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VANCOUVER SENATE

MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 16, 1992

Attendance

Present: President D. W. Strangway (Chair), Vice-President D. R. Birch, Mr. S. Alsgard, Dr. A. F. J. Artibise, Mr. J. A. Banfield, Mr. S. W. Baumber, Mr. D. A. C. Boulton, Dean pro tem. M. A. Boyd, Dr. D. M. Brunette, Professor P. J. Bryden, Mr. B. D. Burgess, Dr. D. G. A. Carter, Professor E. A. Carty, Dr. R. L. Chase, Dr. S. Cherry, Dr. T. S. Cook, Mr. N. A. Davidson, Dr. K. Dawson, Dr. J. D. Dennison, Mr. W. F. Dick, Dr. G. W. Eaton, Miss C. J. Forsythe, Mr. Y. L. Fulmer, Mr. M. A. Fuoss, Mr. E. B. Goehring, Dean M. A. Goldberg, Dean J. R. Grace, Dr. S. E. Grace, Dr. R. D. Guy, Dr. S. W. Hamilton, Dr. M. Isaacson, Dr. J. G. T. Kelsey, Dr. M. M. Klawe, Mr. O. C. W. Lau, Mr. D. K. Leung, Dr. S. C. Lindstrom, Dean M. P. Marchak, Dr. H. McDonald, Dr. J. A. McLean, Dean J. H. McNeill, Mr. W. B. McNulty, Dr. A. G. Mitchell, Dr. L. Paszner, Dr. R. J. Patrick, Ms. B. M. Peterson, Dr. C. Price, Dr. P. Resnick, Mr. A. J. Scow, Dr. R. A. Shearer, Dean N. Sheehan, Mr. C. M. Sing, Dr. C. E. Slonecker, Dean C. L. Smith, Dr. L. de Sobrino, Mr. M. Sugimoto, Dr. R. C. Tees, Mr. G. A. Thom, Dr. A. Van Seters, Dr. J. Vanderstoep, Dr. J. M. Varah, Mr. L. Waldman, Dr. D. A. Wehrung, Dr. R. M. Will, Dr. D. L. Williams, Mr. E. C. H. Woo, Ms. N. E. Woo, Dr. W. C. Wright, Jr.

Regrets: Chancellor L. R. Peterson, Mr. D. A. Anderson, Mr. D. A. Dymont, Rev. J. Hanrahan, Dean M. J. Hollenberg, Dean B. C. McBride, Professor R. S. Reid, Dean J. F. Richards, Mr. M. M. Ryan, Dr. G. G. E. Scudder, Dr. W. Uegama.

Senate membership

- i) **Declaration of Vacancy** (*University Act*, section 35(6))
 - Dr. L. L. Bongie, representative of the Faculty of Arts
 - Dr. A. J. Elder, Faculty representative at-large
 - Mr. R. Bush, Lt. Governor in Council appointee
- ii) **Replacements**
 - Mr. Ron A. Shearer replaces Dr. Bongie as Faculty of Arts representative
 - Dr. Alan F. J. Artibise replaces Dr. Elder as Faculty representative at-large
 - Dr. Colin. Price replaces Dr. M. A. Boyd as Faculty of Dentistry representative
 - Mr. William F. Dick replaces Mr. S. H. Lu as student representative of the Faculty of Medicine [subject to approval by AMS Students' Council]
- iii) **Ex-officio members**
 - Dean *pro-tem*. Marcia A. Boyd, Faculty of Dentistry, replaces Dean P. B. Robertson

Minutes of the previous meeting

Dr. Tees }
Dr. Slonecker } *That the minutes of the ninth regular meeting of Senate for the Session 1991-92, having been circulated, be taken as read and adopted.*

Dr. Sobrino drew Senate's attention to page 10338 and the comments which he had made concerning BIOC 514 and 521. He informed Senate that he had made an error in suggesting that graduate students had difficulty enrolling in BIOC 514. Also, his concern that the prerequisites for BIOC 521 seemed to exclude students that were not in the Department of Biochemistry had been unfounded since the Head of the Department of Biochemistry had since assured Dr. Sobrino that the Department will consider equivalent prerequisites from other departments.

