

June 4, and June 11, 1975
Thirty-Second Meeting

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Inter-Departmental Correspondence

DATE May 29, 1975

TO MEMBERS OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF FACULTY COUNCIL
FROM G. Richardson, Secretary
SUBJECT: *GC*

The thirty-second meeting of the Executive Committee of Faculty Council has been scheduled for Wednesday, June 4th, 1975 and Wednesday, June 11, 1975 in Room 250 Allen Building. Both meetings will begin at 10:00 a.m.

A G E N D A

1. Approval of the minutes of the thirty-first meeting.
2. Matters Arising Therefrom.
 - Appointment of an Executive Committee reporter.
3. Request for comment from the Executive Committee members as to what they feel constitutes the definition of a major program.
4. Reconsideration of the mail ballot method of holding Faculty elections.
5. Consideration of the Science Library Report.
6. Request from the Director of Academic Affairs for faculty consideration in conducting a professor/course evaluation.
7. Consideration of the Science departments' comments on:
 - (i) Four Year General Degree Program
 - (ii) Challenge Exams
 - (iii) Departmental Council By-laws
8. Determination of a mode of election of members and Chairman of the Science Graduate Course Approvals Committee.
9. Other Business. *Annals next meeting*

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Minutes of the thirty-second meeting of the Executive Committee of Faculty Council held on Wednesday, June 4, 1975 and Wednesday, June 11, 1975 in the Faculty Conference Room, 250 Allen Building.

Members Present: Dr. R. D. Connor, Chairman; Dr. N.E.R. Campbell, Dr. H. Duckworth, Dr. J. Stewart, Dr. N. Davison, Dr. J. Berry, Dr. D. Burton, and Mr. G. Richardson.

1. Approval of the minutes of the thirty-first meeting.

The minutes of the thirty-first meeting held on May 28, 1975 were approved. Burton (Campbell).

2. Matters Arising Therefrom.

There were no matters arising directly out of the minutes but the Chairman explained the need of a new Executive Committee reporter because of the change in committee members; appointed for a year's term was Professor N. Davison.

3. Comments on a definition of a "major".

The Chairman stated that the need for clarification of what constitutes a major program in the Faculty of Science arose with the new department of Applied Mathematics when it was setting up its major program. The department, after discussion with the other Mathematics departments, agreed to having for its 1st year major course, Mathematics 120 (13:120) but instead of filling out the balance of the program with four other required courses, it proposed five required courses all coming from the Department of Applied Mathematics. The normal major program consists of five required courses in total and where departments share the 1st year course, i.e. the life science departments with 71:125 being the common course; the pattern is to follow the shared course with four other regular courses. The Chairman requested the members to consider this proposal and advise him as to whether or not they would object to it.

Dr. Burton pointed out that departments can now specify up to eight courses in their major programs, five of which are required to fulfill the major requirement and up to three from outside the major department.

He said that he would have no objection with the Applied Mathematics proposal.

Dr. Davison felt that the objections to this proposal would come from departments that did not share a common course, i.e. Physics and Chemistry and who were locked into the normal major pattern. He wondered if maybe the definition should be modified to involve only those courses taken after the 1st year.

Dr. Stewart indicated that in certain circumstances, namely where a student has done exceptionally well in high school biology, the department of Botany will waive the 71:125 requirement and permit the student to a major and require him to take five department courses.

Some members felt that consideration of this proposal may be inappropriate at this time in light of the recent discussions on the four year general degree program.

In concluding this discussion the committee requested the Dean to try to persuade Applied Mathematics to require only four courses from their department plus the 120 Mathematics course in 1st year.

4. Reconsideration of the mail ballot method of holding Faculty elections.

It was agreed to recommend to Faculty Council that in future to save materials and labour elections to Senate and the Executive Committee and nominations to the Board of Studies of the Graduate Faculty would be conducted as on the last occasion viz. with departments receiving a single copy of the curriculum vitae prepared by the nominator and seconder while any member of the Council who wished to do so could obtain an individual copy for his own use by application to the Dean's Office.

It was further decided that general communications to the faculty need not be placed in envelopes but could be stapled and could be delivered in bulk to departments for distribution. Naturally, confidential material and individual replies would be handled as heretofore and it was hoped that there would be a greater use made of reusable envelopes.

