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DALHOUSIE UNIVERSITY

MINUTES

OF

SENATE MEETING

Senate met in regular session on Friday, 8 October 1993 at 10:00 a.m. in the University Hall, Macdonald Building.

Present with Mr. Dunn in the chair were: Arklie, Bérard, Bleasdale, J. Black, Carlson, Clarke, M. Crowley, Dykstra, Eberhardt, Fingard, Frick, Hare, Kaspar, Kimmins, Kozey, Lewis, MacLennan, Mason, McCabe, McIntyre, McKee, McNiven, Moore, Myers, Poel, Rappell, Richards, Sinclair, Sinclair-Faulkner, Sketris, Sorge, Starnes, Stutttard, Sullivan.

Invitees: B. Crocker.

Regrets: Bednarski, Clark, Curri, Elliott, Gilroy, Haley, J.D. Gray, Hobson, Laidlaw, Lane, K. MacDonald, MacInnis, Marrie, Moss, Purdy, Roald, Schlech, M.H. Tan, Walker, Waterson, C.N. Williams.

The meeting was called to order at 10:05 a.m.

93:138

Minutes of the Meeting of 13 September 1993

The minutes of the meeting of 13 September 1992 were approved upon motion (W. Kimmins/E. McKee).

93:139

Rescinding of a Degree

Mr Bérard reported that, through a misunderstanding of correspondence between a student and the Registrar's Office, the student had been awarded at the May 1993 Convocation a B.A. degree, <u>in absentia</u>, for which she had not applied. After consultation with the student, the Registrar, and the Deans of the Faculties of Science and Arts and Social Sciences, it had been agreed to recommend to Senate to rescind the degree and place the student on the October graduation list for the B.Sc. degree. It was moved (R. Bérard/J. McNiven)

that Senate rescind the B.A. degree awarded in May 1993 to Ms Kimberly Josey (Student #87063038).

The motion carried.

93:140

Awarding of Degrees and Diplomas

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	88
Distinction 3, Honours 6, First Class Honours 6, Adv. Major 6)	
Bachelor of Arts Advanced Major Certificate	6
Bachelor of Arts Honours Certificate	7
(Honours 6, First Class Honours 1)	
Bachelor of Education	4
Bachelor of Music	3
Certificate in Costume Studies	
Bachelor of Science	52
(Distinction 3, Honours 4, First Class Honours 3, Adv. Major 5)	
Bachelor of Science Advanced Major Certificate	6
Bachelor of Science Honours Certificate	
(Honours 2, First Class Honours 1)	
Diploma in Engineering	10
TOTAL	180
Faculty of Graduate Studies	
Ms Fingard proposed that degrees and diplomas be awarded as follows:	
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Doctor of Philosophy	26

Doctor in the Science of Law2
Master of Arts47
Master of Science41
Master of Business Administration7
Master of Education28
Master of Environmental Studies7
Master of Health Services Administration1
Master of Laws9
Master of Library and Information Studies
Master of Public Administration
Diploma in Public Administration
Master of Developmental Economics11
Master of Nursing6
Master of Social Work
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TOTAL212
Faculty of Dentistry
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On behalf of the Faculty of Dentistry, Mr Bérard proposed that certificates be awarded as follows:
Certificate in Periodontics2
TOTAL2
Faculty of Management
Mr McNiven proposed that degrees be awarded as follows:
Bachelor of Commerce
TOTAL
Faculty of Law
Mr Ghiz proposed that degrees be awarded as follows:
Bachelor of Laws
TOTAL3
Faculty of Health Professions

Ms McIntyre proposed that degrees and diplomas be awarded as follows:

Bachelor of Physical Education	1
Bachelor of Recreation	
Bachelor of Science (Physiotherapy)	
Bachelor of Science (Health Education)	
Bachelor of Science (Nursing) [Post RN]	
(Distinction 1)	
Diploma in Outpost and Community Health Nursing	7
Bachelor of Social Work	
(Distinction 1)	
TOTAL	28

It was moved and seconded (J. Fingard/J. McNiven)

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 and seconded (W. Kimmins/L. McIntyre)

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 servants, and that any such additions or deletions be reported to Senate.

The motion was carried without dissent.

93:141

Nominations to Senate Committees

On behalf of the Senate Committee on Committees, Mr Bérard presented the following nominations for membership on Senate committees.

