

DRAFT UNTIL APPROVED BY SENATE

Minutes of a Meeting of the Senate of Simon Fraser University held on
Monday, June 7, 2004 at 5:30 pm in Room 3210 WMC

Open Session

Present: Stevenson, Michael
President and Chair of Senate

Absent:

Beynon, Peter
Breden, Felix
Clayman, Bruce
Copeland, Lynn
da Silva, Gisele
Dickinson, John
Driver, Jon
Dunsterville, Valerie
Easton, Stephen
Giacomantonio, Chris
Gordon, Irene
Grimmett, Peter
Hauerland, Norbert
Horvath, Adam
Hunsdale, Shawn
Krane, Bill
Lewis, Brian
Li, Ze-Nian
MacKenzie, Christine
McArthur, James
McFetridge, Paul
McKinnon, Stephanie
Percival, Paul
Pierce, John
Plischke, Michael
Rozell, Sara
Sears, Camilla
Schellenberg, Betty
Scott, Jamie
Shaker, Paul
Smith, Don
Waterhouse, John
Weeks, Daniel
Wong, Josephine
Woodbury, Rob
Yerbury, Colin
Zandvliet, David

Apaak, Clement
Atkins, Stella
Brennand, Tracy
Budd, James
Delgrande, James
Fizzell, Maureen
Fung, Edward
Gupta, Kamal
Higgins, Anne
Honda, Barry
Johansen, Elinor
Love, Ernie
Mauser, Gary
Tombe, Trevor
Walters, Brenton
Wessel, Sylvia
Wong, Milton

Heath, Ron, Dean of Student Services/Registrar
Watt, Alison, Director, University Secretariat
Grant, Bobbie, Recording Secretary

1. Approval of the Agenda

The Agenda was approved as distributed.

2. Approval of the Minutes of the Open Session of May 10, 2004

The Minutes were approved as distributed.

3. Business Arising from the Minutes

Although the business was not relevant to the immediate past minutes, the Vice President Academic wished to report back to Senate on an item from earlier in the year. Concerns had been raised at Senate about the ability of SIMS to check prerequisites. The Chair of SCUS had been asked to examine the issue and his report was provided to the Dean of Student Services/Registrar. The Dean reported to Senate that a program using a number of test departments and some special courses that were deemed to strongly rely on prerequisite material was developed. 52 courses were tested during the first week of classes. Out of 3,940 individual course registrations, only 23 (0.58%) were identified as being potentially unqualified. The system only checked the exact prerequisites as stated in the Calendar and could not take into account other reasons that would allow some students in the course so the figure of 23 was likely high. Further testing was conducted and it was found that the maximum number in any course was 3 and there were only three such courses. It was a fair bit of work for the departments involved to assist in the checking and if the total is low on the first run it may not be regarded as a serious enough problem to proceed but that would be a departmental decision at that time.

4. Report of the Chair

The Chair advised that since he was scheduled to give a welcoming address at the orientation for new students which was taking place simultaneously with the Senate meeting, he would have to leave early. The Vice-Chair of Senate, Paul Percival, who had been re-elected to this position by acclamation, would take over the Chair.

The Chair reported on his recent trip to Asia. Senate was informed about very successful and useful meetings with significant numbers of Alumni in several cities. Discussions involving SFU and the Institut Teknologi Bandung in Indonesia will probably result in a significant contract with the Asia Development Bank. There were also visits and meetings with university personnel in partner institutions, and a keynote address was given at a conference sponsored by the Asia Development Bank for approximately 250 representatives from universities in that region. At the invitation of the Canadian High Commissioner, an official visit was made to Brunei which has resulted in the Ministry of Education deciding to send a significant number of officials to SFU for professional development courses.

The Vice-Chair of Senate advised that the text of the President's address was available on the Web and represented a very good description of the nature and balance of powers of different components of university self-government.

