

Report #2000-01 of the Council for the School of Graduate Studies

R. Mendelson put forward the fourth of the graduate proposals from Engineering, this one being for Chemical Engineering. R. Mendelson reviewed the proposal, noting that this was now proceeding to OCGS once it was approved by Academic Council.

R. Mendelson put forward the motion which was seconded by D. Northwood, that "Therefore, the Council of School of Graduate Studies recommends that Academic Council approve the proposal for the M.A.Sc/M.Eng Program in Chemical Engineering in the Faculty of Engineering and Applied Science and the Joint Ph.D. Program in Chemical Engineering (with Daltech/Dalhousie University) for submission to the Ontario Council for Graduate Studies for Standard Appraisal.

The motion was passed.

R. Mendelson put forward a second motion which was seconded by I. Levine that Academic Council approve the Council for the School of Graduate Studies' Policies and Procedures for Admissions and Studies for the Masters Program.

In the discussion, R. Mendelson noted that the documentation had already been partially approved with any new material shown as bolded. The original had been approved by Council in May, 1998. She also noted that this policy dealt with copies or projects, which may be in a traditional format. As a result, the issue of a copy in a non-traditional format would need to be dealt with through the structures that were developed. Questions were raised by G. Turcotte, an observer to Academic Council. She inquired regarding the definition of the "Comprehensive exam", noting this was

generally only done for Ph.D.'s and not for Masters. During the discussion, R. Mendelson agreed that this term was not being used in this policy in the same context as for a Ph.D. and that the word should be amended.

M. Doucette requested clarification on page 133 of the Agenda package, particularly section 4.10, which he found to be confusing. R. Mendelson agreed to amend the wording of this paragraph to make clear when the designations would be given to the students. M. Doucette also raised the issue of the number of copies of a thesis that could be requested. R. Mendelson responded that the numbers requested in the policy were standard.

With these amendments duly approved by the mover and seconder, the motion was passed.

A third motion was put forward by R. Mendelson and seconded by E. Aspevig that Academic Council approve the Council of Graduate Studies' Policy and Procedures for Funding Graduate Students. P. Tretter raised an objection to Academic Council considering this policy, indicating he did not think it was within the jurisdiction of Academic Council. The Council voted on the objection, with the objection failing.

G. Turcotte inquired in regard to page 138 of the Agreement indicating that, normally, such agreements were done in advance. R. Mendelson agreed that these agreements were to be prepared in advance.

G. Turcotte also indicated that she thought normally ORS would be administering

the funding. R. Mendelson responded that the ORS office would work in conjunction with the Council of Graduate Studies to ensure that there were appropriate funding mechanisms.

The motion was passed.