COUNCIL OF THE FACULTY OF GRADUATE STUDIES

MINUTES

Two Hundred and Seventy-seventh Meeting
Wednesday 20 September 1995

D.J. Bercuson (Chair)


FGS STAFF: A. Hawes, L. von Wolzogen, C. Ward

RECORDING
SECRETARY: S. Wind

277.1 Approval of Agenda

The Chairman welcomed new and continuing members to Council and asked members to identify themselves when speaking.

The Chairman indicated that Item 277.6.4 on the Agenda should read election of an Appeals Committee, not an Appeals Panel.

It was MOVED by D. McCullough, SECONDED by R.M.R. Barclay that the Agenda be approved, noting the amendment to Item 277.6.4.

CARRIED

The Chairman welcomed Dr. Michael Lazar to Council as the Alumni representative. (Applause)
The Chairman introduced Christine Ward, Development Officer, Graduate Studies/Social Work who joined the University of Calgary in late August from the University of Western Ontario in London, Ontario, where she worked in development as a Communications Officer, conducting case research and writing, and liaising with several faculties on major fund raising projects. The Chairman indicated that C. Ward had also worked in hospital fund raising and as a newscaster at a Toronto area radio station. In addition to her development work here at Calgary, the Chairman reported that C. Ward is also a part-time student in the Faculty of Graduate Studies pursuing her Masters in Communications Studies.

277.2 Minutes of the Last Meeting

It was MOVED by R.D. Revel, SECONDED by S. Drabek that the Minutes of the Last Meeting be approved.

CARRIED

277.3 Chairman's Report

277.3.1 Executive Group Authority for June/July/August

The Chairman reported that no business was conducted over the summer months.

277.3.2 1995-96 Graduate Student Appointments Schedule

The Chairman reported that the 1995-96 Graduate Student Appointments Schedule had been approved by the Board of Governors with a zero increase in GA stipends. He pointed out that the Assistantship Schedule Subcommittee had requested that the Faculty of Graduate Studies monitor very closely the number of GAs that departments award to students with a view to year over year comparisons.

277.3.3 Looking Ahead

The Chairman announced that he would be leaving the Deanship effective December 31, 1996 and that the President would be striking a search committee in January. The Chairman indicated that he anticipated an internal search and that he did not anticipate any change in the status/mission of the Faculty of Graduate Studies.

The Chairman announced his plans for the next fifteen months. He reminded Council that a Graduate Studies Advisory Group had been created, consisting of Downtown@members and University faculty members, who would concentrate on activities relating to the Faculty of Graduate Studies. He stated that C. Ward was
responsible for the Faculty’s fund-raising efforts over the next two years. The Chairman indicated that there was a need to modify the relationship between the Faculty of Graduate Studies and the teaching units. He pointed out that the mission of the Faculty would include (a) admission, (b) monitoring students in program, (c) convocation, (d) the establishment of programs, (e) an arm’s length agency for program evaluation, staff/student difficulties, scholarship support, supervisory approval, and annual progress reports, and (f) provision of information.

The Chairman announced that he would be proposing certain changes so that the above can be carried out more expeditiously and the breakout of Faculty/Departmental responsibilities more sharply defined. Such changes would include (a) the Faculty of Graduate Studies would no longer concern itself with a full-time or a residence definition, (b) the Faculty of Graduate Studies would no longer concern itself with setting course requirements in research programs, and (c) the Faculty of Graduate Studies would examine its relationship to non-research, professional programs such as the course-based MBA, Med, etc.

The Chairman indicated that he believed that the Faculty of Graduate Studies should take a performance, rather than a process approach to student success, i.e. passing the candidacy and thesis requirements is the real test of progress.

The Chairman was hopeful that these goals could be accomplished within the next fifteen months and welcomed questions from Council.

In response to a query by H. Konrad regarding international student recruitment, the Chairman indicated that the Faculty of Graduate Studies was very supportive of recruiting international students, particularly from Asia. He pointed out that one of the recommendations contained in the Cloutier report recommended the abolishment of fee differentials for foreign students. The Chairman indicated that he and C. Langford and their counterparts at the University of Alberta had been attempting to lobby the government to discontinue the foreign student fee differential. The Chairman reported that a representative of The University of Calgary would be attending recruitment fairs in Taiwan, Seoul, and Korea later this month. He further reported that members of the Graduate Studies Advisory Group were very supportive of efforts to recruit international students. The Chairman was hopeful that more emphasis would be placed on international education in the future.

The Chairman indicated that he would be distributing to Council in the next few months names of the members of the Graduate Studies Advisory Group. He indicated that more individuals would be joining the group over the next year or so.

