

October 29, 1971

Sixth Meeting

November 3, 1971

Minutes of the sixth meeting of Faculty Council held in Room 207 Buller Building at 2:40 p.m. on Friday, October 2⁹, 1971.

Members Present: Dean R. D. Connor, Chairman; Professors A. H. Shephard, M. F. Halasz, R. Dowling, B. Noonan, R. Bochonko, I. Cooke, W. Wall, F. W. J. Davis, G. Tabisz, D. Punter, B. Irvine, S. Badour, E. R. Waygood, J. Gee, J. Eales, J. Rauch, K. W. Stewart, C. C. Lindsey, G. Lubinsky, N. Mendelsohn, W. G. Barker, P. King, L. C. Graham, M. Samoiloff, R. M. Evans, J. B. Westmore, W. D. Hoskins, D. Trim, A. N. Arnason, D. A. Hutcheon, J. W. Watson, D. O. Wells, ~~A. R.~~^{N. E.} Thomas, A. Giesinger, A. Chow, C. T. Chow, H. Halvorson, I. Suzuki, H. B. LeJohn, D. Burton, P. Maeba, R. Hawirko, R. E. Williams, F. Hruska, J. C. Jamison, H. Weisman, M. Oretzki, F. Konopasek, P. Cerny, P. W. Atchison, K. Standing, F. M. Kelly, D. Douglas, H. D. B. Wilson, N. E. Davison, H. R. Coish, J. P. Svenne, W. H. Kleiner, P. D. Loly, J. A. Wright, ~~F.~~^{T.} Booth, R. M. Lyric, J. M. Vail, J. Gerhard, B. Henry, J. Charlton, K. Ogilvie, J. Venkataraman, N. Gupta, J. Berry, R. J. Lockhart, W. M. Sibley, P. K. Isaac, N. Losey, G. Losey, G. Woods, J. H. Loudfoot, B. K. Kale, J. Reid, ~~Mr.~~^{esses} D. Mackinnon, J. Boyd, D. Sutherland, J. Kelly, (P. Wyatt,) P. Funk, Miss^{es} A. Siba, P. Wyatt, D. Wallace, G. Sweetland. (88) Mr. G. Richardson, Secretary.

Regrets: All staff members from the Department of Statistics, W. G. Stobie, B. G. Hogg, B. G. Browning, R. H. Betts, J. M. Shay, F. J. Ward, H. Laale, W. J. Brown, P. Kakela, R. Padmanabhan, D. Gryte, C. Peterkin, D. H. Hall.

I. Minutes of the Last Meeting.

The minutes of the meeting of April 27, 1971 were approved as distributed. Barker (Lockhart).

II. Matters Arising Therefrom.

This item was deferred until later in the meeting.

III. Introduction of New Staff.

Biological Teaching Unit - introductions made by W. G. Barker:

Professor T. Booth

Professor J. Wright

Department of Botany - introductions made by E. R. Waygood:

Professor S. Badour

Department of Chemistry - introductions made by Dean A. Giesinger:

Mrs. M. E. Thomas

Department of Computer Science - introductions made by A. Arneson:

Professor W. D. Hoskins

Mr. D. Gryte

Mr. C. Peterkin

Mrs. J. Lewandowski

Professor D. Trim - Department of Applied Mathematics

Department of Earth Science - introductions made by H. D. B. Wilson:

Professor M. Schau

Professor P. Cerny

Department of Microbiology - introductions made by I. Suzuki:

Professor C. T. Chow

Department of Physics - introductions made by H. R. Coish:

Dr. N. Davison

Dr. D. Hutcheon

Department of Zoology - introductions made by C. C. Lindsey:

Miss J. Rauch

Science Student Representatives - introductions made by Miss G. Sweetland:

Miss Donna Wallace

Miss Ann Siba

Mr. John Boyd

Mr. Don Mackinnon

Mr. Ed Schollenberg

The following members were introduced by the Chairman:

Dean of the Faculty of Arts - Dean D. J. McCarthy
Vice-President - Planning and Special Assignments - Dr. W. Sibley

II. Matters Arising from the Last Meeting.

There were no matters arising out of the minutes of the last meeting of Faculty Council.

