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MINUTES OF MEETING OF SENATE OF SIMON FRASER UNIVERSITY  
HELD MONDAY, JULY 10, 1972, 3172 ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 7:30 P.M.

OPEN SESSION

PRESENT:

Strand, K.

Chairman

Allen, D. I.

Aronoff, S.

Baird, D. A.

Beirne, B. P.

Bradley, R. D.

Brown, R. C.

Coté, P. T.

Doherty, P. M.

Emmott, A. H.

Gilbert, K. L.

Hodge, F. D.

Hollibaugh, A. L.

Jamieson, D. H.

Jennings, R. E.

Kissner, R. F.

Lachlan, A. H.

Lincoln, N. J.

MacPherson, A.

Munro, J. M.

Nair, K. K.

O'Connell, M. S.

Rieckhoff, K. E.

Seager, J. W.

Swangard, E. M.

Wagner, P. L.

Wheatley, J.

Williams, W. E.

Wilson, B. G.

Representing D. H. Sullivan

Evans, H. M.

Secretary

Norsworthy, R.

Recording Secretary

ABSENT:

Birch, D. R.

Caple, K. P.

Copes, P.

Dawson, A. J.

Eliot Hurst, M. E.

Reid, W. D.

Robinson, N.

Salter, J. H.

Sutherland, G. A.

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As requested by the Chairman, the Secretary of Senate announced the results of two recent elections to Senate, wherein J. M. Munro had been elected to replace I. Mugridge from date of election to May 31, 1974, and R. W. Lardner had been elected to replace A. H. Lachlan from August 1, 1972 to May 31, 1973.

It was moved and seconded that J. M. Munro now be seated on Senate, and R. Lardner be seated on Senate effective August 1, 1972.

MOTION CARRIED

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved as distributed.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the Open Session of June 5, 1972 were approved as circulated.

3. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

There was no business arising from the minutes.

4. REPORT OF CHAIRMAN

Paper S.72-81 - Institute of Canadian Bankers Program

Moved by B. Wilson, seconded by A. Lachlan,

"That Senate approve, for a three year period, the admission of students who are selected for entry to the Institute of Canadian Bankers Program who have not otherwise met normal admission requirements, provided they are registering in that program and will undertake approved courses at this institution."

B. Wilson explained that the University has been associated with the Institute program for several years and it was now proposed that the relationship be formalized, with provision of a waiver for students who would not otherwise meet the admission requirements.

Question was called, and a vote taken.

MOTION CARRIED

5. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

1. Report of Senate Nominating Committee

Paper S.72-82 - Elections to Senate and Related Committees

The Secretary noted that a number of nominations had been received



Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies

One Student Senator to replace G. Donetz for balance term of office to September 30, 1973.

Nominee: P. M. Doherty

Academic Board for Higher Education in British Columbia

One faculty member to replace J. F. Hutchinson, whose term of office expires July 7, 1972. Term of office is for three years from date of election.

Nominee: R. D. Bradley

Academic Planning Committee

Two Senators at large to replace A. L. Turnbull and I. Mugridge immediately upon election, for no specified term of office.

Nominees: B. P. Beirne  
M. E. Eliot Hurst  
M. S. O'Connell

Board of Governors

Three Senators to replace G. D. Basham, F. D. Hodge and G. A. Sutherland from date of election to May 31, 1975.

Nominees: P. T. Cote  
P. M. Doherty  
K. L. Gilbert  
F. D. Hodge  
G. A. Sutherland  
E. M. Swangard

The Joint Board of Teacher Education

One Senator at large to replace A. L. Turnbull immediately upon election, for no specified term of office.

Nominees: P. Copes  
A. J. Dawson

Moved by R. Brown, seconded by A. MacPherson,

"That the individuals nominated to the Senate Agenda Committee (to replace A. H. Lachlan), Senate Library Committee, Senate Undergraduate Admissions Board, Senate Appeals Board, Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies and the Academic Board for Higher Education in British Columbia be declared elected by acclamation."

Question was called, and a vote taken.

MOTION CARRIED

Following the ballot count, the Secretary announced the results of the elections, and the following is a resume of the newly elected members:

SENATE AGENDA COMMITTEE

One Senator at large to replace G. D. Basham immediately upon election, for no specified term of office.