Referring to recent press releases about the possible relocation of the Olympic Oval, the Chair advised Senate that although the Olympic Committee was looking at other options, the outcome was not as settled as reported in the press. SFU is continuing in good faith to pursue this as a very valuable legacy for the University and its surrounding

communities and is actively in discussions with the Organizing Committee with respect to rethinking the construction and mandate of the building over the long term.

On behalf of Senate, the Chair welcomed the following newly elected and re-elected faculty and students to Senate and expressed appreciation and thanks for their willingness to serve: F. Breden, J. Delgrande, S. Easton, I. Gordon, N. Haunerland, B. Honda, C. MacKenzie, B. Schellenberg, and D. Zandlveit (Faculty Senators); and C. Apaak, G. da Silva, E. Fung, C. Giacomantonio, S. Hunsdale, E. Johansen, S. McKinnon, S. Rozell, C. Sears, T. Tombe, B. Walters, and J. Wong (Student Senators).

5. Question Period

There were no questions.

6. Reports of Committees

A) Senate Committee on Agenda and Rules

i) Paper S.04-40 – Changes to Committee Membership Terms

Motion 1

Moved by J. Waterhouse, seconded by B. Clayman

“that Senate approve that the terms of office for the elected Faculty representatives on the Senate Committee on University Priorities be staggered so that three positions come up for election each year. This would take effect with the elections in June 2004”

Question was called, and a vote taken.

MOTION CARRIED

Motion 2

Moved by J. Waterhouse, seconded by B. Clayman

“that Senate approve the following revisions to the membership and terms for the Senate Nominating Committee. This would take effect with the elections in June 2005.

From: 2 Senators, 2 year terms; 2 Senators 1 year terms; 1 Student Senator; 1 Student at large (Alternate)

To: 4 Faculty Senators 2 year terms staggered; 1 Student Senator, 1 Graduate Student at-large”

Question was called, and a vote taken.

MOTION CARRIED

Motion 3

Moved by J. Waterhouse, seconded by B. Clayman

“that Senate approve that the terms of office for the elected Faculty representatives on the Senate Graduate Studies Committee be staggered so that three positions come up for election each year. This would take effect with the elections in June 2006”

Question was called, and a vote taken.

MOTION CARRIED

B) Senate Nominating Committeei) Paper S.04-41 Revised – Elections

Senate's attention was directed to the newly distributed paper, S.04-41 Revised, which contained the final slate of candidates for elections. A number of elections were resolved by acclamation and ballots would be distributed for the remaining positions at the end of Open Session with time made available before the start of Closed Session for Senators to complete the balloting process. The results are as follows.

SENATE COMMITTEE ON DISCIPLINARY APPEALS (SCODA)

Three Faculty Members (at-large) (1 Regular, 2 Alternate). One Regular member to replace Colleen Collins Dodd from June 1, 2004 to May 31, 2006; and 2 Alternate members to replace Karen Kavanagh and Cyril Thong from June 1, 2004 to May 31, 2005. Candidates were elected by acclamation but balloting was required to determine committee order.

Elected as Regular Member:

Karen Kavanagh

Elected as Alternate Members:

Colleen Collins-Dodd

Cyril Thong

Five Students (at-large) (3 Regular, 2 Alternate) to replace Chris Giacomantonio, Camilla Sears, Josephine Wong, Warren Michelow, Rick Yoo from June 1, 2004 to May 31, 2005. Balloting was required to determine regular members.

Elected as Regular Members:

Stephanie McKinnon

Camilla Sears

Brenton Walters

Elected by acclamation as Alternate Members:

Shawn Hunsdale

Trevor Tombe

SENATE COMMITTEE ON UNIVERSITY PRIORITIES (SCUP)

Five Faculty Senators (one from each Faculty) to replace Joseph Peters (Applied Sciences); Dan Weeks (Arts); Gary Mauser (Business Administration) from June 1, 2004 to May 31, 2006; and Adam Horvath (Education) and Paul Percival (Science) from June 1, 2004 to May 31, 2005. Balloting required to determine Arts representative.

