

DRAFT UNTIL APPROVED BY SENATE  
MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE SENATE OF SIMON FRASER UNIVERSITY HELD  
ON MONDAY, DECEMBER 3, 1990 KLAUS RIECKHOFF HALL, 7:00 P.M.

OPEN SESSION

Present: Saywell, W., Chair

Barrow, R.  
Blackman, R.  
Blaney, J.  
Bowman, M.  
Brown, R.  
Carlson, R.  
Cercone, N.  
Clayman, B.  
Covell, M.  
D'Auria, J.  
Delgrande, J.  
Dill, L.  
Dobb, T.  
Duguid, S.  
George, D.  
Gibbons, N.  
Hoechsmann, M.  
Jones, C.  
Luk, W.S.  
Menzies, R.  
Mauser, G.  
Munro, D.  
Munro, J.  
Myers, T.  
Nielsen, V.  
Palmer, E.  
Palmer, L.  
Percival, P.  
Radil, M.  
Reilly, N.  
Shapiro, S.  
Stewart, M.L.  
Strate, G.  
Tjosvold, D.  
Tuinman, J.  
Warsh, M.  
Winne, P.  
Wotherspoon, A.

Absent: Bedford, B.  
Bukovac, S.  
Di Fonzo, A.  
Djwa, S.  
Evenden, L.  
Giffen, K.  
Gray, P.  
Heinrich, K.  
Hendrickson, T.  
Hoegg, J.L.  
Leiss, W.  
Maaske, R.  
Pinfield, L.  
Rae, B.  
Reich, K.  
Rieckhoff, K.  
Saunders, R.  
Shannon, D.  
Swartz, N.  
Verdun-Jones, S.  
Wade, S.  
Walker, R.

Heath, W.R., Secretary  
Grant, B., Recording Secretary

1. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

The Agenda was approved as distributed.

2. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE OPEN SESSION OF NOVEMBER 5, 1990

The Minutes were approved as distributed.

3. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

There was no business arising from the Minutes.

4. REPORT OF THE CHAIR

- i) The Chair was sad to report the death of Dr. Ed Colhoun and, on behalf of the University, he expressed deep sorrow to his family and appreciation for the contributions he made as a faculty member of Simon Fraser University.
- ii) On behalf of Senate, the Chair welcomed A. Wotherspoon and extended congratulations to him on his appointment to Senate by Order-In-Council.
- iii) The Chair reported that the University administration and TSSU had agreed to seek the assistance of a professional mediator and it was hoped that a decision could be reached in a fair, equitable and expeditious manner.
- iv) Senate was informed that the Ministry had commissioned a study of the human resource development needs, including the entire area of job-training and post-secondary education, within the Province of British Columbia over the next decade. Universities have been assured that they will be provided with an opportunity to have representatives participate in this study. The Chair hoped to have further details with regard to this matter available for Senate in the new year.
- v) The Chair was pleased to report on the success of recent meetings with Alumni chapters of Simon Fraser University in Toronto, Hong Kong, and Singapore.
- vi) In response to an inquiry about rumours of change to the Government's matching funds program, the Chair suggested that the rumours are probably based on speculation caused by the possibility of a recession and therefore a tighter budget situation. However, he felt that if the Government was forced into cutting back on funding to the university system, they would probably defer the matching funds program rather than cancel it because of existing commitments and pledges of funds from various foundations and organizations which they would want to honor.

5. REPORT OF COMMITTEES

- i) Senate Committee on Agenda and Rules  
Paper S.90-53 - Ph.D. Program in Engineering Science

Moved by J. Munro, seconded by N. Reilly

"that the report requested by Senate from the School of Engineering Science and the Department of Mathematics and Statistics relating to the introduction of some new courses within the curriculum of the new Ph.D. Program in Engineering Science be referred to the Senate Graduate Studies Committee"

J. Munro explained that when SCAR reviewed the report in the Minutes from the last

meeting of Senate, they felt that the original referral of this matter should have been to the Senate Graduate Studies Committee for consideration rather than to Senate and the above motion recommends that this take place.

