

DRAFT UNTIL APPROVED BY SENATE

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE SENATE OF SIMON FRASER UNIVERSITY
HELD ON MONDAY JULY 4, 1977, 3172 ADMINISTRATION BLDG., AT 7:00 P.M.

OPEN SESSION

Present:

Jewett, P., Chairman

Baird, D. A.
Birch, D.R.
Blaney, J.P.
Calvert, T.W.
Chapman, A.E.
Cunningham, A.B.
Curzon, A.E.
D'Auria, J.M.
Dawson, A.J.
Gehlbach, R. (for J. Ellis)
Glas, T.
Hobson, R.F.
Holweg, B.
Hossack, K.J.
Hoyt, G.C.
Kazepides, A.
Keltner, A.A.
Kemp, C.L.
Knight, D.E.
McGuire, G.T.
Munro, J.M.
Okuda, K.
Palmer, B.J.F.
Ryan, E.
Severy, L.
Thomas, S.
Webb, M.J.
Webster, J.M.
Weinberg, H.
Wells, E.J.
Wheatley, J.
White, R.H.
Wilson, B.G.
Wyatt, J.D.

Evans, H.M., Secretary
Nagel, H.D.
Dahabieh, S., Recording Secretary

Absent:

Arrott, A.S.
Barlow, J.S.
Bittle, D.E.
Bittle, G.
Buitenhuis, P.
Carlson, R.L.
Diamond, J.
Doherty, P.M.
Hindle, L.
Hindley, M.P.
Hutchinson, J.F.
Latham, L.
Mackauer, J.P.M.
Martel, A.G.
Overholt, M.J.
Resnick, L.

In Attendance:

Aberbach, A.D.
Alderson, E.W.
Banister, E.W.
Dickinson, J.

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved as circulated.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the Open Session of June 6, 1977, were approved as circulated.

3. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

There was no business arising from the minutes.

4. REPORT OF CHAIRMAN

The Chairman acknowledged receipt of a question from D. Holweg in connection with the letter received from the Minister of Education (S.77-76). B. Holweg expressed his concern that the Minister's letter did not address the Senate motion of April 9, 1977, and that the figures mentioned in the letter were misleading and did not truly represent the financial plight of universities. The Chairman pointed out that the difference in opinion is due to the fact that the University does not consider the payment made prior to March 31, 1977, to be part of this year's budget, while the government does include the payment in its calculation. However, the Chairman concurred with the Minister's statement that grants given to the universities were larger than those given to other ministries. She noted that a statement will be included as part of the 1978/79 fiscal year budget submission to be presented to the Universities Council and then to the government.

A question was submitted by T. Glas and B. Palmer requesting clarification about the relationship between the University Review Committee and SCAP/SCUB. It was pointed out that the University Review Committee has a much broader scope than SCAP/SCUB. The Review Committee will be concerned with the overall nature of the University and is not simply a budget review committee as it is concerned with such areas as the structure of the university year, the tutorial system, faculty workload relative to other universities, impact on class size and curriculum changes, review of academic and support functions, etc... SCUB on the other hand, is concerned with making recommendations to the President on the operating and capital budgets. It is hoped that any over-lap that may exist between the Review Committee and SCUB will be resolved by the fact that a member of SCUB is on the Review Committee. It was further indicated that the Review Committee will be working intensively through the Fall Semester with the hope that recommendations will be forthcoming by mid-December. The Committee will be meeting with departments and also will be holding some public meetings.

Recommendations by the University Review Committee involving academic matters will be presented to Senate via SCAP. It is not foreseen that the University Review Committee will continue beyond one semester; whereas SCAP/SCUB are continuing committees.

J. Wheatley suggested that the next distribution of the document containing Senate and related committees include the schedule of meetings for those committees that meet on regular basis. He also suggested that a schedule of meetings be provided at the next Senate meeting.

5. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

i) Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies

a) Paper S.77-77 - Item IV,2(d) of Guidelines for the Establishment of Certificate and Diploma Programs

Moved by D. Birch, seconded by J. Blaney,

"That Senate approve Item IV,2.(d) of Guidelines for the Establishment of Certificate and Diploma Programs, as set forth in S.77-77."

(Note: All of the guidelines in the attached paper were approved earlier by SCAP, SCUS and Senate, with the exception of Item IV,2.(d) which was held in abeyance for further development and discussion. That item has been approved by SCAP and SCUS and is recommended to Senate for approval.)