Individual receiving the higher number of votes and thereby declared elected:

A. MacPHERSON

One Senator at large to replace A. H. Lachlan from August 1, 1972, for no specified term of office.

Elected by acclamation:

D. R. BIRCH

SENATE LIBRARY COMMITTEE

One Senator at large to replace G. Donetz for balance term of office to September 30, 1972.

Elected by acclamation:

A. L. HOLLIBAUGH

One Senator at large to replace A. H. Lachlan for balance term of office from August 1, 1972 to September 30, 1972.

Elected by acclamation:

M. E. ELIOT HURST

SENATE UNDERGRADUATE ADMISSIONS BOARD

One Student Senator to replace G. D. Basham for balance term of office to September 30, 1972.

Elected by acclamation:

R. F. KISSNER

One Student Senator to replace the alternate member, G. Donetz, for balance term of office to September 30, 1972.

Elected by acclamation:

P. M. DOHERTY

SENATE APPEALS BOARD

One Faculty Senator to replace I. Mugridge immediately upon election, for no specified term of office.

Elected by acclamation:

P. L. WAGNER

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SENATE COMMITTEE ON UNDERGRADUATE STUDIES

One Student Senator to replace G. Donetz for balance term of office to September 30, 1973.

Elected by acclamation:

P. M. DOHERTY

ACADEMIC BOARD FOR HIGHER EDUCATION IN BRITISH COLUMBIA

One faculty member to replace J. F. Hutchinson, whose term of office expires July 7, 1972. Term of office is for three years from date of election.

Elected by acclamation:

R. D. BRADLEY

ACADEMIC PLANNING COMMITTEE

Two Senators at large to replace A. L. Turnbull and I. Mugridge immediately upon election, for no specified term of office.

Individuals receiving the highest number of votes and thereby declared elected:

B. P. BEIRNE  
M. S. O'CONNELL

BOARD OF GOVERNORS

Three Senators to replace G. D. Basham, F. D. Hodge and G. A. Sutherland from date of election to May 31, 1975.

Individuals receiving the highest number of votes and thereby declared elected:

P. T. COTÉ  
P. M. DOHERTY  
K. L. GILBERT

THE JOINT BOARD OF TEACHER EDUCATION

One Senator at large to replace A. L. Turnbull immediately upon election, for no specified term of office.

Individual receiving the higher number of votes and thereby declared elected:

P. COPES

2. Senate Graduate Studies Committee

Paper S.72-83 - Establishment of New Graduate Programs

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

"That Senate approve the paper on The Establishment of New Graduate Programs, as set forth in Paper S.72-83."

J. Wheatley stated that it was important that the procedures should be specified for new programs coming forward. B. Beirne commented that he had tested a proposed new program against the plan outlined and felt it rather complicated, involving 14 steps for new courses.

Amendment was moved by A. Hollibaugh, seconded by B. Wilson,

"That paragraph 5 of Section II, on page 5 of Paper S.72-83 be deleted."

A. Hollibaugh stated that the widest range of input should be sought for new programs, and B. Wilson added that Assessment Committees should be concerned with judgment rather than discouragement. A. Lachlan felt that if a proposal falls within the realm of an existing department that it should be routed through that department. K. Rieckhoff stated that departmental boundaries are merely administrative conveniences.

Question was called on the amendment, and a vote taken.

AMENDMENT CARRIED

E. Swangard suggested that the wording of Section IV was legally vague, and, as there was no objection, the word "However" was inserted in advance of the second sentence in paragraph 2 of Section IV, which would then read as follows:

"IV. Implementation and Review of this Document

2. The provisions of this document shall remain in force until revoked by Senate. However, at the end of three years the Senate Graduate Studies Committee shall assess the principles and procedures of this document. It shall then make a recommendation to Senate as to whether the provisions of this document should be continued, discontinued, or amended."

Amendment was moved by B. Wilson, seconded by A. Hollibaugh,

"That the word 'interdepartmental' be struck from Section III, paragraph 1, and the word 'graduate' substituted therefor."

