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MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE SENATE OF SIMON FRASER UNIVERSITY HELD MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 1978, 3172 ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 7:00 P.M.

OPEN SESSION

Absent:

Present: Jewett, P., Chairman

Arrott, A. S. Birch, D. R. Blaney, J. P. Brown, R. C. Calvert, T. W. Carlson, R. L. Cote. P. T. Dawson, A. J. Frydenlund, D. Geen, G. H. Gingerich, J. C. Harrison, J. Hauka, D. P. Hobson, R. F. Hoyt, G. C. Ivany, J.W.G. Jones, C.H.W. Kemp, C. L. Lachlan, A. H. Luetzen, S. Mackauer, J.P.M. McMillan, D. B. Moffatt, D. Reilly, N. R. Rieckhoff, K. E. Thomas, L. E. Timberlake, A. J. Wagner, P. L. Webster, J. M. Weinberg, H. Weinkam, J. J. Wells, E. J. Wheatley, J. Young, J. O.

McMillan, A. C. Wilson, J. L.

In Attendance: Alderson, E. W.

Douglas-Crampton, D. Cunningham, A. B. Dobb, T. C. Doherty, P. M. Hindle, L. Keltner, A. A. Latham, L. Overholt, M. J. Resnick, L. Tuinman, J. J. Walkley, J. Wyatt, J. D.

Evans, H. M., Secretary Nagel, H. D. Norsworthy, R., Recording Secretary - 2 -

The Chairman announced the resignation from Senate of two students, D. G. Horne, effective August 1, 1978, and D. Gort, effective September 1, 1978, and stated that a call for nominations and election for replacements and for a representative of the Faculty of Education would be issued shortly.

(Secretary's Note: J. B. Toor will be absent for a year and a by-election will be held at Senate for temporary replacement to August 31, 1979.)

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved as circulated.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the Open Session of June 5, 1978 were approved as distributed.

3. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

There was no business arising from the minutes.

4. REPORT OF CHAIRMAN

The President stated that inasmuch as she had been nominated as a candidate for the New Democratic Party's federal riding of New Westminster-Coquitlam, it was her intention to utilize accumulated vacation entitlement commencing October 9, 1978 and that her term of office would be formally terminated on December 31, 1978. Dr. D. Birch, Acting Academic Vice-President, will be Acting President until the presidency is assumed by Dr. George Pedersen on January 1, 1979. If a federal election is held before December 31 and she is elected, Dr. Jewett would terminate her leave and the presidency forthwith.

Senate was advised of other administrative changes in that N. R. Reilly has been appointed Acting Associate Vice-President, Academic for term of office from September 1, 1978 to August 31, 1979, and J. M. Munro has been named Director of the Kelowna School of Resource Management. B. G. Wilson, who is currently on leave until December 31, 1978, has agreed to assist in any special assignments and is involved with D. Birch in connection with the budget for Interior Programming.

With regard to the Open Learning Institute, the Chairman reported that its highest priority would be directed toward developing distance education to meet adult education basic needs. She noted that if OLI eventually offers upper level degree programs in the Arts and Sciences this University would be cooperating.

i) Paper S.78-79 - Search Committee for a Vice-President, Academic

Moved by K. Rieckhoff, seconded by R. Brown,

"That a Search Committee for a Vice-President, Academic be established consisting of: (a) the President as Chairman

(b) the Vice-President, Administration

(c) two Deans selected by the Deans

(d) four faculty members elected by and from faculty members (one from each Faculty)

- (e) one undergraduate student elected by and from the undergraduate student body
- (f) one graduate student elected by and from the graduate student body
- (g) the President of the Faculty Association
- (h) the President of the Student Forum
- (i) the President-elect to serve as an exofficio non-voting member.

The Search Committee will establish its operating procedures."

Responding to a question raised by J. Young, the Chairman stated that in the event the presidency of the Student Forum is vacant the Acting President could be named to the Search Committee.

Question was called, and a vote taken.

MOTION CARRIED

<u>Paper S.78-80 - a)</u> Search Committee for Dean of Faculty; b) Search Committee for Dean of Graduate Studies

Moved by R. Brown, seconded by H. Weinberg,

1. "That the membership of a Dean's Search Committee (Faculty Dean) be as follows:

> Academic Vice-President, Chairman; all Deans, except the incumbent Dean of the Faculty and any Dean who himself is a candidate for the position; four faculty members holding regular fulltime appointments, at least two of whom must be at the rank of Associate Professor or above, elected by and from the Faculty involved; two student members (from the Faculty involved) selected by the Student Society."

