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SENATE MEETING

Senate met in regular session in the Senate and Board Room on Monday, 10 February 1986 at 4:00 P.M.

Present with Mr. W.E. Jones in the chair were the following:

Andrews, Angelopoulos, Aue, Belzer, Betts, Bishop, Blewett, Boyd R.J., Boyle, Bradfield, Cameron T.5., Chaytor, Christie, Cohen A.D., Cross M.S., Czapalay, Dickson, Easterbrook, Egan, Fingard, Forgay, Fournier, Friedenberg, Haley, Hall B.K., Hennen, Holloway, Horrocks, Huber, Jeffery, Jones D.W., Kwak, Leffek, MacKay W.A., MacKinnon, Maloney, Manning, McLaren, Mezei C., Mezei M., Murray, O'Brien J.T., O'Shea B.J., Ozier, Pereira, Pooley, Pross, Ravindra, Roy, Schroeder, Schwenger, Sinclair A.M., Sinclair S., Sodhi, Stairs, Stern, Storey, Stuttard, Tonks, vanFeggelen, Varma, Welch, Wien, Winham, Wood, Yung, Zinck, Christie B.D. (invitee), Traversy (invitee).

Regrets: Casey, Fulton, Gratwick, Jones J.V., Konok, Tan M.H., Waterson, Williams C.

86:06.

Minutes of Previous Meeting

The minutes were approved upon motion (Horrocks/vanFeggelen) with two amendments. Mr. Tonks observed that the motion referred to on page 4 had carried and Mr. Bradfield noted that Question Period appeared to have been inadvertently omitted.

86-07

Report of Presidential Search Committee

Mr. Welch, Vice-Chairperson, assumed the chair to enable Mr. Jones to report as chair of the Presidential Search Committee. A curriculum vitae had been distributed at the meeting for the successful candidate, Dr. Howard Clark, currently Vice-President (Academic) at the University of Guelph. Mr. Jones read a prepared statement which referred to the selection and interview process and to qualifications of Dr. Clark. This report had earlier been presented to the Board of Governors immediately preceding the meeting. In response to Mr. Bradfield's query about the use of search firms, Mr. Jones replied that the

committee had used the firm's representative as a research gathering instrument.

It was agreed upon motion (D. Jones/Betts)

that the committee be thanked for the excellent way it had conducted the process and maintained confidentiality.

Mr. W. Jones indicated for Hr. Tonks that he had every anticipation that Dr. Clark would accept. He then thanked members of Senate for their patience and assistance with the

process.

Mr. W.E. Jones then resumed the chair.

86:08

Question Period

Ms. Blewett extended an invitation to members of Senate to join the students in a march on Thursday, February 13 at 11:30 in response to the Royal Commission on Post-Secondary Education's recommendation on tuition fees. Mr. Bradfield referred to the Ritchie efficiency studies which had cost the university 5900,000 and wondered if no firings were involved in the recommendations of the group and how savings would be realized. Mr. Sinclair took this as a notice of question for Mr. Shaw. Mr. Stuttard directed his inquiry to the President, when he asked whether a board member who had stated publicly that the provincial government might be justified in decreasing support to the Dalhousie Legal Aid Clinic, ought to be censured. The President did not believe that any member of the university could be censured for stating their personal opinion.

86:09

Awarding of Degrees and Diplomas

The awarding of the following degrees and diplomas were approved upon motion of the Deans from the various Faculties as follows:

Faculty of Arts and Science (Betts/Cameron)

Bachelor of Arts -- 19

(Distinction 1)

Bachelor of Science -- 30 (Distinction I, Honours 3)

Diploma in Engineering -- 3
Bachelor of Education -- 2

Faculty of Graduate Studies (Leffek/Horrocks)

Doctor of Philosophy -- 14

Master of Arts -- 11

Master of Science -- 15

Master of Business Administration -- 1

Master of Education -- 3

Master of Laws -- 2

Master of Library Service -- 1

Faculty of Health Professions (Tonks/Pooley)

Bachelor of Nursing -- 2

Diploma in Outpost and Community Health

Nursing --- 4

Bachelor of Science (Physiotherapy) -- 1

Bachelor of Social Work -- 4

Faculty of Management Studies (Horrocks/Zinck)

Bachelor of Commerce -- 37 (First Class Honours 2, Honours 4)

Faculty of Law (Christie/vanFeggelen)

Bachelor of Laws -- 1

Upon motion (Murray/A. Cohen) it was agreed that the degree of M.D. with Distinction be awarded retroactive to 17 May 1985 to Charles Butts.

There was a further consensus upon motion (Horrocks/Huber)

that the Dean of the Faculty and the Registrar be given the authority to add any name(s) that have been omitted from the list of those approved for the award of degrees due to an error on the part of an employee of the university.

86:10

Scheduling of Extra May Senate Meeting

It was agreed upon motion (Christie/Wien)

that an extra Senate meeting be held on Friday, May 16. 1986 to consider awarding of degrees for the Faculties of Law and Dentistry.

86:11

Reports and Recommendations -- Committees of Senate

- A. Committee on Academic Administration
- I. <u>Date of Kings College Encaenea</u>

Further to a recommendation by CAA, there was agreement upon motion (MacKay/Betts)

that Dalhousie degrees be conferred at the King's College Encaenia to be held on Wednesday, May 7, 1986 at 2:30 P.M.

