

Simon Fraser University
Office of the Registrar
Memorandum

To: Senate
From: Alison Watt, Secretary, Senate Nominating Committee
Date: November 1, 2004
Subject: Elections at Senate Meeting – Monday, November 1, 2004

The following vacancies on the undernoted Senate committees are outstanding and are brought forward to the November meeting of Senate. Elections, if required, will be conducted by ballot at the Senate meeting on November 1, 2004.

Under Senate regulations, any Senator who wishes to submit nominations may do so by notifying the Secretary of Senate in writing (email watt@sfu.ca) of such nominations. Nominations must be received by the Secretary no later than Friday, October 29, 2004.

Nominations received after that time cannot be accepted. Senators making nominations must ensure in advance that the nominee is willing to stand for election.

SENATE COMMITTEE ON CONTINUING STUDIES (SCCS)

One Student Senator to fill an existing vacancy for term of office to May 31, 2006.

Elected by acclamation: Shawn Hunsdale

SENATE COMMITTEE ON INTERNATIONAL ACTIVITIES (SCIA)

One Undergraduate Student Senator to fill an existing vacancy for term of office to May 31, 2006.

Shawn Hunsdale

SENATE COMMITTEE ON DISCIPLINARY APPEALS (SCODA)

One Student (at-large) to replace B. Walters for term of office to May 31, 2005.

Elected by acclamation: Patrick Smith

SENATE COMMITTEE ON UNIVERSITY PRIORITIES (SCUP)

One Student Senator to replace B. Walters for term of office to May 31, 2005.

Elected by acclamation: Shawn Hunsdale

COMMITTEE TO REVIEW THE PRESIDENT PRIOR TO RE-APPOINTMENT

Two Faculty Senators and One Graduate Student (at-large). Nominees should be available on Friday afternoons 1:30-3:30 pm November 5 and 26, 2004, December 3 and 17, 2004, January 7 and 14, 2005, and Tuesday afternoon 3-5 pm January 18, 2005.

Elected by acclamation – Faculty Senators:

Paul Percival
Betty Schellenberg
Kumari Beck
Douglas Grant

Ballot required - Graduate Student (at-large):

*Candidate Information for Election at
Senate Meeting on November 1, 2004*

Beck, Kumari

Re: President's Performance Review Committee

By way of introduction, I am a doctoral student in Education, entering the third year of my program. I am pleased to have been nominated to serve on this committee as a graduate student representative. I am interested in being considered to serve on this committee.

Believing strongly in the value of contribution to the life of the university on many levels, I have been a co-chair of the Education Graduate Student's Association, and am currently co-chair of SFU's Diversity Working Group. As well, I volunteer as a trainer for Diversity Awareness Workshops. I have been involved in organizing many events within the Faculty of Education and for the Diversity Working Group.. Through my involvement in university affairs at the student level, I hope I will be able to bring the perspectives of students in carrying out this review and also make a useful contribution to this committee.

Grant, Douglas

Re: **Nomination** for position of **Graduate Student** at Large on the Committee to Review the **Performance of the University President** Prior to Re-appointment

I am forwarding this statement in support of my self-nomination for the position of Graduate Student at Large on the Committee to Review the Performance of the University President Prior to Re-appointment.

I am a masters candidate in the University's School of Interactive Arts and Technology.

My interest in serving on the committee stems from a number of factors. One is my involvement in representing the concerns of graduate students to—and through—the Graduate Issues Committee of the SFUSS; the chair of that committee has endorsed the putting forward of me for this position. Another factor is my keen interest in ensuring the best and most productive relations between the School of Information Arts and Technology and the University at large, which of course implies an interest not only in the former, but also the latter.

My expertise in performance reviews comes from industry experience; in the previous decade and the early part of this one, I worked in the software and web application development industries as a team lead, manager, and executive, up to the level of vice-president, product management. My experience in those domains included working with NCompass Labs, a successful SFU spin-off that was eventually acquired by Microsoft. In those capacities, I was closely involved in the hiring and performance reviews of team members and executives at all levels, up to and including CEO.

Please note that while I am very interested in being a part of this process and willing to devote my time and energy to making it successful, I may not be available for the December 17 meeting, as I may be out of town at that point in time; the other prospective meeting times should not pose a problem for me.

Thank in advance for your consideration of this.

Candidate Information for Elections at
Senate Meeting on November 1, 2004

PERCIVAL, Paul W.

Professor, Department of Chemistry. Initial appointment in 1979.

Member of Senate 1989-99 and 2000-present. Vice-Chair of Senate 2003-2005.

Relevant Committee Experience

During the past 25 years at SFU I have served on a great variety of committees at the departmental, faculty and university level, including search committees for senior academic administrators (deans and vice-presidents). In addition, I have taken part in external reviews of academic units at SFU and elsewhere.

Statement

I strongly believe in the participatory democracy model of university governance. Senate and its committees provide the opportunity for faculty and other members of the university community to advise and monitor the activities of administrators, whose role it is to implement academic policies set by Senate. The President is the head of the administration and it is appropriate that Senate be part of a review of his performance in office. I have both the experience and commitment to take an active part in this process.

PATRICK SMITH

I am currently a fourth year honours economics student, with further education and career goals in the same field. Student life is definitely the centrality of my life, but it is by no means the extent thereof. In between study session, I maintain an active, outdoor lifestyle, and work part-time as a cook at a local golf club. I am also a news junky and a musician. Diversity is an important theme for me, which helps in decision making, as I am able to see many sides of whichever issue is at hand.

As far as being eligible to sit on the Senate Committee on Disciplinary Appeals, I feel I can be an assertive, fair decision-maker. Of course, as an undergraduate I have no formal training in law, but, whenever the opportunity has been available I have enrolled in law-related classes, including "Introduction to Canadian Legal Systems" and "Economics and Law." My interest in law extends beyond credit-hours: I stay current with world affairs such that extensive political reading has given me at least an elementary grasp on regional, national and international law forums.

My views and reasoning can be an asset to the Committee. As academic dishonesty appears to becoming a momentous issue in the universities, I would welcome the chance to help universities *and* students resolve allegations in a fair, rigorous manner.