Reference was made to the supporting paper wherein it was stated that there was no intention to change the terms of reference earlier approved and that these would be retained, but the motion would have the effect only of reducing the number of Deans and faculty members.

An amendment was moved by T. Arrott, seconded by K. Rieckhoff,

"That the section starting 'all Deans' be changed to read, 'three Deans of which at least two shall be Faculty Deans excluding the incumbent Dean of Faculty and any Dean who is a candidate for the position.'"

T. Arrott commented that the rationale for the amendment was the fact that large committees are unwieldy and a Dean's time is at a premium.

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

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AMENDMENT CARRIED 26 in favor 5 opposed

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

MOTION AS AMENDED CARRIED

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

2. "That the membership of a Dean's Search Committee (Graduate Studies) be as follows: Graduate studies (as in motion in 78-80.

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J. Wheatley was of the opinion that the committee membership should include faculty members who had had experience with the Graduate Studies Committee and were familiar with the managing of graduate studies. D. Birch did not favor legislating limiting the source of candidates in this way and he was supported by J. Webster. K. Rieckhoff urged that the precedent be accepted as specific knowledge and expertise in graduate studies is an essential ingredient for such a selection committee.

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

AMENDMENT FAILED

Amendment was moved by M. Mackauer, seconded by K. Rieckhoff,

"That the specification for membership of Deans be altered to read, 'three Deans, of which at

least two shall be Faculty Deans, excluding the incumbent Dean of Graduate Studies and any Dean who is a candidate for the position.'"

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R. Brown and D. Birch spoke in opposition to the amendment inasmuch as Faculty Deans have a responsibility for overseeing the graduate programs of their departments.

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

AMENDMENT CARRIED 17 in favor 13 opposed

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

MOTION AS AMENDED CARRIED

The Chairman stated that the revised document would be referred to the Board of Governors for its consideration and if approved the election and selection procedures will commence.

5. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

- i) Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies
 - a) <u>Paper S.78-81 Department of Geography New Course Proposal</u>: <u>GEOG 445-5 - Rural Planning</u>

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

"That Senate approve, and recommend approval to the Board of Governors, as set forth in S.78-81, the new course GEOG 445-5 - Rural Planning."

Note: Subject to the approval by Senate and the Board of this course, the Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies has approved waiver of the time lag requirement in order that this course may be offered in the Spring semester 79-1.

The Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies was satisfied concerning the availability of library and other resources as a set of "hand-outs" has been prepared by the instructor and meets the earlier concerns of the library.

J. Wilson, resource person from the Department of Geography, was in attendance to respond to questions.

L. Kemp enquired which courses in the Department would be offered less frequently if the new course were to be approved, and it was explained that the question was difficult to answer as patterns are constantly shifting. E. Wells expressed concern regarding the introduction of a five unit course and the vagueness of the prerequisite statement. R. Brown explained that a high degree of variability exists between the number of contact hours and the number of credits, but the general Faculty of Arts policy is that the contact and credit hours match. He added that Professor Wilson had been hired to introduce a stream of planning courses for student interest in that orientation. J. Wilson added that an attempt was being made to accommodate diverse principles for development of a variety of planning. P. Wagner stated the role of planning was a selection of a base to work the academic learning in a variety of contexts and the work done by the students cannot be summarized by hours of personal contact.

Question was called, and a vote taken.

MOTION CARRIED

b) Paper S.78-82 - Department of History - Title and Description Change; New Course Proposals

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

1. "That the title and description change for HIST 226-3, as set forth in S.78-82, be approved and recommended to the Board for approval."

J. Young expressed his approval of the broadening of the History curriculum and stated that there likely would be more courses available on European nation states.

Question was called on Motion 1, and a vote taken.

MOTION 1 CARRIED

Moved by R. Brown, seconded by P. Cote,

- 2. "That the proposed new course for HIST 227-3 -Russia Since 1762, as set forth in S.78-82, be approved and recommended to the Board for approval."
- 3. "That the proposed new course for HIST 228-3 -Germany Since 1740, as set forth in S.78-82, be approved and recommended to the Board for approval."
- 4. "That the proposed new course, HIST 229-3 -France Since 1763, as set forth in S.78-82, be approved and recommended to the Board for approval."

Question was called on Motions 2, 3, and 4, and a vote taken.

