MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE SENATE OF SIMON FRASER UNIVERSITY HELD ON MONDAY, APRIL 11, 1983, KLAUS RIECKHOFF HALL

OPEN SESSION

Present: Ivany, J.W.G., Acting President

Bennett, R.N.D.
Bhakthan, N.M.G.
Blaney, J.P.
Brown, R.C.
Cleveland, W.L.
Cochran, J.F.
Crawford, C.B.

Dawson, A.J., representing J.J. Tuinman

D'Auria, J.M.
Dobb, T.C.
Hale, L.
Holmes, R.A.
Irwin, J.C.
Johnston, H.J.M.
Jones, C.H.W.
Kameda, T.
Krebs, D.L.
Leiss, W.

McDonald, D.

McKeown, B.A.

Munro, J.M.

Nielsen, V.

O'Fallon, C.E.

Okuda, K. Prock, L.M.

Schachter, B.

Stewart, R.

DCEWALC, IN

Swartz, N.

Verdun-Jones, S.N.

Webster, J.M.

Weinberg, H.

Wotherspoon, A.J.

Evans, H.M., Secretary

Heath, N.

Grant, B., Recording Secretary

Absent: Banister, E.W. Calvert, T.W.

Carter, S.D.
Clark, K.
Coté, P.T.
Edelmann, I.D.
Gehlbach, R.D.
Henderson, R.E.
Hoyt, G.C.
Littmann, H.
MacPherson, A.
Naki, S.
Overholt, M.J.
Rieckhoff, K.E.

In attendance:

Dickinson, J.

Strong, M.

Van Loon, M. Wideen, M.F.

The Chairman announced that the appointment of Dr. William George Saywell as President of Simon Fraser University had been approved by the Board of Governors and that Dr. Saywell was expected to join the University September 1, 1983.

1. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

The agenda was approved as distributed.

2. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

The minutes of the Open Session of February 7, 1983 were approved.

3. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Senate was informed that the notice of motion regarding notations on student transcripts had been withdrawn.

4. REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN

a) Paper S.83-32 - By-election of Convocation Senator

Senators voted in a by-election to replace Convocation Senator John B. Toor for balance term of office, from date of election to May 31, 1984.

Ballots cast 30 Ballots spoiled 2

Individual totals: Loughlin 7
Murray 21

Individual receiving the higher number of votes and declared elected:

P. R. MURRAY

5. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

i) Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies

a) Paper S. 83-33 - English Changes Including New Course ENGL 349-4 - Topics in American Literature

Moved by J. Munro, seconded by H. Weinberg,

"That Senate approve and recommend approval to the Board of Governors, as set forth in S.83-33, the proposed new course ENGL 349-4 - Topics in American Literature"

In an attempt to draw attention to the increasingly serious problems with regard to Library resources, T.C. Dobb, University Librarian, announced that he intended to vote against this particular motion and all subsequent motions to approve new courses or programs for the indefinite future. He also advised that he intended to request his designates on the Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies, the Senate Graduate Studies Committee and the Senate Committee on Academic Planning to do the same.

R. Brown expressed his concern about the comments of the Librarian with respect to his intended course of action in the future stating that each course should be assessed on its own merits and if resources were available those courses should be allowed to go ahead. He also pointed out that ENGL 349-4 was a Special Topics course thus making it impossible to assess clearly the library resources since the topics were not clearly defined and was surprised that objection was raised to a course of this nature.

The Secretary assured Senate that the Chairman of SCUS insisted that Library evaluations were available to the Committee.

R. Stewart expressed support for the University Librarian's comments and advised that since he felt very strongly that students deserved top quality library materials and facilities he too intended to vote against this particular motion and all subsequent motions in this area until such time as the Librarian could verify what impact new courses and/or programs would have on existing resources. L. Hale also indicated his concern regarding Library problems.

Question was called, and a vote taken.

MOTION CARRIED.

Acting under delegated authority at its meeting of March 8, 1983, the Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies approved change in title of ENGL 348-4 FROM: Twain, James, Faulkner

TO: American Literature, Civil War to World War I.

Attention is drawn to further comments as shown under Other Business.

b) Paper S.83-34 - History - New Course

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

"That Senate approve and recommend approval to the Board of Governors, as set forth in S.83-34, the proposed new course HIST 338-3 - World War II"

A brief discussion took place with regard to the format of the course.

Question was called, and a vote taken.

MOTION CARRIED.

