

DRAFT UNTIL APPROVED BY SENATE

MINUTES OF SENATE OF SIMON FRASER UNIVERSITY
HELD IN THE BOARD AND SENATE ROOM
ON MONDAY 4 MARCH, 1968, AT 7.00 PM

Present: P.D. McTaggart-Cowan

Chairman

R.J. Baker

M. Bawtree

K.R. Burstein

M. Collins

J.L. Dampier

A.J. Ellis

J.S. Foulds

B.L. Funt

E.M. Gibson

W.M. Hamilton

G. Kirchner

I. Koerner

M.A. Lebowitz

E.S. Lett

S.K. Lower

A.R. MacKinnon

J.W. Matthews

K. Okuda

G.M. Shrum

G. Sperling

D.G. Tuck

W. Vidaver

J. Walkley

S. Wasserman

S. Wong

S. Yandle

D.A. Meyers

Secretary

M. Dawson

Recording Secretary

In attendance: D. Roberts

Information Officer

P. Copes (for Item 3E)

Absent: D.A. Baird

A.E. Branca

R.J.C. Harper

A.F.C. Hean

R.N. Maud

C.H. McLean

G.N. Perry

D.H. Sullivan

S.M. 4/3/68

Meeting of 4/3/68

-2-

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Page 2 Item 2C of Minutes of 5 February, 1968: amend resolution to read "that Senate strike a committee of one student Senator, one lay member, and one member of each Faculty to be nominated by the Dean of the Faculty, to study the question of opening Senate meetings and report to the March meeting of Senate".

With this amendment the Minutes were approved.

It was agreed to postpone consideration of the Minutes of 29 February, 1968, to the next meeting of Senate.

2. BUSINESS ARISING

A. REPORT OF THE AD HOC COMMITTEE ON STUDY OF THE CAUT REPORT

R.J. Baker presented the report of the Ad Hoc Committee and said it recommended to Senate the formation of three special committees:

1. A Committee to study the constitution and function of governing bodies of the University.

Members: D.A. Baird, B.L. Funt, R.J.C. Harper,
G. Sperling, one student senator chosen
by the three student senators.

It was suggested (a) that the Committee should keep in touch with the Joint Senate-Board Committee on Working Relations, and (b) that one of its objectives might be to seek the opinion of each Faculty and the Faculty Association on the usefulness of "Joint Faculty" as a body.

2. A Committee to study the terms of appointment and tenure of members of Faculty.

Members: B.L. Funt, E.M. Gibson, A.F.C. Hean,
W. Vidaver.

The Ad Hoc Committee recognised that present negotiations between the Board of Governors and the Faculty Association might make a separate committee unnecessary at this time.

/....

S.M. 4/3/68

inclosed 2/28/68
J

-3-

2. A. 3. A Committee to study the method of appointment, tenure and functions of Deans and Heads of Departments.

Members: M. Collins, W.M. Hamilton, R.N. Maud,
A.R. MacKinnon, D.G. Tuck.

The Ad Hoc Committee suggested that this Committee consult each Faculty and the Faculty Association for their recommendations.

The Ad Hoc Committee also recommended that all these Committees take into account in their deliberations the Duff-Berdahl and CAUT Reports.

Moved by R.J. Baker, seconded by D.G. Tuck

"that the procedures recommended by the Ad Hoc Committee be approved"

MOTION CARRIED

Moved by A.R. MacKinnon, seconded by G. Kirchner

"that Senate set aside its usual procedure on nominations and appointments to committees"

MOTION CARRIED

Moved by R.J. Baker, seconded by D.G. Tuck

"that Senate approve the formation of a committee to study the constitution and function of governing bodies of the University, with the membership as recommended by the Ad Hoc Committee, substitutes being obtained if any listed could not serve"

MOTION CARRIED

Moved by R.J. Baker, seconded by D.G. Tuck

"that Senate approve the formation of a committee to study the terms of appointment and tenure of members of Faculty with the membership as recommended by the Ad Hoc Committee"

After discussion the membership was agreed as follows:

E.M. Gibson, A.F.C. Hean, G. Kirchner, J.W. Matthews,
W. Vidaver, with substitutes being obtained if any listed could not serve.

MOTION CARRIED

/....

S. M. 4/3/68

-4-

*Woodrow Wilson
Fellowship
Ph.D.
ma*

2. A. Moved by R. J. Baker, seconded by D. G. Tuck

"that Senate approve the formation of a committee to study the method of appointment, tenure and functions of Deans and Heads of Departments with the membership as recommended by the Ad Hoc Committee, with substitutes being obtained if any listed could not serve"

MOTION CARRIED

The Chairman thanked the Ad Hoc Committee for its recommendations. It was agreed that the Secretary of Senate would inform the members of their nomination and determine a member of each Committee to act as convenor until the Committee elected a Chairman.

