

THE FACULTY COUNCIL
FACULTY OF ADMINISTRATIVE STUDIES

Notice of Meeting

The regular meeting of the Faculty Council of 1979-80 Academic Year will be held on Friday, 25 April 1980 at 9:30 a.m. in the McCaskill Auditorium.

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MINUTES OF FACULTY COUNCIL

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FACULTY OF ADMINISTRATIVE STUDIES

The meeting of the Faculty Council of the Faculty of Administrative Studies was held on Friday, 25 April 1980 in the McCaskill Auditorium.

The following were present:

Professor D. Dimick (Chairman)
Dean W. B. Crowston
V. Murray - (Associate Dean Academic)
D. Brewer - (Associate Dean Student Affairs)

Members of Faculty:

T. Beechy	N. Biger
W. Cook	A. Courtney
D. Daly	R. Heeler
D. Horvath	W. Jordan
C. McMillan	E. Phillips
W. Read	L. Rosen
G. Shaw	P. Simmie
D. Thompson	P. Tryfos
S. Warner	T. Warner
K. Weiermair	U. Zohar

Other Members in Attendance:

D. Varma (Librarian)
V. MacKinnon (Atkinson College)
M. Muldoon (Faculty of Arts)
E. Spence (Faculty of Arts)
Mr. J. Dzurko (President Undergraduate Student Business Council)
L.J. Birchall (Secretary)

Item #1 - Chairman's Remarks

The Chairman introduced the Ex-Officio members to the Faculty Council.

Item #2 - Dean's Remarks

- (a) Congratulations are in order to Professors R. Burke and T. Jick for having conducted a very successful conference on "Stress". Many distinguished authorities on this subject from various parts of the world attended the conference.
- (b) A review was now given of the hiring of new faculty, both replacement and net growth. With any degree of success there should be approximately a 20% change in the total full-time faculty which will have a big impact during the next year. Despite our very best efforts the Finance area is still under-staffed.
- (c) With regards to the funding campaign for the faculty, Mr. LeSueur has generated a list of priorities which has been submitted to the University Committee. This list is being checked with leaders in the business world and it is hoped that a provisional document will be made available to the faculty in the very near future.

- (d) In the field of external relations, plans are well ahead for the celebration for our 15th Anniversary and the faculty will be kept aware of the plans as they are developed.

Item #3 - Minutes of Previous Meeting

Moved by Professor Biger that the minutes be adopted as circulated
Seconded by Professor Jordan.
Carried.

Item #4 - Business Arising from Minutes of Previous Meeting

NIL

Item #5 - Inquiries and Communications

NIL

Item #6 - Reports of Standing Committees

(a) Undergraduate Programme Committee

(i) Prerequisite Courses for Admission

Professor Tryfos presented motion number one contained in appendix "A" regarding the revision of prerequisite courses for admission into the B.B.A. Programme.
Seconded by Professor Biger.

Professor Tryfos pointed out that the new requirement is a course in computer use. At the present time the admission requirement states that this course is recommended, however it is not mandatory. As part of the discussion within the Undergraduate Programme Committee it was felt that making this course a prerequisite would improve the curriculum content in that students could spend their time using the computer rather than having to learn how to use it. Professor Muldoon stated that the Faculty of Arts has occasion to advise students in the first and second years as to which courses they should take. Many of the the students wish to keep the maximum number of options open as is possible, and hence would rather take some other course in Computer Science. Professor Tryfos replied that this was covered by the word "Equivalent".

In order to ensure that the word "Equivalent" is properly defined, Professor Jordan moved an amendment to sub paragraph (b) to read "One course in computer use or science such as AS/CS 150.6 (formerly 241.6)".
Seconded by Professor Shaw

Professor Biger stated that he was against this amendment in that the course AS/CS 150.6 was the course which they found the most useful in teaching the undergraduate student. He would therefore like to see this course specified. In order to meet this requirement Professor Jordan revised his amendment to read "one course in computer use or science preferably AS/CS 150.6".
Seconded by Professor Shaw

The amendment was now placed before the Council and carried with no negative votes.

The main motion as amended was now place before the Council and carried with no negative votes.

(ii) Admission Requirements

Professor Tryfos now placed motion number two contained in appendix "B" before the Council.
Seconded by Professor Biger.

