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MINUTES OF SENATE OF SIMON FRASER UNIVERSITY HELD ON MONDAY,  
OCTOBER 7, 1968, IN THE FACULTY LOUNGE AT 7:30 P.M.

OPEN SESSION

Present:

Strand, K.T.  
Baker, R.J.  
Baird, D.A.  
Boland, L.  
Burststein, K.R.  
Collins, M.  
Dampier, J.L.  
D'Aoust, B.  
Ellis, A.J.  
Foulds, J.S.  
Funt, B.L.  
Hamilton, W.M.  
Hean, A.F.C.  
Hutchison, J.  
Koerner, Mrs. Otto  
Korbin, D.G.  
Lett, Mrs. Sherwood  
MacKinnon, A.R.  
McLean, C.H.  
Okuda, K.  
Rieckhoff, K.E.  
Sperling, G.B.  
Stratton, S.  
Sullivan, D.H.  
Vidaver, W.  
Walkley, J.  
Wong, S.  
Williams, W.E.

Chairman

Rheumer, G.A.

Evans, H.M.  
Roberts, D.  
Meyers, D.A.  
Smedley, J.

Secretary

Recording Secretary

Absent:

Branca, A.E.  
Gibson, E.M.  
Harper, R.J.C.  
Perry, G.N.  
Shrum, Dr. G. M.  
Smith, L.

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1. ELECTION RESULTS - 5164

(A) The Secretary announced that D.M. Sullivan had been elected as Dean of the Faculty of Arts and that ratification by the Board of Governors was awaited.

(B) i. For election as the nominee, to be appointed by Senate, of the Faculty of Arts, replacing for the completion of the term of office of the incumbent, A. MacPherson, May 31, 1971, 129 votes were cast and J. Hutchison polled the highest number of votes.

ii. For election as the nominee, to be appointed by Senate, of the Faculty of Education, replacing temporarily the incumbent, S. Wassermann, to April 30, 1969, 23 votes were cast and Leonne M. Smith (Mrs. Prock) polled the highest number of votes.

iii. For election as the nominee, to be appointed by Senate, of Joint Faculty, replacing temporarily the incumbent, M. Lebowitz, to April 30, 1969, 223 votes were polled, of which one ballot was spoiled. L.A. Boland polled the highest number of votes.

Moved by W. Williams, seconded by L. Dampier,

"that the candidates be seated"

MOTION CARRIED

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by K. Okuda, seconded by A. MacKinnon,

"that the Agenda be approved"

MOTION CARRIED

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 23, 1968

S. Wong requested that the following comments be recorded under page 9, item C, that "Dr. Burstein said that Joint Faculty is the University".

With the amendment noted above the Chairman declared the minutes approved.

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4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 23, 1968

(A) REPORT BY CHAIRMAN ON FACULTY COUNCIL - PAPER S-158

It was noted that Dean Wilson should be added to the paper as an ex-officio member.

D. Korbin raised questions pertaining to the restructuring of Faculty Council and the Chairman of Senate responded. S. Wong inquired pertaining to the procedures which had been followed by Faculty Council in the past and the Chairman indicated that as full information was not available data would be obtained but that during the interim the paper presented represented the information available.

Moved by K. Okuda, seconded by K. Rieckhoff

"that the report by the Chairman on Faculty Council - paper S-158 - be received"

MOTION CARRIED

(B) OTHER ITEMS -

As no other items were raised Senate continued with the Agenda.

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. DEFINITION OF REQUIRMENTS FOR FIRST-CLASS STANDING, HONORS, AND CLASSIFICATION OF DEGREES - PAPERS S-153 (a), S-153 (b), S-153 (c).

The Chairman of Senate requested that the Secretary report briefly the background pertaining to this particular topic and this was done. The Secretary indicated that this topic had been under review for some considerable time with reference back and forth between Faculties and Senate with indication that on September 9th Senate had again referred the matter to Faculty on the understanding that at this meeting Senate proposed to make a decision. The Secretary briefly indicated variations in the submissions made by the three Faculties and emphasized the desirability of arriving at a decision. Comment was made that the matter should be considered by Joint Faculty.