277.4 Updated 1995-96 Council Membership List

An updated 1995-96 Council membership list had been distributed with the agenda
material for information.

277.5 **1995-96 Council Meeting Dates**

A list of 1995-96 Council meeting dates had been distributed with the agenda material for information.

277.6 **Elections**

Documentation had been distributed with the Agenda material. Updated ballots were distributed and collected at the meeting.

277.6.1 **Striking Committee**

The following individuals were nominated to serve on the Striking Committee for a two-year term.

T. Rogers  Social Sciences  
D. Woods  Microbiology and Infectious Diseases

It was MOVED by R.D. Revel, SECONDED by S. Drabek that nominations cease.

CARRIED

T. Rogers was elected to serve on the Striking Committee for a two-year term.

277.6.2 **Policy Committee**

The Striking Committee nominated the following individuals to serve on the Policy Committee for a two-year term.

R. Barclay  Biological Sciences  
A. Cahoon  Management  
D. Marshall  History  
A. Mehrotra  Chemical and Petroleum Engineering  
P. Sokol  Medical Science  
A. van Herk  English  
K.V. Cairns  Educational Psychology (DECLINED)  
L. Miller  Sociology (DECLINED)  
J.S. Frideres  for VP Research (DECLINED)  
E.A. Wilman  Economics (DECLINED)
There were no nominations from the floor.

It was MOVED by D. Woods, SECONDED by S. Tenove that nominations cease.

CARRIED

The following individuals were elected by Council to serve on the Policy Committee for a two-year term:

R. Barclay  Biological Sciences  
A. Cahoon  Management  
D. Marshall  History  
P. Sokol  Medical Science  
A. Van Herk  English  
B.R. Gaines  Computer Science (CONTINUING MEMBER)

277.6.3  Graduate Scholarship Committee

In order to expedite the business of the Graduate Scholarship Committee, the Chairman proposed that the membership of the Graduate Scholarship Committee be increased.

It was MOVED by R.A. Stein, SECONDED by P. Sokol that the membership of the Graduate Scholarship Committee be increased from 12 members to 14 members.

CARRIED

The Striking Committee nominated the following individuals to serve on the Graduate Scholarship Committee for a three-year term:

A. Bell  Music  
B. Crow  General Studies  
J. Davison  Medical Physiology  
F. Michaud  History  
J. Nicholls  Geology and Geophysics  
R. Levy  Environmental Design (DECLINED)  
E. Einsiedel  Communication Studies (DECLINED)

The following individuals were nominated from the floor to serve on the Graduate
Scholarship Committee for a three-year term:

P. Lee Microbiology and Infectious Diseases
K. Iatrou Medical Biochemistry (DECLINED)

It was MOVED by J. Goren, SECONDED by M. Embleton that nominations cease.

CARRIED

The following individuals were elected by Council to serve on the Graduate Scholarship Committee for a three-year term:

A. Bell Music
B. Crow General Studies
J. Davison Medical Physiology
P. Lee Microbiology and Infectious Diseases
F. Michaud History
J. Nicholls Geology and Geophysics

CONTINUING MEMBERS

A. Cahoon Management
J. Collins Mathematics and Statistics
I. Kher English
B. McMahon Biological Sciences
R. Kydd Chemistry
J. Baker Philosophy
A. Marini Teacher Education and Supervision
R.A. Stein Electrical and Computer Engineering

277.6.4 Appeals Committee

The Striking Committee nominated the following individuals to serve on the Appeals Committee for a one or two-year term:

A. Bulloch Neurosciences
K.V. Cairns Educational Psychology
K. Dobson Clinical Psychology (for one year)
S. Drabek Political Science
J. Goren Medical Biochemistry
A. Nishimura Art
R. Revel Committee on Resources and the Environment
B. Smith Drama
The following individuals were nominated from the floor to serve on the Appeals Committee for a one or two-year term:

S. Kwok  Physics and Astronomy
L. Miller  Sociology
M. Lazar  Alumni

It was MOVED by R.M.R. Barclay, SECONDED by D. Marshall that nominations cease.

CARRIED

The following individuals were elected (by acclamation) to serve on the Appeals Committee for a one or two-year term:

A. Bulloch  Neurosciences
K.V. Cairns  Educational Psychology
K. Dobson  Clinical Psychology (for one year)
S. Drabek  Political Science
J. Goren  Medical Biochemistry
S. Kwok  Physics and Astronomy
M. Lazar  Alumni
L. Miller  Sociology
A. Nishimura  Art
R. Revel  Committee on Resources and the Environment
B. Smith  Drama
P. Sokol  Medical Science
D. Taras  Communication Studies
A. van Herk  English
D. Woods  Microbiology and Infectious Diseases (for one year)
The Chairman indicated that he would be drawing lots to determine length of service on the Appeals Committee.