Elected by acclamation:

FAS Rob Woodbury

BUS Irene Gordon

EDUC Adam Horvath

SCI Paul Percival

Elected:

ARTS Dan Weeks

Three Student Senators (2 Regular, 1 Alternate) to replace Chris Giacomantonio, Josephine Wong, and Titus Gregory from June 1, 2004 to May 31, 2005.

Elected by acclamation as Regular Members:

Brenton Walters

Josephine Wong

Elected by acclamation as Alternate Member:

Elinor Johansen

One Lay Senator to replace Valerie Dunsterville from June 1, 2004 to May 31, 2006. J. McArthur withdrew his candidacy prior to balloting.

Elected by acclamation:

Valerie Dunsterville

SENATE COMMITTEE ON AGENDA AND RULES (SCAR)

Two Senators (at-large) to replace Peter Grimmett and Alison Gill from June 1, 2004 May 31, 2006.

Elected: Peter Grimmett
Betty Schellenberg

One Student Senator to replace Titus Gregory from June 1, 2004 May 31, 2005.

Elected by acclamation: Elinor Johansen

SENATE COMMITTEE ON CONTINUING STUDIES (SCCS)

Four Faculty Senators to replace Jim Budd, Rob Gordon, Barry Honda, and Gary Mauser from June 1, 2004 to May 31, 2006.

Elected by acclamation: Jim Budd
Rob Gordon
Barry Honda
Gary Mauser

One Senator (at large) to replace Jan van Aalst from June 1, 2004 May 31, 2005.

Elected by acclamation: Jamie Scott

One Student Senator to fill an existing vacancy for term of office to May 31, 2006.

Vacant

One Alternate Student (at-large) to replace Muneer Esmail from June 1, 2004 to May 31, 2006.

Elected: Titus Gregory

SENATE COMMITTEE ON UNIVERSITY HONORS (SCUH)

One Senator (Faculty of Arts) to replace Alison Gill from June 1, 2004 to May 31, 2007.

Elected by acclamation: Tracy Brennand

One Senator (Faculty of Business Administration) to replace Gary Mauser from June 1, 2004 to May 31, 2007.

Elected by acclamation: Maureen Fizzell

One Senator (Faculty of Education) to replace Jan Van Aalst from June 1, 2004 to May 31, 2007.

Elected by acclamation: Peter Grimmett

One Senator (at-large) to replace Lynn Copeland from June 1, 2004 to May 31, 2007.

Elected: Lynn Copeland

One Student Senator to replace Rick Yoo from June 1, 2004 to May 31, 2007.

Elected by acclamation: Elinor Johansen

SENATE LIBRARY COMMITTEE (SLC) and LIBRARY PENALTIES APPEAL COMMITTEE (LPAC) – DUAL POSITIONS

One Undergraduate Student (Alternate position) to replace Reza Pourvali from June 1, 2004 to May 31, 2006.

Elected: Marcia McInnes

One Graduate Student (Alternate position) to replace Nancy Earle from June 1, 2004 to May 31, 2006.

Elected: Rob McTavish

SENATE NOMINATING COMMITTEE (SNC)

Two Senators (at-large) to replace Titus Gregory and Jan Van Aalst from June 1, 2004 to May 31, 2006.

Elected: Barry Honda
Sara Rozell

Two Senators (at-large) to replace Tracy Brennard and to fill an existing vacancy from June 1, 2004 to May 31, 2005.

Elected by acclamation: Ze-Nian Li
Christine Mackenzie

One Student Senator to replace Rick Yoo from June 1, 2004 to May 31, 2005.

Elected by acclamation: Shawn Hunsdale

One Student Alternate (at-large) to replace Reza Pourvali from June 1, 2004 to May 31, 2005.

Elected: Chris Giacomantonio

SENATE POLICY COMMITTEE ON SCHOLARSHIPS, AWARDS & BURSARIES (SPCSAB)

Chair - One Faculty Senator to replace John D'Auria from June 1, 2004 to May 31, 2005. The faculty member elected to this position coincidentally becomes a member of the SUAAC, SGAAC and SCUH.