MOTIONS 2, 3 and 4 CARRIED

- c) Department of Languages, Literatures and Linguistics
 - 1) Paper S.78-83 FREN 341-3 Title and Description Change

Moved by R. Brown, seconded by P. Hauka,

1. "That the proposed new title and course description for FREN 341-3, as set forth in S.78-83, be approved and recommended to the Board for approval."

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Note: If the course is approved, SCUS has approved that it be added to the list of courses with total Canadian content for use on the Canadian Studies Minor.

Question was called, and a vote taken.

MOTION CARRIED

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

2. "That Senate approve and recommend to the Board of Governors the practice of late transfer from intensive language courses to lower language courses."

Question was called, and a vote taken.

MOTION CARRIED

2) Paper S.78-84 - Russian Title and Description Changes

Moved by R. Brown, seconded by J. Gingerich,

"That Senate approve, and recommend approval to the Board of Governors, as set forth in S.78-84, the title and description changes for the following courses:

RUSS140-3RUSS301-3RUSS340-3RUSS341-3RUSS450-3RUSS451-3RUSS452-3RUSS453-3RUSS454-3RUSS455-3

Question was called, and a vote taken.

MOTION CARRIED

d) Centre for the Arts

1) Paper S.78-85 - Minor Program in Visual Art, including Changes to Courses; New Courses

Moved by R. Brown, seconded by T. Calvert,

1. "That Senate approve, and recommend approval to the Board of Governors, as set forth in S.78-85, the proposed changes in title and description for the following courses:

FPA.	160-3
FPA.	260-3
FPA.	261-3

E. Alderson joined the assembly to respond to questions.

Question was called, and a vote taken.

MOTION 1 CARRIED

Moved by R. Brown, seconded by T. Calvert,

2. "That Senate approve, and recommend approval to the Board of Governors, as set forth in S.78-85, the proposed new courses: FPA. 161-3 - Introductory Studio in Visual Art II FPA. 360-3 - Studio in Visual Art III FPA. 361-3 - Studio in Visual Art IV FPA. 366-3 - Problems in Visual Art I FPA. 367-3 - Problems in Visual Art II FPA. 469-5 - Directed Project in Visual Art."

Note: Subject to the approval by Senate and the Board of the course, the Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies has approved waiver of the time lag requirement in order that FPA. 161-3 may be offered in Spring semester 79-1.

E. Wells questioned the vector descriptions of 0-0-8 and 0-0-10 and E. Alderson noted that for FPA. 469 no vector should have been shown as the course was directed studies. With regard to the general studio work, he explained that studio access would be available depending on the type of work involved.

H. Weinberg asked for an indication of the final structure of the programs in Fine and Performing Arts, and E. Alderson explained that the third stage of development has been approved in principle and involves a Major in Theatre, a Major in Dance, and a Minor in Visual Art as new programs to accompany the Minors in Film, Theatre and Dance. The next phase is to build two minors into major programs, and the Visual Art Minor has been conceived around the idea it is part of a larger structure which will support and stimulate other areas.

Question was called on Motion 2, and a vote taken.

MOTION 2 CARRIED

Moved by R. Brown, seconded by T. Calvert,

3. "That Senate approve and recommend approval to the Board of Governors, as set forth in S.78-85, the proposed Minor Program in Visual Art."

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Note: Senate has earlier approved in principle the establishment of a Minor Program in Visual Art and the current submissions are consistent with the earlier proposals approved in principle.

D. Frydenlund expressed concern regarding the comparison between the requirements of 38 credit hours for the Visual Art Minor and the 36 hours stipulated for an Archaeology Major. E. Alderson explained that it was necessary to intensify the amount of study at the lower division to accommodate serious study in the Fine Arts for the kind of preparatory work necessary to provide adequate university training and permit the proposed minor in conjunction with majors in other subjects. D. Birch confirmed that a common pattern in the Faculties of Education and Interdisciplinary Studies is a degree comprised of two minors in related disciplines wherein much of the lower division requirements can count towards both minors.

Question was called, and a vote taken.

MOTION 3 CARRIED

2) <u>Paper S.78-86 - New Course Proposal - FPA. 176-3 -</u> Photography as an Art Form

Moved by R. Brown, seconded by T. Calvert,

"That Senate approve and recommend approval to the Board of Governors, as set forth in S.78-86, the new course FPA. 176-3 - Photography as an Art Form."

