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DALHOUSIE UNIVERSITY

MINUTES

OF

SENATE MEETING

Senate met in regular session on Monday, 1 May 1995 at 2:00 p.m. in University Hall, Macdonald Building.

Present with Mr. Dunn in the chair were: B.P. Archibald, Bankier, Barrett, Birdsall, Bérard, J. Black, M.P. Brown, Carruthers, Cassin, Conrod, Cross, Curri, Eberhardt, Egan, Farmer, Fingard, Gilroy, Haley, Hobson, James, Landymore, MacInnis, MacLennan, Mazany, McCabe, McIntyre, Pacey, Pereira, Smith, Sorge, Starnes, Stuttard, Sullivan, D.A. Sutherland, Sutow, Taylor, Wallace.

Invitees: M. MacDonald.

Regrets: Atherton, Fernandez, J. Gray, Hare, Kimmins, Laidlaw, Lane, Little, Mann, Mason, Maxner, Murray, Ritchie, Russell, Sketris, Waterson.

95:047

Minutes of Previous Meetings

The minutes of the meetings of 27 February 1995 and 10 April 1995 were approved as circulated, upon motion (N. Pereira/K. Sullivan).

95:048

Awarding of Degrees - Nova Scotia Agricultural College

Mr Haley, Principal of the Nova Scotia Agricultural College, presented the names of 73 candidates recommended to Senate by the College for the degree of Bachelor of Science (Agriculture), and Ms Fingard, Dean of the Faculty of Graduate Studies, presented the names of 3 candidates for the degree of Master of Science, who would be awarded their degrees at the NSAC Convocation. It was moved (L. Haley/J. Fingard)

that Senate approve the awarding of the degree of Bachelor of Science in Agriculture to the 73 candidates presented by the Principal of the Nova Scotia Agricultural College and the degree of Master of Science to the 3 candidates presented by the Dean of Graduate Studies.

The motion carried.

It was further moved (D. Egan/C. Stuttard)

that the Principal and the Registrar of the Nova Scotia Agricultural College, in consultation with the Registrar and, where appropriate, the Dean of the Faculty of Graduate Studies of Dalhousie University, and the Chair of Senate, be authorized to add to and remove from the graduation list the names of any students which have been omitted from or included in the graduation list due to demonstrable errors on the part of the College, the University or one of its officers, and that any such additions or deletions be reported to Senate.

The motion carried.

95:049

President's 1993-94 Annual Report on the Policy for Increasing the Proportion of Designated Group Members Holding Academic Appointments

Mr Dunn reported that a copy of the Report had been forwarded to the Senate Office and distributed with Senate packages. It was moved (K. Sullivan/N. Pereira)

that Senate receive the Report.

Mr Dunn said that President Clark was ill and unable to attend the meeting, but that he would answer any questions about the Report at the next meeting of Senate.

The motion carried.

95:050

Senate Reform

Mr Dunn reported that the Steering Committee had undertaken to revise the current Senate Regulations to incorporate changes to the Senate which had been approved by the ballot on Senate reform. He noted further that it had been brought to the attention of Senate that current statutes prevented Senate from requiring that its representatives to the Board be members of Senate, as was stated on p. 9 of the proposed revisions.

It was moved (R. Bérard/P. Farmer)

that Senate approve the revisions to Senate Regulations outlined in the memorandum of 24 April 1995 from the Chair of Senate, with the deletion of the last paragraph on page 9.

Mr Stuttard asked if all Faculties had yet reported on their election procedures. Mr Bérard reported that not all Faculties had submitted their procedures. Mr Stuttard said that he was concerned about the provision on p. 4 providing for a three-year extension of the terms of Senate members elected as Officers. He said that the provision implied an automatic extension of the term for three years, even if such an extension was unnecessary to allow an Officer to complete his or her official term. Ms Conrod said that this was not the intention of the Steering Committee. Mr Stuttard suggested, and it was

accepted as a friendly amendment:

that the last ¶ on p. 4 be amended to read: "Persons elected as Officers of Senate will receive automatic extensions of their terms as members of Senate until the end of their official terms."

Ms McIntyre asked why no member of the new Priorities and Budget Committee has been placed on the Senate Committee on Academic Administration. Mr Dunn said that as SAPC, a predecessor committee of the Priorities and Budget Committee, did not currently have representative on SCAA, it did not seem appropriate to add any new members. Ms McIntyre asked if the participation of Priorities and Budget Committee members on other Senate committees or subcommittees would create too great a burden for those members. Mr Dunn said that this question would be addressed.

The question having been called, the motion carried.

It was moved (R. Bérard/L. McIntyre)

that Senate carry out a complete review of the terms of reference of all Senate committees.