The Committees would report their progress to a regular or special meeting of Senate during April or May as already resolved; it was further agreed that in view of the limited time available and the fact that other groups were conducting related studies, the Committees' reports need not necessarily be definitive.

- B. AWARD OF WOODROW WILSON FELLOWSHIPS

R. J. Baker drew the attention of Senate to the University's remarkable achievement in gaining a higher proportion of Woodrow Wilson designates among its graduands than any other University in Canada, and moved

"that Senate expresses its congratulations to the five students receiving the Woodrow Wilson Fellowships"

which was seconded and carried unanimously.

3. NEW BUSINESS

- A. AWARD OF PH.D. DEGREE - S-104

Moved by B. L. Funt, seconded by D. G. Tuck

"that the award of the Ph.D. degree to G. R. Lister be approved"

MOTION CARRIED

- B. AWARD OF M.A. DEGREES - S-105

Moved by J. W. Matthews, seconded by W. Vidaver

"that the award of the M.A. degree to D. Texmo and J. Woodsworth be approved"

MOTION CARRIED

/....

S.M. 4/3/68

-5-

*M.A. (Ed.)
Calendar
Graduate Studies
Kinesiology*

3. C. AWARD OF M.A. (Ed.) DEGREE - S-106

Moved by A.R. MacKinnon, seconded by G. Kirchner

"that the award of the M.A.(Ed.) degree
to P.W. Faris be approved"

MOTION CARRIED

D. CALENDAR CHANGE - BIOLOGICAL SCIENCE COURSE 449-1 - S-107

Moved by B.L. Funt, seconded by J. Walkley

"that Course 449-1 be approved for the 67-3
semester only"

MOTION CARRIED

E. M.B.A. PROGRAM - S-108

Moved by J.W. Matthews, seconded by E.M. Gibson

"that the MBA Program presented in Paper S-108
be approved"

P. Copes, Head of the Economics and Commerce Department,
joined the meeting at 8.10. After discussion of the financing, staffing,
admission requirements and content of the course it was agreed that
it should be implemented in September 1968.

MOTION CARRIED

P. Copes left the meeting at 8.50.

F. KINESIOLOGY PROGRAM - S-109

Moved by B.L. Funt, seconded by G. Kirchner

"that the Master's program in Kinesiology as
detailed in Paper S-109 be approved"

MOTION CARRIED

S. Wong served notice of a Motion he would bring to the
April meeting of Senate, that the Long Range Academic Planning
Committee should undertake the responsibility of examining at the
Departmental level all proposed new programs.

/....

S. M. 4/3/68

Gen Education

-6-

3. G. REPORT OF SENATE COMMITTEE ON GENERAL EDUCATION - S-110

Moved by S.K. Lower, seconded by G. Kirchner

"that the terms of reference of the Senate Committee on General Education be approved as follows:

1. To recommend the implementation of some aspects of the Preliminary Proposal
2. To guide with participating faculty members those portions of the Preliminary Proposal that Senate implements.
3. To recommend other aspects of General Education not contained in the Preliminary Proposal.
4. To transfer its complete responsibilities to the new Academic Vice-President within the first semester of his arrival on campus.

MOTION CARRIED

Moved by S.K. Lower, seconded by E.M. Gibson

"that Recommendations 1 to 5 in Paper S-110 be approved"

Senate then examined and voted on each recommendation in turn.

Recommendation 1. It was agreed that this would be amended to read:

That Senate ask each Faculty for a report on what General Education courses it will offer in Semesters 68-2 and 68-3, and what courses it will develop and budget for in subsequent semesters; and that Senate ask Faculties to consider designating existing courses as part of the General Education program.

There was discussion on the lack of clarity in this Motion and it was agreed to permit the Registrar to expand on it when referring the matter to the Faculties. The identification of existing courses which met the criteria for General Education was important. It was agreed that the Registrar would initiate action on this recommendation.

MOTION CARRIED

/....

S. M. 4/3/68

Gen Education

-7-

3. G. Recommendation 2. That Senate ask each Faculty to make fuller use of English 001 and Reading 001 where deficiencies in these areas are identified.

MOTION CARRIED

- Recommendation 3. That Senate ask the Faculty of Education for its opinion on offering Communications 100 and 200 on an exclusive Pass-Fail basis.