Moved by K. Okuda, seconded by K. Rieckhoff,

"that (1) for Honors First Class Standing a Grade Point Average of 3.5 be required and that (2) for Honors Standing a Grade Point Average of 3.0 be required -- each on a cumulative Grade Point Average based on 132 semester hours."

Considerable debate ensued including points of order, intent of the motion, and the variations in submissions from the three Faculties.

A. MacKinnon clarified the position of the Faculty of Education indicating that it was the belief of that Faculty that major consideration should be given to the last two years of study of an individual on an Honors program pertaining to the 300 and 400 level courses.

Reference was made to previous motions passed by Senate and the intent of those motions and the Secretary attempted to clarify the situation. S. Wong requested ruling on a point of order, ruling was made by the Chair, challenged by S. Wong and the ruling of the Chair was upheld by the assembly.

The Chairman of Senate stipulated that two items were now under debate, namely, a requirement of 3.5 Grade Point Average for a First Class Honors Standing and a requirement of 3.0 for Honors standing.

Further debate was undertaken and clarification requested with disagreement on earlier motions and the intent of motions passed by Senate. L. Funt referred to a recent meeting held with the Registrar and the three Deans of Faculties and the recommendations then submitted by the Faculties as shown in the papers provided.

Motion was made by K. Burstein, seconded by G. Sperling

"that the motion be tabled until Senate has established procedures for recommendations for calendar entries that have University-wide significance,"

but the motion was ruled out of order by the Chair, challenged, but the assembly upheld the Chair.

Further debate ensued concerning the matter of primary consideration being given the last two years of work or Upper Division work, with some disagreement. Amendment to the motion was made by A. MacKinnon, seconded by G. Sperling

"that first consideration be given to the final two years of a student's program."

Debate continued with disagreement.

Amendment to the amendment was moved by D. Korbin, seconded by G. Sperling

"that consideration of the first two years record, or to the last two years record, or to the record of all years be at the student's own request."

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Debate ensued and vote was taken.

AMENDMENT TO THE AMENDMENT DEFEATED.

Debate continued and vote was taken on the Amendment to the main motion to the effect

"that first consideration be given to the final two years of a student's program.

AMENDMENT DEFEATED

Considerable debate followed pertaining to practical methods of determining completion of requirements and the principles underlining requirements for First Class Honors and Honors degree standing.

Notice of Amendment was made by K. Rieckhoff

"that 3.5 Grade Point Average be calculated from the Cumulative Grade Point Average based on the entire 132 semester hours required for the degree or on the 62 semester hours of 300 and 400 level courses, whichever is the higher."

Debate continued with consideration being given the Notice of Amendment to the motion. Comments were made pertaining to the various requirements for an Honors degree, as between Faculties and Departments.

Reference was again made to the desirability of considering a student's final two years of study. Additional questions were raised concerning the necessity of indicating any classification other than Honors Standing. Reasons were advanced for indicating such differences.

Comment was made that it is a student's choice, subject to approval of the Faculty based upon a student's standing, that an Honors Degree be undertaken.

Questions were raised concerning students who undertake all of their work at Simon Fraser University as compared with students who undertake some of their work in the earlier semesters outside the University and who are given advanced standing. Problems were noted concerning the matter of determining a student's Grade Point Average under such circumstances.

Some support was given determination of the Grade Point Average on the total program undertaken by a student within the University and some support was given prime emphasis on the final studies undertaken by a student.

Reference was made to earlier decisions and problems faced by Senate in which students had been granted First Class and Second Class Degrees without prior clear indication by Senate as to the requirements, with the result that Degrees which had been issued had been recalled and new statements issued. The necessity of clarification was noted.

