

Minutes of the Special Meeting of Science Faculty Council held Thursday, June 6, 1996
at 10:30 a.m. in 207 Buller Building.

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| Present: | J.C. Jamieson (Chair) | C. Kozier (SSA) |
| | G. Baldwin | T. Kucera |
| | R. Barber | N. Losey |
| | T. Berry | P. Loly |
| | R. Bochonko | R. Lyric |
| | D.N. Burton | P. Maeba |
| | S. Cheng | E. Martinez (SSA) |
| | N. Chow | J.P. McClure |
| | J. Cullen | R. McGowan |
| | T. Dandy | J. O'Neil |
| | H.W. Duckworth | H. Perrault |
| | R.M. Evans | R. Peters |
| | W. Falk | D. Punter |
| | I. Ferguson | A. Queen |
| | J.H. Gee | R. Riewe |
| | A. Gerhard | G. Robinson |
| | H.W. Gesser | T. Secco |
| | L.C. Graham | B. Southern |
| | N. Halden | K.W. Stewart |
| | J. Harper | M. Sumner |
| | G. Hickling | I. Suzuki |
| | J. Hoskins | G.C. Tabisz |
| | F. Hruska | A.C. Turnock |
| | E. Huebner | L. Van Caesele |
| | P. Hultin | D. Walton |
| | N.R. Hunter | J. Westmore |
| | A. Janzen | T. Wiens |
| | J. Jovanovich | G. Williams |
| | P.R. King | E. Worobec |
| | S. Kocabiyik | P. Zetner |
| Regrets: | H. Cameron | M. Laucht |
| | T. Dick | R. Sparling |
| | G. Goldsborough | J. Vail |
| | A. Larocque | J. van Rees |

Dean Jamieson stated that he had called the Special Meeting to fast track two items: the Dean's Scholarship Fund and the University I document.

There were two new members of Faculty Council introduced: Chris Kozier (student senator) and Eddsel Martinez (UMSU representative).

1. **Dean's Scholarship Fund**

The Dean requested approval from Faculty Council for the recommendations contained in the Dean's Scholarship Fund package made available to all Faculty Council members. Once it has Faculty Council approval, the Awards Office will arrange to have it included on the Senate agenda, probably for information.

There was discussion on the subject of grade inflation in high schools; some mark low and some high.

It was M/S/C:

"1. That entrance scholarships funds be allocated to students who have applied to Science, have achieved the minimum 85% average, but have not qualified for a scholarship because the quota for Science was filled. The value of these scholarships will be set according to the thresholds given in recommendation 1 of the Senate document on Entrance Scholarships.

2. That any residual scholarship funds (beyond that used in recommendation 1) be used to 'top up' scholarships. The guiding principle would be to reduce the gradient amongst the top five categories. This would be done in consultation with Financial Aid and Awards and reported to Faculty Executive."

2. **University I Document**

Dean Jamieson asked for approval by Science Faculty Council of the University I document. Dean Burton provided the history of the document. He mentioned that there was one change to the document since it had been distributed; the addition of "The Role of the Colleges". Dean Burton stated that this addition was non-controversial and showed the addition on the overhead. Following this meeting, Dean Burton will be meeting with the Arts Academic Regulations Policy Committee and then the document will go to Arts Faculty Council for approval. Following approval by both Arts and Science Faculty Councils, Dr. Burton will ask the Vice-President to send the document to Senate.

A question and answer period followed.

- Fine Arts and Music are not on board.
- Fast-tracking and Engineering's wish to continue to admit selected students directly from high school so that they can proceed through the program on a "fast-track". We must stand firm on not allowing this to happen.

- Vice-President keen to do away with rigid admission dates.
- There is a demand for the 3-year program.
- Plan 2000 states that we should provide access for as many students as resources permit.

It was M/S/C (none opposed):

“That the University I document be approved.”

A vote of thanks and a round of applause were given to Dr. Burton and others who took part in preparing the document.

Dean Jamieson reported:

- We are tracking enrolment and at this time we are down about 15%.
- We are working with a debt of \$300,000, so it is difficult to respond to requests for money.

As there was no further business, meeting adjourned 11:30 a.m.