- B. Academic Planning Committee
- I. <u>Recommendations Regarding Allocation of Redistribution and Development Funds</u>

The Chairperson reported that the APC would be meeting the next day to finalize discussion regarding allocations from these two funds and to propose recommendations to the President.

The results would be reported to Senate at the next meeting. Mr. Betts questioned when the Deans would be advised of these recommendations. This would likely occur by Friday, February 14, according to Messrs. W. Jones and Sinclair.

2. Joint APC - FPC Preliminary Report on the Budget Process

A report dated 2 January 1986 had been precirculated. The Chairperson anticipated that another report would be forwarded to Senate in the future.

3. Constitution of the Confederation of Halifax University Programs in Education

On behalf of APC Mr. Welch moved

that Senate approve the constitution of the Confederation of Halifax University programs in Education

Mr. Haley introduced the document by stating that the Constitution for the Confederation would provide the ground rules for cooperation which had been initiated four years ago.

The motion carried.

4. Report of the Royal Commission on Post Secondary Education

Mr. W.E. Jones advised Senators that reaction statements should be sent to the President by 14 February 1986 and that a special meeting of Senate would be held on 3 March 1986 to discuss the document and the report of the APC subcommittee which would consider feedback received.

C. Committee on Committees

Upon recommendation (Boyd/Blewett) and following three calls for further nominations the following individuals were declared elected as the Officers of Senate for 1986-1989.

William E. Jones (Chair)

Fred Wien (Vice-Chair)
Miriam J. Stewart (Secretary)

Further to nominations by the Committee on Committees (Boyd/Zinck) and the requisite call for further nominations, the following individuals were declared elected to the specified positions:

Dalhousie Representative on the Faculty Council of the Nova Scotia Agricultural College

W. C. Kimmins (Arts and Science [Biology])

Senate Discipline Committee

M. W. Gray (Medicine [Biochemistry])

Senate Academic Appeals Committee

M. M. Hansell (Medicine [Anatomy])

<u>Dalhousie</u> Representative on the <u>Senate</u> of <u>Mount</u> Saint Vincent University

K. Bloom (Arts and Science [Psychology])

Representative on Board of Governors Committee on Divestment in South Africa

O. P. Kamra (Arts and Science (Biology)

T. M. Shaw (Arts and Science (African Studies)

D. Report on Honorary Degrees Committee Procedures

The President, as Chairperson of the committee, reported that one candidate approved last year was unable to attend the Spring Convocations and that a request to consider further names had been received from one of the new Deans. The committee had met on five occasions, sought nominations from all members of Senate and had considered 43 names for Spring Convocations according to criteria encompassed in the Committee's terms of reference and treated each nomination as if it had come forward from an individual member of Senate. He invited Senate to direct specific questions to himself or to the Secretary.

86:12.

Matters of Information

Further to correspondence received by the Secretary the following matters of information were reported to Senate:

- (1) the Board of Governors had approved implementation of the M.Sc. (Computing Science)
- (2) the Board of Governors had agreed to the recommendation that the M.Sc. (Human Communication Disorders) be extended from a two-year to a three-year program
- (3) Board approval of implementation of program in Clinical Chemistry
- (4) Board approval of Name of Henson College of Public Affairs and Continuing Education
- (5) Board approval of implementation of M.Sc. (Psychology)
- (6) Appointment of Mr. J. Scheibelhut, a member of the Senate Financial Planning Committee, as a Senate representative on the Audit Committee of the Board of Governors

86:13.

Report of the President

The President reported briefly and orally on several matters of potential interest to Senate including

- (1) two meetings recently held with the Minister of Education;
- (2) his willingness to work with the newly appointed President, Dr. Clark and his hope that his colleagues would support Dr. Clark once he assumed his new role on September 1, 1986;
- (3) the serious funding problems at the provincial and federal levels;
- (4) the review of enrolment undertaken by Dentistry, and
- (5) his concerns regarding negative News coverage of Dalhousie University in other parts of Canada.

President MacKay clarified for Mr. Wien that the Council recommended by the Royal Commission on Post Secondary Education had not been specifically addressed by AAU.

86:14.

Case of Mr. David Hardman

Messrs. Stairs and Thompson from the Hearing Panel were available for questions and the appellant had been advised of the fact that the hearing panel's recommendation might be presented to Senate this day.

It was agreed upon motion (Horrocks/Huber)

to ratify the recommendation of the hearing panel namely. that the appeal of Mr. D. Hardman be dismissed.

86:15.

Voting -- Honorary Degree Candidates for Spring 1986 Convocations [IN CAMERA]

The Chairperson offered to have the Secretary briefly review the resumes of the 11 candidates prior to the vote. This was not deemed necessary. However, Ms. Boyle advised Senate that she would vote "NO" against all the names on the ballot, regardless of their merit in protest of the omission of one name which had been forwarded to the committee on two occasions. The vote was conducted by secret ballot and Messrs. Pooley and Belzer were appointed as scrutineers by the Chairperson.

86:16.

<u>Adjournment</u>

The meeting adjourned at 5:35 P.M.