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MINUTES OF MEETING OF SENATE OF SIMON FRASER UNIVERSITY
HELD MONDAY, JANUARY 18, 1971, EAST CONCOURSE CAFETERIA, 7:30 P.M.

OPEN SESSION

PRESENT:

Strand, K. T.

Chairman

Baird, D. A.
Basham, G. D.
Birch, D. R.
Bradley, R. D.
Brown, R. C.
Burstein, K. R.
Campbell, M. J.
Caple, K. P.
Claridge, R. W.
Donetz, G.
Funt, B. L.
Harper, R.J.C.
Lachlan, A. H.
McAninch, J. R.
Mugridge, I.
O'Connell, M. S.
Pate, B. D.
Reid, W. D.
Rieckhoff, K. E.
Rogow, R.
Stratton, S. T.
Sullivan, D. H.
Sutherland, G. A.
Turnbull, A. L.
Vidaver, W. E.
Webster, J. M.
Weinberg, H.
Wilson, B. G.

Evans, H. M.
Kelsey, I. B.
Norsworthy, Mrs. R.

Secretary

Recording Secretary

ABSENT:

Drache, Mrs. S.
Ellis, J. F.
Freiman, Mrs. L.
Hamilton, C. L.
Hamilton, W. M.
Hodge, F.
McDougall, A. H.
Salter, J.

IN ATTENDANCE:

Chase, J.
Meakin, D.

(This meeting was originally scheduled for January 11, 1971, but was postponed to January 18, 1971 because of adverse weather conditions.)

The Chairman welcomed Senator W. D. Reid upon his first attendance at Senate since his appointment by Order-in-Council.

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved as circulated.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the Open Session of December 7, 1970 were approved as distributed.

3. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

There was no business arising from the minutes.

4. REPORT OF CHAIRMAN

Paper S.71-1 - Revision - "Selection of a Dean's Search Committee"

The Chairman drew attention to the numbering system which had been adopted to assist in the indexing of Senate papers.

Moved by K. Rieckhoff, seconded by D. Sullivan,

"That Section III A, 2b of Paper S.380 be amended by adding the words 'and the Dean of Graduate Studies.'"

Question was called, and a vote taken.

MOTION CARRIED

5. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

1. Senate Nominating Committee

Paper S.71-2 - Election of Senators to Board of Governors

Candidates in the election of three Senators at large to the Board of Governors to replace M. Collins, A.F.C. Hean, and J. K. Kenward for the remainder of their terms of office to May 31, 1972 were G. D. Basham, R. W. Claridge, G. Donetz, L. Freiman, F. Hodge, and G. A. Sutherland.

It was noted that the Senate Nominating Committee had submitted the names of G. D. Basham, R. W. Claridge, and G. A. Sutherland, and that additional names had been submitted by individual Senators. These included G. Donetz (nominated by Senator Basham), Mrs. L. Freiman (nominated by Senator Drache), and F. Hodge (nominated by Senators Basham and Ellis).

Following balloting, the following individuals were declared elected:

G. D. BASHAM
F. HODGE
G. A. SUTHERLAND

2. Academic Planning Committee

1. Paper S.71-3 - Canadian Studies Program - Organization and Implementation

Moved by B. Wilson, seconded by K. Rieckhoff,

"That 1. Responsibility for the program rest in the Division of General Studies with its organization and administration reflecting the principles contained in Section 3A of Senate Paper S.424.

2. The implementation date be May 1, 1971."

G. Basham objected to the composition of the proposed Steering Committee in that there was no student representation despite a motion which had been passed at the December 7, 1970 meeting of Senate. B. Wilson stated that the Academic Planning Committee had considered this matter seriously and agreed that students should be involved in consideration of curriculum and several other areas, but not in responsibilities regarding admissions, appointment and budget recommendations or submission of names of candidates for degrees. The Chairman ruled that at the December meeting the first part of the divided question had passed, but that the second part, which included the motion to include students, had been referred back.

Considerable discussion followed on exactly what Paper S.424 encompassed with regard to composition of the Steering Committee and the overall organizational plan for the program. It was felt by several Senators that more detailed information on these aspects must be brought before Senate by the Academic Planning Committee before Senate should approve organization and implementation of the program.

Amendment moved by G. Basham, seconded by R. McAninch,

"That Section 1 of the motion contained in Paper S.71-3 be amended by adding to the wording, 'but that the Steering Committee is to include three students, one from each Faculty.'"