Ms Curri said that such a review should incorporate feedback from the chairs of the various Senate committees. Mr Dunn agreed that this should be done. Ms Conrod also said that the review should consider the workload implications of committee membership for members of the new Senate.

The question having been called, the motion carried.

95:051

Rationalization

Ms Hobson and Mr Eberhardt reported on recent meetings of CONSUP and the NSCHE, noting that an additional meeting was scheduled for 25 May. It was expected that the Council would forward recommendations to the Government in July. Mr Eberhardt also reported that members of the Boards of metro universities had also been meeting independently.

Mr Sullivan gave notice of the following motion:

Until such time as CONSUP and/or the NSCHE have put in place a new doctoral programme in Education, Senate should retain the Ph.D. programme in Educational Foundations by regulating enrolments in accordance with the availability of qualified staff; such staff to include: (1) members of the School of Education who choose to remain at Dalhousie; (2) adjunct professors and honorary research associates from other local area universities; and (3) faculty from cognate fields and disciplines within the University with a record of research expertise in the field of Education.

Mr Sullivan also reported that the Academic Transition Committee, on which he and Mr Bérard had served as Dalhousie representatives, had forwarded its final report to CONSUP earlier in the day. Ms Hobson thanked Mr Sullivan and Mr Bérard for their work on this Committee.

95:052

For Information - Metro Collaborative B.Sc.N. Project

Mr Bérard reported that the Steering Committee had accepted the analysis of the Office of Institutional Affairs that the Metro Collaborative B.Sc.N. Project would take in sufficient revenue "to protect against the various financial contingencies that this initiative might involve."

95:053

Question Period

Mr Pacey asked if the estimated \$3.3 million cost of the renovation of Wickwire Field included the cost of the demolition of buildings to provide replacement parking or the replacement value of the buildings. Mr Bérard said that his understanding was that the estimate did not include such costs. Mr Pacey asked further if any Senate body had considered this matter. Mr Bérard replied that it had been reported to and discussed by the Senate Physical Planning Committee and that the Buildings and Grounds Committee of the Board had recommended approval of the plan. Ms Bankier said that plans had been made to demolish the School of Education building and the University Women's Centre but that no provision had yet been made to re-house the inhabitants. Mr Birdsall asked if the SPPC issued an annual report. Mr Bérard said that the Committee has issued annual reports in the past and is expected to issue a report to cover the past two years.

Mr Taylor asked if meetings of the new Senate would be open meetings. Mr Dunn said that they would be open. Mr Taylor asked further if non-Senators would be permitted to speak, and Mr Dunn confirmed that they would be able to do so. Mr Taylor asked finally if non-members would have to seek prior permission to speak. Mr Farmer said that non-members would only need to be recognized by the Chair in order to speak.

95:054

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 3:40 p.m. upon motion (P. Farmer/L. Haley).

Secretary

Chair

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SENATE MEETING

Senate met in regular session on Thursday, 18 May 1995 at 10:00 a.m. in University Hall, Macdonald Building.

Present with Mr. Dunn in the chair were:

Andrews, Bankier, Barrett, Bérard, Bradfield, Campbell, Conrod, Curri, Dickson, Doolittle, Eberhardt, Farmer, Fingard, Hobson, Kimmins, R.M. Klein, D.M. Lewis, Lydon, Little, MacInnis, MacKinnon, MacLennan, Mahony, Mann, Pacey, Ritchie, Rosson, Ruedy, Russell, Rutherford, A.M. Simpson, Stokes, Stuttard, Sullivan, D.A. Sutherland, J.E. Sutherland.

Invitees: J. Douglas, J. Eastman.

Regrets: J. Black, M. Crowley, J. Gray, Haley, Hare, Laidlaw, Mason, Maxner, O'Shea, Overton, Owen, Roald, Starnes, M.H. Tan, Wassersug, Waterson.

95:055

Minutes of Previous Meeting

The minutes of the meeting of 1 May 1995 were approved as circulated, with the following correction:

p.3, SM 95:050, paragraph 3: Change to: "Ms McIntyre asked why no member of the new Priorities and Budget Committee has been placed on the Senate Committee on Academic Administration. Mr Dunn said that as SAPC, a predecessor committee of the Priorities and Budget Committee, did not currently have representative on SCAA, it did not seem appropriate to add any new members. Ms McIntyre asked if the participation of Priorities and Budget Committee members on other Senate committees or subcommittees would create too great a burden for those members. Mr Dunn said that this question would be addressed.

upon motion (J. Ruedy/H. Dickson).

95:056

Approval of Degrees, Diplomas and Certificates - All Faculties

Mr. Dunn asked representatives of each Faculty to present their candidates for degrees, diplomas and certificates.

