



ACADEMIC COUNCIL
Minutes
Meeting of December 20, 2005

Present:

T. Barsby
 G. Bereznai
 C. Byrne
 R. Dhanji
 M. Green
 M. Greenley
 B. Goodman
 R. Hinch
 R. Levin
 E. Muller-Cheng

G. Naterer
 G. Polonsky, Chair
 M. Rosen
 O. Sanchez
 B. Schell W. Smith
 D. Wallace, Secretary
 J. Wolf

Guest:
 A. Mars

1. CHAIR’S REMARKS

Dr. Polonsky provided a brief update on financial discussions with the Ministry of Training, Colleges and Universities and indicated that he was optimistic that significant positive progress on the question of capital funding is being made.

2. MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF NOVEMBER 15, 2005

The minutes were approved as presented.

3. INQUIRIES AND COMMUNICATIONS

Mr. Muller-Cheng asked about the proposed “lifting” of the provincial tuition freeze. Dr. Polonsky suggested that a provincial announcement was expected in early 2006 and that it is likely that the universities would only be permitted to increase tuition by the rate of inflation in regulated programs.

4. COMMITTEE REPORTS

4.1 CURRICULUM AND PROGRAM REVIEW COMMITTEE

Dr. Wallace presented the report of the Curriculum and Program Review Committee, which proposed two recommendations for approval.

a) Changes to the Bachelor of Science in Radiation Science Program (School of Energy Systems and Nuclear Science)

MOTION
 CARRIED

That Academic Council approves:

1. the discontinuation of the comprehensive version of the Radiation Science Degree Program;
2. the renaming of the Bachelor of Science in Radiation Science (Health Physics Option) to the Bachelor of Science in Health Physics and Radiation Science; and
3. the following degree requirement changes to the program:
 replace RAD1 3610 – Introduction to Radiation Machines with *RADI 4440 – Radioisotopes and Radiation Machines*;
 replace RAD1 4320 – Applications of Radiation Techniques in Medicine with *Medical Applications of Radiation Techniques*;
 replace ADI 4430 – Production and Utilization of Radioactive Isotopes

with *RADI 4430 – Industrial Applications of Radiation Techniques*;
replace *RADI 4040 – Material Analysis using Radiation Techniques with Science or Engineering Elective*;
delete *ENGR 2220 – Structure and Properties of Materials* as an alternative to *HLSC 1200 – Anatomy and Physiology*

b) Change in course requirements for BEng and Management Programs (Faculties of Engineering and Applied Science and Business and Information Technology)

MOTION
CARRIED

That Academic Council approves the change in course requirements for all Engineering and Management Programs, substituting *BUSI 1700U – Introduction to Entrepreneurship*, or an equivalent course approved by the Faculty of Engineering and Applied Science – School of Energy Systems and Nuclear Science for the currently listed *BUSI 2050U – Economics for Professionals*.

4.2 ADMISSIONS AND SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

Vice-President Levin presented a proposal to modify the 2006-07 Scholarship Program to keep UOIT competitive.

“Stop-outs” (students who apply after having been out of an Ontario high school for one year or less) would now be eligible for awards of recognition.

MOTION
CARRIED

That Academic Council approves the proposed revisions to the UOIT Scholarship Program:

\$12,000 (\$3,000 x 4 years):	95+%
\$8,000 (\$2,000 x 4 years):	90-94.9%
\$6,000 (\$1,500 x 4 years):	85-89.9%
\$3,000 (\$750 x 4 years):	80-84.9%
\$500 (non-renewable):	75-79.9%

5. MEMBERSHIP RULES FOR FACULTY OF ENGINEERING AND APPLIED SCIENCES FACULTY COUNCIL

Dean Rosen presented a proposed amendment to Faculty Council rules for the Faculty of Engineering and Applied Science that would address the requirements of the Canadian Engineering Accreditation Board.

MOTION
CARRIED

That Academic Council approves a variance to its rules that establishes the membership of the Faculty Council shared by the Faculty of Engineering and Applied Science and the School of Energy Systems and Nuclear Science, as follows:

A majority of the members of the Faculty Council shared by the Faculty of Engineering and Applied Science and the School of Energy Systems and Nuclear Science must be licensed engineers in Canada. If the normal procedures used to establish the membership of Faculty Council result in a membership that does not include a majority of engineers licensed in Canada, the Chair of Faculty Council will recommend to Faculty Council sufficient members of Faculty Council to be non-voting members, so as to ensure that a majority of voting members of Faculty Council are licensed engineers in Canada. Only non-licensed faculty members would be subject to becoming non-voting members of Faculty Council. The recommendation will be voted upon by the faculty members who are licensed professional engineers in the Faculty of Engineering and Applied Science and the School of Energy Systems and Nuclear Science.

6. HONORARY DEGREE POLICY

Dr. Wallace presented a draft honorary degree policy for Academic Council's consideration, indicating that the policy is closely modeled after that of other Canadian universities. After approval by Academic Council, the policy will be submitted to the Ministry of Training, Colleges and Universities and the Postsecondary Education Quality Assessment Board (PEQAB).

MOTION
CARRIED

That Academic Council approves the honorary degree policy as presented.

7. OTHER BUSINESS

Dr. Polonsky invited everyone to the President's Reception on Wednesday, December 21, 2005 at 12:00 p.m.

Dr. Polonsky indicated that representatives of the Association of Universities and Colleges of Canada will be visiting UOIT on January 23. Should the visiting committee report be favourable, UOIT will be accepted for membership in October 2006.

8. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 1:48 p.m.

Karen Spearing, Assistant Secretary