☐ Reputation	
	☐ Funding and Resource Management	☐ Research Enterprise	
	☐ IT Services, Software and Hardware	☐ Safety	
		☐ Student Success	
	☐ Physical Infrastructure		
Legislative Compliance and	Post-Secondary Learning Act (PSLA)		
jurisdiction	GFC Executive Committee Terms of Reference		

Attachment 1: Draft Agenda for the Special General Faculties Council Meeting of January 25th, 2020

Prepared by: Kate Peters, Secretary to GFC, University Governance