PRESENT: Katherine Arbuthnott, Edward Doolittle (for Lynn Wells), Laura Elsaesser (for Gary Morin), Robin Evans, Volker Greifenhagen, Bev Liski, Cameron Louis, Jamie Mellor (Recording Secretary), Nader Mobed, Allan Patenaude (Chair), Nick Ruddick, Heather Ryan, Angelique Saweczko, David Senkow, Satish Sharma, Judy White (by teleconference)

GUESTS: Kevin Bolen, Ann Curry, Naomi Deren

OBSERVER: Kathy Lysyk

REGRETS: Kathleen Irwin, Annette Revet, John Smith

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

   Ruddick - Arbuthnott

   Moved approval of the agenda as distributed.  

   CARRIED

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF LAST MEETING, February 8, 2013

   Senkow - Evans

   Moved approval of the minutes of the meeting of February 8, 2013 as distributed.  

   CARRIED

3. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

   There was no business arising from the minutes.

4. OLD BUSINESS

   4.1 Reports from Task Forces, Commissions or Sub-committees

   4.1.1 Commission to Review Fresh Start Program

   No report.

   4.1.2 University Regulations Sub-committee

   No report.
4.2 Awarding of Institutional Honours, Mention Bilingue

No report.

5. NEW BUSINESS

5.1 Report from the Faculty of Engineering and Applied Science

ITEM FOR INFORMATION

On approval of the chair, a report was distributed electronically to committee members with a request to vote that it be received for information. The committee approved that the revised course, as detailed on page 3 of Appendix I of the agenda material be received for information.

5.2 Report from the Faculty of Arts

ITEMS FOR APPROVAL

1. Core Requirements
   Louis – Greifenhagen

   Moved to add RLST 245 and RLST 248 to the list of courses that satisfy the Faculty’s “Textual Studies” requirement, as detailed in Appendix II, pages 4-5 of the agenda material.
   CARRIED

2. Department of English
   Louis – Ruddick

   Moved to revise the BA Honours Major in English, as detailed in Appendix II, pages 5-6 of the agenda material.
   CARRIED

ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

The new and revised courses as detailed in pages 6-8 of Appendix II of the agenda material were received for information.

and

The Department of Geography and the Coordinator of the Environmental Studies Program propose to merge with the Environmental Studies Program (ENST) and become the Department of Geography and Environmental Studies as detailed in pages 8-10 of Appendix II of the agenda material was received for information.

5.3 Report from the Faculty of Education

ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

The revised courses, as detailed in Motions 1, 2 and 3 on pages 11-13 of Appendix III of the agenda material were received for information.

ITEMS FOR APPROVAL

1. Bachelor of Education - Elementary Program
   Ryan - Evans

   Moved to remove an approved elective from the BEAD template in the NTEP program, as detailed in Appendix III, page 13 of the agenda material.
   CARRIED
Ryan – Evans

Moved that ECS 310 shall be named as a required course in semester four of the Middle years BEAD template, as detailed in Appendix III, page 14 of the agenda material.  

CARRIED

5.4 Report from the Faculty of Nursing

ITEMS FOR APPROVAL

1. Policy Addition

Evans - Saweczko

Moved that Policy and Procedures for Student Performance of Professional Responsibilities and Professional Unsuitability be approved, as detailed in Appendix IV, pages 15-22 of the agenda material.  

CARRIED

2. Admission Requirements

Evans – Sawczeko

Moved that applicants that have completed BIOL 100 or BIOL 140 (or equivalent) are exempt from the BIOL 30 admission requirements, as detailed in Appendix IV, page 16 of the agenda material.  

CARRIED

ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

The revised courses, as detailed in page 16 of Appendix IV of the agenda material were received for information.

5.5 Proposal for Academic Recovery Program

ITEMS FOR APPROVAL

1. Academic Recovery Program

Ann Curry, Naomi Deren and Kevin Bolen were welcomed to the meeting to speak to this item.

Liski – Saweczko

Moved that the Academic Recovery Program (ARP) and supporting Policies and Regulations be approved, as detailed in Appendix V, pages 23-31.

This proposal came as a result of the revised RTD regulations, which were approved in April 2011. The Program will create support for students who are in a ‘forced to withdraw’ situation and may provide an avenue for the university to retain them. The goal of the program is to keep the students in the faculties in which they were registered and possibly be on academic probation for 2 semesters. A faculty transfer can happen once the student has completed the supplemental required courses in that 2 semester period. Faculties are in charge of students in this program, can look at students on a case-by-case basis, and determine how they will progress once the program is completed. The institution defines the course load therefore students on student loans or on a Visa can continue to be funded or have their Visa continue. The program will operate on a cost recovery basis. All students regardless of whether they are international or domestic will pay the same amount, although International students may be the primary users of the program. Readmission numbers are seen as high and this program will help alleviate concerns in this area as the program will be a benefit to keeping the students enrolled.
The question was called on the Liski-Saweczko motion.

CARRIED

6. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

   6.1 Date of Next Meeting and Deadline for Submission of Agenda Material

   This item was noted for information.

7. CONCLUSION

   The meeting concluded at 2:27 p.m.