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MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE SENATE OF SIMON FRASER UNIVERSITY HELD
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 1976, 3172 ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 7:00 P.M.

OPEN SESSION

Present:	Jewett, P., Chairman	Absent:	Barlow, J. S.
	Arrott, A. S.		Cunningham, A. B.
	Birch, D. R.		Cunningham, F.
	Bittle, D. E.		Diamond, J.
	Blaney, J. P.		Doherty, P. M.
	Brown, R. C.		Fattah, E. A.
	Buitenhuis, P.		Hall, N. B. (resigned)
	Calvert, T. W.		Hindle, L.
	Carlson, R. L.		Johl, R.
	Catalano, J. A.		Martel, A. G.
	Curzon, A. E.		McClaren, M.
	Davison, A. J.		Morin, S. (resigned)
	Dawson, A. J.		Schiffer, R. (resigned)
	Debo, R. K.		Walkley, J.
	Dobb, T. C., representing D. Baird		Wilson, B. G.
	Ellis, J. F.	In attendance:	Bartlett, B. E.
	Emery, B. E.		Bouton, C. P.
	Erickson, D. A.		Hammerly, H. M.
	Finlayson, T.		Powell, R.
	Hindley, M. P.		
	Hutchinson, J. F.		
	Ironside, R. A.		
	Jones, C.H.W.		
	Knight, D. E.		
	Latham, L.		
	MacDonald, B. L.		
	Mackauer, J.P.M.		
	Munro, J. M.		
	Okuda, K.		
	Overholt, M. J.		
	Severy, L.		
	Sterling, T. D.		
	Thomas, S.		
	Walker, R. E.		
	Webster, J. M.		
	Wemyss, I. D.		
	Wheatley, J.		
	Evans, H. M., Secretary		
	Nagel, H. D.		
	Dahabieh, S., Recording Secretary		

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved as circulated.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the Open Session of October 4, 1976 were approved as distributed.

3. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

It was noted that a further election to SUAB would be undertaken and it was proposed to do this under Item 5 of the agenda when the other elections were being undertaken.

4. REPORT OF CHAIRMAN

There was no report from the Chairman other than to indicate a meeting of Senate likely would be held on November 29, 1976 on Interior programming.

K. Okuda enquired concerning a communication from I. McTaggart-Cowan, Chairman of the Post Secondary Coordinating Committee concerning transfer credit and the Chairman indicated data would be obtained from the Academic Vice-President.

5. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

i) Paper S.76-144 - SUAB Election and Paper S.76-145 - Senate Nominating Committee

The elections required were conducted, including the SUAB election noted under Item 3 of the agenda.

Senate Undergraduate Admissions Board (SUAB)

One Senator-at-large to replace R. K. Debo for a two year term of office to September 30, 1978. Two student Senators and one student Senator alternate to replace R. A. Ironside, B. E. Emery and D. E. Bittle for one year terms of office to September 30, 1977.

Candidates

Votes Recorded

D. E. Bittle	14
R. K. Debo	23
B. E. Emery	15
R. A. Ironside	28
C.H.W. Jones	21
B. L. MacDonald	18
R. E. Walker	25

Individual recording the highest number of votes and thereby declared elected as Senator-at-large for a two year term of office to September 30, 1978:

R. A. IRONSIDE

Individuals (students) receiving the next higher number of votes and thereby declared elected as the regular student members for one year terms of office to September 30, 1977:

R. E. WALKER
B. L. MacDONALD

Individual (student) receiving the next higher number of votes and thereby declared elected as the alternate student member for a one year term of office to September 30, 1977:

B. E. EMERY

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

One student Senator to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of student Senator R. Schiffer from Senate and the various committees of which he was a member. Term of office to be for the remainder of term of office from date of election to September 30, 1977.

Candidates

Votes Recorded

D. E. Bitle	3
R. A. Ironside	15
R. E. Walker	18

Individual receiving the highest number of votes and thereby declared elected for balance term of office to September 30, 1977:

R. E. WALKER

Senate Committee on Continuing Studies (SCCS)

One faculty Senator to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of faculty Senator F. Cunningham from this Committee. Term of office to be for the remainder of term of office from date of election to September 30, 1977.

Declared elected by acclamation:

C.H.W. JONES

Senate Committee on Honorary Degrees (SCHD)

One lay member of Senate to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of S. Morin from Senate and from this Committee. There is no specified term of office.

Declared elected by acclamation:

L. LATHAM

ii) Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies

- a) Paper S.76-146 - Department of Modern Languages, New Course Proposals - ITAL 100-3, ITAL 101-3, LING 300-3

C. P. Bouton was in attendance to answer questions.

Moved by D. Birch, seconded by R. Brown,

"That Senate approve, and recommend approval by the Board of Governors, ITAL 100-3 - Introductory Italian I, and ITAL 101-3 - Introductory Italian II, as set forth in Paper S.76-146, as experimental courses for offering one time only."

A number of questions were raised pertaining to costing, to the less frequent offering of some courses to permit these two experimental courses to be offered, to potential demand. C. Bouton indicated there had been strong requests from the Italian community to provide courses.