The motion was put
and carried.

Chair's Remarks and Related Questions

President Strangway welcomed members to the 1992-93 session of Senate.

Senate Nominating Committee Membership

In accordance with established procedures, a vacancy was declared for a non-student, non-convocation representative to serve on the Senate Nominating Committee.

Members were informed that a call for nominations to fill this vacancy would be sent to all members of Senate, and that nominations would remain open until the October 21, 1992 Senate meeting. If more than one nomination is received an election will be held at the October meeting.

From the Board of Governors

NOTIFICATION OF APPROVAL IN PRINCIPLE OF SENATE RECOMMENDATIONS

Subject, where applicable, to the proviso that none of the programs be implemented without formal reference to the President; and that the Deans and Heads concerned with new programs be asked to indicate the space requirements, if any, of such new programs.

- i. Enrolment quota of 85 students in the first year of programs in the Faculty of Forestry. (*p.10309*)
- ii. Revision to the enrolment quota for the School of Social Work for 1992/93 from 60 to 75. (*pp.10309-10*)
- iii. Biomedical Research Centre transfer to UBC (with the exception of the proposed name of Biomedical Research Laboratory) on the terms outlined in the proposal; the proposal to be referred to the Graduate Council for review and a report brought to Senate within six months, and subsequently to the Board following Senate consideration. (*pp.10322-4*)
- iv. Motion from the Senate Library Committee received for information. (*p.10320*)
- v. Curriculum proposals from the Faculties of: Agricultural Sciences, Applied Science, Arts (with the exception of the proposal to change the Calendar statement under Major in Music Theory and Honours in Music Theory, to "... must have at least an overall B- average..."), Education, Graduate Studies (curriculum and a new Master of Science program in Rehabilitation Medicine), Medicine, and Science. (*pp.10352-64*)

The Board of Governors has referred The Rio Algom Entrance Scholarship back to Senate for clarification of the description. (*p.10350*)

Financial Statements

Financial statements for the year ended March 31, 1992 had been submitted to Senate as required under section 31(2) of the *University Act*, together with a report from Mr. Gellatly, Vice President of Administration and Finance, and a Schedule of General Purpose Operating Expenses for the year ended March 31, 1992.

Mr. Gellatly commented on the various aspects of the financial statements and highlighted some sections of the report for the information of Senate.

In response to a query by Dr. Kelsey concerning ancillary services, Mr. Gellatly explained that ancillary enterprises were required to operate on a break-even basis, and that if they have either a surplus or a deficit it is carried forward to the following year. He noted, for example, that the Bookstore, which had had an accumulated deficit of \$1,199,000 for some years, had this year eliminated some of that deficit through a surplus of \$317,000 and would be carrying forward a deficit of \$882,000.

In response to a query by Dr. Cook about support services and student aid, Mr. Gellatly stated that the distribution of expenses for the Library was \$22,602,000 in 1992 and \$21,650,000 in 1991, or 6.9% in 1992 and 7% in 1991, which is one tenth of one percent lower than a year ago as a proportion of the total. He stated that student awards had gone from \$9,508,000 to \$11,265,000 or from 3.1% to 3.4%. Mr. Gellatly also noted that scholarships, fellowships and bursaries totalled \$6,941,000 in 1992, an increase of \$1,000,000 or 17.5%, over last year.

With regard to donations and pledges Mr. Gellatly stated that the government has, for this year only, made a reduction from \$20 million to \$10 million in the matching funds.

In response to a query by Mr. Davidson concerning an item called debt servicing, Mr. Gellatly explained that this item referred to long-term debt which included the Bookstore which was built in 1983 with a debt of \$6.6 million to be paid over a period of 20 years. The Food Services debt is related to a \$1.6 million loan for the refurbishing of the cafeteria in the Student Union Building, which will increase due to a further loan of \$2 million this year to outfit and to build the food service component of the David Lam Management Research Centre. In addition housing projects have amounted to over \$100 million since 1984, a large part of which has been borrowed. Also, over \$6 million has

been spent on parkades and a further \$10 million has been borrowed to build the West Mall parkade.

