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MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE SENATE OF SIMON FRASER UNIVERSITY
HELD ON MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 1983, KLAUS RIECKHOFF HALL

OPEN SESSION

Present: Saywell, W.G., President

Ayala, J.
Banister, E.W.
Bennett, R.N.D.
Berggren, J.L.
Blaney, J.P.
Brown, R.C.
Calvert, T.W.
Carter, S.D.
Clark, K.
Crawford, C.B.
D'Auria, J.M.
Dobb, T.C.
Fellman, M.
Finberg, N.
George, D.A.
Harris, M.D.
Hoyt, G.C.
Ivany, J.W.G.
Jones, C.H.W.
Kameda, T.
Kazepides, A.C.
Kimball, M.
Krebs, D.L.
Leiss, W.
MacPherson, A.
McDonald, D.
Munro, J.M.
Murray, P.R.
Nielsen, V.
Noonan, M.
Okuda, K.
Pinfield, L.T.
Prock, L.M.
Rieckhoff, K.E.
Rositch, S.
Schachter, B.
Stewart, R.
Strate, G.
Swartz, N.
Tham, H.A.
Thompson, R.B.
Webster, J.M.
Wells, E.J.
Wotherspoon, A.J.

Absent: Cochran, J.F.
Coté, P.T.
Kristen, S.
O'Fallon, C.E.
Overholt, M.J.
Weinberg, H.
Wideen, M.F.

Evans, H.M., Secretary
Grant, B., Recording Secretary

On behalf of all the members of Senate, G. Ivany extended a very warm welcome to Dr. Saywell and wished him success in his Chairmanship of Senate.

1. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

The Agenda was approved as distributed.

2. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

The Minutes of the Open Session of July 11, 1983 were approved as distributed.

3. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

There was no business arising.

4. REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN

- (i) Dr. Saywell expressed his pleasure at having been appointed to Simon Fraser University and indicated his appreciation for the welcome and warm reception he had received not only at Senate but also during the past week on campus.

He also asked Senators to join him to thank Dr. Ivany for doing an outstanding job as Acting President during some of the most difficult months that Simon Fraser University has gone through.

- (ii) The Chairman reported that he and the Chairman of the Board, F. Moonen, had met in Victoria with the Minister of Education and the Premier of British Columbia and that a forthright exchange of views had taken place with respect to the current financial situation of universities in B.C. He indicated that he had told the Premier that whatever the economic situation was, the academic community of the Province would be better off if left alone to administer its operation internally rather than having Victoria run it for them and, with the amendments to Bill 3, the Chairman felt the Government was at least beginning to move in this direction.

- (iii) The Chairman indicated that, at the very best, the University could expect a zero increment on global funding next year, at the worst it could be zero minus. Therefore, one of the major overwhelming concerns at the present time was how Simon Fraser, as an institution, can cope with next year's budget and at the same time maintain a sense of mission and purpose. As an urgent priority request, Vice-Presidents and Deans have therefore been asked to bring forward recommendations within the next two weeks on how the university will deal with strategic planning, not only defining long term planning but, in the immediate context, establish criteria with procedures and plans by which if the fiscal year 1984/85 is even worse than expected, Simon Fraser can cope with it.

- (iv) The Universities Council of British Columbia has informed the universities that it, as a body, will engage in a strategic planning

exercise that involves all of the universities in the Province. K. Strand of this university has been hired as their Project Director. The Chairman expressed his concern that such an exercise may lead towards the direction of a universities system in B.C. whereby specific missions would be identified for each university which he felt would not be in the best interest of higher education in general or, more particularly, not be in the interest of Simon Fraser University. Further information on this issue will be forthcoming at subsequent meetings.

5. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

i) SENATE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

a) Paper S.83-61 - Elections

Elections to fill vacancies on a number of Senate committees were conducted, the results of which follow.

Senate Committee on Academic Discipline (SCAD)

One Senator at large, as Chairman, to replace M.F. Wideen, whose term of office expires September 30, 1983. Term of office is for one year, from October 1, 1983 to September 30, 1984.

Elected by acclamation: M. F. WIDEEN

One Faculty Member to replace A.C. Kazepides whose term of office expires September 30, 1983. Term of office is for two years, from October 1, 1983 to September 30, 1985.

Elected by acclamation: A. C. KAZEPIDES

One Faculty Member Alternate to replace L.H. Palmer, whose term of office expires September 30, 1983. Term of office is for one year, from October 1, 1983 to September 30, 1984.

Elected by acclamation: A. CURZON

Senate Committee on Academic Planning (SCAP)/Senate Committee on University Budget (SCUB)

Three Senators at large to replace W.L. Cleveland, J.M. D'Auria, and K.E. Rieckhoff, whose terms of office expire September 30, 1983. Terms of office are for two years, from October 1, 1983 to September 30, 1985.

Elected by acclamation: J. M. D'AURIA
M. FELLMAN
K. E. RIECKHOFF

One Lay Senator to replace V. Nielsen whose term of office expires September 30, 1983. Term of office is for two years, from October 1, 1983 to September 30, 1985.