Elected by acclamation: Steve Easton

One Faculty Member (at large) to replace Mary Ann Gillies from June 1, 2004 to May 31, 2006.

Elected by acclamation: Jan van Aalst

One Undergraduate Student (at-large) to replace Tiffany Kalanj from June 1, 2004 to May 31, 2005. **Note:** The student elected to this committee coincidentally becomes a member of the Senate Undergraduate Awards Adjudication Committee.

Elected: Chris Giacomantonio

One Graduate Student (at-large) to replace Warren Michelow from June 1, 2004 to May 31, 2005. **Note:** The student elected to this committee coincidentally becomes a member of the Senate Graduate Awards Adjudication Committee.

Elected by acclamation:

Camilla Sears

SENATE UNDERGRADUATE AWARDS ADJUDICATION COMMITTEE (SUAAC)

One Lay Senator to replace James McArthur from June 1, 2004 to May 31, 2006.

Elected by acclamation:

Peter Beynon

One Undergraduate Student (at-large) to replace Gisele da Silva from June 1, 2004 to May 31, 2005.

Elected:

Stephanie McKinnon

SENATE GRADUATE AWARDS ADJUDICATION COMMITTEE (SGAAC)

One Faculty member (at-large) to replace Christine Mackenzie from June 1, 2004 to May 31, 2005.

Elected by acclamation:

Rob Woodbury

One Lay Senator to replace Rob Woodbury from June 1, 2004 to May 31, 2006. **Note:** In the event no lay member of Senate is available to serve, Senate may elect a general member of the community to serve in this position.

Elected by acclamation:

Jan van Aalst

One Graduate Student (at-large) to replace Camilla Sears from June 1, 2004 to May 31, 2005.

Elected:

Mark Weiler

SENATE APPEALS BOARD (SAB)

Two Faculty Members (at-large) (1 Regular, 1 Alternate) to replace Mark Wexler (Regular) and Sam Black (Alternate) from June 1, 2004 to May 31, 2006.

Elected by acclamation:

Sam Black R

Iris Geva-May A

Two Graduate Students (at-large) (1 Regular, 1 Alternate) to replace Peg (Randy) Peters (Regular) and Peter Liljedahl (Alternate) from June 1, 2004 to May 31, 2006.

Elected as the Regular Member:

Rob McTavish

Elected as the Alternate Member :

Karen McCaughan

COMMITTEE TO REVIEW UNIVERSITY ADMISSIONS (CRUA)

One Faculty Member (at-large) to replace Geoff Madoc-Jones (Regular) from June 1, 2004 to May 31, 2006.

Elected by acclamation:

Geoff Madoc-Jones

Two Graduate Students (at-large) (1 Regular, 1 Alternate) to replace Clement Apaak (Regular) and Peter Liljedahl (Alternate) from June 1, 2004 to May 31, 2006.

Elected by acclamation as Regular Member:

Clement Apaak

Elected by acclamation as Alternate Member:

Camilla Sears

SENATE COMMITTEE ON UNDERGRADUATE STUDIES (SCUS)

Two Undergraduate Students (at-large) to replace Derrick Harder and Josephine Wong from June 1, 2004 to May 31, 2005.

Elected:

Derrick Harder
Josephine Wong

SENATE COMMITTEE ON ENROLMENT MANAGEMENT AND PLANNING (SCEMP)

Two Faculty Senators to replace Kamal Gupta and Maureen Fizzell from June 1, 2004 to May 31, 2006.

Elected by acclamation:

Maureen Fizzell
Steve Easton

One Undergraduate Student Senator to replace Josephine Wong from June 1, 2004 to May 31, 2005.

Elected by acclamation:

Josephine Wong

One Graduate Student (at-large) to replace Mavis MacMillen from June 1, 2004 to May 31, 2005

Elected by acclamation:

Camilla Sears

ELECTORAL STANDING COMMITTEE

Three Senators (one of whom must be a student) to replace Peter Beynon, Jon Driver and to fill an existing vacancy from June 1, 2004 to May 31, 2006.

