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VANCOUVER SENATE

MINUTES OF OCTOBER 20, 1993

Attendance

Present: President D. W. Strangway (Chair), Vice-President D. R. Birch, Mr. S. Alsgard, Dr. A. P. Autor, Dr. S. Avramidis, Mr. J. A. Banfield, Dr. J. Barman, Dr. J. D. Berger, Dr. A. E. Boardman, Dean pro tem. M. A. Boyd, Mr. P. T. Brady, Dr. D. G. A. Carter, Ms. L. Chui, Dr. D. H. Cohen, Dr. T. S. Cook, Dr. M. G. R. Coope, Mr. W. F. Dick, Dr. G. W. Eaton, Dr. J. H. V. Gilbert, Mr. E. B. Goehring, Dean M. A. Goldberg, Dean J. R. Grace, Ms. C. L. Greentree, Dean M. J. Hollenberg, Mr. F. B. N. Horsburgh, Dr. M. Isaacson, Mr. A. Janmohamed, Dr. J. G. T. Kelsey, Mr. H. Leung, Dr. M. Levine, Dr. S. C. Lindstrom, Mr. R. W. Lowe, Dr. D. M. Lyster, Dr. D. J. MacDougall, Dr. M. MacEntee, Dr. R. T. A. MacGillivray, Mr. P. R. Marsden, Mr. R. S. McNeal, Dean J. H. McNeill, Dean A. Meisen, Mr. R. L. de Pfyffer, Mrs. M. Price, Mr. A. A. Raghavji, Dr. D. J. Randall, Professor R. S. Reid, Professor J. A. Rice, Dean J. F. Richards, Dr. H. B. Richer, Mr. M. G. Schaper, Dr. R. A. Shearer, Dean C. L. Smith, Ms. C. A. Soong, Ms. S. J. Spence, Dr. R. C. Tees, Dr. S. Thorne, Dr. D. A. Wehrung, Dr. E. W. Whittaker, Dr. R. M. Will, Dr. D. Ll. Williams, Mr. E. C. H. Woo.

Regrets: Chancellor R. H. Lee, Mr. D. A. Anderson, Dean C. S. Binkley, Dr. D. M. Brunette, Dr. J. Gosline, Dr. S. E. Grace, Rev. J. Hanrahan, Mr. G. Kettyle, Dr. S. B. Knight, Dean M. P. Marchak, Dean B. C. McBride, Dr. H. McDonald, Mr. W. B. McNulty, Dr. R. J. Patrick, Rev. W. J. Phillips, Professor M. Quayle, Dean N. Sheehan, Dr. C. E. Slonecker, Dr. L. J. Stan, Dr. W. Uegama, Dr. J. Vanderstoep, Mr. C. A. Woods, Dr. W. C. Wright, Jr.

Senate membership

DECLARATION OF VACANCIES (UNIVERSITY ACT, SECTION 35(6))

- Mr. Neil Davidson - Lt. Governor appointee
- Mr. Jerry Olynyk - Student Senator at-large

REPLACEMENT

- Mr. Robert L. de Pfyffer replaces Mr. Tony Fogarassy, Convocation Senator

Minutes of the previous meeting

Dr. Tees

Dean McNeill

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That the minutes of the first regular meeting of Senate for the Session 1993-94, having been circulated, be taken as read and adopted.

Carried.

Chair's remarks and related questions

President Strangway asked Senate to join him in extending congratulations to Dr. Michael Smith, winner of the 1993 Nobel Prize in Chemistry.

President Strangway also announced that Dr. Gene Namkoong, winner of the Wallenberg Prize, would be going to Sweden in the near future to receive the award from the King of Sweden.

In addition, President Strangway informed Senate that the Science Council of British Columbia, at a recent awards dinner, gave gold medals to a number of distinguished scientists including a microbiology team, namely: Professor Miller, Professor Warren, Professor Kilburn and Professor Gilkes. Another gold medal winner was Professor Fibiger from the Faculty of Medicine. Professor Julian Davies won the most prestigious prize from the International Society for Industrial Microbiology, which was awarded to him in Paris.

At the request of the President, Dr. Birch informed Senate that the following endowments had been funded out of the World of Opportunity Campaign:

1. Professorships and Lectureships
 - A. Coordinator of Health Sciences
Professorship in Health Sciences and Policy Research
 - B. Faculty of Graduate Studies
Maurice Young Applied Ethics Visiting Lectureship
 - C. Faculty of Education
Professorships in Literacy and Technology
 - D. Faculty of Medicine
British Columbia Lung Association Professorships

2. Endowments for Work in Specified Fields

The following endowments will support teaching and research in the areas indicated by the name of the endowment.