College of Arts and Science

Mr. Kimmins proposed that degrees, diplomas and certificates be awarded as follows:

Bachelor of Arts	405
(Distinction 8, Honors 61, First Class Honors 28)	
Bachelor of Arts Advanced Major Certificate	8
Bachelor of Arts Honours Certificate	17
(Honours 12, First Class Honours 5)	
Certificate in Costume Studies.....	11
Bachelor of Education	115
Bachelor of Music	7
Bachelor of Music Education	4
Bachelor of Science	386
(Distinction 22, Honours 41, First Class Honours 30)	
Bachelor of Science Advanced Major Certificate	29
(Distinction 2)	
Bachelor of Science Honours Certificate	7
(Honours 6; First Class Honors 1)	
Diploma in Engineering.....	65
Diploma in Meteorology	4
TOTAL.....	1058

Faculty of Dentistry

Mr. MacInnis proposed that the degrees and diplomas be awarded as follows:

Doctor of Dental Surgery	39
Diploma in Dental Hygiene	31
TOTAL.....	70

Faculty of Graduate Studies

Ms. Fingard proposed that degrees and diplomas be awarded as follows:

Doctor of Philosophy.....	35
Master of Arts	24
Master of Science	60
Master of Business Administration	72
Master of Business Administration/Bachelor of Laws (Combined)	3
Master of Education	17
Master of Environmental Studies	6
Master of Health Services Administration	8
Master of Health Services Administration/Bachelor of Laws (Combined)	1
Master of Laws.....	6

Master of Library and Information Studies.....	32
Master of Public Administration	16
Master of Public Administration/Bachelor of Laws (Combined).....	2
Master of Developmental Economics	3
Master of Nursing	10
Master of Social Work.....	5
TOTAL.....	303

Faculty of Health Professions

Mr Farmer proposed that degrees and diplomas be awarded as follows:

Bachelor of Social Work.....	27
(Distinction 4)	
Bachelor of Science (Pharmacy)	67
(Distinction 6)	
Bachelor of Science (Nursing).....	57
(Basic BScN 42; Post-RN 15)	
(Distinction BScN 5; Distinction Post-RN 2)	
Bachelor of Science (Occupational Therapy)	34
(Honors 8, First Class Honors 2)	
Bachelor of Science (Physiotherapy)	49
(Distinction 6)	
Bachelor of Physical Education	27
Bachelor of Recreation	23
Bachelor of Science (Kinesiology).....	27
Bachelor of Science (Health Education).....	16
Certificate in Health Services Administration	7
Diploma in Outpost & Community Health Nursing	8
Certificate in Addictions for First Nations Counsellors	26
TOTAL.....	368

Faculty of Law

Ms Russell proposed that degrees be awarded as follows:

Bachelor of Laws.....	151
TOTAL.....	151

Faculty of Management

Mr. Rosson proposed that degrees and certificates be awarded as follows:

Certificate in Public Administration	1
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Bachelor of Commerce149

TOTAL.....150

Faculty of Medicine

Mr Ruedy proposed that the degree be awarded as follows:

Bachelor of Science (Medicine).....3

Doctor of Medicine.....83

TOTAL.....86

It was moved (W. Kimmins/J. Bankier)

that the candidates proposed and identified in correspondence to the Secretary of Senate should be awarded their respective degrees, diplomas and certificates by Senate.

The motion carried without dissent.

It was moved (M. Bradfield/H. Dickson)

that the Provost of the College of Arts and Science or the Dean of the appropriate Faculty and the Registrar, in consultation with the Chair of Senate, be authorized to add to and remove from the graduation list the names of any students which have been omitted from or included in the graduation list due to demonstrable errors on the part of the University or one of its officers, and that any such additions or deletions be reported to Senate.

The motion was carried without dissent.

Mr Bérard noted that on 15 May 1995 the Faculty of the University of King's College had given its approval to the six candidates for the B.A. in combined honours with Contemporary Studies, presented by Mr Kimmins. This degree, according to an Agreement of 29 June 1993, is awarded jointly by Dalhousie and the University of King's College.

95:057

Nominations to the Senate Committee on Committees

On behalf of the Senate Steering Committee, it was moved (R. Bérard/J. Ritchie)

that the following persons be elected to the Senate Committee on Committees for the terms stated:

M. Cassin	(Management)	1998
K. Renton	(Medicine)	1998
T. Boran	(Dentistry)	1997
S. Cameron	(Science)	December 1995

The motion carried without dissent.

95:058

Notice of Motion - School of Education

Mr Dunn reported that the following notice of motion had been given:

That until such time as CONSUP and/or the NSCHE have put in place a new doctoral programme in Education, Senate should retain the Ph.D. programme in Educational Foundations by regulating enrolments in accordance with the availability of qualified staff; such staff to include: 1) members of the School of Education who choose to remain at Dalhousie; (2) adjunct professors and honorary research associates from other local area universities; and 3) faculty from cognate fields and disciplines within the University with a record of research expertise in the field of Education.

