

DRAFT UNTIL APPROVED BY SENATE

MINUTES OF SENATE OF SIMON FRASER UNIVERSITY HELD ON MONDAY,
SEPTEMBER 23, 1968, IN THE FACULTY LOUNGE AT 7:30 P.M.

OPEN SESSION

Present:

K.T. Strand
R.J. Baker
D.A. Baird
K.R. Burstein
B. D'Aoust
J.S. Foulds
F.J. Fisher (for Dean Funt)
E.M. Gibson
W.M. Hamilton
R.J.C. Harper
D. Korbin
A.R. MacKinnon
K. Okuda
K.E. Rieckhoff
G.A. Rheumer
G.B. Sperling
S. Stratton
D.G. Tuck
W. Vidaver
J. Walkley
W.E. Williams
S. Wong

Chairman

D. Roberts
H.M. Evans
D.A. Meyers
J. Smedley

Secretary

Recording Secretary.

Absent:

A.E. Branca
J.L. Dampier
A.J. Ellis
A.F.C. Hean
R. Turner
M.A. Lebowitz
E.S. Lett
C.H. McLean
G.N. Perry
G.M. Shrum
S. Wassermann

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1. ELECTION RESULT - S. 151

The Secretary announced the result of an election of a nominee, to be appointed by Senate, of the Faculty of Education to replace R.G. Jones for the balance of the term of office to May 31, 1971 - won by S. Stratton.

Moved by S. Wong, seconded by A.R. MacKinnon

"that S. Stratton be seated on Senate"

MOTION CARRIED

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

K. Rieckhoff referred to the closed meeting of Senate held on September 9, 1968, to an article written by Senator D. Korbin which appeared in the Peak, and to the fact that he considered the issue of the article as a breach of confidence with the result that he wished the advice of his fellow Senate members as to appropriate steps to be taken in view of the seriousness of this matter. Discussion followed as to whether this item should be considered in the open meeting of Senate or in closed meeting and the Chair suggested that the general question of confidentiality and what constitutes breach of confidentiality could be discussed in open session but that the substance of the closed meeting of September 9th could not be so discussed.

Moved by W. Vidaver, seconded by K.R. Burstein

"that this matter be discussed at this time"

MOTION CARRIED

D. Korbin indicated that he believed his first responsibility to be to the students, expressed his trust in the students, and that it would be his judgement in his position that students are entitled to be informed about what happens to the University and about how Senate has conducted University business. He indicated further that this would be his position until contrary instructions were given him by students at large.

Various members raised questions to ensure that there was no misunderstanding of the position stated by D. Korbin and discussion continued. S. Foulds suggested that clarification was required as to the nature of material which might be released to the Peak from closed sessions as he had provided material, often under considerable difficulty, on items which had been discussed at Senate before open meetings were introduced. R. Baker suggested that any Senator who

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found himself in a position that he would not be able to respect the confidential nature of given matters could absent himself from the discussions on such matters and that there was considerable precedent in this regard in many bodies similar to Senate. Some members expressed the view that if any Senator in future violated matters deemed by Senate to be confidential, or decided not to abide by the majority rule of Senate that such individuals should be asked to withdraw or to be removed from Senate meeting.

The assembly turned its attention to the approval of the agenda and the Chairman, following discussion, ruled the agenda approved.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF OPEN MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 9th, 1968.

The Secretary conveyed to Senate verbal discussion with Dr. Cochrane pertaining to statements at the September 9th meeting. Vote was taken on the motion by G.B. Sperling, seconded by D. Korbin, which had been tabled on motion by W. Vidaver, seconded by W. Hamilton which appears in the minutes of the open session September 9, 1968, pages 3 and 4.

TABLED MOTION DEFEATED

On this basis the Minutes of August 19th, 1968 were approved without further change.

W. Williams requested that change be made in the minutes of September 9th, 1968 open session, page 5 (c) line 3 of the main paragraph, with "immature" to be replaced by "premature".

With this change the minutes of the open meeting of September 9, 1968 were accepted.

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 9, 1968.

In reply to inquiry by D. Korbin, the secretary indicated that when legal opinion has been received Senate would be informed in the matter of membership on the Board of Governors as a representative from Senate and the effect of expiry date of the term of office of a Senator who might be re-appointed as a Senator through Order-in-Council.

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

- A. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE TO STUDY THE METHOD, APPOINTMENT, TENURE AND FUNCTIONS OF DEANS AND HEADS OF DEPARTMENTS -
PAPER S-141, S-141 (a), D.G. TUCK - S-141 (b) MINORITY REPORT.

Moved by D.G. Tuck, seconded by W.E. Williams

"that the report be received"

MOTION CARRIED

Discussion followed on the steps which might be undertaken by Senate.

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Joint Senate Board
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Moved by W. Williams, seconded by S. Wong

"that this matter not be discussed now but that once Joint Faculty has made recommendations of its own this matter be reconsidered by Dr. Tuck's Committee and then referred to Senate".