In response to a query by Dr. Mitchell concerning the substantial increase in the general purpose operating expenses listed under "Dean's Office" for the individual Faculties, Dean Marchak responded that in the case of the Faculty of Arts this represents expenditures for sessional lecturers, teaching assistants, and support services.

Dr. Will suggested that it would be much more helpful if the budgeted amounts for these units, as well as the actual expenditures and variances, were made available to Senate. Mr. Gellatly stated that the Management Report contained such information and that this could be made available to members of Senate.

In response to a query by Dr. Wehrung concerning costs recovered from departments by Plant Operations, Mr. Gellatly explained that this covered the cost of janitorial services, trade services in the residences, Food Services and the Bookstore, and charges to the hospital.

Reports of Committees of Senate

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Dr. Will, Chair of the Committee, presented the following recommendations to fill vacancies on Senate Committees:

- 1. VACANCIES ON SENATE COMMITTEES**

The Nominating Committee nominates the following persons to fill vacancies on Senate Committees:

Academic Building Needs

Mr. W. B. McNulty — replacing Mr. R. Bush

Admissions

Dr. R. A. Shearer — replacing Dr. A. J. Elder

Budget

Dr. R. A. Shearer — replacing Dr. L. L. Bongie

Continuing Education

Dr. A. F. J. Artibise — replacing Dean P. B. Robertson

Curriculum

Dr. C. Price — replacing Dr. M. A. Boyd

Student Appeals on Academic Discipline

Dr. G. W. Eaton — replacing Dr. A. J. Elder

Mr. W. F. Dick — replacing Mr. S. Lu

University Library

Dr. A. F. J. Artibise — replacing Dr. L. L. Bongie

2. ST. MARK'S COLLEGE BOARD

Dean M. P. Marchak — replacing Dr. A. J. Elder

3. VANCOUVER SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY BOARD ACADEMIC POLICY COMMITTEE

The new by-laws of the Vancouver School of Theology call for a UBC Senate appointment to the Academic Policy Committee of the new Board. The previous arrangement had provided for two UBC Senate representatives on the Vancouver School of Theology Senate.

The Nominating Committee recommends that Dr. G. W. Eaton represent the UBC Senate on the Academic Policy Committee of the Vancouver School of Theology.

4. MEMBERSHIP AND OFFICERS OF SENATE

Item 2.3 of the Senate Procedures, adopted at the April 23, 1986 meeting, states that "Senate shall elect a Vice Chairman (sic) at least annually, who shall chair meetings in the absence of the President; but in no case shall a Vice Chairman (sic) serve more than two consecutive terms." [*University Act*, section 36(a)]

The Nominating Committee nominates Dr. C. E. Slonecker for the position of Vice Chair for a second term.

Dr. Will
Mr. Banfield } *That the recommendations of the Nominating
Committee be approved.*

Carried.

FACULTY OF EDUCATION

Proposal to establish the Chris Spencer Foundation Professorship in Dyslexia

It was stated in the material circulated that the establishment of the Professorship will support both teaching and research into dyslexia. The research program will be of an interdisciplinary nature and liaison will be developed with other academic units. The holder of the Professorship will work with special education graduate and teacher education students. The establishment of the Professorship will make a significant contribution to the methodology and training resources available to teachers and families throughout British Columbia.

Dean Sheehan
Dr. Birch } *That the proposal of the Faculty of Education
to establish the Chris Spencer Foundation
Professorship in Dyslexia be approved.*

Carried.

FACULTY OF GRADUATE STUDIES

Proposal to establish W.C.B. Chairs in Occupational Hygiene

A proposal to establish three Workers' Compensation Board Chairs in Occupational Hygiene had been circulated. It was explained that each faculty member will have a 60% appointment in the Faculty of Graduate Studies in the new Occupational Hygiene Master's program and a 40% cross-appointment in one of the following: Faculty of Applied Science, Faculty of Medicine, Faculty of Science. (Preferably, there will be one such cross-appointment in each of these three Faculties.) It was noted that the

University already has considerable expertise in areas related to worker health and safety. The three Chairs will enable the University to deliver the Master's level program in Occupational Hygiene and to increase the multi-disciplinary research being done in related areas.