Mr Sullivan, Director of the School of Education, who had proposed the motion, asked that the motion be tabled at this time. He explained that the members of the School of Education had expected the arrangements for the transition of faculty in Education would have been completed by the time the motion came before Senate. These arrangements, however, appeared no closer to completion, and informed debate on the motion would not be possible at this time. It was moved (K. Sullivan/J. Fingard)

that the motion be tabled.

The motion carried.

95:059

Faculty Election Procedures for the New Senate

Mr Bérard reported that, with the exception of Henson College, all senior academic units had provided the Senate Office with copies of their proposed election procedures for the new Senate. He noted that these proposals had been reviewed by the Officers of Senate, who confirmed that they were in keeping with the procedural guidelines approved by Senate. It was moved (R. Bérard/J. Conrod)

that Senate approve the electoral procedures for the new Senate submitted by the Faculties of Arts and Social Sciences, Dentistry, Health Professions, Law, Management, Medicine, Science, the University Libraries, and the School of Education.

The motion carried.

95:060

Government Funding Update

Ms Conrod, Chair of the Senate Financial Planning Committee, reported that the decrease in net provincial funding for education is about \$22.5 million for the coming year. She noted, however, that this figure does not reflect planned reductions in federal support of Established Programme Funding transfers. It was difficult, therefore, to establish clear parameters for financial planning and even more so in view of the failure of the Nova Scotia Council on Higher Education to produce any coherent plan for university rationalization. She said that the new Senate and the Board would have to undertake a major planning exercise in the coming year.

95:061

Thesis Option for the M.Sc. in Human Communications Disorders

Mr Bérard reported that the Faculty of Graduate Studies had approved a thesis option for students in the M.Sc. programme in Human Communications Disorders and that the Steering Committee, after receiving advice from the Office of Institutional Affairs on the financial implications of such an option, had agreed to forward the proposal directly to Senate. It was moved (R. Bérard/J. Fingard)

that Senate approve the proposed thesis option
for students in the M.Sc. programme in Human
Communications Disorders.

The question having been called, the motion carried.

95:062

For Information - Awards Policy Statement

Mr Bérard reported that the Senate Committee on Academic Administration had approved a policy statement on university awards (previously circulated). Ms Curri explained that the document represented a codification of existing policies and practices related to university awards.

95:063

University Rationalization

Ms Hobson reported that the local university presidents and board chairs had met among themselves and with the Nova Scotia Council on Higher Education. Dalhousie has, in view of the resistance of other universities to its amalgamation model, agreed to discuss the potential impact of the consortium or "partnership" model proposed by several other institutions. The presidents have agreed, she said, that their vice-presidents would be asked to develop an analysis of the savings that collaboration might realize. Ms Hobson tabled a copy of a letter from the chair of the Dalhousie Board of Governors at Dalhousie related to this matter.

95:064

Question Period

Mr Stuttard asked why, in view of the University's expressed willingness to collaborate with neighbouring institutions, it was embarking on a major upgrading of Wickwire Field when Saint Mary's had an all-weather field a few blocks away. Ms Hobson said that a great deal of the funding for the improvements to the field were coming from student athletic fees. Mr Bradfield asked if the students had agreed to continue their payments and for what period of time. He noted that even if student revenues were assured over the next several years, the University would be responsible for approximately \$100,000 per year in carrying charges.

Ms Bankier said that many faculty members were opposed to using such a large sum of the University's money on a sports field. Ms Hobson replied that many people would be willing to donate to the capital campaign to improve athletic facilities. Mr Brett said that he was concerned that Wickwire Field project will increase the unfunded capital debt and that the Board of Governors was repeating the past mistakes which led Dalhousie to carry such a heavy debt. Mr Andrews suggested that the Senate Financial Planning Committee should report to Senate on the financial implications of the project. Ms Conrod said that SFPC would be prepared to present such a report.

Mr Lydon asked when the new committee structure would be in place and if consideration had been given to adding an additional student member to the Priorities and Budget Committee. Mr Dunn replied that the new structure would be in place in July and that the new Senate would consider the request for an additional student member.

Mr Andrews asked if consideration had been given to inviting chairs of University Senates to the round of meetings taking place among board chairs and presidents. Mr Dunn said that he had not been invited to these meetings but thought Mr Andrews' idea a good one.

Mr Dunn also noted that a statement of principles related to rationalization had been developed by the Senate Academic Planning Committee and would be circulated to Senate prior to its next meeting.

Mr Doolittle reported on meetings of an inter-university group of faculty members, including one with the NSCHE. This group had prepared a document for the Council calling for greater involvement of faculty members in the rationalization process.

95:065

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 11:20 a.m. upon motion (J. Fingard/J. Ritchie).

Secretary

Chair