

January 24, 1974

Inter-Departmental Correspondence

DATE January 16, 1974.

TO All Members of Science Executive Committee.

FROM G. Richardson, Secretary to Science Executive Committee.

SUBJECT:

The Twentieth Meeting of the Executive Committee of Faculty Council has been called for Thursday, January 24, 1974, at 9:30 a.m. in the Faculty Conference Room, 250 Allen Building.

Agenda

1. Adoption of the minutes of the 19th meeting held October 11, 1973.
2. Matters arising therefrom:
 - (i) Replacement for Dr. D. Burton on Faculty Admission/Selection Committee.
 - (ii) Nomination and election of replacement for Dr. G. Atkinson on the Faculty Computer Committee.
 - (iii) Information of costs of Fall Reception.
 - (iv) Late course change material, attached for members information.
3. Communications.
 - (i) Letter from Secretary of Senate on the interpretation of the terms of reference of Dean Connor's Review Committee.
4. Discussion on the following items of the agenda:
 - (i) Letter from Prof. C. E. Henry regarding "Review of Awarding of University Gold Medal". (Material attached to agenda of the 19th meeting.)
 - (ii) Report from the Committee on Examinations. (Material attached to agenda of 19th meeting.)
 - (iii) Continued discussion on the proposed new Honours Regulations.
 - (iv) Departmental Councils (material attached).
5. Other business.

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Enclosure

The minutes of the twentieth meeting of the Executive Committee of Faculty Council, held on Thursday, January 24, 1974, at 9:30 a.m., in the Faculty Conference Room, 250 Allen Building.

Members Present: Acting Dean P.K. Isaac, Chairman; Professors I. Cooke, N.E.R. Campbell, D. Punter, D.N. Burton, B.R. Henry, B. Macpherson, G.O. Losey, B.K. Kale; G. Richardson, Secretary.

Regrets: Prof. C. Anderson; Mr. G. Steindel.

1. Minutes of the nineteenth meeting.

The minutes of the nineteenth meeting of the Executive Committee held on October 11, 1973, were approved. Punter (Macpherson).

2. Matters arising therefrom.

(i) Having received prior agreement from Professor Mount, it was moved, Kale (Campbell):

"that Professor K. Mount replace Dr. D. Burton on the Faculty Admission/Selection Committee".

Carried.

(ii) It was determined that the replacement for Dr. G. Atkinson on the Faculty Computer Committee should be from either the Department of Mathematics or Statistics. Nominated by Dr. Kale (Macpherson) was Professor B. Johnston from Statistics. It was moved that nominations cease; elected by acclamation was Professor Johnston.

(iii) Fall Reception As directed by the Executive Committee at its last meeting of October 11th, the Secretary made several enquiries into the costs and availability of banquet rooms, both on and off campus, in which the reception could be held. The off-campus locations, while being relatively available, were very expensive, varying in cost from approximately \$400 to \$1,000. The on-campus location, the Students' Union Multi-Purpose Room, while being reasonable in cost was heavily booked, in fact it was completely booked four months in advance. (Prior to this meeting it was

learned that for March only the Mondays were available while April had several other days available.)

It was felt that if the reception were held now the original intent of a reception would be lost. The costs involved in holding the reception off campus were more than expected. The extremely heavy bookings of the only room on campus able to hold such a reception meant that organization of a reception for next fall should begin shortly. It was proposed that a small committee including the Secretary, should be set up to consider holding a fall reception of the academic staff of this faculty. Members of the faculty whom the Executive members felt might be interested in participating on this committee were: J. Berry, G. Williams, M. Samoiloff, R. Lyric, and B. Henry. It was agreed that these people would be contacted by the Secretary.

3. Communications.

(i) The Chairman read a letter that he had received from the Secretary of Senate regarding the Review Committee of Dr. Connor's Deanship. (Attached) He noted that the decision had come from the Senate Executive Committee and not the Committee on Rules and Procedures as he had originally thought it would.

Concern was expressed at the decision of the Senate Executive Committee and it was suggested that should any of the nominees feel uncomfortable with the decision they could resign from the committee. It was also agreed that the nominees should be made aware of the Senate Executive's decision.

Dr. Kale pointed out that Senate's decision was of a precedent setting nature and as such he would be very interested in knowing their reasons for making it. He noted that there was a distinction between those administrators on term appointment and those on permanent appointment and it was his feeling that the by-law appeared to take into consideration only those on term appointments. He also questioned whether or not certain individuals were being discriminated against by this decision.

Several members wished to know whether or not Faculty Council had to abide by the Executive decision or could council appeal it directly to Senate.

The Chairman felt that the problem arose because of ambiguities in the guidelines and could be raised when the guidelines are reviewed. An appeal of the decision to Senate might be a very lengthy process and the cause of a delay that the Faculty could not afford at this time.

In concluding the committee agreed that Faculty Council should accept the decision, that council nominees on the Review Committee be made aware of Senate's decision, and finally that the Chairman approach the President to express the committee's unhappiness with the decision.

(ii) A second item under communications, which came about too late for inclusion on the agenda, was that of a discussion which took place at the Science Students' Lost Weekend. The Science Students reported that they would not be operating a Professor-Course evaluation program this year. They also stated that they were in favour of a faculty-run evaluation rather than a university-wide program.

4. The Chairman explained that the items contained in #4 of the agenda were items that have been matters for business for the Executive for quite some time now but because of other items of more pressing urgency this material had been put aside without the Executive ever getting to discuss it. At this time the Chairman requested guidance from the committee members as to how best to dispense with the items.

Professor Losey stated that he had had several enquiries from members within his department as to the status of the matter of Departmental Councils. Some of the Executive members wished to know the connection between Departmental Councils, Faculty Council, and Senate, and why this Executive Committee had to become involved in this matter. The Chairman suggested that perhaps a special meeting would be appropriate and if such were called, he would undertake to get all the relevant information for that meeting. It was moved, Losey (Macpherson) that:

"there be a special meeting of the Executive to discuss
Departmental Councils".

Carried.

The committee members agreed that a regular meeting of the Executive would follow immediately after the special one, time permitting, to discuss the other three items.

The meeting adjourned at 12:00 noon.

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Inter-Departmental Correspondence

DATE December 3, 1973

TO Dean P.K. Isaac

FROM R. C. Armatage, Secretary of Senate

SUBJECT: Dean Connor's Review Committee

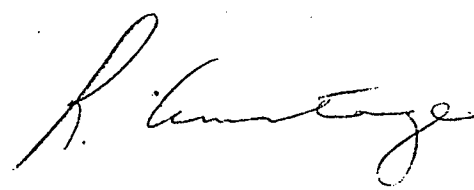
Your letter of November 23 was considered at the last meeting of the Executive Committee of Senate.

It was the opinion of the Executive Committee that the original intent of the legislation was that the committee appointed to review a deanship or directorship would, if need be as a result of its recommendation, become the selection committee to nominate a new dean or director.

The Executive Committee recommended therefore that the committee established to reivew the deanship of R.D. Connor be both a review committee and, if one is required, a committee of selection.

The Executive Committee noted that if the two committees were distinct bodies, with different personnel, the Selection Committee might use criteria differing from those used by the Review Committee.

cc. Dr. Ernest Sirluck
Dr. T.W. Fyles



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