Elected by acclamation: V. NIELSEN

Senate Committee on Academic Planning (SCAP)/Senate Committee on University Budget (SCUB) - continued

One Student Senator to replace R.N.D. Bennett, whose term of office expires September 30, 1983. Term of office is for two years, from October 1, 1983 to September 30, 1985.

Ballots cast 44
Ballots spoiled 1

Individual totals: Bennett 28
Thompson 15

Individual receiving the higher number
of votes and declared elected: R. N. D. BENNETT

Senate Committee on Agenda and Rules (SCAR)

One Senator at large to replace D. McDonald, whose term of office expires on September 30, 1983. Term of office is for two years, from October 1, 1983 to September 30, 1985.

Elected by acclamation: C. O'FALLON

One Student Senator to replace A.J. Wotherspoon, whose term of office expires September 30, 1983. Term of office is for two years, from October 1, 1983 to September 30, 1985.

Elected by acclamation: A. J. WOTHERSPOON

Senate Committee on Continuing Studies (SCCS)

Two Senators at large to replace L.M. Prock and E.W. Banister, whose terms of office expire September 30, 1983. Terms of office are for two years, from October 1, 1983 to September 30, 1985.

Elected by acclamation: E. W. BANISTER
L. M. PROCK

One Lay Senator to replace S. D. Carter whose term of office expires September 30, 1983. Term of office is for two years, from October 1, 1983 to September 30, 1985.

Elected by acclamation: S. D. CARTER

Senate Committee on Honorary Degrees (SCHD)

One Lay Senator to replace R. E. Henderson for no specified term of office.

Elected by acclamation: M. J. OVERHOLT

Note:- An election for replacement of one Senator at large is required.

Senate Library Committee (SLC)

Two Senators at large to replace R.A. Stewart and M. Noonan, whose terms of office expire September 30, 1983. Terms of office are for two years, from October 1, 1983 to September 30, 1985.

Elected by acclamation: M. NOONAN
R. A. STEWART

Senate Nominating Committee (SNC)

Four Senators at large to replace H. Weinberg, W. Leiss, K. Okuda and N. Finberg, whose terms of office expire September 30, 1983. Terms of office are for one year, from October 1, 1983 to September 30, 1984.

Elected by acclamation: C. JONES
W. LEISS
K. OKUDA
H. WEINBERG

One Student Senator and One Student Senator Alternate to replace R.N.D. Bennett and A.J. Wotherspoon, whose terms of office expire September 30, 1983. Terms of office are for one year, from October 1, 1983 to September 30, 1984.

Elected by acclamation: R.N.D. BENNETT (Regular)
A.J. WOTHERSPOON (Alternate)

Senate Committee on Scholarships, Awards and Bursaries (SCSAB)

One Faculty Member from the Faculty of Arts, one Faculty Member from the Faculty of Business Administration, one Faculty Member from the Faculty of Education, one Faculty Member from the Faculty of Interdisciplinary Studies, and one Faculty Member from the Faculty of Science to replace A. MacPherson, B. Schachter, M.F. Wideen, G. Strate, and C.H.W. Jones, whose terms of office expire September 30, 1983. Terms of office are for two years, from October 1, 1983 to September 30, 1985.

Elected by acclamation: A. MACPHERSON (Arts)
D. MCDONALD (Business Administration)
A.C. KAZEPIDES (Education)
D.K. MACINTYRE (Interdisciplinary Studies)
J.L. BERGGREN (Science)

One Lay Senator to replace R. E. Henderson, whose term of office expires September 30, 1983. Term of office is for two years, from October 1, 1983 to September 30, 1985.

Elected by acclamation: V. NIELSEN

Senate Undergraduate Admissions Board (SUAB)

Two Student Senators and one Student Senator Alternate to replace R.N.D. Bennett, K. Clark and S. Rositch, whose terms of office expire September 30, 1983. Terms of office are for one year, from October 1, 1983 to September 30, 1984.

Elected by acclamation: R.N.D. BENNETT (Regular)
K. CLARK (Regular)
S. ROSITCH (Alternate)

ii) SENATE COMMITTEE ON UNDERGRADUATE STUDIES

a) Paper S.83-62 - Proposed changes - Department of Languages
Literatures and Linguistics

Moved by J. Munro, seconded by K. Rieckhoff,

"That Senate approve and recommend approval to the Board of Governors, as set forth in S.83-62, the proposed

- i) New courses - RUSS 106-1 Russian Word Formation
RUSS 406-3 Comparative Russian and English
Morphology and Syntax
RUSS 407-3 Russian Syntax
- ii) Deletion of RUSS 403-5 History of the Russian Language

Question was called, and a vote taken.

MOTION CARRIED.

Subject to the approval of the course by Senate and the Board of Governors, the Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies approved waiver of the two semester time lag requirement for offering RUSS 407-3 - Russian Syntax to permit first offering in Spring 1984.