Debate continued.

Amendment to the Motion was made by K.R. Burstein, seconded by K. Reickhoff

"that the words 'this matter be reconsidered by Dr. Tuck's Committee' be replaced by 'that those recommendations be adopted by Dr. Tuck's Committee' "

AMENDMENT LOST

4 in favour
16 opposed

Vote on the main motion was taken.

MOTION CARRIED

B. REPORT OF THE JOINT SENATE-BOARD RELATIONS WORKING COMMITTEE -
PAPER S-132.

R. Baker was requested to speak on this paper and indicated that a great deal had occurred since the paper had been prepared and he suggested that a number of the items would be better discussed following consideration of Interim Council report and other reports which were currently being considered across the University.

Moved by R. Baker, seconded by A.R. MacKinnon

"that the report be received"

MOTION CARRIED

C. TABLED MOTION, K.R. BURSTEIN, G. SPERLING, "THAT SENATE
RESPECTFULLY REQUEST THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS TO INVITE
SENATE TO ELECT A FACULTY MEMBER TO ATTEND ITS FUTURE
MEETINGS"

As this motion had been tabled pending receipt of the report of the Joint Senate-Board Relations Working Committee consideration could be given to the motion. On the agreement of the mover, K.R. Burstein, and the seconder, G. Sperling, the tabled motion was withdrawn.

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- D. TABLED MOTION, S. WONG, REGARDING THE EXAMINATION BY THE LONG RANGE ACADEMIC PLANNING COMMITTEE OF ALL PROPOSED NEW PROGRAMMES - PAPER S-123 REFERS.

With the approval of S. Wong it was agreed that this matter should be brought forward at some future time.

- E. REQUEST BY K. OKUDA TO DISCUSS ALLEGATIONS OF NON-PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT IN THE FACULTY OF ARTS - PAPER S-133.

K. Okuda raised the question of procedures to handle problems which arise if individual faculty members bring charges of non-professional conduct against other professional faculty members, with indication that at present there are not appropriate channels for handling such problem.

Discussion followed, K. Reickhoff gave notice of motion, and debate continued.

Moved by K. Reickhoff

"that Senate appoint an Ad Hoc Committee consisting of six members including the three Deans and one Faculty member elected by each Faculty and charge it with bringing before Senate recommendations with regard to rules and procedures for bringing before Senate allegations of non-professional conduct of Faculty members.

Amendment was moved by D. Korbin, seconded by S. Wong

"that substitution be made for 'the three Deans' with the words 'three students selected by the Student Society' "

AMENDMENT LOST

Amendment was made by E. Gibson, seconded by G. Sperling

"that the section pertaining to the make-up of the committee be stricken and that this aspect be referred to the Senate Nominating Committee"

AMENDMENT CARRIED

Further amendment to the main motion as amended was made by G. Sperling, seconded by E.M. Gibson

"that at the end of the motion the words 'bringing before Senate' be replaced by 'considering' "

AMENDMENT CARRIED

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Faculty Council
Admissions
Student Res.*

Vote on the main motion as amended was taken

"that Senate appoint an ad hoc Committee consisting of 6 members (with the nominating committee to present names of nominees) and charge it with bringing before Senate recommendations with regard to rules and procedures for considering allegations of non-professional conduct of Faculty members"

MOTION AS AMENDED
CARRIED

F. REQUEST FOR REPORT ON FACULTY COUNCIL PROCEDURES

S. Wong indicated that some considerable time ago request had been made for such a report but that this had not been received. Following discussion the Chairman indicated that he would bring information before Senate at the next meeting indicating the present situation in respect of Faculty Council. Request was made for data on the terms of office and present membership of Faculty Council.

G. COURSES WITH LOW ENROLLMENT - (Paper S-84 Refers, January 8, 1968)

The Secretary indicated that a study had been commenced covering Fall Semester 67/3 with data being provided to Senate early in 1968. Senate had requested that the matter be referred back to individual Faculties and Departments for additional data with these to be consolidated and up-to-date data then given Senate. Unfortunately this had not been undertaken.

It was suggested that as this matter was now approximately one year old a study of such enrollment based on the 68/3 semester would better serve the purposes of Senate. It was noted that the previous study provided data on courses with enrollment of ten or less and further noted that without clarification by the individual departments enrollments in such numbers might or might not be reasonable.

Moved by R. Baker, seconded by J. Walkley

"that the previous instruction of Senate be rescinded and that a report based on the Fall Semester 68/3 be prepared and submitted to Senate"

MOTION CARRIED

H. RULES FOR OPERATING STUDENT RESIDENCES - (Paper S-149 - Information Only).

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

"that the report be received for information"

MOTION CARRIED

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I. LIBRARY FINES

The Chairman indicated that this matter had been referred to the Library Committee and R. Baker indicated a number of considerations given by that Committee with indication that further review was to be taken. He requested that Senate hold any possible action until such review could be completed as recommendations could be brought forward at that time.