6. Request from the Director of Academic Affairs for faculty consideration in conducting a professor/course evaluation.

It was agreed to consider this item next. It was decided to get the reaction of the Science Students' Council to any proposed professor/course evaluation scheme and it was further requested that the 50/50 Committee should meet to consider and unify the response from the Faculty Council and from the Science Students' Council. It was agreed that the matter of professor/course evaluation would be taken to the Faculty Council and that we would obtain the necessary inputs mentioned above.

5. Consideration of the Senate Library Report.

A preliminary discussion was held on the report of the Senate Library Committee as it related to future long range plans and the construction of new buildings. As to the various proposals, the discussion indicated that a new arrangement might be necessary but the site of any new buildings was likely to pose a problem. It was agreed to continue this discussion at the next meeting to be held in seven days time.

The meeting adjourned at 12:15 p.m. and it was agreed to continue the meeting on Wednesday, June 11 at 10:00 a.m.

Continuation of the thirty-second meeting of the Executive Committee of Faculty Council held on June 11, 1975 at 10:00 a.m. in the Faculty Conference Room, 250 Allen Building.

Members Present: Dr. R.D. Connor, Chairman; Dr. N.E.R. Campbell,
Dr. H. Duckworth, Dr. N. Davison, Dr. J. Stewart,
Dr. D. Burton, and Mr. G. Richardson.

Regrets: Dr. K. Stewart, Dr. J. Berry.

Visitors: Mrs. E. Ross, Prof. C.E. Henry.

The Chairman requested that the committee move to item 9 of the agenda, "Other Business", so that the business of awarding the faculty scholarships, bursaries and medals could be handled first in view of the presence of the two invited guests. The members agreed.

The Chairman explained that the winners of the various awards, decided upon at this meeting were not necessarily the final winners due to the fact that some of the scholarships are contingent upon the candidate continuing on in his course, applying for and being accepted into Medicine or change in marks which could result in the final standings. This being so, it was moved Campbell (Davison) that:

"Prof. C.E. Henry (Director of Student Awards) and Mrs. E. Ross be empowered to make any subsequent adjustments as required"

CARRIED

Dr. Maxwell S. Rady Scholarship

During the discussion that took place, the committee felt that because the candidates' marks for many of these awards were so similar that in deciding they would inevitably have to take into consideration such fine differences as the number of first year courses taken, whether the student was in an honours program or a general program, whether the courses taken were full or half courses and the like. It was moved Davison (Duckworth) that:

"the Dr. Maxwell S. Rady Scholarship be awarded to McGregor, Robert Duncan 620076"

CARRIED
3 in favour
1 opposed
1 abstention

Morton Stall Memorial Scholarship

As the committee discussed the possible winner(s) of this scholarship it was noted that the same candidates appeared here as did for the Rady Scholarship. Further checking revealed that the candidates appeared on several other lists. The committee felt that perhaps it would be worthwhile to go through the entire group of awards and list the tentative winners. It was felt that this method would be the fairest in terms of both academic recognition and monitoring awards. It was moved Duckworth (Davison) that:

"the committee reconsider the winner of the Rady Scholarship"

CARRIED

The following list of winners was considered by the committee.

Maxwell Rady - McGregor, R. D.
Morton Stall - Split 4 ways (or fewer if not all candidates go into Medicine)

Deutscher, Rubin
Downey, G. P.
Levin, S. I.
McGregor, R. D.

Isbister - Deutscher, R.
Hay, B. N.
Wade, R. M.
Downey, G.P.
Levin, S. I.
McGregor, R. D. - relinquished in favour of the Dr. Maxwell S. Rady Scholarship.

Rosabelle Searle Leach Scholarship - Yip, T. C. K.

In arriving at this decision the committee recognized that the award being offered was for the candidate judged to have reached the highest standard in a full slate of exams in the 1st year of Science. The fact that Yip had had an extra full course and that course was an Arts course, the committee decided not to consider it for the purpose of this award. Therefore, with that course removed Yip's modified G.P.A. became 4.50 which was the highest of all the candidates.

University Women's Club Undergraduate Scholarship in Science - Shore, T. B.

