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DALHOUSIE UNIVERSITY

MINUTES OF SENATE MEETING

Senate met in regular session in the Board and Senate Room on Friday, 6 May 1983 at 10:00 a.m.

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

Andrews, Aucoin, Barkow, Belzer, Bennett, Betts, Blecher, Borwein, Bradfield, Carnell, Charles, Chaytor, Cross, Easterbrook, Ettliger, Friedenbergl, Heard, Jones W.E., Josenhans, Kamperman, Kent, Klassen, Leffek, MacKay W.A., Maloney, Manning, McInnes, McNulty (Secretary), Moffitt, Myers, Nestman, Overton, Pooley, Renner, Rodger, Rozee, Shaw L.R., Sprott, Stairs, Stern, Stuttard, Tan, Thiessen, Thompson, Tonks, Young, Yung, Mercer (invitee).

Regrets: Cohen A.D., Cromwell, Egan, Gold, Horrocks, Jones J.V., and Waterson.

83:33

Minutes of the Last Meeting

Upon motion (Klassen/Rodger) the minutes of the meeting of 11 April 1983 were approved.

83:34

New Student Members of Senate

The Chairman introduced and welcomed the newly elected student members of Senate:

Craig Carnell, Fred Kamperman, Donald McInnes, Martin Tomlinson, James Warner, Tim Hill (President of the Student Union)

83:35

Question Period

Mr. Andrews enquired as to the value of the permanent art collection of Dalhousie University. Vice-President Shaw stated that it was valued between \$1 and \$2 million, an appraisal done two years ago setting its approximate worth at \$1.2 million.

The Chairman invited the President to comment on recent developments regarding University financing. The President stated that he and others had met with the Minister of Education, and that the implications of levels of funding tabled in the Legislature are serious for the University. The situation will be difficult for Dalhousie, as it is also for other universities. He expressed the hope that the government would reconsider the matter. As matters now stand, he felt the University had no choice but to revise fee increases upward.

Mr. Welch read the following quote from the Toronto Globe and Mail attributed to the President "I don't blame government, they have bigger problems," and asked whether the President and his colleagues in AUCC were now prepared to change their stance with respect to governments. The President replied that he did not say the quote attributed to him. He said that he did say that governments face difficult times. He stated that there is general concern about the level of government financing and deficit levels. The only position that AUCC has taken was acknowledgement of the reasons why government had instituted the six and five programme. They respected those guidelines, but not the government's attention that commitments they have made in the past, but have not implemented, have created special difficulties for Dalhousie.

83:36

Awarding of Degrees, Diplomas, Prizes, and Medals

On the recommendation of the Deans of the various faculties, the following degrees and diplomas were awarded upon motion:

Faculty of Arts and Science

Bachelor of Arts	233
(Distinction 7, Honours 22, First Class Honours 10)	
Bachelor of Arts Honours Certificates	10
(Honours 6, First Class Honours 4)	
Bachelor of Science.....	245
(Distinction 15, Honours 24, First Class Honours 8)	
Bachelor of Science Honours Certificates	24
(Honours 23, First Class Honours 1)	
Bachelor of Education	34
Bachelor of Music	5
Bachelor of Music Education.....	7
Diploma in Engineering.....	100
Diploma in Meteorology.....	2
Certificate in Costume Studies.....	8

Faculty of Dentistry

Doctor of Dental Surgery	25
Diploma in Dental Hygiene.....	24

Faculty of Graduate Studies

Doctor of Philosophy	5
Doctor of Philosophy (AIE)	1
Master of Arts	8
Master of Business Administration	94
Master of Education	17
Master of Environmental Studies.....	2
Master of Laws	1
Master of Library Service	28
Master of Nursing.....	1
Master of Public Administration	31
(Health Services Administration 7)	
Master of Science.....	29
(Distinction 1)	
Master of Social Work.....	1
Diploma in Public Administration	3

Faculty of Health Professions

Bachelor of Nursing.....	68
(Distinction 4)	

Bachelor of Science in Pharmacy	55
(Distinction 6)	
Bachelor of Science (Health Education).....	7
Bachelor of Physical Education.....	19
Bachelor of Recreation	24
Bachelor of Science in Physiotherapy	29
(Distinction 3)	

Faculty of Administrative Studies

Bachelor of Commerce	126
(Distinction 4, Honours 16)	
Bachelor of Social Work	29
Certificate in Public Administration.....	4

The awarding of the Governor-General's Gold Medal to John Robert Dutcher, the University Silver Medal to Eric Michael Wilson, and the Avery Prize to Eric Morgan Yeatman were approved upon motion (Betts/Andrews).