Dean Grace
Dean Goldberg } *That the proposal of the Faculty of Graduate Studies to establish W.C.B. Chairs in Occupational Hygiene be approved.*

Carried.

FACULTY OF PHARMACEUTICAL SCIENCES

Proposal of the Faculty of Pharmaceutical Sciences to establish The Shoppers Drug Mart Professorship in Clinical Pharmacy and The David H. MacDonald Professorship in Clinical Pharmacy

It was explained in the material circulated that the establishment of these professorships will enhance existing teaching and research activities in the areas of pharmacotherapy and clinical pharmacy practice. The Faculty has developed strong alliances in recent years with pharmacists in the profession, researchers from other faculties and schools in the health sciences, and the affiliated teaching hospitals. These professorships will provide further support for the Faculty's endeavours in advanced pharmacy practice, research and teaching.

Dean McNeill
Dr. Mitchell } *That the proposal of the Faculty of Pharmaceutical Sciences to establish The Shoppers Drug Mart Professorship in Clinical Pharmacy and The David H. MacDonald Professorship in Clinical Pharmacy be approved.*

Carried.

SCHOOL OF AUDIOLOGY AND SPEECH SCIENCES

Chair in Audiology and Speech Sciences

Dr. Birch reminded Senate that at its meeting of December 11, 1991 meeting the establishment of a Chair in Audiology and Speech Sciences had been approved. He noted that in the rationale for the establishment of the Chair, reference was made to adult language disorders but not to clinical audiology. Work will, however, be undertaken in both these areas and this has been recognized in the following revised rationale:

"The Chair in Audiology and Speech Sciences will enable the School of Audiology and Speech Sciences to attain two objectives: to implement research and training in the area of adult language disorders or clinical audiology and to strengthen the School's national and international reputation for its scholarship in communication disorders. The School is the only integrated research and teaching centre in the area of communication disorders in British Columbia. The Chair, as the only one of its kind in Western Canada and one of the first in the nation, will support the School's overall mandate to train graduate students to become professional audiologists and speech language pathologists."

Dr. Birch
Dean Goldberg

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That the changed rationale and terms of reference for the Chair in Audiology and Speech Sciences be approved.

Carried.

Policy and Procedures on Conflict of Interest

The Policies and Procedures on Conflict of Interest which are to be considered for approval by the Board of Governors had been circulated to Senate for information. (See Appendix.)

Dr. Birch stated that initial drafts of the policy and procedures were developed by nine committees. Dr. Birch paid tribute to the work done by the member of those committees and to the tremendous effort of Libby Nason, Assistant Provost, in coordinating the resulting process. He noted that close to 400 members of the university community had made contributions to the development of the policy. Dr. Birch stated that he had discussed with the Chair of the Senate Academic Policy Committee whether or not to bring the matter to Senate via that or some other committee of Senate, and it was agreed that because the matter had received a very wide airing on campus it was not necessary to process it through a Senate committee. Senate agreed that Ms. Nason be allowed to participate in the discussion.

Dr. Dennison referred to the paragraph on the Use of UBC's Name, and stated that it was unclear as to whether the University condones or does not condone the use of titles such as Professor, Professor Emeritus, in letters to the editor. Ms. Nason responded that there had been lengthy discussions on this matter and it had been agreed that to discourage members of the academic community from expressing their views would be to deny academic freedom.

Dr. Birch added that the statement was saying that even though you may use the name of the University, the University is not taking responsibility for your statement unless you are an authorized spokesperson for the University in a particular context.

Dr. Artibise thought that it would be impossible to enforce a policy that prevented a person from identifying the institution for which he or she worked, particularly in the case of radio or television interviews.

Dr. Shearer stated that while the first sentence of the paragraph on the use of UBC's name encourages members of the University community to express their views, it did not make any statement on the use of UBC's name when expressing such views. He suggested that this proposed policy needed clarification.

