

SIMON FRASER UNIVERSITY

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MEMORANDUM

To..... SENATE

From..... R. SCHIFFER, SENATOR

Subject..... RECOMMENDATION - DEAN OF GRADUATE
STUDIES SEARCH COMMITTEE

Date..... OCTOBER 15, 1975

MOTION: "That Senate approve and recommend approval to the Board of Governors that the graduate student membership on the Dean of Graduate Studies Search Committee be increased from two to five."

Note: The Board of Governors, with the approval of Senate, has power to establish procedures for the recommendation and selection of candidates for deans, Section 28 e. Interim procedures were approved by Senate and by the Board on July 7 and July 15, 1975, respectively, with provision for two students selected by the Student Society - following general procedures established for dean's search in 1970. The proposal is to raise the number from two to five without other changes by Senate and Board, and would require Board action. There is suggestion of change by the Student Society in the method used to select the students.

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The two student representatives on this committee have quit in protest against their apparent lack of ability to influence either the deliberations or the decision of the committee, in view of the overwhelming power of the deans and faculty on the committee. Bill Thomson, the 1st vice-president of the Student Society has written to DGSSC asking them to accept five students elected by the grad students. This is the number of faculty appointed, and the representation the students themselves wish. It might give the representatives a better chance to portray the broad interests of grad students in four faculties and many varied disciplines. As a student representative, aware that only Senate can alter the membership of the committee, I hasten to bring this matter to Senate and to ask for its speedy approval.

I might point out that at the time this was approved by Senate I stood and asked for its reconsideration; the chair ruled me out of order, although the question was put immediately after a vote on an amendment and without any discussion of the main motion. At the time I was concerned about the small proportion of student participation on this committee, and obviously my concern was well founded.

If this motion is defeated, Senate is in effect guaranteeing that there will be no students on the committee, and is confirming to students across campus that they were given two places on DGSSC simply to satisfy the proprieties and not to be a significant part of the decision making process. I ask Senate to treat grad students with the full measure of respect they deserve and to grant this increase in representation.

B.G. WILSON

VICE-PRESIDENT ACADEMIC

BILL THOMSON

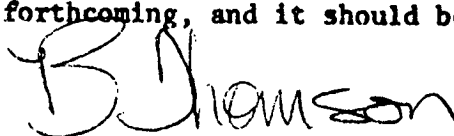
FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT

October 10, 1975

AS the two student representatives appointed by me resigned (see Peak of October 1), and as graduate students wish to elect their representatives to this committee, and as we feel two students is insufficient representation on this committee, an election will be conducted by myself for FIVE (5) graduate student representatives to this committee.

If you are genuinely concerned about student participation on this committee, I advise you to reschedule your meeting until such time as the election is held.

Notice of the election will be forthcoming, and it should be completed by the end of October.



Bill Thomson
1st Vice-President. SPSS

cc: All members of the committee