To
SENATE

Subject INTERNAL REORGANIZATION, SCHOOL OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION AND ECONOMICS

From SENATE COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC PLANNING

Date SEPTEMBER 17, 1980

Action taken by the Senate Committee on Academic Planning at its meeting of September 10,1980 gives rise to the following motion:
"That Senate approve that there be undergraduate curriculum committees established in each of the two Departments of the School of Business Administration and Economics."

The rationale for both the proposed change and its presentation for review and approval are contained in the attached documentation.

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From John S. CHASE, SECRETARY
SCAP
Date SEPTEMBER 4, 1980

Attached is a proposal from the Director, School of Business Administration and Economics for an internal reorganization of the School.

SCAP initially approved and recommended to Senate the organizational structure of the proposed School of Business Administration and Economics. Because of the nature of the approvals of the original organizational structure the major departure from it now proposed requires the concurrence of SCAP as well as Senate and the Board of Governors. If there is approval it is not intended that any later minor administrative changes which may occur from time to time fall under this form of intensive review.

While not reflected in the attached documentation, the set of recommendations contained therein does have the approval of the Departments of Economics and Business Administration as well as the Dean of the Faculty of Arts.

## SIMON FRASER UNIVERSI'IY <br> MEMORANDUM



I would appreciate the matter of internal reorganization of S.B:A.E. being placed on the agenda of SCAP as soon as possible.

> Bertram Schoner

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The initial organization plan for the School of Business Administration and Economics called for appointments and DTC considerations to be departmental matters, but programs of instruction concerns such as the determination of course offerings by semester, the timing of these offerings, the advising of students, curriculum committee matters and the like were to be School level responsibilities.

This organization of responsibilities has not worked well. Departments have been responsible for setting recruiting priorities, for the appointment of sessional instructors and for approving the teaching-research patterns of faculty without simultaneousiy planning course offerings.

A further problem has been the perception of most members of the Department of Business Administration that the organization of the School has not made it possible for that department to truly control its own destiny. A departmental meeting, followed by a referendum, clearly established the desire to exercise curriculum control in the department.

The changes proposed should not adversely affect students. They will still be permitted to take joint majors or honors, and the requirements for the various degrees will remain as before. But it has not proved acceptable to have two departments out of step with the rest of the university. We have a system in which most matters are decided at the departmental level, and the departments in the School should have, as much as possible, the same responsibilities and powers as departments outside the School.

## Proposed Changes

1. There will be undergraduate curriculum committees established in each department. The chairmen of each of the committees will be ex-officio non-voting members of the other department's committees.

On matters affecting both programs (e.g., BUEC courses), the committees will meet together as a committee of the School.

The Graduate curriculum and Graduate Studies committees will be housed in Economics. In accordance with current practice, one voting member of these committees will be nominated by, and from, Business Administration.

The MBA Committee will be housed in Business Administration and will be renamed the Business Administration Graduate Curriculum Committee.
2. TA äppointments will be made by the individual departments, with BUEC course appointments made by Economics.
3. The time scheduling of courses will be made by the DA in Busịness Administration. Decisions on offerings will be made initially at the department level, with the Director meeting with the two chairmen to coordinate offerings.
4. Since the vast majority of majors are in Business Administration, the Undergraduate Advisor and her assistant will move to that department. The Economics DA wili advise Economics major and honors as weil as the Ëconomics aspects of the joínt màjor.
5. Departments will individually handle add/drop and room changes. BUEC courses will be handled by Economics.

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