

Minutes of the 126th meeting of Executive Committee of Science Faculty Council held at 2:30 p.m. on October 26, 1998 in Room 250 Allen Building.

Present:	J.C. Jamieson (Chair)	K. Keen
	R. Bochonko	B. Lindsay
	N. Chow	G. Robinson
	D. Court	A. Secco
	B. Ford	J. van Rees
	A. Gerhard	H. Williams
	D. Gillis	J. Williams
	C. Kazina	
Visitors:	L. Batten	J. McConnell
	L. Bean	H. Paterson

Dean Jamieson introduced Barbara Lindsay as the Support Staff representative replacing Neil Marnoch on Faculty Executive.

1. The minutes of the 125th meeting of Executive Committee dated March 17, 1998 were approved.
2. All course and program changes were moved on behalf of the Committee on Courses and were approved.

Corrections are to be made to the inconsistencies in French titles.  
Course 078.3XX (Baking Science and Technology) which was to be a new course offered by Food Science was withdrawn.

3. Graduate Course Changes were presented for information.

Dr. L. Batten commented that the Master of Mathematical, Computational and Statistical Sciences (MMCSS) has received a very positive response from the Vice-President (Administration). The hope is that it will be on the books for next fall.

4. Selection of Science Award winners

The information and recommendations on the Science Scholarships were sent out to the Committee in advance for its consideration.

The following Awards and Scholarships were M/S/C following the criteria set out for each award:

- a) **Dr. A.W. Hogg Undergraduate Scholarship--\$1,500.**

TOEWS, Stephen #6724089

- b) **Dr. Maxwell S. Rady Scholarship in Science--\$300.**

SZYPOWSKI, Ryan #6722021

**c) Dr. Diane Dowling Scholarship--\$500.**

**DAO, Vi Vinh Bach #6721006**

**d) Rosabelle Searle Leach Scholarship--\$275.**

**Shared equally between:**

**WIEBE, Mark #6731290**

**MAH, Edwin #6732477**

**e) Benjamin Cohen Scholarship--\$250.**

**SZYPOWSKI, Ryan #6722021**

**f) Isbister Undergraduate Scholarhsip--\$500.**

**Shared equally among**

**SZYPOWSKI, Ryan #6722021**

**DAO, Vi Vinh Bach #6721006**

**WIEBE, Mark #6731290**

**MAH, Edwin #6732477**

**VARMA, Neel #6731290**

**g) Special Award for Outstanding Performance--\$137.50**

After discussion, Dean Jamieson agreed that a special award be given to **Neel Varma (#6731290)** in order that the sum for awards administered by the Dean's Office would be equal to that of other students who performed at the same level in the 1997-98 Regular Session.

**h) Sony Science Scholarship--\$1,500.**

**OGG, Mandy #6712041**

**i) Class of '43 and '68 Reunion--\$400.**

**WIEBE, Mark #6731290**

**j) Women in the Physical Sciences Scholarship 1998**

**WANG, Song Tao Mea #6730286 \$2,000 award**

**DUBUC, Lorisa #6732558 \$1,000 award**

**Renewal for recipients from 97R**

**Top two candidates on renewal list to receive \$2,000**

**SKYRPNYK, Iryna #6726475**

**SMITH, Kaleigh #6722771**

**The following two candidates on renewal list to receive \$1,000**

**POTTER, Jennifer** #6720735

**DEACON, Holly** #6720714

Joan McConnell indicated that there are plans to go through all of the awards; removing or changing criteria.

5. Dean's Report

Dean Jamieson reported on the following:

- a) three Headship searches this year: Botany, Chemistry, Statistics
- b) tenure applications completed by Faculty; consideration of promotion applications to start
- c) deanship and reappointment committee being set. There are nine dean searches underway at the moment.
- d) Task Force Recommendations:
  - The Environmental Science Program Review has been started.
  - The renaming of the Department of Geological Sciences is on hold depending the outcome of the ESP Review.
  - Mathematics and Applied Mathematics have been amalgamated.
  - There will be a meeting of the Biology Department members regarding amalgamation of the Biology Departments with a proposal of a different model.
  - We are to strive to promote transparency on how we budget. This will be a topic for discussion at Faculty Council.
- e) The current budget exercise requires us to project for a 5% cut.
- f) The support staff held a retreat in August and would like to establish a formal body to interact with the Dean and Faculty Council. Dean Jamieson is in support of this.

Prof. Keen wondered why, with an enrolment increase, we are being asked to project a 5% budget cut.

Dr. Chow asked whether the ESP was an internal review. Dean Jamieson responded that at present it was; the committee will produce a report and the intention is to ask for two external reviewers.

6. Research Priorities

Dean Williams reported that the Graduate Studies awards committee is recommending that the amount of money available for Ph.Ds be substantially increased to \$16,000; Masters to \$10,000. It is a zero sum game and Dean Williams is interested in hearing from Faculty Executive regarding this. There would be less students receiving these awards. In response to a question as to how many students would be cut out, Dean Williams indicated that no statistics have been given. He will try to send the information out as soon as possible. He indicated that we are losing the very best students because we do not top up awards.

Dean Williams reported that a committee has been established to look at Research Prioritization in the Faculty of Science with the hope of a report mid January. If you are interested you should talk with your representative and provide input. Dean Williams indicating that we are trying to create a research plan in Science and incorporate it into the University research plan.

Dean Jamieson stated that he was on a Sub-Cte of University Research Committee of Senate to look at research strategies. This was driven by the CFI competition.

7. Other business.

Dean Jamieson indicated that the promotion material recently produced has had a very positive response. He thanked everyone responsible for putting it together.

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**Inter-Departmental Correspondence**

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October 20, 1998.

TO: Members, Executive Committee of Science Faculty Council

FROM: Pat Pachol, Secretary



ON: **Notice of Meeting**

The 126th meeting of the Executive Committee is scheduled for Monday, October 26 at 2:30 p.m. in Room 250 Allen Building.

**Agenda**

1. Minutes of 125th meeting of Executive Committee dated March 17, 1998 (previously distributed)
2. Course and Program Changes (enclosed)
3. Graduate Course Changes--for information (enclosed)
4. Selection of Science Award winners
5. Dean's Report
6. Research Priorities: Associate Dean Williams
7. Other business

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