Senate Academic Planning Committee

M. Cross (FASS)

Senate Library Committee

D. Plumb (Education) 1996

Senate Academic Appeals Committee

A. LaForest (Law) 1996

J. Manos (Education) (01/1994-06/1995)

F. Lovely (Dentistry) 1994

Senate Advisory Committee on International Development

W. Schlech (Medicine) 1996

Following the requisite call for further nominations, Mr Dunn declared the nominees elected to the respective committees.

Mr Stuttard noted that both of the elected representatives representing the Faculty of Health Professions on the Senate Academic Planning Committee had been drawn from the Maritime School of Social Work and suggested that the Committee on Committees might wish to seek a broader representation within Faculties.

93:142

For Information - Call for LL.D. Nominations for 1994

Mr Bérard invited members of Senate to submit nominations of candidates for Honorary Degrees to be awarded at Convocations in 1994. He reminded members that all nominations must be seconded by at least two persons, be accompanied by biographies of the nominee (including addresses and telephone numbers) as well as a letter providing a specific rationale for receipt of an Honorary Degree at Dalhousie. The nominations must be received no later than 19 November 1993.

93:143

Report of the President

Mr Dunn reported that, although the President was away, he had provided a report to Senate (appended).

Question Period

Mr Stuttard asked if the Provincial Government had decided to impose the proposed 11% sales tax on Dalplex fees. Mr Mason replied that, as of the previous night, it seemed unlikely that the tax would apply to Dalplex fees. Mr Stuttard asked further if the Government's proposed involuntary furlough would necessarily apply to the University. Mr Mason replied that it was not clear if this was so but that there had been some indications that the Government might consider other mechanisms to meet the financial savings sought from the involuntary furlough proposal.

Mr Poel asked what the impact of the Provincial budget on the projections of the Budget Advisory Committee would be. Mr Mason said that the BAC had begun to meet to discuss this matter. Mr Poel said that Senate should consider some formal referral of the BAC report to its planning committees. Mr Dunn said that a notice of motion should be brought forward to that end.

93:145

Other Business - Update on Annual Fund

Mr Eberhardt reported that on the first six nights of the Phon-a-thon campaign, 700 pledges totalling over \$75,000 had been received. The Faculty of Dentistry had raised more in one night than it had in its entire 1988 campaign.

93:146

Other Business - Notice of Motion

Mr Bérard read out the following notice of motion (J.A. Wainwright/P. Lane):

WHEREAS Senate has established an Academic Planning Committee to review the teaching and research activities of Departments and other units at Dalhousie, and

WHEREAS, in the course of those reviews to date, the Academic Planning Committee, through its Academic Review Committee, has found that no programme at Dalhousie warrants elimination for academic reasons,

THEREFORE, be it resolved that this Senate affirms that it sees no academic reasons to recommend closure of any

existing programme at Dalhousie.	
93:147	
Adjournment	
The meeting was adjourned at 10:40 a.m. upon motion	n (E. McKee/C. Stuttard).
Secretary	Chair

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SENATE MEETING

Senate met in regular session on Monday, 25 October 1993 at 4:00 p.m. in University Hall, Macdonald Building.

Present with Mr. Dunn in the chair were:

Amey, Archer, B.P. Archibald, C. Armour, Bankier, Bednarski, Bérard, Betts, Binkley, Birdsall, Bishop, Bleasdale, Brett, Calkin, Campbell, Carlson, Carr, Clark, Clarke, Clovis, F.G. Cohen, Conrod, Craig, Cross, J.E. Crowley, M. Crowley, Cummings, Easterbrook, Fingard, Fitzgerald, Frick, Gaede, Gilroy, Hansell, Hare, Harsanyi, Hobson, Hoskin, Kaspar, Kemp, Kerans, Klassen, Kozey, Kussmaul, Lewis, MacInnis, MacLennan, Mason, Maxner, McGrath, McPhee, Monk, O'Shea, Owen, Pereira, Rappell, Richards, Schroeder, Schwarz, Shafai, A.M. Simpson, Sinclair, Sinclair-Faulkner, Sorge, Stoltzman, M. Stone, Stuttard, J.E. Sutherland, Taylor, Trèves, Walker, Wiktor, Yoon.

Invitees: B. Crocker, M. MacDonald.

Regrets: J. Black, J. Gray, Grossert, Haley, J.V. Jones, M. MacDonald, Mann, Marrie, Moss, Murray, Pyka, Schlech, Starnes, M. H. Tan, Wainwright, C.N. Williams.

The meeting was called to order at 4:05 p.m.

93:148

Minutes of Previous Meetings

The minutes of the meeting of 27 September 1993 were approved, with the following change:

p. 5, ¶7, l. 3: Add "Mr Dunn and" before "Mr Klassen",

upon motion (N. Pereira/C. Stuttard).

