

General Faculties Council

Undergraduate Awards and Scholarship Committee Approved Open Session Minutes

Tuesday, February 09, 2016 2-15 South Academic Building (SAB) 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM

ATTENDEES:

Voting Members:

Amy Tse Chair, Academic Staff

Rebekah Adams Member, Undergraduate Student at-large

Marc de Montigny
Lucie Moussu
Petr Nikrityuk
Member, Academic Staff
Member, Academic Staff
Member, Academic Staff

Ali Qadri Member, Undergraduate Student at-large

Non-Voting Members:

Fiona Halbert Member, Team Lead, Student Financial Services, Resource

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

(Delegate)

Rob Washburn Member (Delegate), Dean of Students, Resource

Presenter(s):

Amy Tse Professor, Faculty of Medicine and Dentistry and Chair, GFC UASC

Rachel de Leon Development Specialist (Acting), Student Financial Support

Staff:

Andrea Patrick, Coordinator, GFC UASC

OPENING SESSION

Approval of the Agenda

Materials before members are contained in the official meeting file.

Presenter: Amy Tse, Professor, Faculty of Medicine and Dentistry and Chair, GFC UASC

Motion: de Montigny/Adams

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

CARRIED

2. Approval of the Open Session Minutes of January 12, 2016

Materials before members are contained in the official meeting file.

Presenter. Amy Tse, Professor, Faculty of Medicine and Dentistry and Chair, GFC UASC

Motion: Adams/de Montigny

THAT the GFC Undergraduate Awards and Scholarship Committee approve the Minutes of January 12, 2016.

CARRIED

3. Comments from the Chair

The Chair read aloud excerpts from a letter sent to President Turpin from the family of a Syrian student who recently received the President's Award for Refugees and Displaced Persons to study at the University of Alberta. In addition, she thanked members of the Committee who participated on the committee to review entrance scholarships.

ACTION ITEMS

4. New Undergraduate Awards and Bursaries for Approval (February 9, 2016)

Materials before members are contained in the official meeting file.

Presenter. Rachel de Leon, Development Specialist (Acting), Student Financial Support

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

Discussion:

Ms de Leon presented new undergraduate awards, scholarships and bursaries for members to consider. During the discussion in regards to these items, members expressed numerous comments.

Before deliberation on each item was initiated, it was pointed out to Ms de Leon that Item 2, as listed on the cover documentation, was missing from the individual award descriptions. Ms de Leon noted that it was inadvertently omitted from the meeting material, and the Chair agreed to an e-vote following the meeting. Both the Mover and Seconder were in agreement.

Note from the Committee Coordinator: Following adjournment of this meeting, it was decided that the missing item would be considered at the March 2016 meeting of GFC UASC instead of holding an e-vote.

- Item 2: Members agreed to the revision of the name within the Funded By section of the award.
- Item 3: Members discussed the home Faculty of the Office of Interdisciplinary Studies, and members suggested an amendment to the Conditions of the scholarship.
- Item 6: Members discussed eligibility criteria for this award.
- Item 8: Amendments were suggested within the Conditions of the scholarship.
- Item 9: Members enquired about the eligibility of international students, Canadian post-secondary transfer students, and high school students for this award. A member sought clarification surrounding the application date.
- Item 10: Members discussed the definition of the word "relocation" and suggested amendments to the Conditions of the scholarship.

Motion: Adams/de Montigny

THAT the GFC Undergraduate Awards and Scholarship Committee approve, under delegated authority from General Faculties Council, new Undergraduate Awards and Bursaries, as submitted by Student Financial Support and as set forth in Attachment 1, as amended, to be effective immediately.

CARRIED

5. Amendments to Existing Undergraduate Awards and Bursaries for Approval (February 9, 2016)

Materials before members are contained in the official meeting file.

Presenter. Rachel de Leon, Development Specialist (Acting), Student Financial Support

Purpose of the Proposal: To approve changes to existing undergraduate awards, scholarships and bursaries.

Discussion:

Ms de Leon presented several existing awards, bursaries and scholarships to members. During the discussion in regards to each item, members provided several suggestions and comments.

- Item 1: Changes were suggested for the Conditions of the award, and members discussed whether academic standing would need to be included within the description. A member sought clarification about the reasons behind eliminating eligibility for female students from this award.
- Item 2: A member enquired whether this award was among others previously approved to be grandfathered in terms of conditions.
- Item 3: Members discussed University of Alberta target regions.

Motion: Moussu/de Montigny

THAT the GFC Undergraduate Awards and Scholarship Committee approve, under delegated authority from General Faculties Council, amendments to Existing Undergraduate Student Awards and Bursaries, as submitted by Student Financial Support and as set forth in Attachment 1, as amended, to be effective immediately.

CARRIED

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Question Period

There were no questions.

INFORMATION REPORTS

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

There were no items.

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

There were no items.

CLOSING SESSION

<u>Adjournment</u> 9.

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 2:25 p.m.