The warding of other medals and prizes to members of the graduating class was also approved.

Upon motion (Betts/Tonks) the Registrar and the appropriate Dean were authorized to add names to the graduating class was also approved.

Upon motion (Betts/Tonks) the Registrar and the appropriate Dean were authorized to add names to the graduating list which had been omitted in error.

It was also agreed upon motion (Tonks/Kent) to add to the list the names of any students who subsequently satisfy the requirements for the degree or distinction.

83:37

Consultant Services -- Notice of Motion

Mr. Barkow moved, seconded by Mr. Thiessen, the following motion:

Whereas the University boasts a huge and varied pool of "in-house" talent, a pool of expertise showing that of even large private corporations; whereas we are in a situation of financial constraint; and whereas funds spent on outside consultants might otherwise be utilized for the maintenance of academic programs: be it resolved that Senate requests the President, prior to any future hiring of outside experts to provide services and/or consulting advice, to make every effort to determine whether the appropriate expertise or services may be available "in house" and whether the individuals concerned are in a position to proffer their services at a charge or at a charge substantially smaller than that made by outside experts. Be it further resolved that Senate considers it the duty of faculty to so aid the University and asks only that the President Senate informed of University needs for consultation and services in order that Senate share its knowledge of faculty expertise with him.

An amendment was moved and seconded (Borwein/Thompson)

to delete the words (beginning in line 12), ..."at no charge or at a charge substantially smaller than that made by outside experts," and to substitute the words "...with or without charge." As well, the amendment included changing the last sentence of the motion to read, "Be it further resolved that Senate asks that the President keep Senate informed."

It was **agreed** to consider the two parts of the amendment as separate amendments.

The first amendment was **carried**.

The second amendment was defeated.

An amendment to change the words "...the duty of..." in line 15 of the motion to "...appropriate for..." was moved and seconded (Barkow/Ettlinger). The amendment was **carried**.

An amendment to change "appropriate for" to "not inappropriate for" was defeated.

An amendment to delete the word "only" in line 16 was **carried**.

The motion as amended was then **carried**.

83:38

Report on Mail Ballot -- Chairmanship of Senate

The Secretary reported that Mr. W. E. Jones had been elected Chair of Senate.

83:39

Reports and Recommendations -- Committees of Senate

A. Committee on Committees

1. Nominations to Senate Academic Appeals Committee

On behalf of the Committee on Committees, Mr. Easterbrook moved, second by Mr. Aucoin:

that the Senate Academic Appeals Committee consist of twelve members with the following composition: at least one member drawn from each Faculty, at least three members drawn from the Faculty of Law and one representative of the Student Union. The Committee on Committees moves further that each individual student appeal be heard and be determined by a panel of three members of the Senate Academic Appeals Committee, and that at least one member of each panel have legal training.

Mr. Rodger commented that he could not see why every committee to hear an appeal had to have a lawyer on it.

He commented that fairness and due process were required, but it was not essential that a lawyer was needed to ensure this. He therefore moved an amendment, seconded by Mr. Heard,

that the phrase "...and at least one member of each panel have legal training," be deleted.

The amendment was carried

Mr. Rodger moved another amendment, seconded by Mr. Belzer,

that the phrase in line 4, "...at least three members from the Faculty of Law..." also be deleted.

The amendment was carried.

The motion as amended was carried.

Mr. Easterbrook moved, seconded by Mr. Pooley,

that the Senate Academic Appeals Committee choose its own chairperson. Regarding terms of appointment, each member of the Academic Appeals Committee shall normally serve for a three-year period. However, for the first three years of its inception, four members of the Senate Academic Appeals Committee should retire in each of the years 1984, 1985, and 1986 respectively, such retirements to be determined by the Academic Appeals Committee itself. This proposal is intended to ensure continuity on the Committee.

The motion was carried.

Mr. Rodger moved, seconded by Mr. Betts,

that, in accordance with the intention of the Committee on Committees, members of the Senate Academic Appeals Committee be drawn from a wide cross-section of the University community.

The motion was carried.

Mr. Easterbrook then presented the following slate of nominees for the Committee:

R. O. Fournier (Oceanography)
T. A. Laidlaw (Education)
D. Braybrooke (Philosophy/Political Science)
J. Farley (Biology)
R. Storey (Business Administration)
R. Evans (Law)
C. Boyle (Law)
T. Cromwell (Law)
E. Lambie (Nursing)
G. Pentz (Dentistry)
W. T. Josenhans (Physiology/Biophysics)
A. Dysart (Student Union)

Mr. R. C. Kaill was nominated from the floor (Thiessen/Barkow).