Moved by K. Rieckhoff, seconded by G. Sperling

"that the 3.5 Grade Point Average required for an Honors Degree be calculated from the Cumulative Grade Point Average based on the entire 132 semester hours required for the degree, or on the 60 semester hours of 300 and 400 level courses included in the degree requirement, whichever is the higher Grade Point."

Debate continued and vote was taken on the Amendment to the first section of the main motion.

AMENDMENT CARRIED

Debate continued and clarification was again requested.

Amendment to the second portion of the main motion was made by S. Wong, seconded by K. Rieckhoff

"that the same procedure be followed for calculating the Cumulative Grade Point average of 3.0 required for an Honors Degree as pertains in calculating the 3.5 Cumulative Grade Point Average required for the First Class Honors Degree."

Debate was undertaken and vote was taken on the Amendment to the second portion of the main motion.

AMENDMENT CARRIED

20 in favour  
4 against

Question was raised pertaining the effective date of changes and the Chairman of Senate indicated that if new criteria are to the advantage of a student these would be applied but if former calendar criteria would be of advantage to a student these would apply.

Vote was taken on the main motion in two parts, as amended

"that (1) for the First Class Honors Degree a Grade Point Average of 3.5 be required and that the 3.5 Grade Point Average be calculated from the Cumulative Grade Point Average based on the entire 132 semester hours required for the degree or on the 60 semester hours of 300 and 400 level courses included in the degree requirements, whichever the higher Grade Point and (2) that the same procedure be followed for calculating the Cumulative Grade Point Average of 3.0 required for an Honors Degree as pertains in calculating the 3.5 Grade Point Average for the First Class Honors Degree."

MOTION CARRIED

20 in favour  
4 against

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*grading?*  
*Method of app. etc.*

It was noted that these regulations would be effective immediately if to the advantage of a student.

D. Korbin requested that a roll-call vote be undertaken and a considerable debate ensued as to the nature of the vote requested. Following review of Robert's Rules of Order decision was made and vote was taken. The decision of the assembly was against a roll-call vote, with four members voting for such vote, and the request for such vote was defeated. S. Wong and L. Boland requested that their votes for a roll-call vote be recorded and K. Rieckhoff requested that his vote against the roll-call vote be recorded.

Further debate was undertaken.

Moved by W. Vidaver, seconded by L. Boland

"that there be no distinction in the General Degree between different classifications."

MOTION CARRIED

16 in favour  
3 opposed

It was noted that the result of this vote would provide for a First Class Honors Degree, an Honors Degree, and a General Degree which would not carry indication of any classification of First Class Standing.

B. UPDATED REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE TO STUDY THE TERMS OF APPOINTMENT AND TENURE OF MEMBERS OF FACULTY - W. VIDAVER

W. Vidaver presented his report and referred to same noting that his Committee recommended that it continue as a Senate Committee at least until such time as the censure of Simon Fraser University is lifted.

Debate was undertaken.

Moved by K. Rieckhoff, seconded by K. Okuda

"that the recommendation be accepted."

Following debate vote was undertaken.

MOTION DEFEATED

7 in favour  
13 against

Debate continued.

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Moved by M. Collins, seconded by K. Burstein

"that the report be received and the Committee be dissolved."

MOTION CARRIED

6. NEW BUSINESS

A. DATE OF CONVOCATION 1969 - S167

Moved by A. MacKinnon, seconded by D. Sullivan

"that the recommendation for the date of convocation be approved."

MOTION CARRIED

The date of convocation was established as Saturday, May 24, 1969, commencing at 2:00 P.M.

B. NOTICE OF MOTION - SENATE LIBRARY COMMITTEE - D. BAIRD - PAPER S-155

Moved by D. Baird, seconded by S. Foulds

"that Paper S-155 as written be approved."

MOTION CARRIED

In order to provide continuity it was moved that

"as continuity and membership on the Senate Library Committee is completely broken once every two years, that for the year beginning October 7, 1968, the term of one Senate appointment be for two years and that the appointment of the elected member from the Faculty of Science be for one year. Thereafter, the existing terms of appointment be maintained."