A. Faculty of Arts

- (1) Netherlands Studies Endowment
- (2) Hugh Keenleyside Endowment in Canadian Diplomacy
- (3) South-North Studies Endowment
- (4) Kameyama Research Fund in Buddhist Studies

B. Faculty of Commerce and Business Administration

- (1) Arthur Andersen MIS Research Fund
- (2) Real Estate Foundation Research Bureau
- (3) Real Estate Foundation Bureau of Asset Management

C. Faculty of Dentistry

Dr. S. Wah Leung Endowment Fund

D. Faculty of Forestry

Imajo Cedar Management Program Endowment

E. Faculty of Graduate Studies

- (1) Clark Bentall Ethics Fund
- (2) Programme in Real Property Development and Planning

F. Faculty of Law

IBM Legal Research Fund

G. Faculty of Medicine

Rheumatology Research Endowment

3. Others

- (1) David Lam Library Operating Endowment
- (2) Green College Endowment Fund
- (3) Disability Resource Centre Fund
- (4) Rick Hansen National Fellowship Fund
- (5) Chan Performing Arts Endowment
- (6) Brenda McLean Endowment in the Creative and Performing Arts
- (7) UBC Library Collection Endowment Fund
- (8) President's Fund
- (9) Individual Faculty Endowments

Reports of Committees of Senate

ADMISSIONS COMMITTEE

Dr. Will, Chair of the committee, presented the report.

Faculty of Education - written English requirement

A proposal for revisions to the Faculty of Education Calendar statement on the written English requirement was referred to the Senate Admissions Committee at the May Senate meeting. The committee recommended approval of the following statement. The committee's recommended revisions are shown in *italics*.

All candidates admitted to a program leading to teacher certification must provide evidence of a satisfactory standard of written English *before beginning their extended practicum. Those who have had all their* post-secondary study at an English-language institution(s) are presumed to have achieved a satisfactory standard of writing in the English courses required for admission. *All other candidates will be required to provide evidence of satisfactory achievement by means of* an acceptable English language test.

Candidates who do not provide evidence of an acceptable standard of English during the program may be required to sit a test of written English. On the basis of the results of this test, candidates may be required by the Faculty:

1. To improve their standard of written English before proceeding to the extended practicum and/or before being recommended for the B.Ed. degree and a teaching certificate, or
2. to withdraw from the Faculty.

Dr. Will
Dr. Shearer

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That the proposed revisions to the Calendar statement on written English requirements in the Faculty of Education be approved.

Carried.

1992 NITEP Admissions Academic Results

The following report had been circulated for information:

1. The committee admitted 25 applicants to NITEP, 24 of whom registered.
2. Of the 24 students who registered, 20 completed all UBC courses which they attempted.
3. Collectively the group attempted 284 credits and completed 263 for a completion rate of 92.6%.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Dr. Williams, Chair of the committee, presented the following recommendations to fill vacancies on Senate committees:

Continuing Education

Mr. Robert L. de Pfyffer - replacing Mr. N. Davidson

Liaison with Post Secondary Institutions

Mr. Robert L. de Pfyffer - replacing Mr. N. Davidson

Ad Hoc Committee on University Organization

Ms. Lica Chui - replacing Mr. G. Kettyle

<i>Dr. Williams</i>	}	<i>That the recommendations of the Nominating Committee be approved.</i>
<i>Mr. Woo</i>		

Carried.

COMMITTEE ON STUDENT AWARDS

New awards (see Appendix)

In presenting the report Dr. Cook drew Senate's attention to the R. Howard Webster Foundation Fellowships and noted that the total amount of the fellowships should read \$60,000, not \$25,000. Dr. Cook also noted that the David Crombie Entrance Scholarship should read the David Crombie National Entrance Scholarship and that the words "at least" should be inserted before the amount of \$2,800. Dr. Cook informed Senate that for the past five years UBC has been offering National Entrance Scholarships funded from the general operating funds of the University. Dr. Cook noted that this scholarship was the first funded national entrance scholarship.

<i>Dr. Cook</i>	}	<i>That the awards (listed in the Appendix) be accepted and forwarded to the Board of Governors for approval and that letters of thanks be sent to the donors.</i>
<i>Prof. Reid</i>		

Carried.

AD HOC COMMITTEE ON UNIVERSITY ORGANIZATION

Dr. Shearer, Chair of the committee, reported that the committee had met twice since the last meeting of Senate. Dr. Shearer informed Senate that the committee had sent letters to all Deans, Directors and Department Heads soliciting information about administrative changes in place and planned, and certain other issues relating to their administrative arrangements. The next stage in the committee's activities will be to analyze that information.

Faculty of Law

PROPOSAL TO ESTABLISH THE CHAIR IN FEMINIST LEGAL STUDIES

<i>Dean Smith</i>	}	<i>That the proposal to establish a Chair in Feminist Legal Studies be approved.</i>
<i>Dr. MacDougall</i>		

Carried.

