

## ALSS Academic Council Meeting

January 26, 2016

**Attendance:** Alexei, Josh, Erica, Matt, Aashish, Gia, Daniel, Megan, Alex, Carly, Catriona

- I. Project: Course Guide
  - a. Peer Advisor and Peer Tutors
  - b. 1. Guide course selection (how to study for one particular professor or course)
  - c. content generated by Academic Council
    - i. subjective??? Open forum blog forum like Yelp
    - ii. rate your professor
    - iii. password protected? Just for UBC Law
    - iv. final editing done by ALSS
    - v. speak w/ Kaila ask for Peer Tutors for help
    - vi. Got spare time? Email courses and feedback to Josh
- II. Adam Albright Award for Adjunct Faculty & Ray Herbert Award – *committee members?*
  - a. *For not tenured faculty; practitioners*
  - b. *Committee of 3 students decide award Adam Albright and 3 profs; Ray Herbert Award-best all around 3L student \$750 purely adjudicated by students- AC nominate 1 person from ALSS to be on committee*
  - c. *Forward Matt an email after meeting to be on **both** Committee*
  - d. *Nominations open from now until Feb 12*
  - e. *Nomination forms online or at reception; 10 students nominate prof; write reasons why should nominate*
  - f. *Upper year students on committee*
- III. Faculty Advisory Committee – Strategic Planning Phase 2
  - a. *Survey – reminder that it's **open!***
  - b. *Office hours – today and tomorrow (Jan 27) at lunch*
  - c. *Dean's Town Hall – January 28*
  - d. Professor's productivity (tenure, remuneration and promotion, relief from teaching MATRIX)
    - i. June McCue
    - ii. Who's qualified to teach? Quality of education and what we're valuing.
- IV. Project team reports:
  - a. Faculty Mixer – *any updates?*
    - i. 10 responses so far
    - ii. powerpoint slide sent to be put on tv
    - iii. confirm amount of coffee
    - iv. Feb 11th
  - b. Mid-term feedback – Round 2 – *any proposed amendments to survey? After Reading Break*
    - i. If you've got comments email them to **Matt** on amendments of wording of questions
  - c. Syllabus database – *please submit syllabi to Matthew!*
    - i. If you do not have electronic copies, drop them off w/ Matthew
- V. Committee reports
  - a. Exam committee to meet next week send Gia and Daniel
  - b. Aboriginal and Discretionary for Admissions; comments about process talk to Megan (scales)
- VI. Any other business:

- a. Equity Committee has budget for Safe Space Talk/Group once/month
  - b. June McCue
    - i. letter on behalf of ALSS?
    - ii. No unanimous response as to stance
    - iii. Aboriginal professors *are* supported at Allard
    - iv. **Discussion** about Aboriginal faculty who meet different criteria
- VII. Next meetings – proposed: **Feb 23, 2016** – Lunch, ALSS executive room