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DALHOUSIE      UNIVERSITY

MINUTES

SENATE      MEETING

Senate met in regular session in the Board and Senate Room on Monday, 11 April 1983 at 4:00 p.m.

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

Andrews, Aucoin, Barkow, Betts, Birdsall, Blecher, Borwein, Bradfield, Braybrooke, Brett, Brookbank, Cameron D.M., Cameron T.S., Charles, Chaytor, Christie, Cohen A.D., Comeau, Cromwell, Cross, Duff, Easterbrook, Flemming, Friedenber, Gaede, George, Gesner, Graham, Haley, Horrocks, James, Jones W.E., Josenhans, Kent, King, Laidlaw, Leffek, LoLordo, MacKay W.A., Maloney, Mangalam, Manning, Manos, McNulty, Milligan, O'Shea, Overton, Ozier, Rans, Renner, Richards, Robinson, Rodger, Schenk, Sinclair-Faulkner, Stewart, Tan, Thiessen, Thompson, Tingley, Trakman, Varma, Waterson, Yung, Mercer (invitee).

Regrets: Cohen M.M., Friedrich, Fulton, Gold, Goldbloom, Hatcher, Moffitt, Pooley, Stern, and Stuttard.

83:27.      Minutes of the Meetings of 14 and 21 March 1983

Upon motion (Rodger/Waterson) the minutes of the meeting of 14 March 1983 were approved.

It was moved and seconded (Rodger/Jones) that the minutes of the meeting of 21 March 1983 be approved. Mr. Renner pointed out that the motions contained in Minute No. 83:24.C.3 (Review of Position of Vice-President) contradict the motion passed on 14 February 1983 (Minute No. 83:15.D.I), in the sense that it is ambiguous whether the President can go to this committee about additional Vice-Presidents and act upon the committee's advice.

Discussion

followed about whether the Advisory Committee could comment on additional Vice-Presidents until the Committee on Academic Administration submitted their report to Senate. The Chairman and Secretary confirmed the accuracy of the wording of the motion in Minute No. 83:24.C.3. The motion to approve the minutes of 21 March 1983 was carried.

83:28.      Question Period

Mr. Friedenber inquired about a statement in Minute No. APC 83:14 referring to the possibility of establishing a centre of excellence in education. Mr. Jones commented that those minutes had not yet been approved by the Academic Planning Committee, and Mr. Haley (to

whom the statement was attributed) stated that he would be the last to imply that Dalhousie does not have a centre of excellence in Education. Mr. Haley indicated that he would suggest the minutes be corrected at the next meeting of the Academic Planning Committee.

Mr. Renner asked how the University was going to approach the Provincial Commission of Inquiry into Post-Secondary Education with a view to integrating the various views of different parts of the University. The President replied that the Academic Planning Committee was discussing the matter and that he hoped there would be a single Dalhousie submission integrating all views.

Mr. Rans asked about the aging of the faculty referred to in Minute No. APC 83:18.B. The President replied that information was being assembled for the Academic Planning Committee.

83:29. Reports and Recommendations -- Committees of Senate

A. Committee on Committees

1. Nomination of Officers and Members of Statutory Committees of Senate

Mr. Trakman, Chairman of the Committee on Committees, presented the following slate of nominees for the various positions:

OFFICERS OF SENATE

Dr. William E. Jones (Chairman) - Department of Chemistry  
Dr. John Philip Welch (Vice-Chairman) - Department of Paediatrics  
Professor Miriam Stewart (Secretary of Senate) - School of Nursing

ACADEMIC PLANNING COMMITTEE

Dr. Barbara O'Shea - School of Occupational Therapy  
Dr. E. Renner - Department of Psychology  
Dr. Colin Stuttard - Department of Microbiology  
Dr. Fred Wien - School of Social Work

STEERING COMMITTEE

Dr. John A. McNulty - Department of Psychology

PHYSICAL PLANNING COMMITTEE

Dr. R.E. Hoar - Faculty of Dentistry  
Dr. A.J. Bowen - Department of Oceanography

FINANCIAL PLANNING COMMITTEE

Dr. S.R. Blecher - Department of Anatomy

Professor L. Nestman - School of Public Administration

83:29. Reports and Recommendations -- Committees of Senate

A. Committee on Committees

1. Nomination of Officers and Members of Statutory Committees of Senate (Continued)

COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC ADMINISTRATION

Dr. Denis Stairs - Department of Political Science Ms. H. Lloyd - School of Physiotherapy Dr. L. Maloney - School of Recreation, Physical and Health Education

Mr. Rodger nominated, seconded by Mr. Axworthy and Mr. Cohen, Mr. Paul Huber for Chairman of Senate. There being no further nominations for Vice-Chairman and Secretary, Mr. John Philip Welch was declared elected as Vice-Chairman of Senate and Ms. Miriam Stewart as Secretary of Senate. A mail ballot will be conducted for the position of Chairman of Senate.

The nominees for the various committees were declared elected, there being no further nominations.

The Chairman thanked the Committee on Committees for all the work they have done on Senate's behalf in this and other matters, including the further nominations being made at this meeting.

2. Nomination of Senate Representative to Savings Suggestion Committee

Mr. Leon Kind was declared elected as Senate's representative to the Savings Suggestion Committee, there being no further nominations.