Note: Subject to the approval by Senate and the Board of this course, the Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies has approved waiver of the time lag requirement in order that this course may be offered in the Spring semester 79-1.

In discussion at the Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies the question was raised as to whether the course was one primarily on techniques but the Committee was satisfied that the course properly falls in the visual art area with different orientation from that which pertained when earlier versions were offered through Communication Studies, with different program goals.

Question was called, and a vote taken.

MOTION CARRIED

e) Paper S.78-87 - Practicum Courses in Computing Science

Moved by R. Brown, seconded by T. Calvert,

"That Senate approve, and recommend approval to the Board of Governors, as set forth in S.78-87, proposals for the following courses: - 10 -

CMPT 426-0 - Practicum I CMPT 427-0 - Practicum II CMPT 428-0 - Practicum III CMPT 429-0 - Practicum IV

and that with the introduction of these courses CMPT 411, CMPT 412 and CMPT 413 be discontinued."

Note: Subject to the approval by Senate and the Board of these courses, the Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies has approved waiver of the time lag requirement in order that these courses may be offered in the Spring semester 79-1.

These changes move the practicum courses in Computing Science from credit courses to zero-credit courses for Co-operative Education Program purposes and are consistent with the principles earlier approved by Senate.

J. Weinkam stated that the work-study programs require a tight schedule and it was necessary to discontinue the former credit elective as two programs cannot exist simultaneously.

Question was called, and a vote taken.

MCTION CARRIED

f) Paper S.78-88 - Practicum Courses in Kinesiology

Moved by R. Brown, seconded by T. Calvert,

"That Senate approve, and recommend approval to the Board of Governors, as set forth in S.78-88, the following new courses:

> KIN. 351-0 - Practicum I KIN. 352-0 - Practicum II KIN. 451-0 - Practicum III KIN. 452-0 - Practicum IV

and that with the introduction of these new courses KIN. 450-5 be discontinued."

Note: Subject to the approval by Senate and the Board of these courses the Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies has approved waiver of the time lag requirement in order that these courses may be offered in the Spring semester 79-1.

These changes establish four zero credit practicum courses in Kinesiology, and discontinue a practicum credit course, for Cooperative Education Program purposes and are consistent with the principles earlier approved by Senate. T. Calvert confirmed that it is difficult to retain parallel credit and non-credit programs and that either is a tremendous drain on the resources of the department. A student who previously might have elected a 5 credit practicum will be required to seek other offerings to meet the requirements for a major.

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Question was called, and a vote taken.

MOTION CARRIED

g) Paper S.78-89 - Department of Mathematics - Changes to Mathematics Minor Requirements

Moved by R. Brown, seconded by T. Calvert,

"That Senate approve and recommend approval to the Board of Governors, as set forth in S.78-89, changes in requirements for the Minor Program in Mathematics."

Question was called, and a vote taken.

MOTION CARRIED

ii) <u>Senate Undergraduate Admissions Board/Senate Committee on Agenda</u> and Rules

a) <u>Paper S.78-90 - New Admission Requirements for B.C. Secondary</u> School Graduates - For Informal Discussion Only

It was proposed that the recommendations outlined in Paper S.78-90 be considered ad seriatum and that a summary of the discussion be forwarded to a joint meeting of the Senate Committee on Academic Planning and representatives of the Senate Undergraduate Admissions Board scheduled to be convened on Wednesday, September 13, 1978.

D. Birch apologized for late distribution of a number of tables and brief comments in connection with the SUAB proposals. He suggested the analysis, produced by Analytical Studies, would speak for itself but pointed out that calculations based on four separate methods for ascertaining eligibility for university admission produced very similar results despite contentions that there were advantages to the student when the calculation was concentrated on three Grade 12 subjects rather than a large selection of courses.

E. Wells, pro tem Chairman of SUAB, commented that following the discontinuation of compulsory Provincial examinations, UBC and UVic had recommended increasing the level of their admission requirements to take effect in 1981. Simon Fraser now followed their iniative with intention to increase requirements and lay more emphasis on the academic aspects of qualifications for entry to post-secondary education.

A. McMillan was invited to join the assembly to provide any required additional information relating to the proposals.

RECOMMENDATION I

That secondary school applicants be required to present a Grade 11 physical, or life, science (i.e. Geology 11, Physics 11, Chemistry 11, or Earth Science 11) in addition to Algebra 11.