Amendment moved by A. Kazepides, seconded by D. Birch,

"That Item 2(d), page 2 be amended from 'Semester hour credits applied to one diploma cannot be applied to another Simon Fraser University certificate or diploma or degree, and vice versa.' to read 'Semester hour credits applied to one diploma cannot be applied to another Simon Fraser University certificate or diploma or degree.'".

After clarification of the intent of the item, the mover agreed to withdraw the amendment.

Responding to a question on why the programs are not considered graduate degrees, J. Wheatley advised that the programs do not fulfil the normal criteria for graduate programs and hence should be governed by undergraduate regulations.

J. Blaney identified that a diploma program is intended to provide an academic option to a graduate degree.

In response to an enquiry by A. Curzon, it was confirmed that specific certificate and diploma programs would require the approval of Senate. Candidates completing the programs would also require the approval of Senate.

Question was called and a vote taken.

MOTION CARRIED.

b) Paper S.77-78 - Proposal for the Extended Studies Diploma and Program Operations

Moved by D. Birch, seconded by J. Blaney,

"That Senate approve and recommend approval to the Board of Governors the Extended Studies Diploma Program, with requirements as set forth on p. 6 and program operations on p. 9-11 of S.77-78."

(The extended Studies Diploma Program proposal has been reviewed and approved by the Senate Committee on Continuing Studies, the Senate Committee on Academic Planning and the Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies. It was forwarded to faculties for comment and again considered by SCUS with development of program operations as noted in the paper following discussions with the pertinent bodies. Approval is now recommended. Information regarding Models of Professional Development Degree Programs is available in the Office of the Registrar.)

J. D'Auria expressed his concern that students with G.P.A. of 2.0 would be eligible to enrol in graduate courses. J. Wheatley explained that the Departmental Graduate Program Committee has the right to exclude students from taking graduate courses.

Amendment moved by A. Kazepides, seconded by M. Webb,

"That item (a)(2) on page 6 'normally 3 years since completion of the bachelor's degree' be deleted."

It was identified during discussion of the amendment that the intent of the diploma program was to provide opportunity for up-dating academic and quasi professional qualifications. A. Kazepides considered the regulation too restrictive suggesting that students should have the opportunity to continue their education according to their individual needs.

Question was called and a vote taken.

AMENDMENT CARRIED.

It was agreed that on page 6, under the Note, the wording "the Department Graduate Programme Committee" to be changed to "the Departmental Graduate Studies Committee".

Amendment moved by J. Munro, seconded by T. Glas,

"That Item 2, paragraph 2 on page 10, 'It is suggested that either the faculty adviser of the Academic Advice Centre or the Chairman of the faculty undergraduate curriculum committee be considered as a suitable person for this position, or some other person named either by the Dean or at his request by the Chairman of the faculty undergraduate curriculum committee likely from the membership of that committee.' be deleted."

J. Munro stated that it would be more advantageous to establish a condition enabling the appointment of an adviser to be of a continuing nature.

Question was called and a vote taken.

AMENDMENT CARRIED.

B. Palmer expressed his concern that the designated faculty adviser appears to be assigned too much authority and that the adviser's relationship to the Extended Studies Diploma Committee was not adequately identified.

Moved by B. Palmer, seconded by A. Dawson,

"That Paper S.77-78 be referred back to the Senate Committee on Continuing Studies for the development of an appeal mechanism and for clarification of the role of the faculty adviser."

During the discussion that followed it was emphasized that the intent was not that the faculty adviser would be the final authority but that a collaborative relationship would exist between the adviser and the committee and that the final authority would rest with the committee. It was identified that the calendar description contained in the proposal did not adequately describe this relationship. It was agreed that it would be inappropriate to attempt to revise the calendar entry on the floor of Senate. J. Wheatley moved an amendment that the original motion include the words "approval in principle". A point of order was raised by A. Dawson. The amendment was ruled out of order on the basis that another amendment was under discussion by Senate.

In response to a question from J. Webster, J. Blaney advised that a minor delay would not jeopardize the introduction of specific diploma programs.

- 6 -

D. Birch pointed out that the proper body to refer paper S.77-78 to is the Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies. The mover of the motion agreed with the suggestion and the motion was amended accordingly.

Question was called and a vote taken.

In favour 15
Opposed 12

MOTION TO REFER CARRIED.

c) Paper S.77-79 - Proposed Certificate Program in Health and Fitness Studies

Moved by D. Birch, seconded by T. Calvert,

"That Senate approve, and recommend approval to the Board of Governors, the Certificate Program in Health and Fitness Studies as set forth in S.77-79."