3. Nominations to Advisory Committee for Acting Vice-President Academic and Research

Mr. Trakman moved, seconded by Mr. Duff, that the Advisory Committee consist of 10 members, 9 faculty plus one student, with representation from faculties as follows: Administrative Studies--1 member; Arts and Science--4 members; Health Professions--1 member; Law- 1 member; Medicine--1 member; Dentistry--1 member; and the Student Union--1 member.

Mr. Renner moved an amendment, seconded by Mr. LoLordo,

**that the clause specifying the representation from faculties be removed.**

The amendment was defeated.

The motion was carried.

Mr. Trakman presented the following slate of nominees for the Advisory Committee and moved, seconded by Mr. Duff,

**that the slate be approved.**

Dr. R. March - Physics  
Dr. J. Flint - History  
Dr. D. Stairs - Political Science  
Dr. M. Ozier - Psychology  
Dr. M. Spence - Pediatrics  
Dr. N. Horrocks - Library Service  
Professor I. Christie - Law  
Dr. M. Cohen - Dentistry  
Dr. L. Maloney - Physical Education  
Mr. N. Erskine - Student Union

Mr. Braybrooke, seconded by Mr. Brett, moved an amendment to the motion

**that it is the sense of Senate that the second clause of the motion on the position of Vice-President passed by Senate on 21 March 1983 (Minute No. 83:24C.3) is to be interpreted as coming into operation only after there has been consultation between the President and the Committee on Academic Administration regarding the number of vice-presidents required on other than an acting basis, and after the Committee on Academic Administration has reported to Senate so that Senate may advise the President as to how many Vice-President with what duties are likely to be necessary in the near future at Dalhousie.**

The amendment was carried.

The Chairman called for further nominations for the Advisory Committee. There being none, upon vote the report of the Committee on Committees as amended was carried.

4. Ad Hoc Committee to Investigate Transfer Credits for Undergraduate Programmes in Arts and Science, Health Professions, and Administrative Studies

A motion was passed at the last meeting to establish this Committee (Minute No. 83.24.C.2), and Mr. Trakman requested guidance from Senate as to the number of members this committee should have. He suggested four members. It was agreed that the Ad Hoc Committee should consist of four members.

5. Academic Appeals Committee

At the last meeting a motion was passed to establish a Senate Academic Appeals Committee to hear student academic appeals beyond the faculty level (Minute No. 83:24.C.1), and Mr. Trakman requested guidance from Senate as to the composition of the Committee. He suggested that perhaps it might consist of 10 members, with at least one member from each faculty and with sub-committees of three being chosen to hear each appeal.

After discussion, Mr. Trakman served notice of motion that he would bring recommendations about the composition of the Committee to Senate at its next meeting, together with a slate of nominees.

B. Academic Planning Committee

1. Proposed Centre in Marine Geology

It was moved and seconded (Haley/Cross)

**that the establishment of the proposed Centre in Marine Geology be recommended to the Board of Governors.**

Mr. Rodger questioned whether the proposal should have come through the Faculty of Arts and Science. The Dean of Graduate Studies, Mr. Leffek, stated that the Centre should be established through the Faculty which provides its main financial and physical support. He added that this is consistent with policies approved by Senate. In response to questions concerning cost, Mr. Schenk stated that no additional funds would be required from the University, and the Dean of Arts and Science, Mr. Betts, added that no additional university funds would be transferred to Marine Geology.

Upon vote, the motion was carried.

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

The Chairman reported that the Academic Planning Committee had considered the matter and proposed establishing a sub-committee of three to initiate university participation in the process through workshops, etc.

Mr. Renner moved, seconded by Mr. Cross,

**that the matter be referred back to the Academic Planning Committee, and that the Academic Planning Committee present are report at the next meeting of Senate as requested in Minute No. 83:21.**

An amendment was moved and seconded (Rans/Ozier) that the following be incorporated into the motion:

**that the procedures already proposed by the Academic Planning Committee (including the establishment of the sub-committee, the planning for workshops, etc.) proceed as planned.**

The amendment was carried.

The motion as amended was carried.

## 3. Senate Computer Advisory Committee

The proposed terms of reference and proposed composition of the Committee were presented.

Mr. Rodger suggested that the membership of the Committee should include representation from the Dalhousie University Computer Users Group.

It was agreed that the item would be placed on the Agenda for the next meeting.

## C. Committee on Academic Administration

### 1 Matters of Report

#### a) Request for Change of Name--Department of Community Health and Epidemiology (from Department of Preventive Medicine)

The item had been referred to the Committee on Academic Administration "for action", and the Committee had agreed to change the name of the Department of Preventive Medicine to the Department of Community Health and Epidemiology.

b) Degree Designation for the M.P.A. in Health Services Administration

It was reported that the Committee on Academic Administration had had this item referred "for action" and had approved the recommendation that the degree for M.P.A. students in Health Services Administration be designated Master of Public Administration (Health Services Administration), this decision being made because of accreditation requirements for Health Services Administration.

83:30. Report on Balloting -- Graduate Student Representative on Senate

The Secretary reported the results of the mail ballot held on the proposal to appoint to Senate a representative from the Dalhousie Association of Graduate Students. A majority of the members of Senate did not approve the proposal.

83:31. Response to the Question of the President of the Dalhousie Faculty Association Concerning the Cost of Paper Towels in the Dental Building

The Chairman reported that a written statement had been circulated with information for this meeting on the cost of paper towels in the Dental Building. He assumed that Mr. Kamra's question on the matter had now been answered.

83:32. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 6:15 p.m.