After further discussion, the mover, with the concurrence of the seconder, agreed to withdraw the paper.

2. Paper S.71-4 - Definition of Minor Program

Moved by B. Wilson, seconded by D. Birch,

"That Senate define a minor program in the following manner: 14-18 upper division credit hours in a subject area with the distribution of those upper division hours and the establishment of the number and nature of lower division requirements to be left to the discretion of program committees in the Division of General Studies, individual Departments, or Faculties."

B. Wilson drew attention to a paper (subsequently numbered S.71-29) which had been distributed prior to convening of the meeting, pertaining to the meaning of "level" and "division." He also noted possible conflict between Paper S.71-4 and one to be presented by the Faculty of Arts, numbered S.71-14, which might require alteration to provide uniformity with the decision Senate would be making in connection with Paper S.71-14.

D. Sullivan urged that a committee be formed, such as a proposed Senate Undergraduate Curriculum Committee, to review such matters to prevent conflict in regulations across Faculties and Divisions of the University, with regard to requirements and related items of concern in the University.

Moved by D. Sullivan, seconded by B. Wilson,

"That Paper S.71-4 be postponed until such time as Senate acts upon a mechanism for the coordination of Faculty and interdisciplinary degree requirements, and with the Academic Planning Committee being charged with the responsibility to bring forward a proposed mechanism."

Senator Burstein stated that such an assignment had already been given by Senate to another of its Committees and that it was not wise to now refer this item to another Committee.

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

MOTION TO POSTPONE FAILED

11 in favor
11 opposed

Question was called on the main motion, defining a minor program, and a vote taken.

MAIN MOTION CARRIED

18 in favor

(Note: The section on page 2 of Paper S.71-4 under implementation indicates the following:-

Within the overall guidelines set out above, program committees in the Division of General Studies, individual Departments or Faculties will be responsible for formulating the requirements for a minor in their particular discipline or subject area and forwarding their proposal through established channels to Senate for its approval.

The identification of those courses which constitute a subject area will be left to the discretion of individual Departments.)

3. Paper S.71-5 - Double Minor Degree

Moved by B. Wilson, seconded by I. Mugridge,

"That Senate approve the introduction of a Double Minor Degree: that a minor be defined as 14-18 upper division credit hours in a subject area; that upon successful completion of this program, the Bachelors Degree awarded to the individual to be determined according to the Faculty in which the student has taken the majority of his upper division work; that a student be required to obtain at least one of his twominors in that Faculty in which his degree is to be obtained; his other minor may be within or without the Faculty in which his degree is to be obtained but in any case will require the approval of the Faculty expected to grant the degree."

B. Wilson accepted a suggestion by A. Lachlan that the word "majority" be deleted and the words "largest number of credit hours" substituted. As there was no objection, the Chair ruled this substitution acceptable. B. Wilson noted that upper division means courses numbered 300 and above.

D. Sullivan spoke against the motion as he felt that a principle would be introduced which would permit the granting of a degree by a Faculty in which the least number of credit hours work had been taken by an individual.

With the concurrence of the seconder, the mover of the motion deleted the words, "his other minor may be within or without the Faculty in which his degree is to be obtained but in any case will require the approval of the Faculty expected to grant the degree." As there was no objection, the Chair accepted this deletion.

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

MOTION CARRIED

The motion as approved by Senate in connection with Paper S.71-5 reads as follows:

"That Senate approve the introduction of a Double Minor Degree: that a minor be defined as 14-18 upper division credit hours in a subject area; that upon successful completion of this program, the Bachelors Degree awarded to the individual to be determined according to the Faculty in which the student has taken the largest number of credit hours of his upper division work; that a student be required to obtain at least one of his two minors in that Faculty in which his degree is to be obtained."

(Dean Stratton indicated that Senate earlier had approved a minor of 15 hours for the Faculty of Education and enquired of the Chairman if this could be accepted as 14-18 hours. The Chairman responded that in this particular case the 14-18 hours could be used.)

3. Senate Committee on Graduate Studies

1. Paper S.71-6 - Discontinuance of Senate Committee on Graduate Admissions

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

"That the Senate Committee on Graduate Admissions be discontinued."

J. Webster explained that 95% of the applications for graduate work were handled by the Registrar's Office, and the remaining 5% were accumulated until sufficient were on hand to justify the calling

of a meeting of the Senate Committee on Graduate Admissions, resulting in considerable delay which could be avoided if the function were transferred to the Executive Committee of the Senate Committee on Graduate Studies (with the latter Committee to be named in future the Executive Committee of the Senate Graduate Studies Committee).