(Note: This program was developed in conjunction with the Department of Kinesiology and has been approved by the Senate Committee on Continuing Studies, SCAP and SCUS, and is recommended to Senate for approval.)

It was agreed that on page 4, under Program Requirements, it should include a statement to read that "the minimum G.P.A. is 2.0."

A. Kazepides questioned the objectives of the proposed program and the appropriateness of offering it at the university level.

Professors E. Banister and J. Dickinson were invited to join the assembly to respond to questions.

T. Calvert and E. Banister provided details on the program identifying the academic merits inherent in it.

E. Banister pointed out that non-credit seminars are planned to be held with material related to the courses which would provide extra focus and tie in with the credit courses.

Question was called and a vote taken.

MOTION CARRIED.

d) Paper S.77-80 - Centre for the Arts - Course Proposals - FPA.102-3, 103-3, 107-3, 108-3, 113-6, 121-3

- 7 -

Moved by D. Birch, seconded by T. Calvert,

"That Senate approve and recommend approval to the Board of Governors, as set forth in S.77-80, the following courses:

FPA.102-3 Music in History I
FPA.103-3 Music in History II
FPA.107-3 Introduction to Art History - The Seventeenth Century
FPA.108-3 Introduction to Art History - The Eighteenth Century
FPA.113-6 The Arts in Context: European Romanticism
FPA.121-3 Contemporary Dance Fundamentals."

(It is noted that FPA.102 replaces G.S.102, FPA.103 replaces G.S.103, FPA.107 and FPA.108 will lead to the discontinuance of G.S.200 and G.S.100. FPA.113 and FPA.121 are new. SCUS approved waiver of the time lag requirement in order that the latter two courses may be first offered in the Spring Semester 78-1.

It was identified that the new courses continue in keeping with the earlier decisions on the establishment of Fine and Performing Arts and that these proposals include a transfer of general electives in the General Studies courses providing support for the approved minors but without intent of leading to a Minor in Music.)

Professor E. Alderson was invited to join the assembly to respond to questions.

D. Birch noted that a schematic presentation as requested by Senate at an earlier meeting was attached to the document.

E. Alderson responded to questions regarding availability of faculty to offer the proposed courses. He indicated that regular members of faculty were available and that many of these courses will be taught by sessional lecturers employed through Continuing Studies.

In response to a question raised by B. Palmer regarding the receipt of credit for both G.S.200 and its substitute FPA.107, E. Alderson indicated that there is no content overlap, hence no reason to prevent students from taking both courses for credit.

Question was called and a vote taken.

MOTION CARRIED.

- 8 -

- e) Paper S.77-81 - Faculty of Interdisciplinary Studies Proposed Course - G.S. 304-5 - Richard Wagner: The Ring of the Nibelung

Moved by D. Birch, seconded by T. Calvert,

"That Senate approve and recommend approval to the Board of Governors, as set forth in S.77-81, the new course G.S.304-5 - Richard Wagner: The Ring of the Nibelung."

(This course was approved by the Faculty of Interdisciplinary Studies and considered by SCUS at two meetings, with attention being given to the prerequisites for the course, the credit hours assigned and the nature of procedures in presenting the course to students, with answers to their enquiries satisfactory to the committee. The course has been successfully presented earlier on a non-credit basis. SCUS approved waiver of the time requirement to permit offering of this course from 78-1).

Professor A. Aberbach was invited to join the assembly to respond to questions.

A. Curzon noted that the prerequisite for the course did not require a background in German. A. Aberbach indicated that the course is not based on the need to know German and that texts are available in both German and English.

C. Kemp questioned the appropriateness of 5 credits for the course. D. Birch pointed out that SCUS in examining the question of credit hours attempts to satisfy itself that the academic demands of the course are appropriate to the scale of credit being offered rather than the contact hours.

B. Wilson stated his concern that a single faculty member will be offering the course.

Amendment moved by B. Wilson, seconded by A. Kazepides,

"That course G.S.304-5 be approved for one year only."

Speaking in opposition to the amendment, T. Calvert noted that many courses were tied to one faculty member and objected to G.S.304-5 being singled out for unique action.

Question was called and a vote taken.

In favour	11
Opposed	15

AMENDMENT FAILED.

- 9 -

Moved by E. Wells, seconded by C. Kemp,

"That Paper S.77-81 be referred back to SCUS for rediscussion of the credit hours and perhaps a recommendation to change assigned credit from 5 to 3."

Question was called and a vote taken.

MOTION TO REFER FAILED.