After further discussion, Ms. Nason thanked members for their comments and agreed that this particular section needed clarification.

Dr. Resnick gave notice of the following motion concerning conflict of interest and senior university administrators:

Whereas the autonomy of the university is a central feature of post-secondary institutions of higher learning that must be preserved and furthered;

And whereas senior university administrators, be they the President, Vice-Presidents or Deans of Faculties, personify that institution in the eyes of the public;

be it resolved that senior UBC administrators who wish to accept an appointment to the board of an outside corporation or enterprise (other than non-profit or charitable) first seek the approval of the UBC Board of Governors;

be it further resolved that, in assessing any such request, the Board be guided by the principle that senior university administrators not accept positions on boards which could be seen as jeopardizing the autonomy or integrity of their office;

be it further resolved that where a senior UBC administrator, with the Board's approval, has accepted appointment to an outside board, any emolument or honorarium (other than legitimate expenses) derived from such an appointment be turned back to the university, either to general revenues, or to designated areas, e.g. student bursaries, the library, of his/her choice.

Mr. Davidson drew Senate's attention to a paragraph in the executive summary under the heading "Teaching" which states that: "Teachers should avoid conflicts of

interest which may impede or compromise their responsibility to instruct and evaluate students in a fair and effective manner..." and asked if the teaching of a particular political philosophy does in fact contravene the rules set out for conflict of interest.

Ms. Nason responded that this point had not been addressed in any of the discussions of those involved in preparing the document.

Dr. Will stated that although he personally had not had to deal with such a problem, one of the difficulties in solving the problem, should it arise, is that a political view acceptable to one student might not be acceptable to another. However, he did not think that this was a problem at UBC.

Ms. Forsythe, student senator, disagreed with Dr. Will's statement, stating that as Vice-President of the Alma Mater Society she had received a number of complaints from students and that there appeared to be no avenue whereby such matters could be resolved.

Mr. Baumber, student senator, agreed with Ms. Forsythe's statement and added that a student has nowhere to turn to if it is not recognized that the instructor is being biased and that there is conflict of interest in the way that he or she is teaching the course.

In responding to the comments made by student senators, Professor Bryden, Chair the Senate Committee on Appeals on Academic Standing, pointed out that students who felt that their grades were affected by bias on the part of an instructor could appeal to that committee on the grounds of unfairness.

Preliminary Enrolment Figures

Preliminary enrolment figures for 1992-93 were circulated at the meeting. Dr. Birch informed Senate that the total number of undergraduate students was 24,587, and that this figure was up by about 1.4% over last year. He noted that students were still registering and that the November 1st figures would probably be considerably higher. He stated that enrolment at the Graduate level had increased by approximately 10%-15% over last year. The Faculties showing the largest increases are Agricultural Sciences and Forestry, both up by almost 10%, and the School of Nursing, up by 8.5%.

Other Business

WRITING SKILLS CENTRE

Dean Marchak reported that the Writing Skills Centre was now operational and that approximately 400 students were taking the non-credit course in the first term, and that 200 students were expected to enrol in the course in the second term.

CANADA STUDENT LOANS

Mr. Lau, student senator, referred to motions passed by Senate and the Board of Governors requesting the federal government to rescind the 3% fee imposed on Canada Student Loans, and informed Senate that he had received a copy of a letter from the Federal Government stating that this fee had now been rescinded. On behalf of UBC students, Mr. Lau expressed appreciation for the action taken by Senate and the Board of Governors.

PROPOSAL TO ESTABLISH A JOINT BOARD-SENATE *AD HOC* COMMITTEE ON THE ENVIRONMENT FOR TEACHING

Mr. Lau gave notice of the following motion:

Whereas The University of British Columbia is committed to ensuring high quality teaching,

And whereas the University has recently taken important steps in the matter of the evaluation and improvement of teaching,

Be it resolved, subject to the approval of the Board, that the Senate and the Board of Governors establish a joint ad hoc committee to investigate the environment for teaching at this University;

In particular, subject to the approval of both governing bodies, the terms of reference of the committee shall be:

1. To define the important elements in the environment for teaching (eg. physical, financial, contractual, etc.);
2. To investigate the positive and negative effects which these elements have on both undergraduate and graduate teaching at the University, in consultation with the Faculties, the Faculty Association, the Alumni Association, and the student association; and
3. To report back to the Senate and the Board, making recommendations, if necessary, concerning the environment for teaching.

