General Faculties Council

Undergraduate Awards and Scholarship Committee Approved Open Session Minutes

Tuesday, April 08, 2014 2-15 South Academic Building (SAB) 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM

ATTENDEES:

Voting Members:

Katalin Bimbo Chair, Academic Staff

Clive Hickson Member, Academic Staff, Cross-rep from ASC (UASC TofR)

Kerstie Schreyer Member, Undergraduate Student at-Large

Amy Tse Member, Academic Staff

Non-Voting Members:

Mien Jou Member, Senior Development Officer, Office of Development, Resource

(delegate)

Colleen Hanrahan Member, Assistant Registrar, Student Awards, Resource

(delegate)

Presenter(s):

Katalin Bimbo Associate Professor, Philosophy, Arts, Chair, GFC UASC

Rachel de Leon Bursary Program Coordinator, University Bursaries and Emergency

Funding, University of Alberta

Colleen Hanrahan Student Awards Team Lead, Office of the Registrar, University of Alberta

Staff:

Andrea Patrick, Coordinator, GFC UASC

OPENING SESSION

1. Approval of the Agenda

Materials before members are contained in the official meeting file.

Presenter: Katalin Bimbo

Motion: Hickson/Tse

THAT the GFC Undergraduate Awards and Scholarship Committee approve the Agenda.

CARRIED

2. Approval of the Open Session Minutes of March 11, 2014

Materials before members are contained in the official meeting file.

Presenter: Katalin Bimbo

Motion: Tse/Hickson

THAT the GFC Undergraduate Awards and Scholarship Committee approve the Minutes of March 11, 2014.

CARRIED

3. Comments from the Chair

The Chair commented on a number of relevant items to members.

ACTION ITEMS

4. New Undergraduate Student Awards and Scholarships for Approval (April 8, 2014)

Materials before members are contained in the official meeting file.

Presenter: Colleen Hanrahan

Purpose of the Proposal: To approve new undergraduate awards and scholarships.

Discussion:

Members engaged in discussion in relation to Items 1-14. Item 7, the Karen Kennedy Scholarship in Occupational Therapy, was withdrawn from consideration.

- Item 1: Members discussed various changes with the award, and suggested revisions to the Conditions and Application sections of the award. Members sought clarification surrounding the use of the term "course supervisor" and the applicability of academic standing within the award description.
- Item 2: Members suggested several amendments to the scholarship, including changes to the title and Conditions. Members discussed the differences between the words "degree" and "program". Ms Hanrahan will check into the usage of the word "program".
- Item 3: Members discussed the information contained within the Field of Study of the scholarship, and the title and Conditions were amended. Ms Hanrahan will confirm the wording of the Field of Study. A member enquired whether the term "superior academic achievement" applied to high school grades.
- Item 4: Members provided suggestions for amendments to the Conditions of this scholarship. Members discussed the language used within the scholarship and suggested that it was unclear whether the scholarship would be available to non-athlete members of the Golden Bears basketball program. Ms Hanrahan stated that she would confirm the language of the scholarship.
- Item 5: Members discussed the difference between "grade" and "mark" and suggested revisions to the Conditions of the prize. A member pointed out that there are two LAW 518 courses and that only one is required to write a paper and another member suggested that this might be inequitable.
- Item 6: Amendments were made to the Conditions of the scholarship. A member enquired about the reasoning behind the third year eligibility.
- Item 8: Members made amendments to the title and Conditions of the award. A member sought clarity around the definition of "upper year".
- Item 9: Members made amendments to the Conditions of the award. A member asked whether the case competition, as noted within the award, would be continuing indefinitely.
- Item 10: Members made an amendment to the Conditions of the award.
- Item 11: Members made several amendments to the Conditions of the award. A member suggested that the second reference to academic standing within the Conditions was redundant.
- Item 12: Members revised the title and Conditions of the award.

Item 13: Members suggested revisions to the Field of Study of the award, and Ms Hanrahan stated that she would check into the suggested revisions.

Item 14: Members revised the title and the Conditions of the bursary.

Motion: Hickson/Tse

THAT the GFC Undergraduate Awards and Scholarship Committee approve, under delegated authority from General Faculties Council, new undergraduate student awards and scholarships, as submitted by the Student Awards Office and as set forth in Attachment 2, as amended, to be effective immediately.

CARRIED

5. Amendments to An Existing Undergraduate Student Award and Scholarship (April 8, 2014)

Materials before members are contained in the official meeting file.

Presenter: Colleen Hanrahan

Purpose of the Proposal: To approve amendments to an existing undergraduate student award and scholarship.

Discussion:

Members suggested various revisions to the Conditions and Funded By sections of the scholarship.

Motion: Tse/Hickson

THAT the GFC Undergraduate Awards and Scholarship Committee approve, under delegated authority from General Faculties Council, proposed amendments to an existing undergraduate student award and scholarship, as submitted by the Student Awards Office and as set forth in Attachment 2, as amended, to be effective immediately.

CARRIED

6. New Undergraduate Student University Bursaries and Emergency Funding (UBEF) Bursaries for Approval (April 8, 2014)

Materials before members are contained in the official meeting file.

Presenter: Rachel de Leon

Purpose of the Proposal: To approve new undergraduate bursaries.

Discussion:

Members engaged in discussion in relation to Items 1 and 2.

Item 1: Members suggested various revisions to the Conditions section of the bursary.

Item 2: Members proposed several amendments to the title and Conditions of the bursary.

Motion: Tse/Schreyer

THAT the GFC Undergraduate Awards and Scholarship Committee approve, under delegated authority from General Faculties Council, new undergraduate student University Bursaries and Emergency Funding (UBEF) Bursaries, as submitted by the University Bursaries and Emergency Funding (UBEF) and as set forth in Attachment 2, as amended, to be effective immediately.

CARRIED

DISCUSSION ITEMS

7. Question Period

There were no questions.

INFORMATION REPORTS

8. <u>Items Approved by the GFC Undergraduate Awards and Scholarship Committee by E-mail Ballots (non-debatable)</u>

There were no items.

9. <u>Information Items Forwarded to Committee Members Between Meetings</u>

There were no items.

CLOSING SESSION

10. Adjournment

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 3:15 p.m.

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