Faculty of Pharmaceutical Sciences

DEAN'S HONOUR LIST POLICY

The following proposed Calendar statement outlining the policy concerning the Dean's Honour List had been circulated:

Graduating students and students promoted to Second, Third or Fourth Year with a standing of "A-" or better in the previous winter session will receive the notation "Dean's Honour List" on their records. A program of at least 30 credits must have been carried in order to receive this designation.

<i>Dean McNeill</i>	}	<i>That the policy concerning the Dean's Honour List in the Faculty of Pharmaceutical Sciences be approved.</i>
<i>Dr. Lyster</i>		

Carried.

Student elections to Governing Bodies

The following proposal concerning rules and regulations for student elections to governing bodies had been circulated:

The following elections are required annually:

- **Board of Governors** (*University Act*, Section 19 (e))
"Two full-time students elected from the Student Association"
- **Senate** (*University Act*, Section 34 (2) (h))
"a number of full-time students, equal to the number provided in paragraphs (a) to (f), (currently seventeen) elected from the Student Association in a manner that ensures that at least one student from each faculty is elected;"

In accordance with the *University Act*, Section 42, "The Senate shall make and publish all rules ... in respect of nominations, elections and voting ..."

The Senate has already resolved that:

- the call for nominations be made by mid-November
- the close of nominations be the last day of lectures in the first term (approved by Senate October 12, 1983)
- candidates limit their campaign spending to \$150.00 (approved by Senate October 16, 1991)
- that voting be completed by the end of January
- those elected to the Board of Governors take office at the first meeting of the Board on or after February 1
- those elected to Senate take office at the first meeting of Senate on or after April 1.

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR 1993-94 ELECTIONS:

That the schedule for this Academic year be as follows:

- call for nominations in *The Ubyyssey*, Wednesday, November 17, Tuesday, November 23, and Friday, November 26, 1993;
- close of nominations, 4:00 p.m., Friday, December 3, 1993;
- announcement of the list of candidates in *The Ubyyssey* on Tuesday, January 11 and Friday, January 14, 1994;
- election date, Friday, January 21, 1994;
- evening polls 4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., Monday January 17, 1994;
- daytime polls 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Monday, January 17 to Friday, January 21, 1994 inclusive.

A copy of the Senate rules and regulations (previously approved by Senate) will be given to each candidate for election and copies are available to members of Senate from the Co-ordinator of Elections, Office of the Registrar, on request.

Mr. Woo
Mr. Goehring

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That the recommendations for the 1993-94 student elections to Governing Bodies be approved.

Carried.

Evaluation of Senate Committees

The following proposal from Mr. Woo had been circulated:

At the September meeting of Senate, the Senate Nominating Committee effectively disbanded a committee by according it with zero membership. The rationale for such a move was based on the fact that this committee had not met in several years. This would imply that this committee was no longer functioning as a useful tool of Senate.

Inasmuch as Senate committees are one of the principal tools by which Senate discharges its mandate, it would be inappropriate that Senate should allow these tools to become blunted and dull over time. It would appear appropriate that a systematic review of the terms of reference of each of the Senate's standing committees be undertaken to sharpen the focus of each committee.

The purpose of such an undertaking would be to ensure that each committee of Senate is functioning effectively to optimally serve the needs of the Senate. This in turn will ensure that the Senate itself is acting as an effective body. Of particular importance is that this evaluation investigate ways in which the terms of reference for committees can allow the committees to proactively investigate issues of academic importance to this University rather than playing a reactive role as issues arise.

I therefore propose the following motion:

"Whereas the effectiveness of Senate committees is important to the overall ability of the Senate to discharge its mandate of academic governance,

and whereas the Senate Nominating Committee is charged with the duty of setting out the terms of reference for Senate committees,

be it resolved that Senate direct the Senate Nominating Committee to systematically evaluate the effectiveness of the terms of reference of each of the standing committees of Senate and report back to Senate with appropriate recommendations to ensure that each committee is functioning:

- a) in a manner relevant to the current academic governance of this University,
and
- b) is capable of proactively investigating issues before they arise.

be it further resolved that the Senate Nominating Committee recommend to Senate how often and by what mechanism future evaluations of the terms of reference of Senate committees should take place.

Mr. Woo
Mr. Schaper

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That the proposal concerning the evaluation of the terms of reference of Senate Committees be approved.

Carried.

