

Saturday, February 16, 1974.

A special meeting of the Senate of The University of British Columbia was held on Saturday, February 16, 1974 at 9.00 a.m. in the Board and Senate Room, Administration Building, to continue the discussion on the report of the Senate Ad Hoc Committee on the Universities Act.

Present: President W. H. Gage (Chairman), Dr. L. L. Bongie, Dr. C. B. Bourne, Dr. C. A. Brockley, Dr. T. H. Brown, Mr. G. B. Burns, Dr. S. D. Cavers, Dr. R. M. Clark, Dr. R. Daniells, Dr. J. D. Dennison, Mrs. F. Field, Dr. C. V. Finnegan, Dr. J. G. Foulks, Dr. R. F. Gray, Dr. D. F. Hardwick, Mr. A. J. Hilliker, Dr. B. Howard, Miss W. J. Hudson, Mr. A. J. Longmore, Dean A. J. McClean, Dr. R. E. McConnell, Dr. C. A. McDowell, Dr. J. D. MacDougall, Dr. J. M. Norris, Mr. R. F. Osborne, Dean B. E. Riedel, Mr. S. J. Robinson, Dr. I. S. Ross, Acting Dean J. E. Searcy, Ms. S. H. M. Smail, Mr. A. M. Smolensky, Dr. J. K. Stager, Dr. J. R. Stein, Mr. G. A. Thom, Mr. B. B. Trevino, Dean G. M. Volkoff, Dr. W. A. Webber.

Observers: Mr. J. A. Banham, Dr. J. P. Blaney.

Messages of regret for their inability to attend were received from Chancellor N. T. Nemetz, Dean J. H. M. Andrews, Deputy President W. M. Armstrong, Dean D. V. Bates, Mr. R. M. Buzza, Dean I. McT. Cowan, Dr. C. G. David, Dr. N. Epstein, Ms. B. G. Errington, Mr. D. B. Fields, Dean J. A. F. Gardner, Dr. W. C. Gibson, Mr. I. F. Greenwood, Mr. J. Guthrie, Dr. F. R. C. Johnstone, Dr. J. M. Kennedy, Dr. W. D. Kitts, Mrs. W. T. Lane, Dean S. W. Leung, Dr. M. F. McGregor, Mr. P. W. Park, Miss E. B. Paul, Mr. P. S. Plant, Mr. B. Stuart-Stubbs, Dr. M. Uprichard, Mr. F. C. Walden, Dr. R. L. White.

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Dean McClean explained that the basic composition of the membership of Senate had been agreed upon at the February 4, 1974 special meeting. Although Recommendations 13 and 14 had been discussed at the previous meeting the way in which the number of students would be selected, and similarly how the number of faculty would be selected, had still to be dealt with.

Recommendation 13

Dean McClean )	<i>That there be on Senate one student from each of the Faculties plus such other number of students as will ensure that the total number of student members is equal to the number of ex-officio members of Senate.</i>
Dean Riedel )	

It was explained that this proposal would increase the student representation on Senate from twelve to seventeen, and would ensure representation from each Faculty. Under the present system one student was elected from each of the following six constituencies plus six members-at-large: - Applied Science, Arts, Commerce/Law, Education, Graduate Studies and Science.

In amendment:

Mr. Robinson )	<i>That there be on Senate two students from each of the existing constituencies, plus such other number of students as will ensure that the total number of student members is equal to the number of ex-officio members of Senate.</i>
Ms. Smaill )	

Lost

The motion to approve Recommendation 13 was put and carried.

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Recommendation 14Dean McClean )  
Mr. Trevino )

*That there be on Senate a number of elected members of Faculty three times the number of the ex-officio members, each Faculty to elect from its members one of these members, and the remainder to be elected by the Faculties either in joint meeting or in such manner as the Faculties in joint meeting may by regulation determine.*

In amendment:Dr. Gray )  
Mr. Smolensky )

*That the motion be amended to read:-*

*"That there be on Senate a number of elected members of Faculty three times the number of the ex-officio members, each Faculty to elect from its members two of these members, and the remainder to be elected by the Faculties either in joint meeting or in such manner as the Faculties in joint meeting may by regulation determine."*

Carried

The motion to approve Recommendation 14 as amended was put and carried, 18: 14.

Recommendation 17Dean McClean )  
Dr. Clark )

*That section 23(i) be deleted from the Universities Act.*

Section 23 reads:- "The Senate of each University shall be composed of: (i) one or more members, as determined by Senate, to be elected by any Society or group or organization in the Province which in the opinion of the Senate contributes in a significant way to the economic or cultural welfare of the Province."