Elected by acclamation:

Peter Beynon
Jon Driver
Shawn Hunsdale

SENATE COMMITTEE ON INTERNATIONAL ACTIVITIES (SCIA)

Two Faculty Senators, to replace Andy Hira and to fill an existing vacancy from June 1, 2004 to May 31, 2006.

Elected by acclamation:

Dan Weeks
David Zandvliet

One Senator (at-large) to replace Valerie Dunsterville from June 1, 2004 to May 31, 2006. J. McArthur withdrew his candidacy prior to balloting.

Elected by acclamation:

Valerie Dunsterville

One Undergraduate Student Senator to fill an existing vacancy from date of election to May 31, 2006.

Vacant

One Graduate Student (at-large) to replace Clement Apaak from June 1, 2004 to May 31, 2006.

Elected

Clement Apaak

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT EXCHANGE COMMITTEE (ISEC)

Two Faculty Members (at-large) to replace John Bechhoefer and Anne Higgins from June 1, 2004 to May 31, 2006.

Elected by acclamation:

John Bechhoefer
Ross Jamieson

One Student (at-large) to replace Abena Owusu-Afriyie from June 1, 2004 to May 31, 2005.

Elected:

Marcia McInnes

SENATE COMMITTEE ON UNIVERSITY TEACHING AND LEARNING (SCUTL)

One Faculty Member (at-large from the Faculty of Applied Sciences) to replace Martin Laba from June 1, 2004 to May 31, 2007.

Elected by acclamation:

Ted Kirkpatrick

One Faculty Member (at-large from the Faculty of Business Administration) to replace Anne MacDonald from June 1, 2004 to May 31, 2007.

Elected by acclamation:

Anne MacDonald

One Undergraduate Student (at-large) to replace Gisele da Silva from June 1, 2004 to May 31, 2005.

Elected:

Titus Gregory

One Graduate Student (at-large) to replace Jonathan Crago from June 1, 2004 to May 31, 2005.

Elected:

Marie Krbavac

DIVERSE QUALIFICATIONS ADJUDICATION COMMITTEE (DQAC)

One Lay Senator to replace Barbara Naef from June 1, 2004 to May 31, 2006. Note: If no Lay member of Senate is available to serve, Senate may elect a general member of the community to serve in this position.

Elected by acclamation:

Alison Watt

Two Undergraduate Students (at-large) to replace Derrick Harder and Shawn Hunsdale from June 1, 2004 to May 31, 2005.

Elected:

Gisele da Silva
Derrick Harder

CALENDAR COMMITTEE (CC)

One Student (at-large) to replace Pam Kaila from June 1, 2004 to May 31, 2005.

Elected by acclamation:

Titus Gregory

RESEARCH ETHICS BOARD (REB)

Two Members from the University Community to replace Adrienne Drobnies and John Lowman from June 1, 2004 to May 31, 2007.

Elected by acclamation:

Felix Breden
Adrienne Drobnies

Two Members from community outside of the University to replace Lynne Kennedy and Bill Melville from June 1, 2004 to May 31, 2007.

Elected by acclamation:

Lynne Kennedy
Bill Melville

VICE-CHAIR OF SENATE

One Senator (at-large) to replace Paul Percival whose term as Vice-Chair of Senate expires on May 31, 2004.

Elected by acclamation:

Paul Percival

C) Senate Committee on University Priorities

i) Paper S.04-42 – Three Year Academic Plan (For Information)

The Vice-President Academic introduced the document by making brief reference to several significant projects that have been initiated over the past several years. Following extensive discussions with Deans and colleagues, it was concluded that during the next three years attention should be focused on the delivery, execution, and completion of projects that are currently underway, and Senate's attention was drawn to the ten priorities outlined on page 11 of the plan.

It was noted that the plan required approval by SCUP and question arose as to why it did not require formal approval by Senate. It was pointed out that because of SCUP's responsibilities to set priorities and approve funding, it was necessary for SCUP to approve such a plan. A change of this policy could be considered.

