Minutes of the 85th meeting of Faculty Council held Tuesday, December 1, 1998 at 1:30 p.m. in Senate Chambers.


Visitors: L. Chartier, J. McConnell, H. Paterson

1. The Minutes of the 84th meeting of Faculty Council of Science dated April 21, 1998 were approved with one revision to item 4 Mathematics By-Laws: change in wording to "It can then be sent directly to Senate".

2. Introduction of New Members

Norm Hunter introduced Stephane McLachlan, assistant professor in Environmental Science/Botany.

Erwin Huebner introduced Gunnar Valdimarsson, assistant professor in Zoology.

Peter Loewen, announced that Microbiology had a new staff member, Michelle Wall, Instructor, who was unable to attend the meeting.

Joseph Ahorro introduced the members of the Science Students' Association in attendance: Kamwarkeep Birdi, Jennifer Dundas, Kenneth Kustra and Candice Schachter.

3. Closed Session

Minutes for this portion of the agenda are held in the Dean's Office.

4. Science Students' Association Presentation

Joseph Ahorro, Vice-Stick, Science Students Association (SSA) reported on the membership of the SSA and the duties of each member. Dean Jamieson indicated that the members of the SSA have been very active the last few years and extended congratulations to them.

5. Dean Jamieson's Report

Dean Jamieson's report included the following items:

a. Promotional activity: The Faculty of Science t-shirts are available for purchase with the profit earmarked for student scholarships; price per t-shirt $20.00.

b. The Dean's reappointment committee is being established as his term ends June 30, 1999.

c. Deans’ Retreat at Gimli: There is a move afoot to produce a comprehensive research plan. This should be ready for the next CFI applications.

d. Support staff retreat: The support staff wish is to establish a formal body to interact with the Dean and Faculty Council.

e. Budget projections for 1999/2000 were presented.

f. Update was given on Task Force recommendations related to Science.
With regard to the $100,000 graduate student support, a member indicated that not all areas of the Faculty will have the same ideas on how to use these dollars. Dean Jamieson indicated he will seek advise from the Faculty of Science Research Committee.

6. Course and Program Proposals

These changes were considered by the relevant committees and forwarded to Faculty Council for information.

No questions were raised by Faculty Council

7. Graduate Course Changes

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Dean Williams indicated that the Master of Mathematics and Computational Science was still being looked at by Graduate Studies.

No questions were raised by Faculty Council.

8. Revised Department Council By-Laws

The revised Mathematics and Zoology By-laws were approved.

Dean Jamieson indicated that we are trying to add support staff to all department by-laws.

Meeting adjourned 2:30 p.m.