

Minutes of the 116th meeting of Faculty Executive Committee held Tuesday, October 18, 1994 at 2:30 p.m. in Room 250 Allen Building.

Present: J.C. Jamieson (Chair) R. Sparling
D.N. Burton M. Sumner
J.A. Gerhard J. Vail
H.C. Williams G.H.J. van Rees
J. Charlton
B. Johnston
R.A. McGowan
N. Mendelsohn

Regrets: W. Last
D. Trim

Visitors: J. McConnell
H. Paterson

The meeting started with round table introductions.

1. **Approval** of the Minutes of the 114th and 115th meetings of Faculty Executive held March 8, 1994 and July 14, 1994 were M/S/C. Dr. Charlton's name was added to those present at the 115th meeting.
2. **Matters Arising**

Dr. Burton asked whether Financial Aid and Awards had been contacted with regard to the criteria for the awarding of the University Women's Club Scholarship. Joan McConnell said she is doing it.

Members expressed the view that there should be an increase in the value of awards, topping them up to \$1,500. with possibly some funding being requested through the Endowment Fund. Recognition of award winners was discussed, i.e. a reception, a certificate, or a special letter from the Dean. Dr. Burton will produce a certificate for Faculty Awards.

3. **Program and Course Change Proposals**

The following program and course change proposals were moved by Dean Burton on behalf of the Committee on Courses and **carried**.

- (a) Course and Program Changes (incl. Service and Graduate)--Applied Mathematics
- (b) Program Change--Applied Mathematics-Statistics Joint Program
- (c) Service Course Change--Introductory Biology
The course is listed for Environmental Science Students only with a cap of 40 students. Should Environmental Science use less than the total spaces, other students will be let in.
- (d) Course Changes (incl. Service and Graduate)--Botany
Service Course "Plants in the Prairie Landscape" has been deleted as the Faculty of Architecture is now responsible for the course.
- (e) Program Change--Botany-Zoology Joint Program in Ecology
- (f) Course and Program Changes--Chemistry

- (g) Course Changes (incl. Service)--Computer Science
- (h) Program Changes--Environmental Science Program
- (i) Program Changes--Genetics Program
- (j) Course Changes (incl. Graduate)--Geological Sciences
- (k) Course and Program Changes (incl. Graduate) and proposed Graduate Calendar entry--
Mathematics & Astronomy. There was a major reorganization of the graduate courses.
- (l) Course and Program Changes (incl. Service and Graduate), changes to the Supplementary
Regulations for Graduate Program--Microbiology
- (m) Program Change--Microbiology-Chemistry Joint Program in Biotechnology
Approval of additional changes were requested even though they were not discussed at the
Committee on Courses meeting. Mainly a housekeeping matter.
- (n) Course Changes (incl. Service, Program and Graduate)--Physics
- (o) Program Changes--Statistics
- (p) Program Change--Statistics-Actuarial and Management Sciences Joint Program
- (q) Course Changes (incl. Service and Graduate) and addition to Honours regulation section of the
Calendar--Zoology
Correction to Graduate Course; 22.727 should read 22.726.
- (r) Changes to Courses offered in other Faculties and Schools acceptable for credit in the Faculty of
Science: Agricultural and Food Sciences, Engineering, and Law.

4. **Plan 2000**

Dean Jamieson gave the history of Plan 2000. Deans of Arts and Science have met and will continue to meet. There was a meeting with the President, with another meeting of Deans of Arts and Science with the President and Vice-President (Academic) & Provost on October 28. Plan 2000 was a major item at a recent Retreat of the Administrative Council of Science. One area of concern is that the President is determined to have a common first year. Dean Jamieson mentioned that Arts and Science Deans will propose that they be the "entity". Plan 2000 will be the topic of the Special Senate Meeting on November 9.

Dean Jamieson asked that Faculty Executive approve the calling of a Special Meeting of Faculty Council to discuss Plan 2000. This will be the only item on the agenda other than the introduction of Deans.

Dean Jamieson mentioned that another aspect of Plan 2000 is that it is not an artificial exercise. Only new initiatives will get money.

The Dean reported that the Faculty has been asked to respond to a 7.5% cutback scenario (\$1.4M baseline), with response by October 25.

Members expressed the view that a Special Meeting of Faculty Council was a good idea. Transparencies to be used to show the areas of concern to the Faculty.

5. USRA's--Undergraduate Summer Research Awards

Dean Williams mentioned that, as there is a drop in funding for USRA's, some additional awards will be funded to bring total up to 25. The funding for these additional awards will be found by using half of the money allocated to Science postdoctoral fellowships.

The policy on adjudication of the awards has changed:

- Each student is to supply a brief essay describing why he/she would like the award.
- Departments will be asked to rank their students, although the committee may rank them differently.
- No application will be accepted with less than a WGPA of 3.5.
- This year, the criteria used will be the same as for NSERC awards.
- May broaden the awards to anyone who has research funding.

Dr. Williams gave a brief outline as to how the new Research Office is being set up.

Dr. Burton asked whether students going into Medicine would be excluded from the awards. (Yes) Information on student awards will be made available in the Research Office. Dr. Williams would appreciate receiving any information which could be included in the Office.

6. Other Business

Dean Jamieson mentioned that we have joined EASIAP. Dean Jamieson is considering establishing a Board of Advisors from the private sector with linkages to the University. This would be a smaller group than EASIAP.

Meeting adjourned 4:20 p.m.

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Inter-Departmental Correspondence

October 11, 1994.

TO: Members of the Executive Committee of Science Faculty Council

FROM: P.A. Pachol, Secretary



The 116th meeting of the Executive Committee is scheduled for Tuesday, October 18, 1994 at 2:30 p.m. in Room 250 Allen Building.

1. Approval of Minutes of the 114th meeting, March 8, 1994 (previously distributed) and Minutes of the 115th meeting, July 14, 1994 (enclosed)
2. Program and Course Change Proposals (encl.)
3. Plan 2000: Special Meeting of Science Faculty Council
4. Undergraduate Summer Research Awards' Policy
5. Other Business

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Encl.