J. D'Auria raised a question with regard to the stipend attached to the course and commented that such arrangements may take away time usually used for research. He suggested that perhaps the University Review Committee should look at this matter.

J. Webster noted that the prerequisite for the course did not require any background in music. A. Aberbach explained that the musical aspect of the course is relatively a minor aspect.

Question was called and a vote taken.

MOTION CARRIED.

- f) Paper S.77-82 - Proposed Physical Education Sequence in Kinesiology - New Courses KIN.343-3, 367-3, 370-3, 375-3, 467-3, 470-2, 471-2; Discontinuance of KIN.366-3, 466-3.

Moved by D. Birch, seconded by T. Calvert,

"That Senate approve and recommend approval to the Board of Governors, as set forth in S.77-82, the following new courses:

KIN.343-3 Fitness Appraisal and Guidance
KIN.367-3 Psychology of Motor Performance and Skill Acquisition
KIN.370-3 Biomechanics in Motor Learning
KIN.375-3 Physiological and Developmental Basis of Motor Performance
KIN.467-3 The Components of Skilled Performance
KIN.470-2 Motor Activities Laboratory I
KIN.471-2 Motor Activities Laboratory II

and the discontinuance of KIN.366-3 and KIN.466-3."

(Consideration has been given over some time to the development of an appropriate sequence of courses in the Department of Kinesiology as preparation for individuals who wish to undertake the Professional Development Program in Education with better preparation for the teaching of physical education. Intensive discussions have been held between the Department of Kinesiology and the Faculty of Education. Proposals were considered by the Senate Committee on Academic Planning with referral back to the Faculty of Interdisciplinary Studies for further consideration as the proposal was not considered necessarily to be a new program. Following further discussions and adjustments to the earlier proposals the proposed new courses and sequences of courses for use toward the Minor in Kinesiology were reviewed and approved by SCUS.

Further consideration is being given to the place of a number of these courses relative to the Kinesiology Major.

It is noted that KIN.366 and 466 will be discontinued only if there is approval of KIN.367 and 467. KIN.467 is new but is not a part of the sequence proposed. SCUS approved waiver of the time requirement to permit offering of these courses as from 78-1).

Professor E. Banister and J. Dickinson were invited again to join the assembly to respond to questions.

T. Calvert pointed out that the proposed physical education sequence did not constitute new courses but the restructuring of existing courses. The only change in resources is the addition of a lab for which funding would be required.

A. Curzon remarked that the courses carry financial implications and suggested that it would be more appropriate that the proposal be considered a new program to be forwarded to the Universities Council for consideration.

D. Birch and T. Calvert considered referral to the Universities Council inappropriate as existing courses were being utilized to form the new program.

A. Kazepides and A. Dawson expressed their concerns that although it is stated that intensive discussions had been held between the Department of Kinesiology and the Faculty of Education this did not appear to be the situation. D. Birch noted that at both SCUS and SCAP meetings assurances were given that intensive consultation had taken place.

R. Gehlbach questioned whether the new courses, if passed, would imply a change in the prerequisite for the specific minor in physical education. D. Birch responded that the specific minor would not be affected.

Moved by A. Dawson, seconded by A. Kazepides,

- 11 -

"That paper S.77-82 be referred for comments to the Faculty of Education and specifically to the Professional Development Program Committee and its Undergraduate Program Committee and be brought back to Senate for the next meeting."

D. Birch commented that the appropriate referral would be to the Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies. The above motion was then amended with the approval of the mover to read:

"That Paper S.77-82 be referred back to the Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies to obtain further information and consultation required."

Question was called and a vote taken.

MOTION TO REFER CARRIED.

- g) Paper S.77-83 - New Courses: BICH 492-10 and BICH 493-15

Moved by D. Birch, seconded by J. Webster,

"That Senate approve and recommend approval to the Board of Governors, as set forth in S.77-83, the new courses:

BICH 492-10 Individual Study Semester (Option A)
BICH 493-15 Individual Study Semester (Option B)."

(SCUS approved waiver of the time requirement in order that these courses may be first offered in Spring 78-1. SCUS requested a list of illustrative topics which is attached for information.)

Question was called and a vote taken.

MOTION CARRIED.

- h) Paper S.77-84 - MATH 158-3 - New Course: MATH 157-3 (Renumbering of MATH 150); Prerequisite Changes

Moved by D. Birch, seconded by J. Webster,

- 12 -

"That Senate approve and recommend approval to the Board of Governors, as set forth in S.77-84,

1. The new course, MATH 158-3 Calculus for Social Sciences II
2. The renumbering of MATH 150-3 to MATH 157-3
3. The changes in prerequisites arising from the above."

