

DRAFT UNTIL APPROVED BY SENATE

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE SENATE OF SIMON FRASER UNIVERSITY HELD
ON MONDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 1987 KLAUS RIECKHOFF HALL, 5:00 P.M.

OPEN SESSION

Present: Saywell, W.G., Chair

Almassy, E.
Arnold, T.
Barrow, R.
Berggren, J.L.
Brown, R.C.
Carr, S.
Clayman, B.P.
Cleveland, W.
Custodinho, S.
Dickinson, J.
Dobb, T.C.
Everton, R.
George, D.A.
Goodman, D.
Hoegg, J.L.
Holweg, B.
Irwin, C. (representing G.Geen)
Kennedy, P.E.
LeBon, C.
Marx, R.
Mathewes, R.W.
Osborne, J.A.
Pattison, S.L.
Pinfield, L.T.
Salter, L.
Saran, C.S.
Saunders, R.
Strutt, S.
Swartz, N.
Tuinman, J.
Verdun-Jones, S.
Vining, A.
Warsh, M.
Winne, P.H.

Absent:

Basham, G.
Bateman, F.
Boyanowsky, E.O.
D'Auria, J.M.
Frindt, R.
Hamilton, W.M.
Ivany, J.W.G.
Love, C.E.
Nielsen, V.
Rainey, R.J.S.
Rieckhoff, K.E.
Roberts, M.C.
Salter, B.E.
Singh, M.
Strate, G.
Weinberg, H.

Heath, W.R., Secretary
Grant, B., Recording Secretary

1. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

The Agenda was approved as distributed.

2. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE OPEN SESSION OF DECEMBER 1, 1986

The Minutes were approved as distributed.

3. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

There was no business arising from the Minutes.

4. REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN

a) The Chairman was pleased to report that the annual Awards Ceremony had become so successful and well received in the community that it had to be relocated to the SFU Theatre this year. He was also pleased to note that Senator R. Mathewes was to receive one of the faculty teaching awards and extended congratulations on behalf of Senate.

b) Senate was informed that the Board of Governors approved installation of a new telephone system which not only is needed to replace obsolete equipment but also is required as the University becomes more computerized. The Chairman explained that it is being debt funded; the University will repay the loan over an amortized period from the savings in the rental fees which are currently incurred.

c) The Chairman reported that Alumni activities have been tremendous in terms of growth and general involvement. He was pleased to report that the Alumni Association, in a successful annual fundraising campaign, exceeded their target of \$100,000 and pointed out that the Association had grown from a handful of interested people to a much larger, dedicated, hardworking group of individuals. He also noted that additional chapters and subgroups have been formed within the the general Association.

d) The Chairman reported that the major fundraising campaign in which the University is currently involved, is going well. The general fundraising with regard to bursaries, scholarships, and donations has improved significantly with last month's total contributions amounting to \$200,000.

e) Burnaby Council has not yet approved the concept of the SFU Village. The Chairman advised no action will be taken with regard to engineering studies and other processes unless a favourable response is received from Burnaby.

f) A significant enrolment increase has created major resource problems and pressures for the University and it is difficult to judge where this is leading.

The Vice-President Academic has been instructed to look at this issue and to provide suggestions on how to handle, internally and externally, changes and growth, over the next five years, and also to provide statistics and projections which might help to convince the Government that additional funding, particularly in the area of increased faculty and space, will be needed if the University is expected to grow. The Vice-President Academic has also been requested to provide an interim report suggesting options on how to cope with this immediate increase in enrolment.

g) Concern was raised about an article in the Vancouver Sun which referred to a report on the perceptions of senior ministry officials, relating to universities. Critical opinions of the universities and the role of faculty members were highlighted. The Chairman felt that the article did not reflect the entire thrust of the report itself and that the press had extracted some of the more colorful comments. However, he did feel the report was useful in that it brought to the attention of the universities an important group of people which had apparently been neglected. As a result, the Chairman indicated that the Vice-President has been requested to immediately commence a program inviting senior civil servants to campus to meet and observe faculty who are working in areas of direct interest to them.

5. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

i) SENATE COMMITTEE ON AGENDA & RULES

a) Paper S.87-1 - Proposal for Dialogue Between Senate and Board of Governors

Moved by R. Brown, seconded by W. Cleveland,

"That Senate accept the recommendation of the
Senate Committee on Agenda and Rules as set out in
S.87-1"

Question was called, and a vote taken.

MOTION CARRIED

6. OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business.

7. NOTICE OF MOTION

There were no notices of motion.

8. INFORMATION

The date of the next regular meeting of Senate is scheduled for Monday, March 2, 1987.

The Assembly moved directly into Closed Session at 5:30 p.m.

W.R. Heath
Secretary of the Senate