It was MOVED by B.R. Gaines, SECONDED by R.D. Revel that the Dean of the Faculty of Graduate Studies appoint an Acting Appeals Facilitator, subject to approval by Council at the October meeting.

CARRIED

277.6.5 Graduate Student Funding Committee

The Striking Committee nominated the following individuals to serve on the Graduate Student Funding Committee for a two-year term:

J. Eggermont Psychology
T. Guzie Educational Policy and Administrative Studies
K. Putt Senate
S. Tenove Nursing

DECLINED

D. Armstrong Chemistry
V. Geist Environmental Design
M. Moloney Biological Sciences
E. Enns Germanic, Slavic and East Asian Studies
M. Grant Geography

The following individual was nominated from the floor to serve on the Graduate Student Funding Committee for a two-year term:

P. Rogers Mechanical Engineering

It was MOVED by A. Mehrotra, SECONDED by R.A. Stein that nominations cease.

CARRIED

The following individuals were elected by Council to serve on the Graduate Student Funding Committee for a two-year term:

J. Eggermont Psychology
K. Putt Senate
S. Tenove Nursing
CONTINUING MEMBERS

S. Kwok  Physics and Astronomy  
A. Nishimura  Art  
L. Tutty  Social Work  

277.6.6  Silver Anniversary Graduate Fellowship Committee  

The Striking Committee nominated the following individuals to serve on the Silver Anniversary Graduate Fellowship Committee for a two or three-year term:

V. Birss  Chemistry (DECLINED)  
J. Mueller  Educational Psychology  

The following individual was nominated from the floor to serve on the Silver Anniversary Graduate Fellowship Committee for a two or three-year term.

B. Anderson  Nursing  

It was MOVED by D. McCullough, SECONDED by D. Woods that nominations cease.

CARRIED  

J. Mueller was elected by Council to serve on the Silver Anniversary Graduate Fellowship Committee for a three-year term.

CONTINUING MEMBERS  

T. Hurka  Philosophy  
M. Joy  Religious Studies  
L.T. Bruton  Electrical and Computer Engineering  

277.6.7  Thesis Research and Graduate Conference Travel Grants, University Research Grants Committee  

The following individuals were nominated by the Striking Committee to serve on the Thesis Research and Graduate Conference Travel Grants, University Research Grants Committee for a two-year term:
The following individuals were nominated from the floor to serve on the Thesis Research and Graduate Conference Travel Grants, University Research Grants Committee for a two-year term:

N. Grant  Nursing
M. Sideris  Geomatics Engineering

It was MOVED by M. Sideris, SECONDED by A. Cahoon that nominations cease.

CARRIED

The following individuals were elected by Council to serve on the Thesis Research and Graduate Conference Travel Grants, University Research Grants Committee for a two-year term:

K. Archer  Political Science
E. Guilfoyle  Linguistics

277.7  Faculty of Graduate Studies Scholarships

The Chairman pointed out that Agenda item 277.7.1 should read ᐄDB Robinson..@ not ᐄDr. Robinson...@

It was MOVED by A. Cahoon, SECONDED by M. Lazar that the terms of reference for the Faculty of Graduate Studies Scholarships (Agenda items 277.7.1 to 277.7.7) as listed below be approved and forwarded to General Faculties Council for further approval.

CARRIED

277.7.1  DB Robinson and Associates Ltd. Graduate Research Travel Grant
277.7.2  Gordon H. Dixon Graduate Studentship
277.7.3  Department of Religious Studies Graduate Scholarship
277.7.4  Calgary Section, Petroleum Society of CIM Graduate Scholarship
277.8 **Annual Committee Reports**

It was MOVED by D. McCullough, SECONDED by S. Drabek that the Annual Committee Reports of Council (Agenda items 277.8.1 to 277.8.4) as listed below be received for information.

CARRIED

277.8.1 1994-95 Policy Committee Annual Report

277.8.2 1994-95 Appeals Panel Annual Report

277.8.3 1994-95 Academic Programme Committee Annual Report

277.8.4 1994-95 Graduate Student Funding Committee Final Report

277.9 **Other Business**

No other business was discussed.

277.10 **Adjournment**

It was MOVED by D. McCullough, SECONDED by R.A. Stein that the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 4:38 p.m.