MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF SENATE OF SIMON FRASER UNIVERSITY, HELD IN THE BOARD AND SENATE ROOM ON MONDAY, 8 APRIL, 1968, AT 8 PM

Present:

P.D. McTaggart-Cowan

Chairman

R.J. Baker

K.R. Burstein

M. Bawtree

M. Collins

J.L. Dampier

J.S. Foulds

B. L. Funt

E.M. Gibson

W.M. Hamilton

R.J.C. Harper

A.F.C. Hean

G. Kirchner

M.A. Lebowitz

E.S. Lett

S.K. Lower

A.R. MacKinnon

J.W. Matthews

R.N. Maud

K. Okuda

G. N. Perry

G.M. Shrum

G. Sperling

D.H. Sullivan

D. G. Tuck

W. Vidaver

J. Walkley

W.H. Whiteley

S. Wong

S. Yandle

D.A. Meyers

M. Dawson

Secretary

Recording Secretary

In attendance: D. Roberts

Absent:

D.A. Baird

A.E. Branca

A.J. Ellis

I. Koerner

C.H. McLean

S. Wassermann

Profes Conduct.

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The Chairman opened the meeting and said that it was a special meeting called at the request of six members of Senate:
B. L. Funt, A.R. MacKinnon, J.W. Matthews, R.J.C. Harper, D.G. Tuck and W. Vidaver, to consider the two items they had placed on the agenda. He reminded members that it was a closed meeting, in response to the desire of those who had called the meeting.

Moved by D.H. Sullivan, seconded by J.W. Matthews

"that Senate refuse to discuss these two points at this call for a special meeting on the grounds that there is no evidence one way or the other, either positive or negative, that the allegations are true"

MOTION LOST

Moved by M.A. Lebowitz, seconded by G. Sperling

"that we consider Item 2 before Item 1"

The Chairman ruled that the order of business should be that transmitted in the notice of the meeting, as laid down in Senate's Rules of Procedure. M.A. Lebowitz and R.N. Maud challenged this ruling, the matter was put to a vote and the chair upheld. M.A. Lebowitz asked that this challenge be recorded.

MOTION LOST

Item 1 of the Agenda was then discussed.

Moved by J.W. Matthews, seconded by R.J.C. Harper

"that it would be improper for waiting non-members of Senate to be called in to this meeting to make any statement at all but that they should make their statement to a properly constituted committee of enquiry if such is set up, and that they, therefore, should be informed that they will not be called tonight"

MOTION LOST

Moved by D. H. Sullivan, seconded by G. Kirchner

"that the discussion of Agenda Item 1 only consider items of substantial procedure; that no personalities be mentioned in the discussion" -3-

Stry Conduct.

Discussion proceeded. M.A. Lebowitz protested that the discussion was referring to the activities of the University committee rather than procedural matters.

The chair ruled that the discussion should proceed.

- G. Sperling and S. Yandle challenged this ruling, a vote was taken and the chair upheld.
- S. Yandle and M.A. Lebowitz moved a vote of no confidence in the chair.

MOTION LOST

There was further discussion of the Motion.

MOTION CARRIED 15 in favour 9 opposed

Moved by J.W. Matthews, seconded by S. Wong

"that the customary procedure for the formation of a Senate Committee be set aside"

MOTION CARRIED by two-thirds majority

Moved by J.W. Matthews, seconded by S. Wong

"that Senate proceed to appoint a Committee to investigate the allegations contained in documents circulated in the University and report back to Senate"

MOTION CARRIED

M. Bawtree and S.K. Lower nominated A.F.C. Hean to the Committee.

Moved by R.J.C. Harper, seconded by J. Walkley

"that there be a five man Committee established by Senate to investigate the allegations contained in documents circulated in the University and report back to Senate; and that no members of the University Committee or those holding their appointments in the PSA Department be members of this Committee" -4-

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K. Okuda suggested that two members be nominated by PSA, two members be nominated by the University Committee and these four select a chairman.

