The Minutes of the 60th Meeting of the Executive Committee of Science Faculty Council held on Monday, January 28, 1980 at 3:40 p.m. in Room 250 Allen Building.


Regrets: D. Punter, K. Stewart.

The Chairman asked Prof. Isaac to speak to the report of the ad-hoc sub-committee to draft a Faculty comment to Senate Executive on the Computer Science Department proposal for the formation of a School of Computer Science. While the report was being written, Prof. Doyle (Computer Science) had asked if it was possible for the Committee to consider some second thoughts arising from the last Faculty Council meeting. His letter was taken into consideration by the sub-committee.

The sub-committee recommended that the motion contained in the report, plus the summary and a copy of departmental and individual submissions, and the response of the Dean's Office, be sent to Senate Executive.

Prof. Losey suggested the last paragraph (line 1) be changed to read "that any increase in the department's emphasis on professionalism....". This was agreed.

There was some discussion about establishing a School within the Faculty, it was Prof. Isaac's feeling that this would compound the financial difficulties we already face in that it would be more difficult to resist a further drain on our resources. An extensive discussion followed on whether or not the Faculty should comment to Senate on the financial implications of separation; it might be inferred, if we did not, that we were not concerned; Prof. Charlton felt if separation would adversely affect Science funding it would also affect our academic programs. It was pointed out that the Dean's Office response, which would accompany the motion, does point out that there are financial implications to the University and probably SPPC will be asked to examine that aspect.
It was moved Isaac/Woods that
"The report of the ad-hoc committee be forwarded
to Faculty Council"

Carried
Unanimous.

There was some further discussion of the possible reactions if Computer Science's request was denied by Senate, and actions that might be taken in regard to reviewing all honours programs in the Faculty.

The meeting adjourned at 4:20 p.m.
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The meeting is called to discuss a draft statement of the ad hoc committee considering the Computer Science Department's Brief on School Status for forwarding to Faculty Council.