Other business

SENATE AGENDAS

For the benefit of new members of Senate, Dean Richards, Chair of the Senate Agenda Committee, explained that the Senate Agenda is prescribed in general terms by section 36 of the University Act, Powers of Senate, a copy of which can be obtained at the University Bookstore. Dean Richards also drew Senate's attention to section 3.5 of the Rules and Procedures of the Senate, previously circulated to members of Senate, which deals with the order of business for Senate. In general, the matters which arise on the agenda for Senate come in a fairly straightforward manner arising from reports of committees of Senate. However, any member may request in writing to the Secretary of Senate that the Agenda Committee include in the agenda of the next meeting any such matter that the member would like to have Senate consider and any member may give notice of motion from the floor of Senate whereby the motion shall be on the agenda for the next regular meeting of Senate.

SCHOOL OF FAMILY AND NUTRITIONAL SCIENCES

Dr. Will noted that the School of Family and Nutritional Sciences was celebrating its 50th anniversary, and asked Senate to join him in extending, through the Dean of Agricultural Sciences, best wishes to colleagues, students and alumni of the School on this significant occasion.

STUDENT SERVICES

Mr. Marsden, student senator, noted that approximately 25% of students are part-time. He stated that these students often work during the day and take courses at night. Mr. Marsden asked the Registrar if it would be possible to extend the hours of operation of some of the student services, perhaps one night a month, to accommodate those students who are not able to get to the office during working hours.

Dr. Spencer responded that this matter was currently under review and it was hoped that service would be available at least one evening per week.

Report of the Tributes Committee (in camera)

EMERITUS STATUS

In the absence of Dean McBride, Chair of the Committee, Dean Smith presented a report recommending that the following be offered emeritus status:

Dr. Leslie R. Peterson	Chancellor Emeritus
Dr. G. J. Ankenman	Clinical Professor Emeritus of Surgery
Dr. W. Buchan	Assistant Professor Emeritus of Family Practice
Dr. P. S. Bullen	Professor Emeritus of Mathematics
Dr. S. Cherry	Professor Emeritus of Civil Engineering
Dr. F. W. Dalby	Professor Emeritus of Physics
Dr. J. R. H. Dempster	Associate Professor Emeritus of Computer Science
Prof. C. R. Hultberg	Professor Emeritus of Music
Dr. J. M. Kennedy	Professor Emeritus of Computer Science
Prof. V. J. Kirkness	Associate Professor Emerita of Administrative, Adult, and Higher Education
Dr. D. Klang	Associate Professor Emeritus of History
Dr. K. I. Kobbervig	Professor Emeritus of Hispanic and Italian Studies
Dr. J. Lund	Professor Emeritus of Metals and Materials Engineering
Dr. E. J. Matte	Associate Professor Emeritus of French
Dr. D. E. McGreer	Professor Emeritus of Chemistry
Dr. T. K. Menon	Professor Emeritus of Geophysics and Astronomy
Dr. M. Miller	Clinical Assistant Professor Emerita of Anaesthesia
Dr. G. E. Pirie	Associate Professor Emeritus of Paediatrics
Dr. H. S. Polowy	Assistant Professor Emerita of Educational Psychology and Special Education
Dr. J. V. Ross	Professor Emeritus of Geological Sciences
Dr. J. K. Stager	Professor Emeritus of Geography
Mrs. H. L. Thomas	Senior Instructor Emerita of English
Dr. E. C. E. Todd	Professor Emeritus of Law
Dr. D. J. Vince	Professor Emeritus of Paediatrics

Dean Smith
Prof. Reid

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*That the recommendations of the Tributes
Committee concerning emeritus status be
approved.*

Carried.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8.50 p.m.

Next meeting

The next regular meeting of Senate will be held on Wednesday, November 17, 1993.

Appendix A

AWARDS RECOMMENDED TO SENATE

David Crombie National Entrance Scholarship - A scholarship of at least \$2,800 has been endowed by David R. Crombie and the Province of British Columbia. The award is offered to a student entering the University directly from secondary school. (Available 1993/94 Winter Session)

Du Pont Canada Fellowship in Pulp and Paper - A fellowship has been endowed by Du Pont Canada Inc. and the Province of British Columbia. The award is available to graduate students undertaking research related to the pulp and paper industry. The award is made on the recommendation of the Faculty of Graduate Studies. (\$600 available 1993/94 Winter Session)

UMA Group Ltd. Scholarship in Engineering - A scholarship of \$1,500 has been endowed by UMA Group Ltd. and the Province of British Columbia and is offered to students in the Faculty of Applied Science. The award is made on the recommendation of the Faculty of Applied Science and, in the case of graduate students, in consultation with the Faculty of Graduate Studies. (Available 1993/94 Winter Session)

R. Howard Webster Foundation Fellowships - Fellowships to a total of \$60,000 have been endowed by the R. Howard Webster Foundation and the Province of British Columbia. The awards are offered to students in the Faculty of Graduate Studies and are made on the recommendation of the Faculty. Recipients of these fellowships are referred to as Webster Fellows. (Available 1993/94 Winter Session)