Present: Richard Sigurdson (Chair and Dean), Janice Ristock (Associate Dean (Research)), Barry Ferguson (Associate Dean (Graduate)), Linda Wilson (Associate Dean (Undergraduate)), Gene Walz (English, Film, & Theatre), Jackson Duong (Arts Student Body Council), Jessica Cameron (Psychology), Glenn Clark (English, Film, & Theatre), Andrew Osborne (French, Spanish & Italian), Rick Linden (Sociology), Renate Eigenbrod (Native Studies), Birna Bjarnadottir (Icelandic), Enrique Fernandes (French, Spanish & Italian), Fr. Roman Bozyk (St. Andrew’s College), Mary Kinnear (History), Sonia Bookman (Sociology), David Watt (English, Film & Theatre), Ian Whicher (Religion), Robert Finnegan (English, Film, & Theatre), Ed Johnson (Psychology), Margaret Ogrodnick (Political Studies), Ken MacKendrick (Religion), Daniel Lenoski (English, Film, & Theatre), Esyllt Jones (History), George Chuchman (Economics), Mark Gabbert (History), George MacLean (Political Studies), Terry Janzen (Linguistics), Arlene Young (English, Film, & Theatre), Susan Frohlick (Anthropology), Adele Perry (History), Mary Kuzmeniuk (Psychology), Julie Guard (Labour Studies), Les Leventhal (Psychology), Harvey Keselman (Psychology), Anna Fournier (Anthropology), Robert O’Kell (English, Film, & Theatre), Jim Nickels (Psychology), Dominique Laporte (French, Spanish & Italian), Dan Albas (Sociology), Tina Chen (History), Henry Heller (History), Judith Owens (English, Film, & Theatre), Lech Kosinski (French, Spanish & Italian), Gerry Strom (Dean’s Office), Diana Brydon (English, Film, & Theatre), Katherine Starzyk (Psychology), Susan Prentice (Sociology), Rob Hoppa (Anthropology), Roman Yerenuik (Centre for Ukrainian Canadian Studies), Hikmet Gunay (Economics), Aimée Pochinco (Sociology), Richard Kruk (Psychology), Brenda Austin-Smith (English, Film, & Theatre), Robert Thomas (Mathematics)

Regrets: Roisin Cossar (History), Jarvis Brownlie (History), Len Kuffert (History), Gerry Friesen (History), Robert Chernenas (Economics), Katy Hunt (History), David Drewes (Religion), Lea Stirling (Classics), Dawne McCance (Religion), David Camfield (Labour Studies), Janet Hoskins (St. John’s College), Michelle Faubert (English, Film, & Theatre), Thomas Kucera (Mathematics), Rob Hagiwara (Linguistics), Mark Libin (English, Film, & Theatre)

1. Meeting Agenda

MOTION: That the agenda be adopted as circulated with one amendment as indicated (R. O’Kell/B. Austin-Smith)
Include item number 8 Other Business, 8.1 Navitas Update

CARRIED

2. Minutes of the Previous Meeting

MOTION: That the minutes of April 10, 2008 be approved as circulated with the below listed corrections (A. Pochinco/G. Walz)

CARRIED

Page 4, item 3, 4th amendment: should read “…the views of the…”

Page 5, item 4 (a) point of procedure: should read “…of my comments so that…”

Page 15 before item 7: that Janice Ristock stepped down as Chair, and Richard Sigurdson resumed as Chair.

Dean Sigurdson took the opportunity to once again personally apologize to the faculty for possibly offending anyone. He further indicated that he respected the motion that was put forward in Page 10 of the April 10, 2008 minutes, and that he was sincerely sorry for any misunderstandings that may have been present.

The Minutes of October 17, 2008 were deferred to the next meeting.

3. Business Arising from the Minutes

There was no outstanding business.

4. Updates

Associate Deans
The Associate Deans indicated that they had nothing to report.

Richard Sigurdson
- Dean Sigurdson reminded everyone of the Arts Holiday Party scheduled for Thursday, December 18 from 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm
- Dean Sigurdson took the opportunity to congratulate Tina Chen, Rayleen DeLuca, Tracey Peter and Kim Spears on their receipt of an Outreach Award
- It was reported that there continues to be transition with the University as preparations are underway for a new strategic plan
- Department Heads were requested to provide a SWOT on their units, the Faculty as a whole and the University as a whole. A few key points were highlighted which reflected several Head’s comments, in particular: concern for graduate students and lack of funding; need to celebrate the good work that is done with undergraduates; opportunity to expand First Nations activities
Dean Sigurdson indicated that the budget process has changed, in particular with the cancellation of the SIP program. The process now allows faculty to keep part of the baseline from those members who retire/resign.

There was question with respect to the new budget process, in particular what occurs when faculty go to half time. It was explained that the process is still being worked on, and that it was not certain.

5. **Guest Speaker**

Dr. David Barnard, President and Vice Chancellor spoke to the members of the Faculty Council and answered questions.

6. **New Business**

*Professor Emeritus Nomination*

Ian Whicher spoke to the one application that was put forward for Professor Emeritus. A secret ballot vote was taken by all members present and the Council unanimously voted in favour of the nomination.

**MOTION:** That the application for the candidate for Professor Emeritus be submitted for consideration (E. Comack/Faculty Council)

*CARRIED*

7. **Other Business**

*ICM Update*

Dean Sigurdson reported that he attempted to speak with the Vice-President and was unable to get any answers. There was a discussion on possibly striking up a Faculty Council Committee on ICM issues/concerns. The notice of motion to create an ICM Committee will be brought to the Executive Committee.

*Update on Language Policy*

A report was received from the University of Toronto regarding a procedure for a language citation. Janet Sealey was requested to review the report and then provide a report of her own. This item will be deferred to the Executive Committee until a complete review of the language report is provided.

8. The meeting adjourned at 10:58 am.