Subject to approval of the course by Senate and the Board of Governors, SCUS approved waiver of the two semester time lag requirement in order that the course may be first offered in Fall 83-3.

c) Paper S.83-35 - Education - Waiver - EDUC 481-4 - For Information

An information paper was presented to Senate covering action undertaken under delegated authority by the Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies at its meeting of March 8, 1983 granting waiver to allow EDUC 481-4 - French Immersion and Programme - Cadre de Francais to be first offered in Summer Semester 83-2.

d) Paper S.83-36 - For Information - General Studies changes

An information paper was presented to Senate covering action undertaken under delegated authority by the Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies at its meeting of March 8, 1983 approving change in credit hours from five to four for G.S. 409 - Myths, Fictions, Histories: Telling the Truth About Experience II.

e) Paper S.83-37 - Faculty of Interdisciplinary Studies - New Honors
Programs and New Course - Kinesiology

Motion #1:

Moved by J. Munro, seconded by S. Verdun-Jones,

"That Senate approve and recommend approval to the Board of Governors, as set forth in S.83-37 the proposed programs

- i) B.Sc. Honors in Applied Physiology
- ii) B.Sc. Honors in Sports Science"
- J. Dickinson, Chairman of the Kinesiology Department, was in attendance as a resource person.
- J. Munro briefly introduced the paper stating that the proposal was essentially a rearrangement and a new designation of existing courses in the Department of Kinesiology into two separate honors programs.

The following suggestion made by N. Swartz was accepted as an editorial change of the titles as contained in the support documentation for the two programs:

FROM: Lower Level Requirements/Upper Level Requirements and Electives
TO: Lower Division Requirements/Upper Division Requirements and Electives

In reply to concerns expressed about how highly structured these programs were, J. Dickinson stressed the fact that these were honors programs intended for a high degree of specialization and that the Kinesiology Department would find it very difficult to delete any of the courses from either program.

The fact that neither program included courses from the Humanities was raised and it was pointed out that both programs complied with current regulations and fell within approved structures of the Faculty of Interdisciplinary Studies and the University.

Question was called, and a vote taken.

MOTION #1 CARRIED.

Motion #2:

Moved by J. Munro, seconded by L. Hale,

"That Senate approve and recommend approval to the Board of Governors, as set forth in S.83-37, the proposed new course KIN. 499-15 - Individual Study Semester"

Question was called, and a vote taken.

MOTION #2 CARRIED.

Subject to approval of this course by Senate and the Board of Governors the Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies approved waiver to permit first offering for Fall 83-3.

ii) Senate Graduate Studies Committee

a) Paper S.83-38 - Annual Report - For Information

The Annual Report of the Senate Graduate Studies Committee was received by Senate for information.

b) Paper S.83-39 - New Course Proposal - Education

Moved by J. Webster, seconded by A. Wotherspoon,

"That Senate approve and recommend approval to the Board of Governors, as set forth in S.83-39, the proposed new graduate course, EDUC 858-5 - Contemporary Research and Classroom Practices in French Immersion"

The following suggestion made by N. Swartz was accepted as a friendly amendment on the course proposal form:

From: Description: Students examine studies, reports and articles relating to French Immersion methodology, curriculum and program evaluation. Students derive classroom applications and curriculum changes from these studies.

To: Description: The aim of this course is to examine studies, reports and articles relating to French Immersion methodology, program evaluation, curriculum needs and administration of French programs. Special attention is given to the possible applications from research findings.

Question was called, and a vote taken.

MOTION CARRIED.

iii) Executive Committee of the Senate Graduate Studies Committee

a) Paper S.83-40 - Annual Report - For Information

The Annual Report of the Executive Committee of the Senate Graduate Studies Committee was received by Senate for information.

iv) Senate Undergraduate Admissions Board

a) Paper S.83-41 - Adjustment in dates for change in requirements, Science/Language

Moved by J. Munro, seconded by A. Wotherspoon,

"That Senate approve as set forth in S.83-41 'That this revision to our admission policy be applicable for applicants graduating in 1987 and subsequently'"

Question was called, and a vote taken.

MOTION CARRIED.

6. REPORTS OF FACULTIES

There were no reports from Faculties.

7. OTHER BUSINESS

At the close of the Open Session, C. Jones returned to the points made by the Librarian and expressed the view that the concerns were valid and important, with particular reference to crowding on certain floors of the Library. He requested the Chairman of Senate to consider the appropriate forum and format for discussion. H. Weinberg believed that the Senate Library Committee is the appropriate body to make recommendations to Senate and hoped that they would do that. The Chairman indicated that he would take the matter up.

8. NOTICES OF MOTION

There were no notices of motion.

9. INFORMATION

The next regular meeting of Senate is scheduled for Monday, May 16, 1983.

The assembly recessed briefly at 7:55 p.m. prior to moving into Closed Session.