The committee recognized that there was very little to choose from between the top two candidates for this scholarship. However, the committee decided to give the award to Shore because of two points. One, the superior showing in the year previous, i.e. 4.50 for Shore as shown on the Governor General's Medal lists and two, the fact that she had received an A and A+ respectively on courses 89.101 and 89.102 which the committee felt was worth considering because of the recognized difficulty to achieve such a mark on those particular courses.

Governor General's Medal - Shore, T. B.

It was noted that Shore had also won the University Women's Club Scholarship which stipulated that this award was not tenable with the

Isbister Scholarship or other awards given solely in consideration of academic attainment. In its decision the committee interpreted "award" to mean a monetary award which the Governor General's Medal was not.

- Alumni Scholarship
- Winston, P. M.
 - Shore, T. B. (Relinquished in favour of the University Women's Club Scholarship)
 - Prise, J. G.
 - Rempel, R. R.
 - Tai, E. K.
 - Guest, A. S.
 - Gusztak, L. W.
 - Kwok, K. L.
 - Danylchuk, Y. A.
 - Bellan, L. D.
 - Fuller, B. A.
 - Kesseler, L.
 - Moser, M. M.
 - Olenick, R. J.
 - Redekopp, A. W.
 - Talbot, E. F. J.
 - Liu, M. L.
 - Drysdale, C. G.
 - Baniuk, L.

These students would receive a full scholarship, the remaining five scholarships are to be divided amongst the following nine students.

- Szeto, Y. W. B.
- Redekopp, G. K.
- Kimelman, D. N.
- Brown, C. J.
- Cormack, G. V.
- Pandya, S.
- Rosenberg, M. E.
- Sherrer, A. E.
- Ma, C. W.

After consideration of the whole package it was moved Burton (Stewart) that:

"the list of winners be accepted"

CARRIED
Unanimously

5. Senate Library Report

The Chairman pointed out that the agenda stated the report as being the Science Library report when in fact it should read the Senate Library Report.

The Chairman recapped the discussion up to this point. He stated that the Senate Library Committee wanted Senate's endorsement on one of two proposals involving the University Library. The proposals were:

- (i) build a new library to house all collections except the four "fixed" libraries, Science, Law, St. Paul's, St. John's and renovate the Dafoe Library to be used for an academic department, extend the existing tunnel to this new building, or
- (ii) extend Dafoe by \approx 100,000 sq. ft. into parking lot "B" and build a new regional library in a building similar to NEMP (likely to be referred to as SWMP) and share the space with other academic departments as in NEMP.

There is no indication that the government would give the University either of the proposals but the committee wants Senate to go on record as having some sort of priority with regard to the library problem. The Chairman said that the library situation on campus is becoming so desperate that the library administration is soon going to have to make a decision whether to stop buying anymore books or to start moving some other lesser used material into storage in order to create space. The Dafoe shelves are now full.

The committee members felt that although the multi-purpose type of building might be more pleasing to the government, the University has got to have an adequate and functional library if it is going to stay in competition with other Canadian universities.

It was moved Campbell (Duckworth) that:

"the Executive Committee recommend to Faculty Council that it choose the central library building concept"

CARRIED
unanimously

6. Request from the Director of Academic Affairs for faculty consideration in conducting a professor/course evaluation.

There was little else added to this item that was not covered in the June 4 meeting. The committee did feel, however, that there should be no further communication with Mr. Powell until he responded to the letters written by the Dean and Dr. Davison on behalf of this committee.

7. (iii) Departmental Council By-laws

The Chairman requested the committee's advice on how to handle the by-laws as they were received.

Dr. Campbell suggested that there be no discussion of them in Faculty Council, that copies be available in the Dean's Office for any individuals who wish to view them and that the Executive go through and study them and forward on to Faculty Council for ratification. As to whether or not the Executive Committee should get the by-laws all at once or as they were received, the committee agreed to process them as received.

(ii) Challenge Exams

The Chairman read some of the comments that he had received to date and pointed out the great diversity between the departments on how to handle and administer the exams. The members felt that this committee should go through the replies and formulate a faculty position. In the meantime the outstanding departments would be canvassed for their comments and Faculty Council told of the Executive Committee's plan.

It was agreed to leave the remaining items of the agenda for the next meeting. The meeting adjourned at 12:50 p.m.