MOTION CARRIED

Moved by D. Birch, seconded by R. Brown,

"That Senate approve, and recommend approval by the Board of Governors, LING 300-3 - Languages of the World: An Introduction to Typology, as set forth in Paper S.76-146."

MOTION CARRIED

iii) Senate Graduate Studies Committee

- a) Paper S.76-147 - Department of Modern Languages - M.A. - Teaching of French

C. P. Bouton, B. E. Bartlett and H. M. Hammerly were in attendance to answer questions.

Moved by J. Wheatley, and duly seconded,

"That the M.A. - Teaching of French program be continued."

R. Ironside noted that this is a professional program and differs from an academic program in that it is directed to improving teaching rather than for knowledge for its own sake. Emphasis for assessment should be on the amount of improvement in teaching. He was not satisfied that there was sufficient impartiality in the program assessment process and believed that there might have been profitable involvement by the provincial Department of Education, by the B.C. Association of Teachers of Modern Languages, and by our Faculty of Education. He noted that liaison had now commenced with the B.C.A.T.M.L., was hopeful that this would prove productive, and would vote to support the motion.

J. Wheatley indicated the Faculty of Education was represented on the program assessment committee and that such student response as was available to the program assessment was strongly supportive.

H. Hammerly commented that the liaison committee was expected to consist of one B.C.A.T.M.L. executive member, one teacher experienced in the program, one member from the Faculty of Education - all meeting with the M.A. - Teaching of French Committee. He observed that there had not been a joint appointment with the Faculty of Education. D. Birch indicated approval for such had been authorized but search for a suitable individual had been unsuccessful.

In response to enquiry, J. Wheatley indicated that there was concern on enrolments, but that the motion before Senate did not suggest any time limitations on the program. Other bodies would take cognizance of any financial constraints.

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

MOTION CARRIED.

6. REPORTS OF FACULTIES

There were no reports from faculties.

7. OTHER BUSINESS

- i) Paper S.76-148 - Canadian Educational Policy (R. A. Ironside, I. D. Wemyss)

Moved by R. Ironside, seconded by I. Wemyss,

"That the Simon Fraser University Senate call upon the federal government, in consultation with the provincial governments, to establish a national inquiry into current issues, long-term direction and goals, and financing of post-secondary education in Canada. This inquiry to invite public submissions on the following areas of concern:

1. Issues relating to accessibility to post-secondary education in Canada.
2. The quality, scope and function of post-secondary education.
3. The degree of public financial commitment to post-secondary education."

R. Powell, president of the Student Society and closely involved in the National Student Day proposals, was in attendance to respond to questions. L. Severy questioned whether item 3 should be included and the place of vocational education in the intent. R. Powell felt that it was correctly placed but that action was needed to make clear to the

public the place of universities. He believed a wholly comprehensive plan should be developed and certainly not by students alone.

Item 3 was taken to mean, "The degree of public financial commitment there should be to post-secondary education.

J. Ellis noted that the O.C.E.D. study was generally congratulatory and enquired how the recommended items arose. R. Powell concurred that this was correct in the past but there was fear this might not continue as there is no clear policy and politics may predominate with a scarce money resource.

A. Arrott questioned the timing at which the public should be challenged; R. Powell felt time to be running out.

P. Jewett observed there had been little success since the Massey Commission on a country-wide interest forum on education although AUCC has tried to get a three-way forum of federal, provincial, AUCC discussions but with objections from the provinces.

It was noted that AUCC and CAUT and NUS wished to see current regulations retained when the Fiscal Arrangements Act would normally terminate in March 1977, whilst negotiations continue - but with the lifting of the 15% ceiling on annual increases.

Question was called on the main motion.

MOTION CARRIED
23 in favor
4 opposed

Moved by R. Ironside, seconded by I. Wemyss,

"That this proposed national inquiry be conducted by a Board of Inquiry consisting of: federal and provincial government representatives; representation of the academic community including students and faculty selected by their representative national bodies; labour, business; and community representatives."

There was considerable discussion on the wording and intent of this item. Some members felt there must be a broadly-representative base; others that such a large group would be ineffective and innocuous; others that a Royal Commission like the Massey Commission would be appropriate; some that there could not be an appropriate body as proposed.

Amendment was moved by J. Ellis, seconded by J. Munro,

"That 'Board' replace 'Commission' and that all words after 'of Inquiry' be deleted."

Vote was taken on the amendment.

AMENDMENT FAILED

Amendment was moved by R. Debo, seconded by A. Arrott,

"That the words 'Board of Inquiry consisting of federal and' be replaced by the words 'Federal Royal Commission chosen after consultation with.'"

Vote was then undertaken on the amendment.

AMENDMENT CARRIED

18 in favor
13 opposed

Question was then called on the main motion as amended.

MAIN MOTION AS AMENDED

FAILED
13 in favor
15 opposed

The earlier proposed Motion 3 was then withdrawn.

8. NOTICES OF MOTION

There were no notices of motion.

9. INFORMATION

The Chairman drew attention to the information concerning the next regular meeting in December, the intent to hold a special meeting on November 29, 1976 and that dinner would be served in advance of the special meeting.

A brief recess was declared at 8:35 p.m. before entering into Closed Session.

H. M. Evans
Secretary