(SCUS approved waiver of the time lag requirement in order that these changes may be effective from Spring 78-1. If the changes are approved the adjusted prerequisites would be included in Course Guide).

Question was called and a vote taken.

MOTION CARRIED.

- i) Paper S.77-85 - New Course MATH 304-3
(Discontinuance of MATH 305-4)

Moved by D. Birch, seconded by A. Kazepides,

"That Senate approve and recommend approval to the Board of Governors, as set forth in S.77-85 the new course MATH 304-3 - Statistical Analysis of Sample Surveys, and the discontinuance of MATH 305-4."

(SCUS approved waiver of the time lag requirement to permit offering for Spring 78-1).

Question was called and a vote taken.

MOTION CARRIED.

- j) Paper S.77-86 - Mathematics Prerequisite Changes

Moved by D. Birch, seconded by J. Webster,

"That Senate approve and recommend approval to the Board of Governors, as set forth in S.77-86, the proposed Mathematics prerequisite changes."

(The proposed Mathematics prerequisite changes do not constitute a change to requirements but are intended to clarify prerequisites for students.

If these are approved the Course Guide will show the adjustments in prerequisites for Spring 78-1).

Question was called and a vote taken.

MOTION CARRIED.

k) Paper S.77-87 - New Course - PHYS 150-3

Moved by D. Birch, seconded by A. Curzon,

"That Senate approve and recommend approval to the Board of Governors, as set forth in S.77-87, the new course, PHYS 150-3 - Elementary Physics of Electronic Devices, and the change in prerequisites for PHYS 101 and PHYS 120."

(SCUS approved waiver of the time lag requirement to permit first offering for Spring 78-1).

Question was called and a vote taken.

MOTION CARRIED.

ii) Senate Library Committeea) Paper S.77-88 - Annual Report - For Information

A. Cunningham asked if there is any significant information on book losses since the installation of the new security system. D. Baird responded that it is necessary for such a system to be in operation for approximately a year before an inventory can be made. However, he commented, that reports from other institutions with similar security systems indicate that losses have been very minimal.

6. REPORTS OF FACULTIES

There were no reports from faculties.

7. OTHER BUSINESSi) Paper S.77-89 - Tuition Fee Structure

P. Jewett indicated that there has been some concern about the academic impact of the recently approved fee structure and that this concern has taken the form of a motion from the Faculty of Science.

Moved by J. Webster, seconded by A. Curzon,

"That Senate ask the Board of Governors to reconsider the recently approved fee structure since its detailed structure has negative academic implications, and consider an amendment to the effect that students enrolled in courses totalling more than 15 semester hours in any one semester be charged no more than those enrolled in 15 semester hours."

- 14 -

J. Webster explained that the above motion rose out of the Faculty of Science meeting in May - too late for the June meeting of Senate. Several members of the Faculty of Science indicated their concern that there are detrimental academic implications to the new fee structure and that the Board of Governors may not have been aware of these implications.

J. Munro stated that it is very difficult to change any price system without introducing unexpected consequences.

D. Birch considered that the new fee structure would inhibit the misuse of registering and dropping of courses which results in inappropriate and inefficient utilization of University resources.

J. D'Auria argued that if the University wishes to discourage capricious actions concerning the dropping of courses, it should change the rebate scheme. He believed that the new fee structure discourages the very qualified and prepared students from taking larger course loads. D. Birch stated that with a 15 hours cap changing the rebate schedule would be ineffective.

K. Okuda suggested postponing taking action suggesting that a waiting period of one year should be undertaken in order to evaluate the impact of the new fee structure in terms of actual student performance.

L. Severy reminded Senate that the reason fees were increased was to increase revenue. She considered that since students will not be able to afford taking a large number of courses during a given semester, the University will not increase revenue defeating the purpose of the new fee structure. In addition to restricting students in their selection of general interest courses, B. Palmer believed that the University may incur more cost because students would be on campus an extra semester.

Question was called and a vote taken.

MOTION CARRIED.

P. Jewett commented that, if the Board of Governors should revise the new fee schedule, it would be impossible to implement a change for Fall 1977. She considered that it would be impractical to implement a change in the middle of an academic year suggesting it may not be possible to make a change effective until September 1979. She noted, however, that final decision rests with the Board of Governors.

8. NOTICES OF MOTION

There were no notices of motion.

9. INFORMATION

The assembly recessed briefly at 9:30 p.m., prior to moving into Closed Session.

H. M. Evans
Secretary