DATE: November 21, 2007

TO: Arts Faculty Council

FROM: Richard Sigurdson, Chair, Arts Executive Committee

SUBJECT: REPORT OF THE FACULTY OF ARTS EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
Meetings of October 10, 2007 and November 14, 2007

MEETING OF OCTOBER 10, 2007
held at 2:30pm in room 312 Fletcher Argue Building

Preamble:
The nature of the meeting was to:
(1) Discuss Major/Minors/Honours;
(2) Consider and approve the Arts Faculty Council agenda for the meeting of

Observations:
The item concerning Majors, Minors and Honours was stricken from the agenda, for
discussion at a future meeting.

Recommendations:
By way of a motion, it was RECOMMENDED that the Arts Faculty Council agenda for
the meeting of October 31, 2007 be approved with the following change:
Item 9 (e) Minors/Majors/Honours was stricken from the agenda.

MOTION CARRIED

MEETING OF NOVEMBER 14, 2007
held at 2:30pm in room 312 Fletcher Argue Building

Preamble:
The nature of the meeting was to:
(1) Discuss Majors/Minors/Honours;
(2) Consider and approve the Human Rights Committee Terms of Reference
   and Revised Membership Listing;
(3) Consider one Professor Emeritus Nomination.
Observations:
With regards to Majors/Minors/Honours, the Acting Chair indicated that the following items will be considered by the Arts Policies and Procedures Committee:
• Allow students to declare a double major for 90 credit hour and 120 credit hour programs;
• allows students to declare a minor in single honours programs;
• allow students to declare two minors.

Recommendations:
By way of a motion, it was RECOMMENDED that the Human Rights Committee Terms of Reference and Revised Membership be approved with the following changes:
• That for the Arts Faculty Council meeting, the definitions of each of the designated groups be included.
• That the term of members of faculty and support staff members be for 2 years rather than 3 years.
• That the following changes be made to the Terms of Reference: “...The equity focus will include designated groups (women, Aboriginal persons, persons with disabilities and members of visible minorities) as well as non-designated minorities (sexual minorities, gender minorities, and ethnic and religious minorities) and other questions raised in relation to ethnic and religious diversity.

b. Work to ensure that a tracking system is put in place for the Faculty of Arts and further investigate possible differentials or disparities in the following:
• Differential promotion rates
• Salary differentials
• Service loads
• Faculty of Arts Performance Evaluation Form/Procedures for Support Staff
• Disparities in Opportunities for Support Staff”

MOTION CARRIED

By way of a confidential vote by secret ballot, it was RECOMMENDED that the Professor Emeritus nomination go forward to Arts Faculty Council for approval.

VOTE CARRIED

By way of a motion, it was RECOMMENDED that the following suggestion with regards to the Professor Emeritus nomination be forwarded to the Department Head:
That the citation begin with the second sentence rather than the first sentence.

MOTION CARRIED