The minutes of the meeting of 8 October 1993 were approved, with the following change:

p. 4, SM 93:141, ¶3, l. 3: Add, after "of Social Work" the words "and both elected representatives of the Faculty of Science came from the Department of Chemistry",

upon motion (N. Pereira/C. Stuttard).

93:149

Motion re: Programme Closures

Mr Bérard read the following motion, for which notice had been given at the previous meeting:

WHEREAS Senate has established an Academic Planning Committee to review the teaching and research activities of Departments and other units at Dalhousie, and

WHEREAS in the course of those reviews to dat the Academic Planning Committee, through its Academic Review Committee, has found that no programme at Dalhousie warrants elimination for academic reasons,

THEREFORE, be it resolved that this Senate affirms that it sees no academic reasons to recommend closure of any existing programme at Dalhousie.

Mr Dunn recognized Mr J. Crowley, who had been deputed to speak to the motion by the mover and seconder. Mr Crowley spoke to the factuality and implications of the motion. Remarks at the meeting of 27 September 1993 by the Chair of Senate and the Chair of the Academic Review Committee of the Senate Academic Planning Committee confirmed that Senate had no evidence to justify the closing of programmes on academic grounds. Therefore, if Senate were to decide to close particular programmes on academic grounds, it would have to do so on the basis of principles and information that have not yet been determined.

The question having been called, the motion carried by a vote of fifty-nine (59) in favour, five (5) opposed and one (1) abstaining.

93:150

Motion of Referral to Senate Committees of Budget Advisory Committee Report

Mr Bérard read the following motion, for which notice had been given at the previous meeting:

That Senate refer the two documents ("Notes for Remarks by President Howard Clark" and the "Third Report to the President" of the Budget Advisory Committee) to the Senate Academic Planning Committee and the Senate Financial Planning Committee and request those Committees to review these documents and return to Senate within the month with recommendations concerning Senate's response to them.

Mr Dunn said that the Senate Academic Planning Committee and the Senate Financial Planning Committee had already begun to meet to discuss the report and hoped to be able to make their own reports to Senate by the end of November.

The question having been called, the motion carried without dissent.

93:151

Report of the President

Mr Clark highlighted a number of items in his written report to Senate (appended).

93:152

Question Period

Ms Sorge asked if President Clark wished to reconsider his recommendation relating to the closing of programmes in the performing arts in light of a) the amount of external revenues generated by the Department of Theatre, greater, she said, than that of any other unit in the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences, b) the loss of tuitions from students who could no longer study in performing arts programmes, and c) the loss of good-will in the wider community, which could, in turn, lead to a decrease in voluntary financial contributions to the University. Ms Sorge also said that the fact that Costume Studies programme was "small" was due more to the limited physical facilities available to the programme than to the numbers of students who wished to enter it. Mr Clark replied that he

recognized the possible consequences outlined by Ms Sorge before making his recommendations. He added that he had also received many favourable comments commending Dalhousie for "getting its house in order" financially.

Mr Pereira asked for clarification of the motion concerning the Budget Advisory Committee Report which had been passed at the most recent meeting of the Board of Governors. He asked if it was correct that the "financial framework" accepted by the Board did not necessarily imply acceptance of specific differential budget targets for Faculties or of recommended programme closures. Mr Clark replied that the BAC report referred to a three-year budget process; on the other hand, the Board of Governors must prepare and approve a budget annually. Mr Clark said that the budget for 1994-95 will be drawn up on the basis of the BAC targets. He added, however, that the budget which is drawn up will be reviewed by both the Senate and the Board, through the appropriate committees of each, and that changes in the final numbers are always possible.

Mr Cross said that if Senate finds that a budget drawn up according to the BAC targets will have serious and unacceptable academic implications, then it should not have to wait until a final budget document is prepared before discussing the effects of the various cuts embodied in that budget. In such an event, Senate would be forced to consider a motion of non-confidence in the budget. Mr Clark replied that both the Senate Academic and Financial Planning Committees would have the opportunity to discuss early drafts of the budget and that the Chair of Senate would be speaking to the Board of Governors about the budget. Mr Clark concluded by saying that the Board of Governors had ordered him to prepare a 1994-95 budget according to the financial framework of the Budget Advisory Committee report and that his administration was preparing to do so.

93:153

Adjournment		
The meeting adjourned at 4:45 p.m. u	pon motion (C. Stuttard/R. Carlson)	
Secretary	Chair	