A. Lachlan suggested that the motion to amend should also apply to the title of the Section. As there was no objection, the Chairman ruled that the amendment would read as follows:

"That the word 'interdepartmental' wherever it occurs in Section III, be struck, and the word 'graduate' substituted therefor."

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Question was called on the amendment, and a vote taken.

AMENDMENT CARRIED

Amendment was moved by B. Wilson, seconded by A. Hollibaugh, "That Item 1 and the first four words of Item 2 of Section II, page 3, be deleted." Argument was made that with the work to be done by the Assessment Committee it was unnecessary that the proposal be considered by the Faculty Committee and that this was an unnecessary step adding to the length of the procedures. There was also indication of possibility that useful proposals might not emerge from Faculties for full assessment. K. Rieckhoff expressed opposition, suggesting that these Faculty Committees ensure that proposals go forward after careful scrutiny, in good order, and with indication of support from the Faculty concerned. He submitted that if these steps were not taken there would be likelihood of return of items for further scrutiny. J. Wheatley spoke in favor of the amendment, believing that the Assessment Committee would be the most adequate one to carry out an investigation in depth. A. MacPherson opposed the amendment on grounds of the importance of Faculties and Faculty Committees, and felt that deletion as proposed would increase alienation. W. Williams expressed opposition on the grounds that the step suggested the establishment of a Faculty of Graduate Studies. P. Cote indicated opposition and felt that the normal organizational lines should be followed. A. Lachlan enquired whether it would be proper to have programs of a Faculty going forward without approval of the Faculty and wished to know the legal position involved. K. Strand indicated that legal opinion would be needed. I. Allen expressed opposition on the grounds that programs within Faculties needed to go forward with Faculty approval, and enquired who would recommend degrees if this were not done. The mover of the amendment then requested permission to withdraw his motion as it might be ultra vires the Universities Act. There was no opposition to withdrawal.

MOTION TO AMEND WITHDRAWN

Amendment was moved by S. O'Connell, seconded by S. Aronoff,

"That the phrase 'considerable length of time' contained in Section I describing the composition of the Assessment Committee, on page 2 of Paper S.72-83 be replaced by the phrase 'semester or more.'"

Question was called on the amendment, and a vote taken.

AMENDMENT FAILED

Further discussion was held on the wording of Section I, page 2, paragraph 1, last sentence. The document is to be edited to clarify the intent (the edited sentence is as follows: "When a member must be absent for a considerable length of time or is unable to fill his term on the Assessment Committee, the body which elected him shall elect a



replacement to serve for the balance term of office.")

B. Wilson asked for the rationale for the development of an Assessment Committee, and A. Lachlan asked for clarification of the status of the individuals holding membership on the Assessment Committee at the time of review. J. Wheatley responded to the effect that individuals serve for terms of office of two years, and that reviews occur at the end of three years following the mounting of a new program, and therefore the Assessment Committee at that point would consist of individuals then currently on the Committee.

Amendment was moved by B. Beirne, seconded by W. Williams,

"That Item 3 of Section II be extended to include:

- '(o) Justification for the program as a whole;
- (p) A description of new positions needed and a justification for them;
- (q) A summary of the finances including expected capital and operating costs needed and revenues, if any, expected.'"

B. Wilson suggested that the order be transferred to the commencement of Item 3, and that all other stipulations be relettered. As there was no objection, the Item was relettered.

Question was called on the amendment, and a vote taken.

AMENDMENT CARRIED

Amendment was moved by R. Kissner, seconded by A. Hollibaugh,

"That one graduate student representative be added to the composition of the Assessment Committee."

J. Wheatley asked the mover of the amendment to consider the process whereby a graduate student could be added to the Committee, and suggested that such a graduate student could be elected by and from the graduate students on the Senate Graduate Studies Committee for a term of one rather than two years. R. Kissner was agreeable to accepting the suggestion and to including the statement in his amendment, which would then read:

"That one graduate student representative, elected by and from the graduate students on the Senate Graduate studies Committee, be added to the composition of the Assessment Committee to serve for a one year term."

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Question was called on the reworded amendment, and a vote taken.

AMENDMENT CARRIED

15 in favor  
8 opposed

Question was called on the main motion as amended, and a vote taken.