Clarification was requested with respect to what was meant by the development of a full service campus at Surrey. Senate was advised that to the extent that facilities are available and the extent of faculty interest in doing so, there should be programs offered from each of the Faculties at Surrey. However, it was felt that the Surrey campus should not simply duplicate programs that are offered at the Burnaby campus and programs developed there should offer an element of distinctiveness or uniqueness. The Tech One program which offered a distinctive introduction to SFU programs was given as an example, and plans are underway for a possible core of Arts programming that would provide first year students with an exposure to several of the fields in the Humanities and Social Sciences.

Reference was made to Goal #6. Questions were raised about the breadth of the definition of "First Nations student", and why the recruitment goal was not set higher than 50%. The identification of First Nations students was problematic since there was no process to identify such students apart from self identification. It was hoped that there would be a fairly comprehensive definition that would include, for example, Metis students. Although there were no objections to an aggressive recruitment strategy, there was reluctance to state a more aggressive goal since there were no firm figures on existing numbers. It was hoped that Senate would see this goal more in the positive spirit of aiming to take significant steps in First Nations student enrollment, rather than as a precise numerical target.

Discussion turned briefly to the proposed School for International Studies and the Great Northern Way campus. Senate was advised that the Faculty of Arts has initiated a planning process to establish an academic unit that would focus on the delivery of programs with an international focus at the Master's level and into which faculty with interest in this area would be recruited. With respect to the Great Northern Way campus the planning process for potential activities for that campus continues but there likely would not be a major growth of programming or activities associated with that campus over the next three years.

At this point of the meeting, M. Stevenson left and P. Percival took over the Chair.

Reference was made to Goal #7 which dealt with international students. A question arose about whether the University was currently doing anything to obtain the right to sit as members of the Board of Governors and the right to work off campus for international students. Senate was advised that active discussions on several issues are underway concerning international students, including concerns surrounding the immigration process.

Following the above discussion, the document was received by Senate.

D) Senate Graduate Studies Committee

i) Paper S.04-43 – Curriculum Revisions – Faculty of Applied Sciences

Senate received information that the Senate Graduate Studies Committee, acting under delegated authority, approved four new courses in Computing Science.

ii) Paper S.04-44 – Curriculum Revisions – Faculty of Arts

Senate received information that the Senate Graduate Studies Committee, acting under delegated authority, approved four new courses, and minor changes to existing programs and courses in the following Departments/Programs: English, Linguistics, Gerontology, Political Science, Psychology, Public Policy Program, and Criminology.

iii) Paper S.04-45 – Curriculum Revisions – Faculty of Business Administration

Senate received information that the Senate Graduate Studies Committee, acting under delegated authority, approved four new courses, deleted four courses, and approved minor changes to existing courses and requirements in the Executive MBA Program.

iv) Paper S.04-46 – Curriculum Revisions – Faculty of Education

Senate received information that the Senate Graduate Studies Committee, acting under delegated authority, approved minor changes to existing requirements in the Arts Education Master's Program and Individual Program.

7. Other Business

i) Paper S.04-47 – Intellectual Property Policy R30.03 – For Discussion

The Vice-President Research introduced the document by providing brief background information. The proposed policy combines two previous policies - one on copyright and

one on patenting – into a single policy which treats both issues in equivalent ways. Extensive consultations have taken place within the University community and this final draft has been approved by the Executives of the Faculty Association and the Student Society. The document was received by Senate without discussion.

ii) Paper S.04-48 – Report: Elections to Senate and Board of Governors (For Information)

Following a correction to the paper, it was received by Senate for information.

For Information: Betty Schellenberg is a Faculty Senator from the Faculty of Arts
Christine MacKenzie is a Joint Faculty Senator

8. Information

The date of the next regularly scheduled meeting of Senate will take place on Monday, July 5, 2004.

Open Session adjourned at 6:10 pm. Following a ten minute recess to allow balloting to take place, Senate moved into Closed Session.

Alison Watt
Director, University Secretariat