

SIMON FRASER UNIVERSITY SENATE REPORT

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Principles

1. General Education

On the recommendation of the Faculty of Education, the Senate established a Coordinating Committee on General Education. The membership on the committee shall consist of seven Faculty members and the Coordinating Secretary. The Coordinating Secretary shall be a non-voting member. The Faculty members shall serve on the Committee for a period of two years. The committee shall elect its own Chairman. The Faculty representatives shall be as follows: one representative of each Centre in the Faculty of Education, two representatives from each of the Faculty of Arts and the Faculty of Science.

The duties of the committee shall be to review the programs being offered in General Education in the University and be responsible for recommending extensions or revisions to the existing General Education program. The Coordinating Secretary shall disseminate information about the General Education program to Faculty and students, assist in locating facilities within the University for General Education offerings, survey programs being offered, solicit recommendations for extensions to the program, and act as Secretary to the Committee. In addition to these duties, the committee is empowered to discuss the general problem of liberality in the curriculum of the three Faculties, and to coordinate the activities in the three Faculties and develop general University policy in this area.

Senate also decided to drop the requirement of two General Education courses in the first four semesters. Although the new Calendar containing this information will not be in effect until the Summer Semester 1967, it was agreed that the General Education courses requirement in the previous calendar would not be enforced to the strict letter of the law in the current semester if students had any problems fitting the General Education requirement into their academic program.

2. Ad Hoc Committee on Interdisciplinary Programs

The Ad Hoc Committee on Interdisciplinary Programs had been unable to conclude its deliberations regarding the interdisciplinary program in the Study of Human Movement. The Senate decided to reserve its discussion of this program until the February meeting when it would have the report of the Ad Hoc Committee.

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3. Undergraduate Calendar 1967-68

The draft calendar as prepared by the various Faculties and the meeting of the Joint Faculty and the Senate Committee on Undergraduate Calendar Revision was approved with certain minor amendments.

4. Graduate Calendar 1967-68

The draft graduate calendar as prepared by the various Faculties and the Senate Committee on Graduate Studies was approved with certain minor amendments.

Both the Undergraduate and Graduate Calendars should be available for distribution by the end of February.

5. New Appointments to the Joint Board of Teacher Education

For the past three years, C. J. Frederickson and R. Baker had been the University representatives on the Joint Board of Teacher Education.

The Senate approved the appointment of W. Vidaver and F. Cunningham to replace C. J. Frederickson and R. Baker.

6. Senate Committee on Honorary Degrees

W. Williams was named to replace T. H. Brose as a member of this committee.

7. Academic Planning

The President said that he had established an advisory committee on long-range academic planning consisting of the Dean of each Faculty, one additional member from each Faculty, one member from the Board of Governors, one lay member of the Senate, and the Director of University Affairs.

W. Hamilton was appointed as the Senate's representative on the long-range academic planning committee.

8. Program for Convocation Founders

The President told Senate that there had been no official visit from the Visitor, the Lieutenant Governor, the Honourable George R. Pearkes, since the installation ceremonies and also nothing had been done to bring Convocation Founders on campus for well over a year.

A date in February was tentatively set for this occasion.

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9. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting of Senate will be Monday, the 6th of February, 1967. Items known at this time which will be on the February agenda are the report of the Senate Committee on Interdisciplinary Programs, report on the Interdisciplinary Program on the Study of Human Movement, and also the report from the Committee to study student representation and the openness of Senate meetings.



D. P. Robertson,
Secretary of Senate.