Question was called, and a vote taken.

MOTION CARRIED

ii) Senate Committee on Academic Planning

a) Paper S.90-54 - Undergraduate curriculum revisions - Faculty of Applied Sciences

Moved by J. Munro, seconded by R. Blackman

"that Senate approve and recommend approval to the Board of Governors, as set forth in S.90-54 curriculum revisions in the Faculty of Applied Sciences as follows:

- i) S.90-54a Department of Communication
- ii) S.90-54b School of Computing Science
- iii) S.90-54c School of Engineering Science
- iv) S.90-54d School of Kinesiology"

J. Munro pointed out that the motions from all of the Faculties with regard to undergraduate curriculum revisions are co-sponsored and recommended by the Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies and the Senate Committee on Academic Planning. Rather than presenting individual motions for Departments and Schools, the motions are presented by Faculty with the proposals from each Department and School presented separately as a), b), c) etc.

In response to a concern regarding the dropping of two theoretical courses - MACM 300 and CMPT 405 in paper S.90-54b, it was pointed out that the courses were being dropped as required courses for a particular program but would still be offered and available for students in the program.

Referring to the new course proposal for CMNS 454 in Paper S.90-54a, concern was raised about examinations taking place in the final weeks of the semester and inquiry was made about university policy in this regard. It was pointed out that the policy stipulates that final examinations can not take place in the last week of classes and that the critical point with respect to take-home examinations is when they are due back, not when they are handed out.

Question was called and a vote taken.

MOTION CARRIED

b) Paper S.90-55 - Undergraduate curriculum revisions - Faculty of Arts

Moved by J. Munro, seconded by R. Blackman

"that Senate approve and recommend approval to the Board of Governors, as set forth in S.90-55, curriculum revisions in the Faculty of Arts as follows:

- i) S.90-55a Proposal for a B.A. Degree - General Program

- ii) S.90-55b Department of Archaeology
- iii) S.90-55c Canadian Studies
- iv) S.90-55d Proposed Post Baccalaureate Diploma in  
Community Economic Development
- v) S.90-55e School for the Contemporary Arts
- vi) S.90-55f School of Criminology
- vii) S.90-55g Department of Economics
- viii) S.90-55h Department of English - Co-op Program
- ix) S.90-55i Department of English - Joint Major in English  
and Women's Studies
- x) S.90-55j General Studies
- xi) S.90-55k Department of Geography
- xii) S.90-55l Department of Linguistics
- xiii) S.90-55m Department of Psychology
- xiv) S.90-55n Department of Sociology/Anthropology
- xv) S.90-55o Women's Studies"

The following were in attendance as resource persons - R. Anderson, Director, Community Economic Development Centre, (S.90-55d); M. Harris, Acting Chair, Department of English, (S.90-55i); and S. Wendell, Chair, Women's Studies Program (S.90-55i, S.90-55o)

Discussion turned to Paper S.90-55d, the proposed Post Baccalaureate in Community Economic Development and concern was raised about the creation of a new program outside existing departments. R. Brown pointed out that there are a number of precedents within the University for program initiatives of this kind and advised that they have precisely the same reporting mechanism within the system as an established department.

Referring to Paper S.90-55o, curriculum changes in Women's Studies, concern was raised with respect to the credit hour value of WS 300. Discussion centered on the academic content and grading mechanism for this course and assurances were given that the format of the course and expectations of students in the course were in line with other academic disciplines.

Reference was made to Paper S.90-55i, the proposed Joint Major in English and Women's Studies, and inquiry was raised as to whether or not there was a core area represented in this proposal. Discussion followed wherein it was pointed out that the one common area between the two disciplines was the use and the interpretation of literature. Senate was also informed that the Joint Major had been proposed in response to student demand and it was felt that there was sufficient relationship between the two disciplines to justify a joint major program.