The Chairman stated that the Secretary would conduct a mail ballot for the election of members to the Senate Academic Appeals Committee.

2. Nominations to Ad Hoc Committee on Transfer Credits

On behalf of the Committee on Committees, Mr. Easterbrook presented the following nominees for the Committee:

- A. J. Tingley (Mathematics)
- D. J. Myers (Education/Part-time Studies & Extension)
- J. Misick (Business Administration)
- K. James (Pharmacy)

Mr. Heard was nominated from the floor.

Reconsideration of the size of the Committee (as specified in Minute No. 83:29 A.4) was moved and seconded (Rodger/Heard), and the motion was passed.

Upon motion (Rodger/Betts) the size of the Committee was set at five members.

There being no further nominations, the four nominees submitted by the Committee on Committees, plus Mr. Heard, were declared elected.

3. Nomination of Senate Representative to the Dalhousie Committee on "National Universities Week"

On behalf of the Committee on Committees, Mr. Easterbrook nominated Mr. K. A. Heard. There being no further nominations, Mr. Heard was declared elected.

B. Academic Planning Committee

1. Submission to Provincial Commission of Inquiry into Post-Secondary Education

In accordance with Senate's request (Minute Nos. 83:21, 83:29.B.2.), a report from the Academic Planning Committee regarding preparation of a brief to the Provincial Commission was circulated. Mr. Aucoin spoke to the report and moved, seconded by Mr. Chaytor,

that the proposed procedure for preparation of a brief be accepted.

After discussion, the motion was carried.

2. Senate Computer Advisory Committee

It was moved and seconded (Tonks/Chaytor)

that a Computer Advisory Committee be established and the terms of reference and composition of the Committee be as follows, as recommended by the Academic Planning Committee.

Terms of Reference:

1. **The Committee shall actively review the services, staffing and facilities for Dalhousie's computing needs.**
2. **The Committee shall annually assess the proposed budgets for computer acquisitions, operation and expansion and shall report to the Senate and its planning committees.**
3. **The Committee shall advise the Administration and the Senate regarding appropriate policies with respect to**

the relationships among Dalhousie and other institutions with respect to computing services.

Composition

Four members elected by Senate, plus one member to be appointed by the Academic Planning Committee, one to be appointed by the Financial Planning Committee, with one of the six to serve as Chairman;

Two students, one of whom shall be a graduate student;

The Director of Computing Services.

An amendment was moved and seconded that it be added to the Composition of the Committee, "One member appointed by the Dalhousie University Computer User's Group.

The amendment was carried.

The motion as amended was carried.

3. Proposed B.Sc. with Honours in Statistics

On behalf of the Academic Planning Committee, Mr. Cross moved, seconded by Mr. Thompson,

that the proposed B.Sc. with Honours in Statistics be approved.

An amendment was moved and seconded (Rodger/Manos)

that it be added to the beginning of the motion, "On the assumption that there will be no additional costs to Dalhousie University."

The amendment was carried.

The motion was carried as amended.

c. Financial Planning Committee

1. Report on Elimination of Unfunded Capital Debt

Mr. Jones presented the Report and commented on it. He moved, seconded by Mr. Belzer,

that the Report be adopted.

Mr. Sinclair-Faulkner commented favorably on the Report but pointed out that other considerations should be mentioned: (1) the person preparing the brief to the Royal Commission should take the Report into consideration; (2) the Report should be taken to the Provincial Cabinet to show that we are changing accounting procedures; and (3) there should be a fund drive to eliminate the capital debt.

Mr. Jones commented in reply to (1) that the person designated to prepare the brief could be so informed. In response to (2) he pointed out it was not the responsibility of the Financial Planning Committee to forward the Report to Cabinet. Regarding (3), he commented that

people usually do not contributed freely to funds to eliminate debts.

An amendment was accepted upon motion (Kent/Rodger)

that Recommendation 6 on page 4 be preceded by, "To the extent that it cannot otherwise be disposed of..."

Upon motion (Cross/Sinclair-Faulkner) and **amendment was accepted to add at the end of Recommendation 3 (page 4) "...unless otherwise approved by Senate".**

Mr. Rodger moved, seconded by Mr. Jones,

that line 7 of Recommendation 6 delete the words "...also be made from the operating budget..." and replace them with "...be clearly identified in the budget and made..."

This amendment was **carried**. The motion as amended was **carried**.

In response to a statement by Mr. Sinclair-Faulkner, there was general agreement that the Financial Planning Committee should make recommendations to Senate on special fund raising to eliminate the capital debt and on a special submission to government on the subject.

2. Student Information System (SIS)

Mr. Jones circulated a report on the matter from the Financial Planning Committee. (A copy of the report is appended to the Minutes.) Mr. Welch spoke to the report.

