

FOR INFORMATION**SIMON FRASER UNIVERSITY
Memorandum**

TO: Senate

FROM: N. Heath
Secretary, SUABSUBJECT: Senate Appeals Board
- Annual Report 1987

DATE: 88/03/02

The Senate Appeals Board met 13 times in 1987.

Membership

L. Hissey - Chair (Appointed by SUAB)
Resigned March 31/87

D. Ryeburn - Acting Chair (Appointed April 24/87)
April-October/87

F. Riahi - Chair (Appointed by SUAB Oct 8/87)

From S.U.A.B. - 2 Members

D. Ryeburn
J. Olyslager (Alternate)

T. Maynard (Alternate - replacing J. Olyslager June 11/87 - Oct./87)

J. Osborne (Alternate - replacing T. Maynard Nov/87)

From Senate - 1 Member

R. Mathewes
L. Salter (Alternate)

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.../2 Membership (continued)....

From Student Society - 2 members

R. Harding (resigned July/87)
E. Rowan (Replaced R. Harding July/87)

G. Hazell (Alternate)

T. Caverley (resigned July/87)
T. Wahl (Replaced T. Caverley Oct./87)

The outcomes of the meetings are summarized on the attached table.

A total of 111 appeals were heard as compared with 119 in 1986. 1987 was another busy year for the Senate Appeals Board. All of the 13 meetings were at least a half-day in length, and many ran for the full day. In most cases the students made personal appearances before the Board to support their cases.

One type of appeal, which, while not new, seems to be on the increase, is that submitted by a student who is about to graduate, seeking a retroactive course drop from a semester early in the student's record. Increasing competition for graduate school admission, jobs, etc., could be the cause of this increase in numbers of students wishing to "clean up" their transcripts. The Board has discussed this matter, and has decided that the cases will be considered on their merits whether or not the motivation for the appeal is a pre-graduation transcript "clean up" or some other reason.



Table 1: Results of Appeals January-December, 1987

Date of Meetings	6 Jan.	9 Jan.	10 Feb.	3 Mar.	31 Mar.	30 Apr.	7 May	20 Jul.	24 Aug.	3 Sep.	10 Sep.	27 Oct.	17 Dec.	Total
Admission	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	3	1	1	0	8
Readmission	4	10	2	3	3	4	3	5	6	5	6	1	5	57
Retroactive Withdrawal	1	0	1	2	1	1	0	3	1	2	1	2	4	19
Selective Retroactive Withdrawal	0	1	3	2	1	2	1	3	2	1	1	7	2	26
Transfer Credit									1					1
Total	7	11	6	7	6	7	4	11	9	12	9	11	11	111

Decisions Made														
Sustain	3	7	2	2	3	6	2	5	2	9	4	8	6	59
Deny	2	4	3	4	3	1	2	6	6	3	4	3	5	46
Defer	2	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	6
Total	7	11	6	7	6	7	4	11	9	12	9	11	11	111