MAIN MOTION AS AMENDED  
CARRIED

The Chairman advised the assembly that although the document states that it will become effective when passed by Senate, he intends to seek legal opinion on the propriety of the document, taking into consideration the wording contained in Section 63(c) of the Act and other sections. The implementation of the document would be delayed pending receipt of legal opinion. He assured Senate that the opinion would be reported to Senate.

3. Senate Undergraduate Admissions Board

Paper S.72-84 - Requirement of Medical and Hospital Insurance

Moved by B. Wilson, seconded by R. Kissner,

"That Senate approve revision of Admission Policies relating to Requirement for Medical and Hospital Coverage:

1. That all students be required to have approved hospital and medical insurance coverage from the 73-1 semester onward as a condition of registration.
2. That subject to the approval of the Board, non-Canadian students be assessed a fee to cover the lowest applicable premium for medical and hospital insurance. The fee to be refunded or deleted if the student provides evidence of approved medical and hospital insurance coverage."

B. Wilson pointed out that only 12 students were interested in purchasing hospital and medical coverage from the current insurance carrier, and that the carrier was reluctant to continue the coverage under such circumstances. J. Wheatley stated that graduate students in the majority were foreign or out of province and therefore not eligible for insurance provided by the B.C. Provincial Government, and he moved that the paper be referred to the Senate Graduate Studies Committee. The motion failed for lack of a seconder.

An amendment to the paper was moved by A. Hollibaugh, seconded by A. MacPherson,

"That the University pay 50% of the premium with a limit of \$5.00 per month, whichever is less, for graduate students."

A. Hollibaugh contended that graduate students were generally employees of the University and therefore eligible for the same fringe benefits as faculty and staff. K. Rieckhoff argued that by provincial legislation taxpayers had been exempted from responsibility for this type of expense involving individuals from outside the province.

An amendment to the amendment was moved by J. Seager, seconded by P. Doherty,

"That 'graduate students' be changed to 'all students.'"

J. Seager argued that coverage of graduate students only would be discriminatory, and particularly discriminatory if it were made available only to graduate students who were employed by the University. P. Doherty was of the opinion that undergraduates were also entitled to assistance in payment for coverage if it were to be a condition of admission to the University.

Discussion ensued as to the propriety of Senate action relating to fees, and the Chairman pointed out that Senate could only submit a recommendation to the Board of Governors that it consider the merits of the proposal.

P. Doherty moved that the document be tabled, but the motion failed for lack of a seconder. J. Seager requested that both the amendment and the amendment to the amendment be withdrawn and that Senate act on part 1 and 2 of the main motion. The Chairman then ruled that the amendment, the amendment to the amendment, and part 2 of the main motion were out of order as not being within Senate's purview.

The item remaining before Senate, on the original motion, was as follows:

"That all students be required to have approved hospital and medical insurance coverage from the 73-1 semester onward as a condition of registration."

Question was called, and a vote taken.

MOTION CARRIED

Moved by A. Emmott, seconded by K. Rieckhoff,

"That Senate draw to the attention of the Board of Governors the motion just passed, and suggest that it may wish to consider the merits of a fee and the possible merits of some form of cost share."

Question was called, and a vote taken.

MOTION CARRIED

6. REPORTS OF FACULTIES AND DIVISIONS

There were no reports from Faculties or Divisions.

7. OTHER BUSINESS

1. Notice of Motion

Paper S.72-85 - Report, Division of Continuing Education (K. E. Rieckhoff)

It was moved by K. Rieckhoff, "That the Division of Continuing Education report to Senate the goals and purposes of its offerings in general and in particular of the panel discussion "Chariots of the Gods: Yes or No?" The motion failed for lack of a seconder.

B. Wilson offered information to the effect that he was expecting a report from the Division of Continuing Education, which would no doubt be brought before Senate.

2. Date of Next Meeting

It was noted that the next meeting of Senate is scheduled for Monday, August 7, 1972 at 7:30 p.m.

3. Other Items

There were no other items.

4. Confidential Matters

The meeting recessed briefly at 10:00 p.m. prior to moving into Closed Session.

H. M. Evans  
Secretary