It was moved and seconded

that Recommendations 2 and 3 be implemented, Recommendation 1 having already been acted upon.

The motion was **carried**.

83:40

Matters of Report -- Board of Governors

The Secretary reported that the Board had agreed to recommend the following matters to the MPHEC:

- (1) the programme leading to the Ph.D. in Philosophy
- (2) the Community Medicine Residency programme
- (3) the proposal for the establishment of a Centre for Marine Geology.

The Board also approved the change of name of the Department of Preventive Medicine to the Department of Community Health and Epidemiology.

The Board had also approved the designation of the M.P.A. for students in Health Services Administration as the "Master of Public Administration (Health Services Administration)."

The programme leading to the degree of Master of Development Economics was approved by MPHEC as an option within the existing Master of Economics programme, and the Board will await further advice from Senate as to implementation of the programme.

83:41

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

DALHOUSIE UNIVERSITY

MINUTES OF

SENATE MEETING

Senate met in regular session on Monday, 16 May 1983 at 10:00 a.m. in the Board and Senate Room.

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

Atherton, Betts, Birdsall, Blecher, Bradfield, Braybrooke, Burt, Byham, Cameron D.M., Cameron T.S., Chaytor, Cohen A.D., Comeau, Cromwell, Cross, Duff, Dunn, Easterbrook, Friedenberg, Garside, Graham, Hatcher, Heard, Hill, Jacobson, James, Jones W.E., Josenhans, Kent, Kimmins, King, Laidlaw, Leffek, MacKay W.A., Maloney, Manning A.D., Manos, McNulty, Overton, Pereira, Pooley, Pronych, Richards, Rodger, Shaw L.R., Sinclair-Faulkner, Stairs, Stewart, Stern, Tan, Thiessen, Thompson, Tingley, Tonks, Yung, Mercer (invitee).

Regrets: Andrews, Bennett, Friedrich, Gold, Waterson, Young.

83:42

Student Information System

The Chairman asked Mr. Jones, Chairman of the Financial Planning Committee, to report on the student information system.

Mr. Jones noted that at the last meeting of Senate a number of recommendations regarding the system were adopted (Minute No. 83:39 C.2). After reviewing the matter, he reported that the Financial Planning Committee proposed "that Senate recommend that Project SARA (development of the Student Information System) be terminated, unless funding for any additional work towards bringing the system on stream be obtained from extramural sources." Mr. Jones asked Mr. Cameron to comment on developments that have since taken place.

Mr. Cameron reported that a decision has been made not to continue with development of the Student Information System. He stated that it was a Presidential decision and should be taken as a matter of report.

83:43

Question Period

Mr. Rodger asked what the cost of termination of the Student Information System will be, in light of the President's decision. Mr. Cameron replied that negotiations were underway and the University will try to incur the least cost possible in closing down the system.

Ms. Laidlaw enquired whether people at Dalhousie will in future be asked for advice on such systems. Mr. Cameron replied that they would, through appropriate committees and groups.

Mr. Bradfield asked whether the Provincial Government had yet given the University any information on the new budget. The President replied that they had not, although a meeting had been scheduled.

Mr. Sinclair-Faulkner asked the President when he would report on Phase 2 of Restraint and Renewal. The President stated that not all information had yet been, but he hoped that he might be able to report at the June meeting of Senate.

83:44

Awarding of Degrees, Prizes and Medals

Dean Hatcher presented 94 candidates for the degree of Doctor of Medicine and moved, seconded by Mr. Hill,

that the degree be awarded to the, and that the awarding of prizes and medals also be approved.

The President pointed out that one student on the list had not met his financial commitments in time, and that there were other students in the University, who were not awarded their degrees because they did not discharge their financial obligations by deadline dates. He suggested that the student in question should perhaps be awarded his degree later in the month.

Dean Leffek commented that there were several students in the Faculty of Graduate Studies who did not have their degrees awarded at Convocation because their fees were paid late.

Dean Betts stated that there were similar cases in the Faculty of Arts and Science.

Dean Hatcher pointed out that if the student in question did not have his degree awarded until the Fall, he would not be able to take up his medical residency.

The President moved an amendment, seconded by Dean Leffek,

that the candidate on the list who had met all academic requirements, but who did not meet his financial commitments by the extended deadline date, be awarded his degree at the Senate meeting on 20 May 1983.

Vice-President Shaw reported on attempts made to have the student pay his fees on time, and stated that deadlines had to be set because of the large number of delinquent accounts that had been occurring.

Upon vote, the amendment was defeated.

The motion was carried.

