

**Simon Fraser University
Memorandum**

TO: Senate

FROM: John O. Stubbs, Chair, Senate Committee on Agenda and Rules

DATE: March 25, 1997

SUBJECT: Senate Nominating Committee recommendation on
student representation on various committees



Action undertaken by the Senate Nominating Committee and the Senate Committee on Agenda and Rules gives rise to the following motion:

MOTION:

"that Senate approve the revision of the membership of the five Senate committees as set forth in S. 97-45 .

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To: Dr. John O. Stubbs, Chair, Senate Committee on Agenda and Rules
From: Dr. Louis Peterson, Chair, Senate Nominating Committee
Subject: Student representation on Senate Committees
Date: 18 March, 1997 (amended 25 March, 1997)

The Senate Nominating Committee met on 3 March to consider the difficulty in getting student representation on certain committees. All Student Senators were invited to attend, and 3 Student Senators did attend. We had a good discussion concerning ways in which information about student positions could be made available and methods for encouraging more student participation.

At the present time, there are 12 Student Senators and 17 committee positions for Student Senators on Senate Committees. The student positions on Senate committees are shown on the attached summary of positions (Student Senators; Students at large; students appointed by the SFSS). The summary also includes those positions which are available to all Senators (Senator at large).

The Senate Nominating Committee recommends the following course of action to SCAR and Senate:

"That the following student senator positions be changed into student at large positions:

Senate Committee on Continuing Studies:	1 Student Senator Alternate
Senate Library Committee:	1 Student Senator Alternate
Library Penalties Appeals Committee:	1 Student Senator
Senate Nominating Committee:	1 Student Senator Alternate
Senate Committee on International Activities:	1 Student Senator"

Rationale: Some committees are more closely allied with the central focus of Senate, such as SCAP/SCUS and the Senate Committee on Honorary Degrees, and as such, require Student Senators. Some other committees, such as the ones listed above, could be equally well served by a Student elected at large. This proposal does not disenfranchise the Students Senators; it enfranchises the student body at large. Student Senators would still be able to run for these and other committee positions.

If Senate took this action, there would still be 12 committee positions designated solely for Student Senators.

Attachment

Committee Student positions	Student Senators	Students at large	SFSS appt.	Senator at large
SCODA - Disciplinary Appeals		3 + 2 Alts		
SCAP/SCUB (S.C. on Academic Planning/University Budget)	3			5
SCAR - Agenda and Rules (S.C. on Agenda and Rules)	1			3
SCCS- Continuing Studies (S.C. on Continuing Studies)	1 + 1 Alt			2
SGSC- Graduate Programs (S.C. on Graduate Studies)		5 + 5 Alts (G)		
ACNGP Assessment Cttee for New Graduate Prgs.		1 from SGSC		
SCHD - Honorary Degrees	1			1
SLC Library Cttee	1 + 1 Alt			2
LPAC Library Penalties Appeals	2 (from SLC)		1 G/1 UG	
SNC (Nominating)	1 + 1 Alt			4
SPCSAB - Policy Cttee on Scholarships, Awards and Bursaries			1 G/1 UG	
SUAAC - Undergraduate Awards Adjudication Cttee			2	
SGAAC - Graduate Awards Adjudication Cttee			2	
SAB - Appeals Board		2 + 2 alts		
CRUA - Review Undergraduate Admissions		2 + 1 alt		
SCUS- undergrad. studies	1		1	
SCEMP - Enrollment Management and Planning	1			
ESC - Electoral Standing Cttee.	1			2
SCIA - International Activities	1			1
IUSEC - International Undergraduate Student Exchange Cttee		1		
SCUTL - Univ. Teaching and Learning		1G/1UG		
DQAC - Diverse Qualifications		1	1	
Total	14+3 alts 17	17+10 27	10	20