IV. Correspondence.

The Secretary informed the Council that there were four items of correspondence:

- (i) The Secretary read the letter of thanks from Professor F. M. Kelly.
- (ii) The Secretary acknowledged the note of thanks from Mrs. Subrahmaniam for the flowers while in hospital.
- (iii) The Secretary read a letter from Professor B. V. Cordes, Chairman of the President's Advisory Committee on the Bookstore, requesting that a representative from the Faculty be elected to sit on this committee.
- (iv) The Secretary read a letter from Professor P. H. Dirksen, Chairman of the President's Advisory Committee on Computer Science, requesting that a replacement for Dr. Van Oers be elected to sit on this committee.

Nominated as the Science Faculty representative on the Bookstore Committee was Professor D. Punter. (Waygood). It was moved that: Barker

"nominations close".

1 opposed

Elected by acclamation was Professor D. Punter.

Nominated as replacement on the Computer Science Committee was Professor W. Kleiner. It was moved that: Suzuki (Svenne)

"nominations close".

1 opposed

Election by acclamation was Professor W. Kleiner.

VI. Report of the Executive Committee.

(1) Student Representation on Faculty Council.

The Chairman brought to the attention of the Council members, a problem regarding the student membership on Faculty Council.

Although it read in the Individual By-Law for the Faculty of Science that: "thirteen Science students selected in a manner determined by the Council of the Science Students Association", would compose the student representation of Faculty Council, in the General Faculty and School By-Law it read that: "a minimum of three students registered in the Faculty or School", would constitute the student representation on Council.

One of the students, who had been elected to Council last year while an undergraduate, was now in the Faculty of Graduate Studies proceeding towards a Masters degree in Science. The problem posed is whether or not this student is still eligible for membership on Faculty Council and on the Executive Committee of Faculty Council under the by-law. The Chairman read the motion which had been passed at the Executive meeting. It read:

"that the Executive Committee recommend to Faculty Council that graduate students, having been selected by S.S.A. be allowed to serve on the Executive Committee and Faculty Council."

The following motion was put forth. Kelly Jr. (Isaac):

"that graduate students in Science be allowed to serve on Faculty Council and the Executive Committee."

Unanimous

It was agreed that the Chairman would pass to the appropriate body, Faculty Council's wishes that anyone acceptable to the Science Student Association, for Membership on Faculty Council and the Executive Committee, would be acceptable to Faculty Council and could properly assume these memberships.

(2) Lower Limit to Class Size.

The Chairman explained the request received from Senate, for a reply from the Science Faculty as to what it thought an appropriate lower limit to class size might be. The Chairman outlined the opinion expressed by the Executive Committee, namely, that a categorical lower limit was not a viable concept. He explained that the Science departments had been canvassed in order to get their views on a lower limit and although some departments did give an absolute figure, they did so reluctantly and with a certain amount of qualification. He concluded by saying that if Faculty Council agreed with the Executive Committee's opinion, he would respond

through the Executive Committee to Senate, stating that a numerical answer could not be given and pointing out the reasons why.

After a brief discussion on the matter, in which it was pointed out that it might be more advantageous for Council to consider the number of low enrolment courses in the Faculty and not an actual lower limit for courses, it was agreed that the Chairman would reply to Senate through the Executive Committee.

(3) Acceptability of Economics 301 for Faculty Admission.

This matter had been considered by the Executive and it was their recommendation that it be accepted. It was felt by the Chairman, however, that members of Faculty Council should have a chance to read the documents, pertaining to the course outline before being asked to vote on its acceptance. As there was to be another Faculty Council meeting shortly, it was agreed that the vote would be deferred until then. In the meantime the material would be available in the Secretary's office for those members who wished to avail themselves of it.

(4) Executive Committee Replacement.

The Chairman explained that Professor D. McKinnon was off on Sabbatical Leave and that it was necessary to name a replacement for him on the Executive Committee. The replacement would serve for the unexpired portion of Professor McKinnon's term, i.e. until May 31, 1972.

It was moved that: Oretzki (N. Losey):

"the Dean appoint someone for the remaining period."

Defeated

Dr. Vail proposed that nominations be held. This was agreeable to Council; the following members were nominated:

Professor B. Henry - by Professor Vail

Professor G. Losey - by Dr. Mendelsohn

It was moved that nominations be closed. Oretzki (Chow).

Elected by a show of hands was Dr. G. Losey.

(5) Report of the Committee on General Studies.