Acting under delegated authority at its meeting of July 26, 1983, the Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies approved change in title of RUSS 105-1 FROM Elementary Russian TO Russian Pronunciation.

b) Paper S.83-63 - Proposed Change - Kinesiology

An information paper was presented to Senate covering actions undertaken under delegated authority by the Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies at its meeting of July 26, 1983, approving change in vector for KIN. 142-3 - Introduction to Kinesiology from 1-0-2 to 2-0-2.

iii) SENATE COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC PLANNING

a) Paper S.83-64 - Downtown Campus Planning Committee - Membership and Terms of Reference

This paper which outlined membership and terms of reference for the Downtown Campus Planning Committee was presented to Senate for information.

iv) SENATE UNDERGRADUATE ADMISSIONS BOARD

a) Paper S.83-65 - Policy on Admission from Independent Schools

Moved by J. Munro, seconded by K. Rieckhoff,

"That Senate approve, as set forth in S.83-65

MOTION 1 - 'That for purposes of undergraduate admissions, the University accept applicants from all independent schools which adhere to the British Columbia High School Curriculum, subject to the same conditions as apply to applicants from British Columbia public schools'

MOTION 2 - 'That the University consider applicants from independent schools in other Canadian provinces only if the applicant meets the admission requirements of the leading university in that province'

MOTION 3 - 'That the SUAB in Spring semester 1986 review the academic performances of students from independent schools to evaluate the effect of the above policies'

MOTION 4 - 'That above policy changes become effective for applicants for 1984 and subsequently'."

The above action modifies actions taken by Senate in February, 1983 under S.83-16 revised.

Motion 1 does not supercede the quota regulations on international students, whether entering from British Columbia public or private schools.

J. Munro introduced the paper by briefly providing some background information explaining that in order to administer the policy previously passed by Senate, SUAB would have been required to establish an evaluation process for the purpose of accrediting independent high schools not included in the Category II status. Implementation of such a process was not possible without additional significant resources so it was decided to essentially go back to the earlier policy with the proviso that the University would obtain information on the performance of students coming from independent high schools in British Columbia and, in the Spring semester 1986, would review the policy in light of the information gathered to compare the performance of students coming from various categories.

In reply to an inquiry as to why this proposal which relaxed entrance requirements was being put forward at a time when the University had undertaken to limit enrolment, J. Munro explained that the two matters were separate issues and he did not foresee the numbers being very large and pointed out that a number of them would, in any event, be covered under the quota on international students.

Question was called, and a vote taken on the collective package of all four motions.

MOTIONS CARRIED.

6. REPORTS OF FACULTIES

a) Faculty of Engineering Science

D. George reported that the Engineering Science Program had begun and that enrolment was somewhat higher than planned for; i.e. approximately 33 students in the first year and 23 students in the second year with the typical high school grade point average for first year students being 3.75.

7. OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business.

8. NOTICES OF MOTION

a) Paper S.83-66 - A.C. Kazepides Motion - For Discussion

Moved by A. Kazepides, seconded by N. Swartz,

"That the Senate Committee on Academic Planning investigate the most appropriate and efficient ways of teaching graduate courses on research methods in the Social Sciences at Simon Fraser University"

A. Kazepides stated that he had put the motion forward because he believed that there was a proliferation of these courses at the University and he felt something should be done to reduce the number of such courses in order to save money, free the teaching time of professors to allow them to offer other courses and encourage more cooperation among professors from various departments.

Speaking against the motion W. Leiss wondered why the motion was limited to Social Sciences and inquired if, in fact, Social Sciences could be defined. He felt the motion was most ill-considered and should not be referred to SCAP.

In view of the budgetary situation at the present time, J. Webster felt it was appropriate for committees such as the Senate Undergraduate Studies Committee and the Senate Graduate Studies Committee to consider this question.

Moved by J. Webster, seconded by R. Stewart,

"That the matter of teaching courses in research methodology be referred both to the Senate Undergraduate Studies Committee and the Senate Graduate Studies Committee for their consideration of efficiency and appropriateness"

Following a brief debate as to whether or not this was a substitute motion or a motion to refer, the Chair ruled that because the scope of the main motion had been changed it could not be considered as a motion to refer.

The following amendment was moved by A. Wotherspoon, seconded by R. Stewart,

"That the Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies and the Senate Graduate Studies Committee investigate the most appropriate and efficient ways of teaching courses on research methods at Simon Fraser University"

Although there appeared to be a certain amount of sympathy with respect to the intent of the motion, it was pointed out that since it was the sincere belief of every discipline that it was unique in its methodology there would be no point in referring back to committees for further consideration.

Question was called on the motion to amend, and a vote taken.

AMENDMENT FAILED.

Question was called on the main motion, and a vote was taken.

MAIN MOTION FAILED
(15 in favour
26 opposed)

b) A. Wotherspoon gave notice of motion:

"That Senate not approve the graduation of any student with an outstanding library fine"

Senate was reminded that in order for such notices to appear on the next agenda it is required that they be placed in writing and given to the Secretary in time for inclusion with the materials sent forward to SCAR.

9. INFORMATION

The next regular meeting of Senate is scheduled for Monday, October 3, 1983.

The Assembly recessed briefly at 8:30 p.m. prior to moving into Closed Session.