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MINUTES OF A MEETING OF SENATE OF SIMON FRASER UNIVERSITY HELD
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 1974, 3172 ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 7:30 P.M.

OPEN SESSION

Present:	Jewett, P.	Chairman
	Andrews, I. R.	
	Aronoff, S.	
	Baird, D. A.	
	Birch, D. R.	
	Blaney, J. P.	
	Brown, R. C.	
	Burkle, E.	
	Cook, G. L.	
	Copes, P.	
	D'Auria, J. M.	
	Dawson, A. J.	
	Doherty, P. M.	
	Eliot Hurst, M. E.	
	Ellis, J. F.	
	Funt, B. L.	
	Hamilton, C. L.	
	Hollibaugh, A. L.	
	Ingram Ellis, E. R.	
	Janssen, D.	
	Latham, L.	
	MacPherson, A.	
	Rieckhoff, K. E.	
	Sadleir, R.M.F.S.	
	Seager, J. W.	
	Smith, W.A.S.	
	Sterling, T. D.	
	Wheatley, J.	
	Wideen, M. F.	
	Wilson, B. G.	
	Evans, H. M.	Secretary
	Nagel, H. D.	
	Norsworthy, R.	Recording Secretary
Absent:	Banister, E. W.	
	Beirne, B. P.	
	Caple, K. P.	
	Cote, P. T.	
	Daem, J. P.	
	Emmott, A. H.	
	Hindle, L.	
	Jamieson, D. H.	
	Morin, S.	
	Swangard, E. M.	

Dr. Pauline Jewett, recently appointed President of Simon Fraser University, chaired her first meeting of Senate.

The Chairman announced the results of recent elections to Senate wherein G. L. Cook was elected by the Faculty of Arts to temporarily replace D. J. DeVoretz, and C. L. Hamilton was elected by Joint Faculty to temporarily replace J. M. Kitchen. Terms of office in each instance are from September 1, 1974 to August 31, 1975. It was duly moved and seconded that Drs. Cook and Hamilton be seated on Senate.

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved as distributed.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

S. Aronoff asked that a correction be noted in page 7 of the minutes of the Open Session of August 12, 1974 in connection with CHEM 455-3 in order that the second sentence of the Calendar description would read "Emphasis is on synthesis of naturally occurring compounds of biological importance." The minutes were then approved as amended.

3. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

S. Aronoff asked that it be recorded that with the approval of new Chemistry course proposals, as set forth in S.74-97b, CHEM 006-2, 351-3, 454-3, 457-3, 463-3 and 471-3 will be discontinued consistent with the need for their retention for those students presently in the program requiring their use.

4. REPORT OF CHAIRMAN

Dr. Jewett stated that the interpretation of the Universities Act had been of considerable concern and that it had become increasingly clear in discussions with other University Presidents and the Deputy Minister of Education that there were areas requiring clarification. She said that the Senate Committee on Agenda and Rules was considering some matters of interpretation and it was hoped that an information paper might be available for the October meeting of Senate. It was indicated that a special meeting may be called in October to permit consideration by Senate. There had been some indication that the government would like the new Board established by the year's end but there was question that this could be accomplished. It was likely that in some areas request would be made for amendments to the Act.

5. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

1. Senate Graduate Studies Committee

1. Paper S.74-101 - Reports - Senate Graduate Studies Committee and Executive Committee of the Senate Graduate Studies Committee

J. Wheatley introduced the report for information and stated that he stood ready to answer any questions which might be raised.

R. Sadleir suggested it would be useful for Senate to be provided with a report on the failure rate of Master's and Ph.D. candidates. J. Wheatley outlined the procedures utilized in accepting graduate students and the requirements necessary to continue in graduate work. It was pointed out that the reports of external examiners are submitted to Senate with the recommendations for degrees, and any questions related to those students dismissed from the program on the basis of unsatisfactory progress could be referred to the Office of the Dean of Graduate Studies. The Graduate Studies Committee would not be in a position to report on failures or withdrawals as there was no requirement that students withdrawing or ceasing work have Committee approval.

J. D'Auria enquired into the Committee's operations in the granting of extensions to the normal maximum time enrolment, and J. Wheatley responded that in the past year there were one semester extensions granted in a number of instances and one full year extension. He considered the Committee was exercising appropriate discretion on behalf of the University.

D. Birch asked that future reports indicate the total number of degrees recommended in both the Master's and Ph.D. programs. J. Wheatley agreed to provide the information. He commented that the University has consistently increased its graduate enrolment.

D. Janssen enquired if it would be possible to obtain detailed information related to the performance of men and women participating in graduate programs. J. Wheatley responded that this would not be a report from the Committee but the information could be obtained from his office.

7. OTHER BUSINESS

R. Sadleir asked for information relating to the Fall semester enrolment figures, and the Secretary responded to the effect that the anticipated forecast was approximately 6,000 undergraduate students and slightly over 900 graduate students, indicating an increase of around 11½ over the figures for Fall 1973.

8. NOTICES OF MOTION

There were no notices of motion.

9. INFORMATION

It was noted that the next meeting of Senate is scheduled for Monday, October 7, 1974, at 7:30 p.m.

The assembly recessed briefly at 8:22 p.m. prior to moving into Closed Session.

H. M. Evans
Secretary

SIMON FRASER UNIVERSITY

S.74-101

MEMORANDUM

To TO SENATE

From SENATE GRADUATE STUDIES COMMITTEE

FOR INFORMATION

Subject REPORTS - SENATE GRADUATE STUDIES
COMMITTEE AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF
THE SENATE GRADUATE STUDIES COMMITTEE

Date JUNE 27, 1974

The Reports from the Senate Graduate Studies Committee
and the Executive Committee of the Senate Graduate Studies Committee
are attached.

(NOTE: Senators are reminded that this paper was first circulated
at the Senate meeting of August 12, but it was decided at that
meeting to defer consideration of the paper until September.
The paper was collated incorrectly; therefore, it has now been
corrected for re-distribution to Senate.)