Moved by M.A. Lebowitz, seconded by G. Sperling, that A.F.C. Hean's nomination be tabled while K. Okuda's suggestion was discussed.

MOTION CARRIED

Moved by K. Okuda, seconded by S. Yandle

"that the Senate Committee which will look into allegations consist of five persons, two of whom shall be nominated by the signatories to the documents under consideration, two of whom shall be nominated by the University Committee, the four of whom shall agree upon a chairman presiding at the meeting"

Discussion brought to light considerable disagreement with this Motion.

Moved by B.L. Funt, seconded by D.H. Sullivan, to lift the Motion to nominate A.F.C. Hean from the table.

MOTION CARRIED

(Note: the effect of this was to nullify K. Okuda's Motion which was a substitute Motion).

The following accepted nomination for election to the Senate Committee:

E.M. Gibson, R.J.C. Harper, R.N. Maud, M.A. Lebowitz, S.J. Foulds, R.J. Baker, S.K. Lower, S. Wong.

Moved by G. Kirchner, seconded by M. Bawtree

"that nominations now close"

MOTION CARRIED

A ballot was then taken.

Moved by D.G. Tuck, seconded by A.F.C. Hean

"that D.G. Bettison and others waiting, at Senate's invitation, be told with Senate's apologies that they will not be called tonight"

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Moved by S. Yandle, seconded by R.N. Maud

"that:

- 1. meetings of the Senate Committee be open
- 2. a verbatim record of the proceedings be taken
- 3. anybody who wishes can have legal representation
- 4. a duly appointed representative from CAUT be present."

It was agreed to vote on each point separately:

"that meetings of the Senate Committee be open"

MOTION LOST

"that a verbatim record of the proceedings be taken" (this was interpreted as being a tape recording)

MOTION CARRIED

"that legal representation be permitted"

MOTION CARRIED

"that a duly appointed representative of CAUT be present"

MOTION LOST

Moved by M.A. Lebowitz, seconded by S. Yandle

"that a duly appointed representative of CAUT be permitted if witnesses so request"

MOTION LOST

It was agreed that the term "legal representation" would include a representative, other than a lawyer, if the person appearing before the Committee so wished.

The result of the ballot for membership of the Committee was announced: R.J. Baker, S.J. Foulds, E.M. Gibson, R.J.C. Harper and S.K. Lower were appointed. R.J.C. Harper was asked to act as Convenor until the Committee elected its own chairman.

Moved by J.W. Matthews, seconded by M.A. Lebowitz

"that Item 2 should not be given further consideration by Senate at this time"

G. Sperling said that he wished it recorded in the Minutes that he thought some aspects of the discussion were improper.

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The Chairman indicated that if the Motion passed, he would consider it in effect transferring the concerns embodied in Item 2 to him and he would consider it his duty to bring these concerns to the attention of the Dean of Arts and the Head of PSA Department for investigation and report to him.

MOTION CARRIED 18 in favour 7 opposed

Moved by S. Wong, seconded by S. Yandle

"that Senate censure Dean Funt for conduct unbecoming of a member of Senate and of the University, and instruct Dean Funt to apologise to Senate for placing Item 2 on the agenda"

It was requested by S. Wong and G. Sperling and agreed that there be a secret vote on the Motion.

A vote was then taken.

MOTION LOST 10 in favour 19 opposed 1 abstention

Moved by M.A. Lebowitz, seconded by S. Yandle

"that Senate direct Dean Funt to take this matter to the Faculty and PSA Department through the Head and that the President take a direct interest in this until it goes through the proper channels"

Discussion followed.

MOTION LOST 12 in favour 15 opposed

It was moved by R.J. Baker, seconded by the Chancellor, and carried, that the meeting adjourn.

The meeting adjourned at 11.55 p.m.

D.A. Meyers Secretary