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DALHOUSIE UNIVERSITY

MINUTES

OF

SENATE MEETING

Senate met in regular session in the Board and Senate Room on Friday, 9 October 1981 at 4:00 p.m.

Present with Mr. A. M. Sinclair in the chair were the following members:

Atherton, Barry, Belzer, Betts, Bishop, Boyle, Bradley, Cameron D.M., Charles, Cross, Dickson, Duff, Farmer, Fingard, Fraser P., Friedenberg, Graham, Heard, Horrocks, James K.M., Kent, Kimmins, King, Klassen, Lewis, MacKay W.A., Maclean, Maloney, Manos, Martin M.J.C., Martin S., McNulty, Monk, Morgan, Norvell, O'Shea, Ozier, Parks, Pronych, Segelberg, Sprott, Stewart M., Szerb, Tonks, Varma, Waite, Wien, Yung, Mercer (invitee).

Regrets were received from Andrews, Bingham, Ettlinger, Fitzgerald, Friedrich, Gold, Irwin, Jacobson, Mangalam, Pooley.

81:75. Minutes of the Last Meeting

Upon motion (Tonks/Horrocks) the minutes of the meeting of 14 September 1981 were approved as circulated.

81:76. Question Period

Ms. Monk asked if an evaluation committee was being set up for the appointment of a Dean of the Faculty of Health Professions. The President replied that a committee had already been formed to review the progress and future of the Faculty as well as to consider the deanship. The committee has had an initial meeting and notice of the committee's existence will be publicized throughout the university community. The President also pointed out that the committee will act in a manner consistent with the regulations approved by Senate, and contained in the Report of the Senate Committee on University Government dealing with the appointment of Presidents, Vice-Presidents, Deans, and Associate or Assistant Deans.

The President also commented that he will prepare a written response on the matter of the appointment of the Dean of the Faculty of Dentistry which was raised at the last meeting (Minute No. 81:69).

Mr. Sprott asked whether the Senate Library Committee had been struck. The Chairman replied that its membership had been approved (Minute No. 81:64.A.4) but it had not met yet.

81:77. Awarding of Degrees

A. Recommendations from Faculties

Upon the recommendation of the Deans of the various faculties, the following degrees and diplomas were awarded:

Faculty of Arts and Science

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| Bachelor of Arts | 58 |
| (Honours 3, First Class Honours 2) | |
| Bachelor of Arts Honours Certificate | 3 |
| (Honours 3) | |
| Bachelor of Science | 72 |
| (Distinction 3, Honours 5, First Class Honours 1) | |
| Bachelor of Science Honours Certificate | 3 |
| (Honours 2, First Class Honours 1) | |
| Bachelor of Education | 5 |
| Diploma in Engineering | 21 |

Faculty of Dentistry

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| Certificate in Periodontics | 1 |
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Faculty of Law

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| Bachelor of Laws | 2 |
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Faculty of Health Professions

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| Bachelor of Nursing | 5 |
| (Distinction 1) | |
| Bachelor of Science - Physiotherapy | 2 |
| Bachelor of Physical Education | 5 |
| Bachelor of Recreation | 3 |
| Bachelor of Science - Health Education | 1 |

Faculty of Medicine

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| Doctor of Medicine | 1 |
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Faculty of Graduate Studies

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| Doctor of Philosophy | 21 |
| (Distinction 1) | |
| Master of Science | 26 |
| Master of Arts | 34 |
| (Distinction 1) | |
| Master of Education | 10 |
| Master of Laws | 5 |
| (Distinction 3) | |

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| Master of Business Administration | |
| Master of Public Administration..... | 1 |
| Diploma of Public Administration | 1 |
| Master of Environmental Studies | 6 |
| Master of Nursing | 3 |
| Master of Library Service | 1 |
| Master of Social Work | 6 |

Faculty of Administrative Studies

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|-------------------------------|----|
| Bachelor of Commerce | 27 |
| (Honours 6) | |
| Bachelor of Social Work | 24 |

B. Awarding of a Degree -- Special Case

On behalf of the Steering Committee, Mr. Heard reported the case of a student with a serious illness whose degree was awarded by the Committee on Academic Administration on 28 September 1981, following referral of the matter to that Committee "for action" (Minute Nos. S.C. 81:49; CAA 81:57). He moved, seconded by Mr. Belzer that

the actions of the Steering Committee and the Committee on Academic Administration be ratified.

The motion was carried.

81:78 Reports and Recommendations -- Committees of Senate

A. Academic Planning Committee

1. Proposed Non-Thesis LL.M. Programme

Mr. Horrocks, on behalf of the Academic Planning Committee reported on the matter (Minute No. APC 81:62) and moved, seconded by Mr. Charles, that

the Non-Thesis Master of Laws programme be approved.

Mr. Waite expressed his concern over the proliferation of non-thesis Master's programmes in the "professional" schools and departments.

The motion was carried.

