MINUTES

167th MEETING OF THE FACULTY OF SCIENCE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

held on Thursday, February 6, 2014, at 1:30 p.m. in 250 Allen

PRESENT: M. Whitmore, Chair P. Graham

M. Piercey-Normore
J. Sorensen
D. Gillis
P. Blunden
J. Leboe-McGowan
B. Li
X. Hao (for J. Pai)
P. Loewen
D. Gillis
B. Johnson
B. Li
P. Pelka

M. Shantz (recorder)

REGRETS: P. Loewen, A. Poushangi, J. Pai

GUESTS: C. Adams

1. Appoval of the Agenda - approved

2. Approval of Minutes

MOTION: To approve the minutes of the 166th meeting of the Faculty of Science Executive Council held on August 28, 2013. Moved by M. Doob, seconded by P. Graham.

CARRIED

3. Open Access Publishing Support (as circulated)

- no departmental discussion input as of yet
- M. Whitmore to remind department heads at the next Admin Council meeting

4. Update on Endowment Committee Terms of Reference

- M. Whitmore is working on changes pertaining to:
- the original terms of reference give endowment funding preference to large enrolment classes, of which two-thirds are not Science Majors
- additional endowment fund revenues from ICM to buy equipment, and ICM student use of that equipment

5. Committee on Student Standing Terms of Reference

M. Piercey-Normore presented the changes, as circulated, under the 'Duties and Responsibilities' section in the Terms of Reference, which have been approved by CSS. To summarize:

- The Chair (Associate Dean, Undergraduate Studies) can, when warranted, deny appeals, thereby avoiding frivolous requests.
- Change to the Statute of Limitations: puts a limit of three years after the end of the course or from the date of the academic decision for appeals.

MOTION: to recommend the revised terms of reference to Faculty Council for Approval. Moved by M. Piercey-Normore, seconded by D. Gillis.

CARRIED

6. Undergraduate Course and Program Changes (as circulated)

Associate Dean Michele Piercey-Normore outlined the undergraduate course and program changes as follows:

Course Changes:

- Computer Science course modifications to COMP 1010, COMP 1012, COMP 2130, COMP 3030, COMP 3490, COMP 3820
 - for COMP 3490 'equivalent' should be removed from the rationale. The rationale should read: Students who have taken the versions of linear algebra and calculus 1 that are suitable for prerequisite purposes to be able to take this course, assuming they also have COMP 2140.
- Mathematics course modifications to MATH 1200, MATH 1210, MATH 1300, MATH 1310, MATH 2130, MATH 2132, MATH 2120
 - for MATH 2120 add to the course description that COMP 1012 and COMP 1013 may be used as a prerequisite

Program Changes:

- BSc Honours program in Actuarial Mathematics
- BSc Honours program in Psychology
- BSc Statistics-Actuarial Mathematics Joint Honours program
- BSc Statistics-Economics Joint Honours program

MOTION: to approve the above course changes, as circulated. Moved by M. Piercey-Normore, seconded by B. Johnson.

CARRIED

MOTION: to recommend to Faculty Council for approval the program changes in the BSc Honours programs in Actuarial Mathematics and Psychology, and the BSc Statistics-Actuarial Mathematics Joint Honours program, as circulated. Moved by M. Piercey-Normore, seconded by D. Gillis.

CARRIED

MOTION: to recommend to Faculty Council for approval the BSc Statistics-Economics Joint Honours Program changes, as circulated, subject to approval from the Faculty of Arts. Moved by M. Piercey-Normore, seconded by J. Leboe-McGowan.

CARRIED

7. Approval of Faculty Council Draft Agenda

MOTION: to approve the draft agenda for the Faculty Council meeting scheduled for February 12, 2014. Moved by P. Graham, seconded by J. Sorensen.

CARRIED

8. Other Business - nothing to report

9. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 2:20 pm