C. ELECTION BY SENATE TO SENATE COMMITTEES - PAPERS S-152, S-152 (a), ~~S-152~~ 152 (b), S165

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

"that the election by acclamation be approved."

MOTION CARRIED



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*Election*  
*Association of the Centres*

The motion involved the following Committees:

Senate Library Committee - three senators to be elected for one year terms to September 30, 1969 - B. D'Aoust, S. Foulds, J. Walkley.

Senate Committee on Honorary Degrees - a temporary replacement for S. Wassermann to April 30, 1969 - J.C. Harper.

An election to fill one vacancy with the term expiring when the elected individual's term of office as senator ceases - K. Okuda.

Senate Ad Hoc Committee on Representation of Student Groups on Senate - one senator to be elected to replace temporarily M. Lebowitz to April 30, 1969, or until the Committee is dissolved - B. D'Aoust.

Moved by L. Dampier, seconded by D. Sullivan

"that scrutineers for the necessary elections be the Registrar's staff."

MOTION CARRIED

Following balloting the following election results were declared.

Senate Committee on Scholarships, Awards and Bursaries, 27 votes were cast and S. Stratton was declared elected.

Senate Ad Hoc Committee on Rules and Procedures pertaining to Professional Conduct, 27 votes were cast and there was one spoiled ballot. Nominees declared elected, in alphabetical order, were J. Barlow, R. Day, R. Harper, J. Hutchinson, K. Okuda, P. Wagner.

Moved by W. Vidaver, seconded by B. D'Aoust

"that ballots be destroyed."

MOTION CARRIED

Moved by W. Vidaver, seconded by D. Baird - 5165

"that Senate confirm the appointments resulting from the elections."

MOTION CARRIED

D. ASSOCIATES OF THE CENTRES, FACULTY OF EDUCATION - PAPER S-154

An informal discussion was held with A. MacKinnon providing information concerning Associates of the Centres, with reference to paper S-154, and to additional matters which might require clarification particularly in reference to "Faculty".

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A. MacKinnon indicated that certain decisions had been made by the Board of Governors when it was acting as Senate, prior to the establishment of Senate, and to decisions made within the Faculty of Education wherein the Associates of the Centre had been granted certain privileges in respect of voting but the clarification of "Faculty" was now needed for a variety of reasons including such matters as convocation rolls.

Debate was undertaken and a number of problems identified.

Moved by S. Foulds, seconded by A. MacKinnon,

"that a Senate Ad Hoc Committee of five members be struck to establish the status of certain groups not yet defined as faculty, to make recommendations to Senate, including eligibility for entry on convocation roll, voting privileges, and related matters".

MOTION CARRIED

The Senate Nominating Committee was requested to bring forward names of nominees for the next meeting of Senate.

E. INDIVIDUAL STUDY SEMESTER PROPOSAL - PAPER S-156, S-156 (a)

A. MacKinnon spoke to the proposal of the Faculty of Education covering an individual study semester, gave reasons for the proposal, indicated that the proposal had been referred to the other Faculties and that comments had been received from the other Faculties in this regard. He noted that the matter had been under consideration for some time and that it was the desire of the Faculty of Education that the proposal be approved by Senate for commencement in January, 1969, insofar as the Faculty of Education is concerned.

Moved by A. MacKinnon, seconded by S. Wong,

"that the approval of Senate be given the Individual Study Semester proposal for the Faculty of Education in relation to the Bachelor of Education degree."

Debate continued and A. MacKinnon provided additional data. Discussion was held on the paper which had been provided by the Faculty of Arts in response to inquiry from the Dean of the Faculty of Education.

Motion was made by D. Korbin, seconded by S. Wong, to the effect, "that the proposal be applicable also to the Faculty of Arts" but the motion was ruled out of order by the Chair, was challenged, and the Chair was upheld.