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Recommendation 17 (continued)

It was stated in the report that the clause had been used only once to provide for student representation on Senate. However, since it had now been recommended that student representation be covered in the Act and in the light of the clause not being often used the committee recommended that it be deleted.

Recommendation 17 to delete section 23 (i) of the Universities Act was put and carried.

Recommendation 18

Dean McClean )	<i>That, after consultation with a committee designated by Senate, the President nominate, for the approval of Senate, a member of Senate to act as Chairman of Senate for a period of one year.</i>
Dr. Clark )	

Following a brief debate the motion was lost.

Recommendation 19

Dean McClean )	<i>That Senate be empowered to delegate to a committee or committees established by it, and subject to its review, such of its powers and duties as it may determine by resolution receiving a majority of two-thirds of those members present at a meeting.</i>
Mr. Trevino )	

It was explained in the report that as a matter of law Senate may have no right to delegate the exercise of its powers to a committee or to any other body within the University. Therefore there might be some doubt about the

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Recommendation 19 (continued)

present practice of leaving the Curriculum Committee to deal with minor changes and the Admissions Committee to deal with appeals. The committee was of the opinion that provision should be made in the Act to enable Senate to delegate any of its powers to committees.

In the following debate it was agreed that the words "and subject to its review" be deleted from the motion.

In amendment:

Mr. Smolensky )	<i>That the motion be amended to read:-</i>
Mr. Burns )	
	<i>"... receiving a majority of <u>three-quarters</u> of those members present at a meeting."</i>

Lost

The motion to approve Recommendation 19, with the deletion of the words "and subject to its review" was put and carried.

Recommendation 20

Dean McClean )	<i>That the university's power of expropriation under section 36 of the Act be amended so that it be exercisable only with the consent of the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council.</i>
Mr. Robinson )	

In amendment:

Mr. Hilliker )	<i>That the university's power of expropriation under section 36 of the Act be amended so that it be exercisable only with the consent of the Provincial Legislature.</i>
Dr. Cavers )	

Lost

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Recommendation 20 (continued)

The motion to approve Recommendation 20 was put and carried.

The Board of Governors

Discussion followed on a section of the report concerning the composition of the membership of the Board of Governors.

Recommendation 7

Dean McClean ) *That the Board of Governors be made up*  
Mr. Trevino ) *as follows:*

- 1) *six members appointed by the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council*
- 2) *the Chancellor*
- 3) *the President*
- 4) *three members of Faculty who are members of Senate, elected by members of Faculty who are members of Senate (For this purpose the voting members of Faculty should be read as including the President, the Deans, the Director of the Centre for Continuing Education, Librarian, members of Faculty elected to Senate from each individual Faculty, members of Faculty elected to Senate at large and any other University officers approved as members of Senate by a vote of the Senate)*
- 5) *three members of the student body who are members of Senate, elected by students who are members of Senate*
- 6) *three members elected from Senate who are neither members of the full-time Faculty nor full-time members of the student body, elected by members of Senate who are neither full-time students nor members of the full-time Faculty.*

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Recommendation 7 (continued)

It was noted that under the present Act the Board consisted of eleven members. The committee recommended that the size of the Board be increased to seventeen members on the grounds that the work load, particularly that of the committees of the Board, could be excessive. It was also thought that the range of membership, and thereby the range of views and perspective of the Board could be somewhat restricted.

In recommending the addition of three Faculty members to the Board the committee felt that Faculty had an interest in and knowledge of the academic affairs of the University which justified their being on the Board. In the case of the addition of three student members it was thought that since students were directly involved in the consequence of any decisions made by the Board they were entitled to membership on the body making those decisions.

Referring to item 6 of Recommendation 7 it was explained that the Senate membership from which the three members of the Board of Governors would be elected would be as follows (i.e. Recommendation 12 (1), (2), (3) and Recommendation 16):-

- (i) four members appointed by the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council, \*only one of whom shall be an official of the Department of Education  
*\*See item 6 of Recommendation 8.*
- (ii) three members appointed by the Board of Management of the Alumni Association of the University

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Recommendation 7 (continued)

- (iii) not less than six, not more than would make the total number of community representatives equal to the number of ex-officio members, the number to be determined by Senate, to be nominated by members of convocation and elected by convocation, who shall not be members of the full-time Faculty or full-time students at the University
- (iv) one member to be elected by the governing body of each affiliated college.