B. Committee on Academic Administration

1. Procedures for Awarding Degrees and Diplomas

The Secretary reported on the matter of how often and when degrees and diplomas should be awarded, which had been referred to the Committee by Senate (Minute No. 80:86). The matter had been discussed on a number of occasions by the

Committee (Minute Nos. CAA 80:18, 80:22, 81:43, 81:56). On behalf of the Committee on Academic Administration, the Secretary moved, seconded by Mr. Heard, that

degrees be awarded only in October, February, and May, except in the case of those few students from the Faculty of Dentistry who complete their degree requirements at other than the normal times. These students' names will be forwarded to Senate at a regular meeting for approval.

The motion was carried.

C. Committee on Committees

1. Committee to Review Criteria to be Employed in the Evaluation of Professional Librarians

Mr. Szerb, on behalf of the Committee on Committees, presented the following slate of nominees to serve on the Committee to Review Criteria to be Employed in the Evaluation of Professional Librarians:

Alan Andrews - Theatre
Bonita Boyd - Killam Library
Michael Harvey - Biology
Anne Neville - Kellogg Library
John Scheibelhut - Business Administration

There being no further nominations, the slate was approved upon motion (Szerb/Duff).

2. Replacement on Committee on Academic Administration

Mr. Peter Waite (History) was approved as replacement for Mr. Alastair Bissett-Johnson on the Committee on Academic Administration.

81:78. Reports and Recommendations -- Committees of Senate (Continued)

D. Search Committee for a University Librarian

Mr. Sprott presented the final report of the Search Committee for a University Librarian. A copy of the report is appended to these minutes. It was moved and seconded (Sprott/MacKay) that

the report be received.

The motion was carried.

Upon motion (Sprott/Monk) the recommendation in paragraph 3 of the report concerning the membership of the University Librarian on Senate was referred to the Senate Steering Committee for consideration.

The motion was carried.

It was moved and seconded (Horrocks/Kimmins) that

**the status of the three Librarians responsible for the three main university libraries
be considered by the Steering Committee.**

The motion was carried.

81:79. Joint Meeting of the Academic Planning Committee, the Physical Planning Committee, and the Financial Planning Committee

The Chairman reported that a joint meeting of the three planning committees of Senate is being planned. One item to be considered will be a report on the university's financial situation which will be prepared by the Financial Planning Committee. Another item to be considered is the matter of academic planning. He reported that a special meeting of Senate may be called to consider the Financial Report.

81:80. Deaths of Members of Senate

The President noted with regret the deaths of Messrs. H.J. MacConnachie and W. A. Tomblin. The Secretary was asked to express the sympathies of Senate to their respective families.

81:81. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

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OF
JOINT MEETING OF THE
SENATE COMMITTEES

The Academic Planning, Financial Planning, Physical Planning and Steering Committees met at an informal joint meeting in the Board and Senate Room on Monday, 26 October, 1981 at 7:00 p.m.

Present with Mr. A.M. Sinclair in the chair were the following members:

Aucoin, Axworthy, Cameron D.M., Cameron S., Chaytor, Comeau, Dresel, Egan, Fitzgerald, George, Graham, Haley, Heard, Honig, Horrocks, Jacobson, Jones, King, Klassen, O'Brien, Parks, Pronych, Riley, Robinson, Shaw, Traversy, Tuck, Weber.

In the absence of Mr. J.A. McNulty, Mr. P.M. Pronych acted as secretary.

Mr. Sinclair opened the meeting by remarking that this meeting was initiated by the steering committee partly for the purpose of hearing the financial report prepared by the financial planning committee prior to the presentation of it at the Special meeting of Senate on 2 November 1981 but mainly, to discuss the relationship of the various committees in the new Senate structure. Mr. Sinclair also stated that as the meeting was of an informal nature to discuss the financial planning committee report it had no mandate to vote upon the report. It was hoped that discussions and subsequent recommendations for improvements to the report would occur at the level of each committee and would be brought to the attention of senate at the scheduled special meeting. Minutes of this meeting would be circulated as a matter of information.

Item 1 Report of the Senate Financial Committee

Mr. Jones, Chairman of the financial planning committee presented the report as prepared by the FPC. The report (previously distributed) dealt with the serious financial situation at Dalhousie University, the contributing factors for the University's present indebtedness, as well as recommendations by the FPC for the type of short term and long term actions necessary to reduce the large University deficit without severely compromising academic programs. A lengthy discussion consisting of questions and observations followed the presentation of the report. A minority report was also circulated as an addendum to the principle report. Mr. Sinclair summarized the comments from the discussions and requested that the committees meet after the meeting to further discuss the report and decide how to proceed with the report.

Item 2 Role of the academic planning over the next two years:

Mr. Sinclair outlined what he perceived to be the short term and long term objectives and the goals of the steering committee, the academic planning committee and its sub-committees, the financial planning and physical planning committees. Mr. Sinclair observed that the committees appeared to be working rather loosely and not following a formal structure. The discussion that followed was concerned with the structuring, the inter-relationship, the priorities and roles of each committee

during the period of financial difficulty.

Item 3 Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m. with the request that the committees meet to determine their reaction to the report.

Peter M. Pronych A.M. Sinclair

Acting Secretary Chairman

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