In response to a general concern about the financial implications of continually adding new courses and programs, J. Munro expressed opinion that new courses are the responsibility of the Department/School and therefore resources at the university level would not be re-allocated to support them. Decisions to implement new programs have to be made in the context of other priorities and available resources and this question is currently being pursued with the Senate Committee on University Budget and the Senate Committee on Academic Planning.

Question was called, and a vote taken.

MOTION CARRIED

c) Paper S.90-56 - Undergraduate curriculum revisions - Faculty of Business Administration

Moved by J. Munro, seconded by R. Blackman

"that Senate approve and recommend approval to the Board of Governors, as set forth in S.90-56, curriculum revisions in the Faculty of Business Administration as follows:

- Proposed Joint Major in Business Administration and Geography
- Change of Prerequisites - BUS 329-3, BUS 426-3
- Change in requirements for Concentrations in Marketing and Organizational Behaviour"

Question was called, and a vote taken.

MOTION CARRIED

d) Paper S.90-57 - Undergraduate curriculum revisions - Faculty of Education

Moved by J. Munro, seconded by R. Blackman

"that Senate approve and recommend approval to the Board of Governors, as set forth in S.90-57, curriculum revisions in the Faculty of Education as follows:

- New courses - EDUC 446-4, EDUC 367-4
- Proposed Minor in Educational Psychology, including new courses EDUC 222-2, EDUC 420-4
- Proposed Joint Minor in French Education, including (i) new courses - EDUC 280-3, EDUC 450-4, EDUC 451-4, FREN 310-3, FREN 311-3, FREN 312-3; (ii) Deletion of FREN 303-3
- Deletion of the Minor in Educational Studies in Education"

J. Tuinman explained that recent changes to the provincial curriculum with respect to teaching French as a second language from grade five onwards, was one of the major reasons for proposing the joint minor program which would better prepare students for a teaching career. Brief discussion followed with respect to the justification of having FREN 202 as a prerequisite to EDUC 280.

Question was called, and a vote taken.

MOTION CARRIED.

e) Paper S.90-58 - Undergraduate curriculum revisions - Faculty of Science

Moved by J. Munro, seconded by C. Jones

"that Senate approve and recommend approval to the Board of Governors, as set forth in S.90-58, curriculum revisions in the Faculty of Science as follows:

- i) S.90-58a Proposal for a B.Sc. (General Science) Degree Program
- ii) S.90-58b Change to electives taken outside the Faculty of Science for Major and Honors Students
- iii) S.90-58c Proposal for a Minor in Physical Geography

- iv) S.90-58d Department of Biological Sciences
- v) S.90-58e Biochemistry Program
- vi) S.90-58f Management and Systems Science Program
- vii) S.90-58g Department of Mathematics and Statistics
- viii) S.90-58h Department of Physics"

Question was called, and a vote taken.

MOTION CARRIED

f) Paper S.90-59 - Deletion of Courses Not Offered

Moved by J. Munro, seconded by R. Blackman

"that Senate approved and recommend approval to the Board of Governors, that the following courses be deleted:

- CMPT 315 Advanced Software Project
- GEOG 431 The Landscape in Science, Art, Music and Literature
- SA 390 British Columbia
- SA 492 Central and South America
- EDUC 423 Teaching and Teacher Effectiveness
- EDUC 484 Curriculum Studies
- CHEM 437 Inorganic Chemistry Laboratory II
- MATH 265 Engineering Mechanics III"

Question was called, and a vote taken.

MOTION CARRIED

iii) Senate Committee on University Budget  
Paper S.90-60 - Annual Report - For Information

The Annual Report of the Senate Committee on University Budget was received by Senate for information.

iv) Senate Library Committee  
Paper S.90-61 - Annual Report - For Information

Following a very brief discussion, the Annual Report of the Senate Library Committee, including a report from the Library Penalties Appeal Committee, was received by Senate for information.

6. Other Business

There was no other business.

7. Notices of Motion

There were no notices of motion.

8. Information

The date of the next regularly scheduled meeting of Senate is Monday, January 7, 1991.

The Assembly moved directly into Closed Session at 7:50 p.m.

W. R. Heath  
Secretary of Senate