

April 8/86

The Minutes of the 86th Meeting of the Executive Committee of Science Faculty Council held on Tuesday, April 8 at 3:30 p.m. in Room 250 Allen Building.

Present: C. C. Bigelow, Chair; J. W. Berry, W. G. Baldwin, N. R. Hunter, K. Stewart, K. Sharma, H. Williams, K. Mount, J. P. McClure; P. Pachol, Secretary; J. McConnell, S. Johannson.

Regrets: N. E. Losey, A. Ogradnick

1. The Minutes of the 85th meeting were APPROVED on a motion by Hunter (Sharma)

2. Course Change Proposals

All course change proposals were moved by Associate Dean Berry on behalf of the Committee on Courses.

Department of Applied Mathematics: Modification of 6.220 APPROVED.

CARRIED

Department of Botany: Deletion of courses 1.726, 1.727, 1.728, and 1.729 and deletion of M.Sc. program in Physical Biology APPROVED.

CARRIED

Department of Chemistry: Modification of 2.124 and 2.224 APPROVED with an editorial change to 2.224 "Change prerequisite to: 127 or 124".

CARRIED

Addition of 2.7XX Chemical Crystallography APPROVED.

CARRIED

Department of Earth (Geological) Sciences: In Year II the replacement of 7.250 by 7.262, and the modification of course 7.251 were APPROVED.

CARRIED

The following deletions and additions were necessitated by the changing of the name of Earth Sciences to Geological Sciences.

The deletion of 7.750, 7.751, and 7.732 and the addition of 7.7XX Workshop in Geological Sciences I, 7.7XY Workshop in Geological Sciences II, and 7.7YX Seminar in Geological Sciences were APPROVED.

CARRIED

3. Proposed Changes in Policy on:

(a) Honours Regulations

Moved by J. Berry on behalf of the Committee on Student Standing that:

"In order to graduate with an Honours degree, a student must obtain a sessional grade point average of 2.00 or better (with no failures) in year 4."

CARRIED

(b) Mature Student Performance Requirements

Moved by J. Berry on behalf of the Committee on Student Standing that:

"Mature students admitted under current Faculty of Science admission standards (effective September 1984) will be assessed on the same criteria as regular B.Sc. (General) students."

CARRIED

4. Other business

(i) Merit Awards

Dean Bigelow discussed article 25 of the UMFA Collective Agreement--Merit Awards. Two items were addressed. (i) The need to establish a committee to recommend to the Dean on merit awards and (ii) to set the criteria for such awards.

Moved by Hunter (Stewart)

"That three faculty members be elected to serve on the Faculty Merit Award Committee one from and by each of the three divisions-- biology, physical sciences, and mathematics/computer science. The terms of members shall be three years. The committee will arrange for staggering of the first members' terms. The Dean shall be the non-voting chair of the committee."

CARRIED

Moved by Sharma (Williams)

"That the criteria used for merit awards be demonstrated excellence in research ~~and~~ ^{or} teaching in the previous year.

CARRIED

These two motions will be recommendations to Faculty Council.

(ii) Associate Dean Berry gave a brief progress report on the proposed Biotechnology program.

(iii) Dean Bigelow said a few words about the faculty's interim budget.

Meeting adjourned 3:50 p.m.