Because of the far reaching consequences of this report, not only to the Faculty of Science but to other faculties as well, it was agreed that discussion and debate on it would cover two meetings of Faculty Council, this one and another to be called shortly.

The Chairman asked Dr. Cooke, Chairman of the Committee responsible for the report, to speak to the report.

Dr. Cooke began by giving a short explanation on the events leading up to the formulation of the report. Earlier in the year a proposal was made in Senate that there should be a program in general studies. A report on this proposal was forwarded by the Curriculum and Course Change Committee to Senate Executive, who recommended it be referred to the Faculties of Arts and Science for consideration. An ad hoc committee was set-up in Science to study this matter and it quickly became evident that, although the committee members were generally against a Bachelor of General Studies degree, consideration of our general degree regulation was required. If suitable modifications were made to the B.Sc. (Gen.) program, then the Bachelor of General Studies program need not be introduced. However, it must be noted that both reports, the Report on Proposed Programmes in General Studies and the Report on the B.Sc. (Gen.), must be considered as a package; consideration or modification to one would mean similar consideration and modification to the other.

With this in mind, Dr. Cooke proceeded through both reports, expaining each of the recommendations and the committee's rationale behind making them.

He concluded by re-iterating the importance of these changes to our regulations and that the reports must be studied conscientiously for meaningful discussion at the next meeting.

The Chairman admitted that he himself had not studied the report fully as yet, but that he would between now and the next Faculty Council meeting, at which time he would be prepared to discuss the implications and at that time would leave the Chair to do so.

Dr. Waygood requested that Dr. Cooke put in writing an explanation of the proposed 'trimester' system. This was agreed to.

For the information of the Council, the Chairman noted that one of the student members of Senate had proposed a motion in Senate, that if accepted, would discontinue the Basic Arts and Basic Science Regulations. The Senate Executive had referred the matter back to the two faculties involved, giving them forty-five days in which to reply. Not only was the time limit put on the reply felt to be extremely unrealistic, it was also the feeling of many members in Council that Senate was acting in an area which for many years had been delegated to faculty jurisdiction and because of the strong feelings toward this, the following motion was proposed. Kelly Sr. (G. Losey):

"that Faculty Council instruct the Dean to communicate with Senate, stating the Council's dismay and concern at their apparent intervention into a Faculty matter."

Unanimous

Copies of this comm^unique were to be sent to the Dean of Arts for information and the Faculty Council of Education with reference to their interjection on the matter.

With regard to the report, the Chairman requested that the members study the report and be prepared for discussion at the next meeting. At that time the Council should be prepared to go through the report, clause by clause, making such changes as it felt necessary. The modified report would then go back to the Committee on General Studies for their final consideration should the modifications be extensive.

VII. Mature Student Report.

Requested at the last Faculty Council meeting, a report on the mature students in Science was compiled and distributed to the members prior to this meeting. The report was for the information of the members and any questions arising therefrom could be asked of the Council's Secretary.

IX. Flower Fund.

While the combined Faculties of Arts and Science were in existence a common flower fund had been established, the reserves of which have just recently been depleted. The Chairman requested Council to confirm that they wished to continue the gestures made possible by the fund, and if so, that the Department Heads collect a \$1.00 contribution from each of the academic members in their departments and forward these to the Dean's Office in order that a new Faculty fund could again be started. It was pointed out that if each member in the Faculty contributed \$1.00, the reserve would have enough funds to last for the next three years.

The Committee members agreed to this request.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

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Inter-Departmental Correspondence

DATE October 21st, 1971

TO ALL MEMBERS OF SCIENCE FACULTY COUNCIL

FROM R. D. Connor, Dean of Science

SUBJECT: Meeting of Faculty Council

Dear Colleagues,

There will be a meeting of the Faculty Council on Friday, October 29th, 1971 at 2:40 p.m. in Room 307 Buller Building.

AGENDA

1. Minutes of the previous meeting.
2. Matters arising therefrom.
3. Introduction of new staff.
4. Correspondence
5. Acceptability of Economics 301 for Faculty Admission.
6. Report of the Executive Committee.
7. Request from Dr. F.M.Kelly for a report on Mature Students in Science.
8. Replacement of Dr. D. M. McKinnon on the Executive Committee.
9. Flower Fund.
10. Other business.

Please arrange to be present.

Yours sincerely,



R. D. Connor
Dean of Science

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