In amendment:

Mr. Robinson )	<i>That Recommendation 7 be amended to include three members of the non-academic staff of the University.</i>
Mr. Burns )	

LostIn amendment:

Dr. Dennison )	<i>That section 6 of Recommendation 7 be amended to read: "three members of convocation who are neither ... "</i>
Mr. Thom )	

Dr. Dennison explained that the intent of the motion was that the three members of convocation with the highest number of votes in the elections for Senate membership would be representatives on the Board. The seconder of the amendment did not agree with this interpretation. Mr. Robinson agreed to second the following revised wording of the amendment: -

*That section 6 of Recommendation 7 be amended to read: - "the three members of convocation with the highest number of votes in the elections for membership on Senate who are neither ... "*

The revised amendment to section 6 of Recommendation 7 was lost.

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Recommendation 7 (continued)In amendment:

Mr. Thom )  
Dr. Gray )

*That section 1 of Recommendation 7 be amended to read: - "four members appointed by the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council and two members elected by convocation".*

LostIn amendment:

Mr. Smolensky )  
Mr. Thom )

*That section 6 of Recommendation 7 be amended to read: - "that three members be elected by convocation to serve on the Board of Governors".*

LostIn amendment:

Mr. Robinson )  
Ms. Smail )

*That section 5 of Recommendation 7 be amended to read: - "three members of the student body who are members of Senate elected by the student body at large".*

Lost

The motion to approve Recommendation 7 was put and carried.

Recommendation 8

Dean McClean )  
Mr. Trevino )

*That the following people be ineligible for membership on the Board:*

- 1) members of the parliament of Canada
- 2) members of the executive council
- 3) members of the legislative assembly
- 4) members of the Board of Governors of another university
- 5) Deans of Faculties of the University
- 6) any employee in the service of the Department of Education
- 7) any person who resides outside the province
- 8) any person who has not yet attained the age of majority.

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Recommendation 8 (continued)

Recommendation 8 involved three changes in the present Act by not prohibiting from the membership of the Board, Faculty members and any principal or teacher of any school, and by recommending that the section prohibiting any person who had not attained the age of twenty-one years be redrafted to prohibit membership by someone who had not attained the age of majority.

In amendment:

Mr. Hilliker )  
Dr. Bongie )

*That section 6 of Recommendation 8 be amended to read: - "any provincial civil servant".*

LostIn amendment:

Dr. Ross )  
Dr. Norris )

*That section 5 of Recommendation 8 be amended to read: - "Deans of Faculties of the University and the Director of the Centre for Continuing Education".*

Carried

Dr. Bongie )  
Mr. Hilliker )

*That section 5 of Recommendation 8 be amended to exclude all members of the executive of the Faculty Association.*

Lost

The motion to approve Recommendation 8 with the amendment to section 5 was put and carried, 33: 1.

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Recommendation 9

Dean McClean )  
 Dr. Clark )

*That a member of the Board having any personal interest, either direct or indirect, in any contracts or other arrangement proposed to be entered into or entered into by the University shall absent himself from that portion of any meeting of the Board or any committee of the Board where that contract or arrangement is being discussed, and shall not vote at a meeting of the Board or of any committee of the Board on any matter respecting the contract or arrangement.*

In amendment:

Mr. Robinson )  
 Mr. Smolensky )

*That the word "indirect" be deleted from the motion.*

LostIn amendment:

Dr. Finnegan )  
 Dr. Bourne )

*That Recommendation 9 be amended to read:- "That a member of the Board having any conflict of duty and interest in any contracts . . . "*

The amendment was carried.

The motion to approve Recommendation 9, as amended, was put and carried.

Dr. Norris )  
 Dr. Ross )

*That the Report of the Senate Ad Hoc Committee on the Universities Act be approved with the amendments made and that the editorial corrections be left to the committee.*

Carried

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Dr. Daniells' epilogue:

*Sir, you'll agree 'twould be a pity  
If Dean McClean and his committee  
Did not receive, just at this junction,  
Congratulations given with unction.*

*It is not quite what they intended,  
This seamless garment much amended,  
But, torn apart and patched with tape,  
It keeps its first, essential shape.*

*They have sustained, in dire debate,  
Night after night, till rather late,  
A range of comment analytic  
To right and left, of friend and critic.  
From Sidney, soft and unemphatic,  
So winning and so charismatic  
We often find ourselves obeying  
Though unaware of what he's saying,--  
To Svend who, far from being lawless,  
Produces logic fair and flawless,  
Like some great egg the gazers watch  
Wond'ring what wildfowl it might hatch.*

*Winds loud and soft, of every sort,  
Have blown at last your ship to port,  
Seaworthy and escaped from wreck.*

*Let's dance a hornpipe on the deck,  
Chant a Te Deum and a Gloria,--*

*You'll soon be weighing anchor for Victoria.*

The meeting adjourned at 12.00 noon.

Secretary

Confirmed,

Chairman