

FACULTY OF SCIENCE
Meeting of Faculty
12 January 2021 at 3:00 p.m.
Held via Zoom Conference Application

ATTENDANCE: As recorded in the Faculty Appendix Book

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Dean Lennox called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m., and welcomed members to the fifth Faculty of Science meeting of the 2020-2021 academic year.

1. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Ms. Merritt moved , seconded by Prof. Ragan, that the Agenda be adopted.

The motion carried.

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In a different but important aspect of David's life, he was a dedicated curler and skier, sports he had learned in his early life in Quebec.

We extend our heartfelt condolences to his brother Peter, his sisters Louise and Marie as well as to his extended family members, his many friends, colleagues and all those whose lives he touched. He will be missed.

3. RESOLUTION ON THE DEATH OF EMERITUS PROFESSOR WILLIAM C. PURDY,
DEPARTMENT OF CHEMISTRY

Prof. Dima Perepichka read the following resolution on the death of Prof. Purdy, which Faculty subsequently unanimously approved:

It is with great sadness that we share the news of the passing of Dr. William Crossley Purdy, Emeritus Professor in the Department of Chemistry, McGill University, on October 30, 2019, after a prolonged illness.

Bill Purdy was born in 1930 in Brooklyn, New York and obtained his Ph.D. degree in Analytical Chemistry from M.I.T. in 1955 under the supervision of Professor David Hume. He immediately took up a position as an Instructor in Analytical Chemistry at the University of Connecticut and in 1958 moved, as an Assistant Professor, to University of Maryland where he eventually became a Full Professor and Head of the Analytical Chemistry Division. He served the country as a Consultant to the Surgeon General-U.S. Army (1959-70) and as a Science Advisor to the Food and Drug Administration (1967-69).

In 1976, Bill moved to Canada to become Professor of Analytical Chemistry in the

(ii) Bellairs Research Institute in Barbados

In reply to a member's question at the Faculty of Science meeting on 5 October 2020 about resuming activities at the Bellairs Research Institute in Barbados (BRIB), Dean Lennox said that given the current travel restrictions and the health infrastructure at the BRIB, it was highly unlikely that any course would be offered by Fall 2021.

7. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

There were no reports for the current meeting.

8. DEAN'S BUSINESS

a) Announcements

(i) Kudos

On behalf of the Faculty of Science, Dean Lennox congratulated Professor Wayne Pollard from the Department of Geography for being named the recipient of the 2020 Northern Science Award and the Centenary Medal. This award is presented annually to an individual (or a group) who has made a significant contribution to the Faculty of Science.

Associate Dean Hundemer said that the online

2. The second agenda item was the consideration by Senate of the Motion Regarding Additional Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory (S/U) Option for Fall 2020 and Winter 2021. The motion passed.

The meeting ended at 4:27 p.m.

15. MEMBERS' QUESTION PERIOD

There were no members questions.

16. OTHER BUSINESS

There being no further business, Prof. McKenzie moved, seconded by Prof. Lydon, that the meeting be adjourned at 4:10 p.m.

The motion carried.