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Notice of motion was made by S. Wong, seconded by D. Korbin, "that Senate find the paper presented by the Faculty of Arts is inadequate and refers it back to the Faculty of Arts for reconsideration" but this motion was later withdrawn.

Further debate was undertaken and R. Baker questioned carefully the nature of the proposal indicating that there was difficulty in understanding clearly the intent of the proposal. Inquiry was made as to whether the individual study semester would be part of the three semesters which the student undertakes in the Professional Development Program in Education and whether there was suggestion that this would be part of the work done in one of the Education semesters rather than as one of the eight semesters in Arts or Science. It was noted that it could be offered as part of the Bachelor of Education degree requirements.

Further debate ensued and the Secretary requested clarification as to whether or not the individual study semester would be the current Education 404 semester, or equivalent thereto, with the response that the work would be in that area only.

Vote on the main motion was undertaken.

MOTION CARRIED.

Further discussion ensued.

Moved by S. Wong, seconded by S. Foulds,

"that Senate recommend that the Faculty of Arts consider the adoption of an Individual Study Semester as approved by Senate for the Faculty of Education and forward a reply to Senate for consideration at the November meeting."

Debate was undertaken.

Amendment to the motion was made by K. Burstein, seconded by G. Sperling,

"to replace the words 'the Faculty of Arts' by the words 'the Faculty of Arts and the Faculty of Science'."

AMENDMENT CARRIED

11 in favour  
7 opposed

Further discussion was undertaken. Comment was made that pressure of work rendered undesirable demands that this matter be considered and brought back to Senate at the November meeting.

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Moved by L. Funt, seconded by D. Sullivan,

"that the motion with amendment be tabled"

MOTION TO TABLE  
DEFEATED

9 in favour  
11 opposed

Debate continued. Amendment to the motion was made by G. Sperling, seconded by D. Sullivan,

"that the words ' forward a reply to Senate for consideration at the November meeting' be replaced by the words 'the Deans report to Senate as early as possible'."

AMENDMENT CARRIED

21 in favour  
1 opposed

Further debate was undertaken followed by vote on the motion as amended,

"that Senate recommend that the Faculty of Arts and the Faculty of Science consider the adoption of the Individual Study Semester as approved by Senate for the Faculty of Education and the Deans report to Senate as early as possible."

MOTION AS AMENDED  
CARRIED

20 in favour

Further debate was undertaken with notice of motion by B. D'Aoust, followed by motion by D'Aoust, seconded by S. Stratton,

"that the Individual Study Semester be granted Senate recognition as an elective for students in the Faculty of Science."

Debate was undertaken.

Moved by L. Boland, seconded by S. Wong,

"that this motion be tabled."

MOTION TO TABLE  
CARRIED

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Notice of hours  
Inter U. Hall

F. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Moved by K. Rieckhoff, seconded by S. Foulds,

"that the date of next meeting of Senate be Tuesday, November 12, 1968."

MOTION CARRIED

Suggestion was made that an Executive Committee of Senate might be established and be of help in expediting material but it was noted that other problems might be generated and this matter required further consideration.

G. OTHER ITEMS

- i. D. Korbin gave notice of motion that "whereas G.N. Perry, a member of the Simon Fraser Senate has accepted a position on a Government Commission concerned with the fundamental re-structuring of the British Columbia Educational System, and whereas this represents a continuation of political appointments which the Simon Fraser University community finds unacceptable and whereas G.N. Perry has been consistently delinquent in his attendance and in the carrying out of his duties as a senator, the Senate of this University (1) censure G.N. Perry for his delinquency, (2) request the government withdraw his appointment from the Senate, (3) request the government to withdraw his appointment from the so-called Perry Commission."
- ii. S. Wong requested that students be notified clearly of requirements for their degrees through advertisements in the Peak and in registration materials. The Secretary indicated that this matter had previously been before Senate and that instructions had been issued to individual departments to ensure that students received appropriate notification.

H. CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS

The Senate recessed before entering closed session, with recess commencing at 11:55 P.M.

H.M. Evans,  
Secretary.