Minutes of the 77th meeting of Faculty Council of Science held Tuesday, November 28, 1995 at 2:30 p.m. in the Senate Chambers.

**Present:**
- J.C. Jamieson (Chair)
- P. Aitchison
- K. Barker
- J. Brewster
- D.N. Burton
- S. Cheng
- G. Clark
- H. Duckworth
- J. Fabrykowski
- W. Falk
- I. Ferguson
- H. Finlayson
- A. Gerhard
- D. Gillis
- K. Gough
- H. Halvorson
- E. Huebner
- N. Hunter
- B. Johnston
- K. Keen
- S. Kocabiyik
- P. Laznicka
- P. Loewen
- P.D. Loly
- J.S.C. McKee
- H. Perrault
- R. Peters
- C. Platt
- G. Robinson
- S. Sealy
- T. Secco
- P. Shivakumar
- S. Sinha
- B. Southern
- R. Sparling
- J. Stapleton
- J. Stewart
- J. Svenne
- G. Tabisz
- J. Teller
- A. Thavaneswaran
- J. Vail
- L. Van Caeseele
- J. van Rees
- H. Williams
- J.J. Williams
- G. Woods

**Visitors:**
- L. Chartier
- N. Marnoch
- J. McConnell

**Regrets:**
- L. Batten
- R. Evans
- N. Halden
- J. Harper
- A. Janzen
- P. King
- T. Kucera
- W. Last
- N. Losey
- B. Macpherson
- P. McClure
- A. Morrish
- S. Page
- W. Pruitt, Jr.
- J. Reid
- R. Riewe
- D. Singh
- M. Sumner
- R. Thomas
- J.R. Wilson
- E. Worobec
Dean Jamieson opened the meeting by welcoming John Stapleton, Rector, St. Paul's College to the meeting.

1. Minutes of the 75th and 76th meetings of Faculty Council dated April 11 and April 17 were approved.

2. The United Way presentation did not occur. Professor Stimpson sends his regrets to Faculty Council for having missed the meeting.

3. Introduction of New Members

Serpil Kocabiyik (term Assistant Professor) by P. Shivakumar
Kathleen Gough (Associate Professor) and
Helene Perrault (Assistant Professor) by H. Duckworth.

4a. Dean Jamieson reported on the following:

   Employment Systems Review is underway.
   Jasper McKee is retiring; he has agreed to help the Faculty in a recruiting campaign as a post-retirement job.
   Need to replace Dr. McKee on Senate; election process to be completed by December 20.
   Financial state of the Faculty.

The Dean responded to questions following his report.
The scrutineers appointed for the Senate election were H. Duckworth and J. van Rees.

4b. Dean Williams reported on the following:

   new Science undergraduate student research awards program
   Resource Services/accounts payable. He asked that faculty let him know of any problems they have encountered or other horror stories.
   Dean Williams will be on research/study leave from January - June/96. Dr. Professor Norman Halden, Geological Sciences, will replace Dr. Williams during the period of the leave.

5. Course and Program Proposals

These were approved by the Faculty Executive Committee and forwarded to Faculty Council for information. Material had been made available to Department offices for perusal by members. No questions were raised.
6. Introduction of New Faculty Committee on Graduate Studies

Dean Williams reported that the Faculty Executive Committee has approved the introduction of this new Faculty Committee and it is brought to Faculty Council for its approval. Dean Williams fielded questions with regard to this new committee. It was suggested that the committee set up some practices and criteria, spell out the things that must be approved by the committee and report back to Faculty Council.

A move to table was not seconded.

Dean Jamieson suggested that Council approve in principle the establishment of the committee subject to comments that have been made and the committee provide additional information to Faculty Council.

It was M/S/C: That the Faculty Committee on Graduate Studies be approved in principle.

7. Criteria for Award of University Gold Medal in Science

Dean Burton explained the criteria for awarding of gold medals in Science.

Recommendation 1:
It was M/S/C:

That the criteria for the award of the University Gold Medal shall be those established by Senate. These criteria shall be interpreted and ties shall be broken as described in Observation 1.

Recommendation 2:

It was Moved with no seconder: That, in the program where the student wins the University Gold Medal, the Faculty award not be awarded that year. Amendment died for lack of seconder.

It was Moved and Seconded: that point 4 be dropped in recommendation 2. The amendment was lost (8 approved; many opposed).

Vote was called on Recommendation 2 and carried.

"That:

(1) there be three programme medals for the Faculty of Science:
    The Faculty of Science Medal in the B.Sc. (General)
    The Faculty of Science Medal in the B.Sc.(Major), including Co-op
    The Faculty of Science Medal in the B.Sc.(Honours), including Co-op

(2) The colour of these medals be gold."
(3) The Faculty of Science recommends to the Senate Committee on Awards that the criteria for awarding these medals be the same as those for the University Gold Medal.

(4) In the program in which the winner of the University Gold Medal in Science is registered, the Faculty of Science Gold Medal shall be awarded to the next ranked student.

8. Transition Year Requirements

Dean Burton explained the situation with regard to Transition year requirements and indicated possible solutions. He mentioned that Arthur Gerhard (a member of TYC) and he are looking for advice and guidance from Faculty Council with regard to the requirements and solutions. Does their general approach seem reasonable?

Dr. Duckworth felt that by the end of degree, students have satisfied the requirement for critical thinking. He felt that Senate should be asked to rethink this requirement. He would be willing to give notice of motion in Senate if Faculty Council supports.

Dean Burton indicated that, from the discussion, he hadn’t detected any great anger at how he had handled this to now.

9. Promotion Policies Document

Dean Gerhard explained the reasons for the revised document and the revisions recommended. It was suggested that it be stated explicitly that promotion from Lecturer to Assistant Professor be to term Assistant Professor as persons may be mislead.

It was moved and seconded that it be stated explicitly that promotion from Lecturer to Assistant Professor be to (Assistant Professor term)

Vote taken on Page 3 with amendment and carried.

One member suggested that the document be sent to UMFA as the document has wording from the contract.

It was M/S/C:

That Promotion Policies Document (as amended) be approved.

As there was no further business, meeting adjourned.

TO: All Members of the Faculty Council of Science

FROM: P.A. Pachol, Secretary

The 77th meeting of the Faculty Council of Science is scheduled for Tuesday, November 28, 1995 at 2:30 p.m. in the Senate Chambers, 245 Engineering Building.

Agenda

1. Approval of the Minutes of the 75th meeting of Faculty Council of Science dated April 11, 1995 (previously distributed)

2. United Way Presentation -- Prof. Brian Stimpson

3. Introduction of New Members

4. Dean Jamieson’s and Associate Dean Williams’ Reports

5. Course and Program Proposals. These have been approved by the Executive Committee and are forwarded to Faculty Council for information. Material has been made available to Department offices for perusal by members. Questions may be raised from the floor.

6. Introduction of a new Faculty Committee on Graduate Studies: The Faculty Executive Committee has approved the introduction of this new Faculty Committee. It is brought to Faculty Council for its approval. (attachment)

7. Criteria for Award of University Gold Medal in Science (attachment)

8. Transition Year Requirements (attachment)

9. Revised Promotion Policies Document: The Faculty Executive Committee has approved the revised Promotion Policies Document. It is brought to Faculty Council for its approval. (attachment)

10. Other business

Attachments