

SEVENTH ANNUAL MEETING of CHAIRS OF CANADIAN MATHEMATICS DEPARTMENTS

York University

November 11 – 12, 2005

Toronto, Ontario

Organizers: Paul Cabilio (Acadia), Neal Madras (York), and Brian Marcus (UBC)

Schedule: (all sessions in the Senate Chamber, 9th floor of the Ross Building)

Friday, November 11:

- 8:30 – 8:50 Chairs arrive; coffee etc.
8:50 – 9:00 Opening remarks and introductions (N. Madras, P. Cabilio, B. Marcus)
9:00 – 9:05 Remarks from the CMS (T. Salisbury)
9:05 – 10:05 First departmental overview: “The Department of Mathematics and Statistics at Dalhousie University”—Pat Keast
10:05 – 10:30 Coffee break
10:30 – 12:15 Panel discussion: “Long-term development of Canadian mathematical sciences: programs, funding, and cooperation among Institutes, Societies, and Departments”—I. Ekeland, B. Keyfitz, C. Leger, J. Stockie
12:15 – 2:00 Lunch (no organized event)

The Liaison Committee will meet in 353B York Lanes from 1:00 until 4:30. Enter from the south side of York Lanes, near the center of the building.

- 2:00 – 2:45 First special topic: Retired faculty members—J.-P. Carmichael*, D. Wolfson, F. Zorzitto
2:45 – 3:30 Second special topic: Reviews of performance of departments—T. Archibald, C. Laflamme, D. Vaughan*
3:30 – 4:00 Coffee break
4:00 – 4:30 Report on the May 2005 Canadian Mathematics Education Forum—Bradd Hart
4:30 – 5:30 Report from Liaison Committee on funding changes at NSERC—Richard Kane
7:00 Banquet at a Le Montmartre, 911 Sheppard Avenue West—directions on separate sheet

Saturday, November 12:

- 9:00 – 10:00 Second departmental overview: “The Department of Statistics and Actuarial Science at the University of Waterloo”—David Matthews
- 10:00 – 10:30 Coffee break
- 10:30 – 11:15 Third special topic: Increment/merit systems—E. Ahmed, B. Allen*, T. Lau
- 11:15 – 12:00 Fourth special topic: Graduate student funding—B. Hart*, B. Marcus
- 12:00 – 2:00 Lunch (no organized event)
- 2:00 – 3:00 Third departmental overview: “The Department of Mathematics at l’Université de Sherbrooke”—Eric Marchand
- 3:00 – 3:45 Fifth special topic: Retention of students and improved Drop/Fail/Withdraw rate—M. Alvo, S. Ferrando, V. Hussin, Y. Zhao*
- 3:45 – 4:00 Concluding remarks and selection of organizers for 2006 Chairs Meeting
- 4:00 – 4:30 Coffee break

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Regrets have been sent from the following people who are unable to attend:

Cathy Baker (Mount Allison), Eddy Campbell (CMS), Nassif Ghoussoub (BIRS), Arvind Gupta (MITACS), Merzak Kamel (UNB, St. John), Keith Knight (Toronto, Statistics), Guenter Krause (Manitoba), Francois Lalonde (CRM), and Will Welch (UBC, Statistics).