Question was called, and a vote taken.

MOTION CARRIED

2. Paper S.71-7 - Terms of Reference for Senate Graduate Studies Committee and Executive Committee of Senate Graduate Studies Committee

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

"That Senate approve the terms of reference of the Senate Graduate Studies Committee and the Executive Committee of the Senate Graduate Studies Committee, as outlined in Paper S.71-7."

In reply to a question by R. McAninch, J. Webster stated that consideration was being given for some graduate student representation either on the Senate Graduate Studies Committee or in an advisory capacity outside the Committee.

Amendment was moved by R. Bradley, seconded by R. McAninch, "That the terms of reference of the Executive Committee of the Senate Graduate Studies Committee, clause b, be amended to read, 'To interpret and implement Senate's policy on admission and other matters pertaining to graduate studies.'" When J. Webster pointed out that the Committee was charged with ensuring Senate standards and making recommendations to appropriate bodies as outlined in clause c, the amendment was withdrawn.

Question was called to approve the revised terms of reference, and a vote taken. (The motion includes a slight change in names of the Committees.)

MOTION CARRIED

3. New Course Proposals

Arts

Paper S.71-8 - Economics 811-5; 900-0

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

"That Economics 811-5 - Advanced Monetary Theory, and 900-0 - Economics Research Workshop, as outlined in Paper S.71-8, be approved."

Question was called, and a vote taken.

MOTION CARRIED

Paper S.71-9 - English 841-5, 842-5, 843-5

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

"That English 841-5 - Directed Readings A, 842-5 - Directed Readings B, and 843-5 - Directed Readings C, as outlined in Paper S.71-9, be approved."

K. Burstein raised the question of number of courses, why Directed Studies, Directed Readings, and other such courses in a particular Department, could not use the same course number and avoid the proliferation of courses and numbers. K. Rieckhoff referred to the greater flexibility, reduction of doubt on transcripts, differences in work, and other items. The Chairman stated that upon receipt of a specific written request for the information, he would see that the required information was supplied by letter.

Question was called, and a vote taken.

MOTION CARRIED

Paper S.71-10 - Geography 809-5

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

"That Geography 809-5 - Theoretical and Quantitative Cartography, as outlined in Paper S.71-10, be approved."

Question was called, and a vote taken.

MOTION CARRIED

Paper S.71-11 - Linguistics 850-3, 851-3, 855-5

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

"That Linguistics 850-3 - Graduate Seminar in Second Language Acquisition, 851-3 - Graduate Seminar in Experimental Design for the Applied Linguist, and 855-5 - Applied Linguistics I, as outlined in Paper S.71-11, be approved."

Question was called, and a vote taken.

MOTION CARRIED

Education

Paper S.71-12 - P.D.C. 807-5, 808-5

Moved by J. Webster, seconded by S. Stratton,

"That P.D.C. 807-5 - Special Topics, and
808-5 - Special Topics, as outlined in
Paper S.71-12, be approved."

Question was called, and a vote taken.

MOTION CARRIED

6. REPORTS OF FACULTIES

1. Arts

1. Paper S.71-13 - Upper Level Electives for B.A. Degree

D. Sullivan referred to the policy statement of the Faculty of Arts and explained that the Registrar had suggested revision which would clarify the language and remove some conflict without changing the intent.

Moved by D. Sullivan, seconded by I. Mugridge,

"That in the upper levels a student may use for credit towards the Bachelor of Arts degree no more than 15 hours in the Faculty of Education and/or the Faculty of Science. Within these limitations a student may take any credit course approved by Senate at SFU as an elective in his Bachelor of Arts degree, excluding Education 401-8, 402-7 and 405-15."

Amendment was suggested by B. Wilson that in the first sentence after the word "degree," the following words be added, "with a major subject declared." As there was no objection, the Chairman ruled the words included.

W. Vidaver objected to limiting elective programs to specific hours for degree purposes within the Faculty of Arts. The Secretary drew attention to the present calendar regulations within the Faculties. Considerable debate was undertaken. On a motion by L. Funt, seconded by G. Donetz, Senate recessed for five minutes, and reconvened at 10:00 p.m.

Moved by G. Basham, seconded by K. Burstein,

"That Paper S.71-13 be tabled."

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

MOTION TO TABLE FAILED

8 in favor

8 opposed

Moved by G. Basham, seconded by G. Donetz,

"That Paper S.71-13 be postponed until the March meeting of Senate."