MOTION CARRIED

- Recommendation 4. That Senate encourage the very commendable noon-hour concerts, theatre programs and special events by directing the Registrar not to schedule lectures, laboratory periods or tutorials during the period 12.30 - 1.30.

It was suggested that this might be accomplished by encouraging Departments at registration to fill the 8.30 and 4.30 classes.

After discussion the Motion to approve Recommendation 4 was withdrawn.

- Recommendation 5. That Senate leave the guidance of the non-credit non-compulsory courses offered in the Physical Development Centre in the hands of the Centre itself rather than this Committee.

G. Kirchner said that these courses should be an integral part of the General Education program. S.K. Lower said the Committee had made this recommendation because it had not the time or the administrative staff available to enable it to undertake guidance of the wide range of activities presently offered by the Centre; and also by its terms of reference it would be transferring its responsibilities to the Academic Vice-President when appointed.

After further discussion, the Motion to approve Recommendation 5 was withdrawn.

/....

S. M. 4/3/68

*Gen Education
Honorary Degrees*

-8-

3. G. Recommendation 6. That students who have a minimum of 30 semester hours of credit and a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher should be permitted to take a certain number of free elective courses on a pass-fail basis. Senate should ask departments to re-examine their degree programs and to stipulate the maximum number of pass-fail courses that their major and honors students may take as electives, with the proviso that no such course could count towards the fulfilment of specific course requirements for a degree.

"Pass-Fail" in this connection means that the instructor would grade the students on the same basis and in the same manner as everyone else; students receiving a "C" or better would be designated by the Registrar as having passed; those with a "C-" or below would fail. Successful completion of a pass-fail course would give the student 3 semester hours of credit (or whatever credit is assigned by Senate and the Department to the course) toward the total number required for the degree. These units would not be counted in figuring the GPA.

After discussion it was agreed that this recommendation would be sent to Departments and the Faculties for comment, and that the Registrar would discuss with the Department of Education its effect on qualification for B.C. Government Scholarships if the recommendation were to be implemented. The Motion was therefore tabled until this advice and comment was obtained.

- H. DEFINITION OF REQUIREMENTS FOR HONORS DEGREE AND FIRST CLASS
STANDING - S-111

Senate considered the report of the Dean of Arts S-111(a) and the Motion tabled by S.K. Lower "that the Faculty of Science criteria be adopted for the Faculty of Arts". It was agreed that co-ordination of the Science and Arts criteria was necessary.

Moved by B.L. Funt, seconded by M. Collins

"that the matter be referred to the Deans of the Faculties for further consideration and report to Senate"

J.W. Matthews moved an amendment to the Motion

"that a member from each of the Faculty Curriculum Committees be included in the discussion group"

AMENDMENT CARRIED
MOTION CARRIED

/....

S.M. 4/3/68

-9-

*Student Residence
Openness of Senate
Senate Procedures*

3. I. OPERATING RULES FOR STUDENT RESIDENCE - S-112

Moved by A.R. MacKinnon, seconded by K.R. Burstein

"that the interim report be received"

MOTION CARRIED

J. REPORT ON SENATE COMMITTEE ON OPENNESS OF SENATE MEETINGS - S-113

J. Walkley presented the Committee's report.

Moved by J. Walkley seconded by S. Yandle

"that Senate receive the report"

MOTION CARRIED

The Chairman said there were two questions involved:

- (a) acceptance of the principle of open Senate meetings and
- (b) if this were accepted, the setting up of procedures and practices.

It was moved by S. Yandle, seconded by J. Walkley

"that Senate meetings be opened"

There followed a lengthy debate.

MOTION CARRIED
15 in favour
9 opposed

Suggestions for the conduct of open meetings were heard. It was generally agreed that Senate should work towards holding the first open session in May, so as to be able to establish procedures and practices at the April meeting.

Moved by J.L. Dampier, seconded by W. Vidaver

"that the Committee, in consultation with the Chairman of Senate, draw up rules, procedures and arrangements for conducting open meetings of Senate for acceptance at the April meeting of Senate, with the May meeting to be the first open meeting"

MOTION CARRIED

/....

S.M. 4/3/68

Greene Sinner

-10-

3. J. M. Bawtree suggested that the meeting adjourn. The Chairman suggested that Item 3L on the Graduate Student Association be discussed before adjournment as a decision now would be helpful; S. Yandle stated that the two student senators had lengthy presentations to make on this subject and debate might continue for some time.

Moved by B.L. Funt, seconded by G. Sperling

"that the meeting adjourn"

MOTION CARRIED

4. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Monday 1 April, 1968, at 7.00 p.m.

The meeting adjourned at 11.35 p.m.

D.A. Meyers
Secretary