J. EFFECTS UPON THE QUALITY OF EDUCATION THROUGH THE ALLOCATION OF BUDGETS OTHER THAN A WEIGHTING SYSTEM - (Paper S-139)

G. Rheumer referred to discussions held in the Faculty of Arts and reasons for bringing this item before Senate.

Moved by G. Rheumer, seconded by E. Gibson

"that a committee be struck to review present practice and alternative methods in allocating budgets for financing academic programmes"

Considerable debate followed with indication as to the difficulty in adequately dealing with this matter. Reference was made to a number of other reports which have been prepared from time to time by other agencies.

Following further debate it was suggested that the Committee might consist of three to five members named by the Chairman of Senate in consultation with the Chairman of the Nominating Committee.

MOTION CARRIED

Moved by K. Reickhoff, seconded by E. Gibson

"that the membership of the Committee consist of the three Deans"

Amendment was moved by K. Burstein, seconded by B. D'Aoust

"that the following words be added 'and any such persons deemed necessary by the President' "

Amendment to Amendment was moved by D. Korbin, seconded by G. Sperling

"substitute 'three Deans and three students selected by the Student Society' "

AMENDMENT TO THE
AMENDMENT LOST
4 in favor
9 opposed
3 abstained

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Vote was taken on the amendment by K. Burstein, seconded by B.D'Aoust

AMENDMENT CARRIED

Vote on the main motion as amended was taken

"that the membership of the Committee consist of the three Deans and any such persons deemed necessary by the President"

MOTION AS AMENDED
CARRIED
18 in favor
1 opposed

- K. NOTICE OF MOTION, ISSUED WITH THE CALL FOR THE MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 9, 1968, S. WONG, AND RESCINDING THE MOTION "THAT SENATE RESOLVE IT WILL NOT MEET IN JUNE, JULY OR AUGUST UNLESS AN EMERGENCY EXISTS" - (Paper S-140)

"that the motion that Senate resolve it will not meet in June, July or August, unless an emergency exists be rescinded"

Various members spoke for and against the motion.

MOTION CARRIED
14 in favor
5 opposed

L. OTHER ITEMS - UNFINISHED BUSINESS

D. Korbin requested that Senate Agenda and papers be made available to students and others who are interested on Library Reserve before Senate meetings. Discussion followed.

Moved by D. Korbin, seconded by S. Wong

"that the Senate agenda with appropriate supporting papers be placed in the Library Reserve before Senate Meetings"

MOTION CARRIED

6. NEW BUSINESS

- A. PRODUCTION SCHEDULE, GRADUATE AND UNDERGRADUATE CALENDARS - (Paper S-142)

Moved by S. Wong, seconded by D. Tuck

"that the production schedule for the graduate and undergraduate calendars as outlined in paper S-142 be approved"

MOTION CARRIED

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B. COMMENTS BY THE CHAIRMAN ON ACADEMIC FREEDOM AND TENURE

The Chairman commented on the brief which had been provided on Academic Freedom and Tenure and referred to the statement on Academic Freedom and Tenure which had been approved by the Faculty Association and the Board of Governors. It was noted that some persons are eligible for tenure consideration and that early action should be undertaken. The Chairman drew attention to Section 3.5 of the tenure brief, as follows -

"The University Committee on Tenure shall be a standing committee of Senate composed of the Academic Vice-President, or the President's designate if the Academic Vice-Presidency is vacant, as Chairman, and two faculty members elected by and from each faculty. Elected members will serve staggered two year terms. When cases from individual departments are being considered, this committee shall be joined by the appropriate Department Head or Chairman and two other Faculty members elected by and from the Department Tenure Committee; all three shall be non-voting participants".

It was noted further that request had been made for the Secretary of Senate to conduct these elections immediately.

Moved by G. Rheumer, seconded by E. Gibson

"that a standing Committee of Senate be struck in accordance with the recommendation made, and that the Secretary of Senate conduct the necessary elections immediately"

MOTION CARRIED

C. OTHER ITEMS

The Secretary indicated that the Senate Nominating Committee had been attempting to complete its roster of nominations in order that data could be provided to Senate members within the thirteen day limitation under Senate Rules such that elections could be held at the Senate Meeting of October 7th, but that it had been possible to complete the roster within this time.

Moved by S. Wong, seconded by S. Foulds

"that the Senate rule of thirteen days be suspended for the current nominations and elections being conducted for Senate Committees"

MOTION CARRIED

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D. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

It was drawn to the attention of Senate that the date of the next meeting had been established as October 7, 1968.

E. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by E. Gibson, seconded by R. Baker that the meeting adjourn.

MOTION CARRIED
9 in favour
8 opposed

The following wished their negative votes recorded

B. D'Aoust, S. Foulds, R.J.C. Harper, K. Okuda
K. Reickhoff, D. Tuck, W. Vidaver

In view of the motion to adjourn no closed session was held.

The meeting adjourned at 11:00 p.m.

H.M. Evans
Secretary.