J. Young felt that such requirements were not necessarily compatible to the interests of individuals who planned, for example, on Fine Arts v programs. H. Weinberg countered that the admission standards are intended to identify those students who can operate at a university level. K. Rieckhoff welcomed the proposal, stating that with the expansion of the college system and the open learning institute the opportunities would be greater for an already matured student to progress through postsecondary education. He regretted the distressing rate of withdrawal of students unable to meet established performance standards. J. Gingerich agreed that SFU admission standards should follow a provincial guideline but a student should not be precluded from entry on the basis of a diversified background.

RECOMMENDATION II

That secondary school applicants be required to present French 11, or a foreign language 11, for admission.

Note: A student may be allowed to present fluency in a native language, or another foreign language (not presently on the Ministry of Education Arts and Science list). Any student wishing to take advantage of this option should contact the Office of Admissions for further details.

J. Harrison suggested that a student should be given the choice of either Science 11 or French 11 as individuals in one field may not find an advantage in dual study. The Chairman noted that UBC will require both subjects whereas UVic's requirements are for either. Several Senators expressed the opinion that a language requirement provides greater depth of learning.

RECOMMENDATION III

That B.C. Secondary School students be required to present four academic 12-level subjects (including English 12) for admission.

It was noted that English 11 and Social Studies 11 are standard requirements in secondary shool programs and that UBC and UVic calculate averages over both Grade 11 and Grade 12 achievements.

RECOMMENDATION IV

That, normally, students must present an overall average of C+, or 2.5, on the four (4) academic 12-level subjects (including English 12).

Considerable discussion ensued with some concern being expressed regarding the recommendation to increase the GPA from 2.0 to 2.5 on four rather than three academic subjects. The statistics relating to Grade 11 and Grade 12 performance were reviewed and questioned as an accurate predictor of university level achievement. H. Weinberg suggested that increasing the grade point average could result in grade inflation; that standards could be established better through entrance examinations. J. Gingerich said the universities should be open to people who wish to accept the challenge but standards should not be reduced to accommodate them.

RECOMMENDATION V

That students be allowed to select their academic 12-level subjects from the Arts and Science list as approved by the Ministry of Education.

T. Arrott noted that Western Civilization 12, which had been rejected by Senate as acceptable credit for purposes of admission, would be included in the Ministry of Education list.

RECOMMENDATION VI

That students admitted directly from secondary school with a grade in English 12 below C be required to register in English 010 in their first semester and obtain credit in English 010 within the first three semesters at SFU.

R. Brown informed Senate that the Department of English had expressed strong objection to Recommendation VI inasmuch as ENGL 010 is not designed to accommodate the charge. D. Birch remarked that only a small proportion of those admitted on the basis of high school graduation would be required to take remedial English, and J. Young suggested that a small number of students could be referred to Reading and Study for that purpose.

RECOMMENDATION VII

That the preceding admission requirements, if approved, be effective for admission to the 1981 Fall semester, but not be applied retroactively.

The Chairman stated that the recommendation for an effective date of application must be left flexible for the time being.

RECOMMENDATION VIII

For applicants graduating in 1980 that, normally, they must present an overall average of C+, or 2.5 on the three (3) academic 12-level subjects (including English 12). Applicants whose overall average on the three (3) academic 12-level subjects is between C and C+ will be considered for admission by the Senate Undergraduate Admissions Board.

P. Jewett suggested that the specified year might be adjusted.

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T. Arrott did not agree that advance warning of requirements for admission necessarily need be given. P. Wagner suggested a positive approach with stated requirements to be considered as guarantees of qualification for admission.

The Chairman confirmed that a summary of the discussion would be relayed to the SCAP/SUAB meeting and Senators were invited to submit in writing to the Chairmen of the two committees any additional comments they wished to be considered.

iii) Senate Graduate Studies Committee

a) <u>Paper S.78-91 - Faculty of Education New Graduate Course</u> Proposals

Moved by J. Wheatley, seconded by K. Rieckhoff,

"That Senate approve the following new graduate courses in the Faculty of Education:

EDUC 826-5 - The Reading Process EDUC 827-5 - Diagnosis and Remediation of Reading Difficulties."

Question was called, and a vote taken.

MOTION CARRIED

6. REPORTS OF FACULTIES

There were no reports of faculties.

7. OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business

8. NOTICES OF MOTION

There were no notices of motion.

9. INFORMATION

It was noted that the next regular meeting of Senate is scheduled for Monday, October 2, 1978.

The assembly moved immediately into Closed Session at 9:51 p.m.

H. M. Evans Secretary