Professor Tryfos stated that at the present time the admission requirements were that students would have to have a C+ in each of the two prerequisite courses. With the addition of the new prerequisite course in Computer Use it was considered by the Undergraduate Programme Committee that it would be better to have a C+ overall average for the combined three courses.

Professor Beechy stated his concern especially in the light of some of the problems which have surfaced recently in the Undergraduate Programme due to the admission standards. In the absence of very concrete evidence he felt that the admission standards should remain as they are. Under the present proposal students that have a very high average in two of the prerequisites and a very low average in the third could still be eligible for admission. Professor Shaw agreed with this concern and stated that this proposal would in fact reduce our admission standards. He therefore put forward an amendment to the motion in paragraph one, second line revised to read "C+ in each prerequisite course" and in paragraph two, sub-paragraph (c) second line to read "with a grade in each course".
Seconded by Professor Rosen.

There now appeared to be a question as to whether or not this changed the entire original motion to the point where it became a new motion. The Chairman ruled that the amendment was permitted to stand.

Professor Spence stated that the amendment could cause problems for the students in the Faculty of Arts in that they can not retake a course in order to better their grade. Thus if a student received a grade of lower than C+ in any one of the three prerequisite courses they would be blocked from entering the Faculty of Administrative Studies. Professor Shaw stated that the Admission Committee could review any such cases and could make exceptions if they felt it was in the best interest of all concerned.

After considerable discussion it appeared that everyone had agreed with the fact that there should be a floor limit on each one of the prerequisite courses individually but whether or not this limit should be a C+ was open to discussion. In view of the fact that there was no concrete data regarding the admission of students who had taken the Computer Use course many of the members expressed the opinion that we should try to maintain our present standards.

The amendment was now placed before the Council and passed with a vote of 14 - for; and 3 - against.

The main motion as amended was now place before the Council and passed with no negative votes.

(iii) New Course MGTS 476 - Computer Modelling and System Simulation
in Management

Professor Tryfos moved the adoption of the course MGTS 476 as contained in appendix "C".

Seconded by Professor Biger

Professor Tryfos stated that this course exists at the present time as a graduate elective and hence this would merely be a cross-listing of the course in order to enable the undergraduates to take the same course with the graduates.

Professor T. Warner stated that we should view this matter with extreme care in that if we approved the motion we would in fact be endorsing this course as part of the curriculum. He had great concern as to the content of the course and whether or not it should be permitted to exist in its present form. He noted that the only approval given to the course was by the course originator himself and not any of the other members of the Management Science area. It was pointed out by several faculty members that the actual content of the course depended upon the Professor who is teaching it rather than the strict outline as given in the course proposal. Professor Warner agreed that we should offer such a course but in looking at the content as outlined it certainly did not appear to obtain the objective as specified.

Professor Zohar stated that there seemed to be a diverse opinion even in the area proposing this course. Under these circumstances it should be referred back to the area and he therefore moved that the motion be tabled. Seconded by Professor Heeler.

There were 15 - for and 2 - against.
The motion was Carried.

(iv) New Course PLCY 420 - Legal Aspects of Business

Moved by Professor Tryfos that the course PLCY 420 as outlined in appendix "B" be approved.

Seconded by Professor Biger.

Professor Tryfos stated that this course was similar to PLCY 620 but had been modified for use in the Undergraduate Programme. Professor Horvath, speaking on behalf of the PLCY area, stated that there was a high demand for this course in the undergraduates due to it being relevant to the C.A. Programme. It had therefore been modified accordingly. Professor Rosen stated his grave concern regarding the addition of another course to the Undergraduate Programme when the load for the 4th year students is excessively heavy at this time. Professor MacKinnon stated that this course duplicates approximately 90% of a course which is given by his faculty. He therefore asked if this course could be made equivalent to the one which they are giving. In reply to several queries, Professor Horvath stated that the area did have the capability of staffing this course and that it was within their resources. Professor Thompson stated that while he could not speak on the relation of this course to the C.A. Programme he did think that it was a good course and introduced a lot of legal aspects in business which should be of great value to the students.

The motion was placed before Council and passed with no negative votes.

Item #7 - Other Business

NIL

Item #8 - Adjournment

Moved by Professor Biger that the Council adjourn.
Seconded by Professor Simmie.
Carried.