Report of the Tributes Committee (in camera)

EMERITUS STATUS

Dr. Dennison, Chair of the Committee, presented a report recommending that the following be offered emeritus status:

Dr. T. W. Anderson	Professor Emeritus of Health Care & Epidemiology 65
Dr. J. M. Bak	Professor Emeritus of History
Dr. E. A. Bongie	Associate Professor Emerita of Classics
Dr. L. L. Bongie	Professor Emeritus of French
Dr. S. G. Brough	Associate Professor Emeritus of Mathematics and Science Education
Dr. L. Brown	Professor Emeritus of Metals and Materials Engineering
Dr. U. Callegarini	Clinical Associate Professor Emeritus of Paediatrics
Dr. W. H. Chase	Professor Emeritus of Pathology

Mr. H. T. Chen	Senior Instructor Emeritus of Asian Studies
Dr. A. E. Clingman	Professor Emeritus of Visual and Performing Arts in Education
Dr. J. De Vries	Associate Professor Emeritus of Soil Science
Mr. P. M. Douglas	Professor Emeritus of Music
Dr. A. J. Elder	Associate Professor Emerita of History
Dr. R. C. Fitzsimmons	Associate Professor Emeritus of Animal Science
Dr. M. Goetz-Stankiewicz	Professor Emerita of Germanic Studies
Dr. J. U. Gray	Professor Emeritus of Visual and Performing Arts in Education
Dr. F. R. Hamlin	Professor Emeritus of French
Dr. P. Harnetty	Professor Emeritus of Asian Studies
Dr. R. Keeler	Professor Emeritus of Physiology
Dr. M. M. Kharadly	Professor Emeritus of Electrical Engineering
Dr. H. Litherland	Clinical Professor Emeritus of Surgery
Mr. J. A. Loban	Professor Emeritus of Music
Dr. A. R. MacKay	Associate Professor Emeritus of French
Dr. A. Marcus	Associate Professor Emeritus of Psychiatry
Dr. P. L. McGeer	Professor Emeritus of Psychiatry
Dr. L. L. Miller	Associate Professor Emeritus of Germanic Studies
Dr. A. B. Murray	Professor Emeritus of Paediatrics
Dr. J. Price	Professor Emeritus of Medicine
Dr. J. F. Richards	Professor Emeritus of Biochemistry
Mr. G. R. Selman	Associate Professor Emeritus of Administrative, Adult and Higher Education
Mr. G. Smedley	Professor Emeritus of Fine Arts
Dr. M. Soga	Professor Emeritus of Asian Studies
Mr. B. Stuart-Stubbs	Professor Emeritus of Library, Archival and Information Studies
Dr. G. Thompson	Professor Emeritus of Surgery
Dr. N. Waxler-Morrison	Associate Professor Emerita of Social Work
Dr. G. K. White	Associate Professor Emeritus of Mathematics
Dr. E. Wickberg	Professor Emeritus of History
Dr. N. Wilson	Professor Emerita of Physiology
Dr. W. S. Wood	Professor Emeritus of Pathology

*Dr. Dennison
 Mr. Banfield*

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That the recommendation of the Tributes Committee concerning emeritus status be approved.

Carried.

Adjournment

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 9.45 p.m.

Next Meeting

The next regular meeting of Senate will be held on Wednesday, October 21, 1992.

APPENDIX

POLICIES AND PROCEDURES ON CONFLICT OF INTEREST (pp. 10381-10394)

Note: The full text of this report is not included in the Minutes. Copies are available from the Associate Registrar – Senate and Curriculum Services. Many reports are also available on the Vancouver Senate website at www.senate.ubc.ca.