It was moved and seconded (Stairs/Braybrooke)

that the matter of deletion of names from the graduation list for late payment of fees be referred to the Committee on Academic Administration for consideration and report.

The motion was **carried**.

Dean Leffek served notice that he would present the names of candidates in similar positions for approval of their degrees at the meeting of Senate on 20 May 1983.

83:45

Reports and Recommendations -- Committees of Senate

A. Committee on Academic Administration

1. Proposed Revision to General Undergraduate Regulation 1.2 (Duration of Undergraduate Studies)

The following proposed revision to Undergraduate Regulation 1.2 (Duration of Undergraduate Studies) was presented by the Secretary and approved upon motion (Secretary/Tonks)

"1.2.1 Except as specified in Clause 1.2.2 (below), students are normally required to complete their undergraduate studies within ten years of their first registration, and to comply with the regulations in force at the time of that registration. This is also the normal requirement for transfer credits. However, the appropriate committee of the Faculty concerned may grant permission to continue studies for a reasonable further period, subject to such conditions as the committee deems appropriate and with the stipulation that the student must meet the degree requirements in force at the time the extension is granted."

"1.2. With the exception of the School of Recreation, Physical and Health Education, to which 1.2.1 applies, students in the Faculty of Health Professions are normally required to complete their undergraduate studies within six years of first registration in professional classes. This rule applies to transfer credits as well. The Faculty Committee on Studies may grant permission to continue studies beyond this period subject to conditions specified by the Committee.

83:46

Report of the Joint Board/Senate Committee to Investigate Circumstances Surrounding the President's Declaration of Restraint and Renewal

The report was introduced by Mr. King, who briefly described the Committee's activities. He moved, seconded by Mr. Bradfield,

that Senate move into informal session of committee as a whole to consider the report.

The motion was **carried**.

In keeping with procedures applying in such cases, minutes were not kept.

Upon moving back into formal session, Mr. King moved, seconded by Mr. Bradfield,

that all the recommendations from Sections A to E (pages 21 to 24 of the Report) be approved.

It was agreed to consider the recommendations one at a time. Recommendations were approved as follows:

Upon motion (King/Sinclair-Faulkner), recommendation A.1 was amended to read:

"Three members of Senate, designated by the Senate, participate (voice without vote) at meetings of the Board."

Recommendations A.2 and A.3 were **approved** as written.

Recommendation A.4. was amended upon motion (Rodger/Bradfield) to add "...discussion of..." after "...to..." in the last sentence, and to add at the end of that sentence "..., although the items themselves shall be listed."

It was **agreed** to continue discussion of the Report at a later meeting.

83:47

Adjournment

Upon motion (Atherton/Cross) the meeting adjourned at 11:50 a.m.

DALHOUSIE UNIVERSITY

MINUTES OF

SENATE MEETING

Senate met in regular session in the Board and Senate Room on Friday, 20 May 1983 at 2:00 p.m., in the Board and Senate Room.

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

Borwein, Brookbank, Burt, Cameron D.M., Charles, Cromwell, Dipchand, Friedenberg, George, Hill, James, Jones W. E., Kent, Laidlaw, MacKay W.A., Maloney, Manos, McNulty, Ozier, Stewart, Storey, Tan, Thiessen, Yung.

Regrets: Andrews, Gold, Jones J.V., Mangalam, Waterson

83:48

Minutes of the Meeting of 6 May 1983

Upon motion (Klassen/Jones) the minutes of the meeting of 6 May 1983 were approved.

83:49

Awarding of Degrees, Prizes, and Medals

Upon the recommendation of the Faculty of Law, degrees, prizes, and medals were awarded upon motion (Charles/MacKay)

Faculty of Law

Bachelor of Laws 150

The University Medal in Law was awarded to Charles Strong Reagh.

In view of advice rendered at the last meeting (Minute No. 83:44), the President moved, seconded by Mr. Klassen,

that the awarding of degrees to students who had met all academic requirements, but who had paid their fees past the deadline, or who have had their fees alternately guaranteed, be approved.

Bachelor of Commerce 1
Bachelor of Social Work 1
Master of Business Administration 2
Bachelor of Arts (Honours) 1
Bachelor of Science 1
Diploma in Engineering 1

The motion was **carried**.

Ms. Laidlaw moved, seconded by Mr. Hill,

that whereas a student in the FGS, having paid his fees on time, but a portion of whose fees were returned to him due to an error in the Accounts Office and as a result missed the deadline for payment of fees and was denied the right to graduate; be it resolved that the President be asked to write to the student expressing the University's sincere regrets for the error, and for the inconvenience caused by it.

83:50

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 2:10 p.m.