S. Stratton and D. Sullivan noted that the regulation proposed was less restrictive in many ways than current regulations, and argued against postponement.

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

MOTION TO POSTPONE FAILED

9 in favor

11 opposed

Considerable discussion followed on transfer credit for courses in Education. D. Birch informed Senators that for some time there had been no provision for transfer of any course in Education and that this matter was one of the major concerns of the Faculty of Education Undergraduate Studies Committee. In response to a question to the Chairman, he indicated belief that if a transfer course was considered equivalent to a course at this institution it would carry such equivalent credit.

Question was called on the following motion on upper level electives for the Faculty of Arts, and a vote taken.

"In the upper levels a student may use for credit towards the Bachelor of Arts degree, with a major subject declared, no more than 15 hours in the Faculty of Education and/or the Faculty of Science. Within these limitations a student may take any credit course approved by Senate at SFU as an elective in his Bachelor of Arts degree, excluding Education 401-8, 402-7 and 405-15."

MOTION CARRIED

12 in favor

9 opposed

2. Paper S.71-14 - Double Major, Major/Minor, Joint Major for B.A. Degree

Moved by D. Sullivan, seconded by H. Weinberg,

"That Paper S.71-14, relating to double major, major/minor, and joint majors for the B.A. degree, be referred to the Academic Planning Committee, to be brought back after a sufficient proposal has been devised to meet the University wide need relating to majors and minors."

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

MOTION TO REFER CARRIED

3. Curriculum and Calendar Changes

Paper S.71-15 - English 441-3, 442-2, 443-3, 444-2, 445-3, 446-2

Moved by D. Sullivan, seconded by I. Mugridge,

"That English 441-3 - Directed Studies A, 442-2 - Directed Studies B, 443-3 - Directed Readings A, 444-2 - Directed Readings B, 445-3 - Directed Research A, and 446-2 - Directed Research B, as outlined in Paper S.71-15, be approved."

L. Funt enquired whether these could constitute an Individual Study Semester, and the Dean of Arts indicated this was not the intent.

Question was called, and a vote taken.

MOTION CARRIED

Paper S.71-16 - DML - Linguistics 100-3, Literature 140-3; 141-3; German 450-3

Moved by D. Sullivan, seconded by R. Harper,

"That Linguistics 100-3 - Communication and Language; Literature 140-3 - Introduction to General Literature, 141-3 - A Survey of General Literature; and German 450-3 - Current Topics in German Literature, as outlined in Paper S.71-16, be approved."

Question was called, and a vote taken.

MOTION CARRIED

Paper S.71-17 - Deferred Grades

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

"That Paper S.71-17 - Deferred Grades, be referred to the Academic Planning Committee, to be brought back after an appropriate mechanism has been devised to meet the University wide need relating to deferred grades."

Question was called, and a vote taken.

MOTION TO REFER CARRIED

2. Education

Paper S.71-18 - Education 403 and B.Ed. Requirements

Moved by S. Stratton, seconded by M. Campbell,

"That Senate approve that for those students who fulfilled requirements for Education 403-0, that the requirements for the B.Ed. degree be Education 403-0 and 135 semester hours of appropriate course work. Such work must include Education 401, 402 and 404 and must fulfill all current requirements for the B.Ed. including requirements for a minor."

Question was called, and a vote taken.

MOTION CARRIED

7. OTHER BUSINESS

1. Notices of Motion

There were no notices of motion.

2. Date of Next Meeting

It was noted that the date of the next Senate meeting is scheduled for Monday, February 1, 1971.

3. Other Items

a) Paper S.71-29 - Levels and Divisions

The Chairman referred to a paper, including examples of usage of terminology, which had been distributed earlier in the evening (subsequently numbered S.71-29), and it was agreed that the matter could be considered at this time.

Moved by B. Wilson, seconded by K. Rieckhoff,

"That Senate approve the word 'level' to refer to the status of an individual student's program, and the word 'division' be restricted to the description of undergraduate courses."

B. Wilson stated that there was no intent in the motion to create further restrictions on graduation, but it was hoped that uniformity could be established throughout the University with regard to the use of these terms, to bring clarity to regulations.

Question was called, and a vote taken.

MOTION CARRIED

b) Paper S.71-19 - Annual Report on University's Financial Statements

This item was distributed with the agenda for information.

4. Confidential Matters

The meeting recessed briefly at 11:12 p.m. prior to moving into Closed Session.

H. M. Evans
Secretary