

MINUTES

151st MEETING OF THE FACULTY OF SCIENCE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

held on Thursday, February 5th, 2009, at 10:00 a.m. in 250 Allen

PRESENT: Mark Whitmore, Chair
E. Worobec R. Roshko
P. Graham B. Mark
M. Piercey-Normore (for D. Schroeder)
J. Williams K. Sharma
J. Van Rees B. Johnson
J. Cullen C. Sommerfeld
W. Buchannon L. Lester (Secretary)

GUESTS: J. McConnell
G. Sobie

1. Approval of Minutes

MOTION: To approve the minutes of the 150th meeting of the Faculty of Science Executive Council held on Wednesday, August 27th, 2008. Moved by J Williams and seconded by J. van Rees.

Under Course and Program Changes, in the first paragraph, the wording should be changed to "Program changes are brought to Executive Council for recommendation for approval by Faculty Council".

CARRIED

2. Undergraduate Course Changes

Associate Dean Worobec outlined the undergraduate course changes in Computer Science.

MOTION: To approve the undergraduate course changes in Computer Science. Moved by B. Worobec and seconded by J. Van Rees.

CARRIED

3. Program Changes

Three motions from the Committee on Courses were brought to Faculty Executive to recommend approval to Faculty council. They are as follows:

(i) **Minors in Science**

MOTION: That a Minor in the Faculty of Science comprise a minimum of 18 credit hours specified by the department(s) offering the minor, and, that courses required in a student's specific Honours or Major degree program be acceptable for use in a chosen Minor. B. Worobec moved to recommend approval to Faculty Council. Seconded by B. Mark.

CARRIED

(ii) **Double Majors in Science**

MOTION: That the Faculty of Science allow Double Majors in consultation with the Department(s). B. Worobec moved to recommend approval to Faculty Council. Seconded by J. Williams.

CARRIED

(iii) **Course Distribution in General degree**

MOTION: That the limitation of a maximum of 42 credit hours from one department, or a maximum 60 credit hours from two departments be removed from the General degree requirements. B. Worobec moved to recommend approval to Faculty Council. Seconded by J. Van Rees.

CARRIED

4. Joint Geophysics-Physics Degree Proposal

MOTION: B. Worobec moved to recommend approval of the program in principle, subject to the clarification of two mathematics courses. Seconded by K. Sharma.

CARRIED

5. Graduate Program Changes

Associate Dean Peter Graham reported that there were no Graduate program changes.

6. Membership of Faculty Council

Faculty Council referred the Terms of Reference and voting membership to Faculty Executive Council for review. It was proposed that a representative from the departments of Economics and Geological Sciences be added.

MOTION: B. Worobec moved to recommend to Faculty Council the addition of a representative from the Departments of Economics and Geological Sciences. Seconded by J. Williams.

C. Sommerfeld suggested an amendment to the motion to add all the students in the Faculty of Science to the Council membership. After some discussion the motion to amend was withdrawn.

B. Worobec moved a friendly amendment with the addition of a student registered in a Graduate program in the Faculty of Science appointed by the Graduate Students' Association and the removal of the Provost of University College. Seconded by J. Williams.

CARRIED

7. Approval of the Draft Agenda for the February 12th Faculty Council meeting.

Remove the Graduate Course and Program changes from the agenda.

MOTION: To approve the draft agenda for the February 12th meeting of the Faculty Council. Moved by J. Cullen, seconded by W. Buchannon.

CARRIED

8. Dean's Report

Dean Whitmore will present his report at Faculty Council.

9. Other Business

Associate Dean Worobec reported that 31 students have previewed their final exam and 10 have appealed, as opposed to 35 who appealed last year, so there are a reduced number of appeals since the inception of the exam viewing process. UMSU is working on bringing it to Senate to make it a University-wide policy.

The National Science Fair is being held at the University in May. Lab tours and judges are being organized. Contact Betty Worobec or Peter Graham if you are interested in participating.

10. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 12:00 p.m.

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INTER-DEPARTMENTAL CORRESPONDENCE

DATE: February 3, 2009
TO: Faculty Executive Committee, Faculty of Science
FROM: Lorraine Lester, Dean's Office
RE: **NOTICE OF MEETING**

The 151st meeting of the Faculty Executive Committee is scheduled for Thursday, February 5th at 10:00 a.m. in Room 250 Allen Building.

AGENDA

1. Minutes of the 150th meeting of the Faculty Executive Committee held on August 27th, 2008 (attached).
2. Undergraduate Course and Program Changes (attached).
3. Joint Geophysics-Physics Degree Proposal.
4. Graduate Program Changes.
5. Membership of Faculty Council (attached).
6. Approval of draft Agenda for Faculty Council Meeting scheduled for February 12th (attached).
7. Dean's Report.
8. Other Business.

Encl.