Wednesday, March 25, 1970

The seventh regular meeting of The University of British Columbia for the session 1969-70 was held on Wednesday, March 25, 1970 at 8:00 p.m. in the Board and Senate Room, Administration Building.

Present: President W. H. Gage (Chairman), Chancellor A. M. McGavin, Miss D. Allen, Dr. C. S. Belshaw, Mr. R. M. Bibbs, Mr. C. B. Bourne, Dr. C. A. Brockely, Dr. D. G. Brown, Dr. T. H. Brown, Mr. F. J. Cairnie, Dr. J. D. Chapman, Dr. D. H. Chitty, Dean G. F. Curtis, Mr. J. Davies, Mr. A. Dobrey, Dr. C. W. J. Eliot, Dr. S. M. Friedman, The Hon. E. D. Fulton, Dean J. A. F. Gardner, Dr. R. F. Gray, Mr. I. F. Greenwood, Dr. N. A. Hall, Dr. D. F. Hardwick, Dr. S. Israels. Mr. R. W. Jacobs, Dr. R. F. Kelly, Dr. J. M. Kennedy, Dr. D. T. Kenny, Dr. W. D. Kitts, Mr. P. Ladner, Dr. P. A. Larkin, Mrs. J. MacD. Lecky, Dean S. W. Leung, Miss E. K. McCann, Dr. A.J. McClean, Dean Helen McCrae, Dr. M. F. McGregor, Mr. K. R. Martin, Mr. D. F. Miller, Dr. B. N. Moyls, Dr. J. M. Norris, Dr. H. P. Oberlander, Miss D. J. O'Donnell, Dean V. J. Okulitch, Mr. R. F. Osborne, Dean B. E. Riedel, Mr. J. V. Rogers, Dr. G. Rosenbluth, Dr. I. Ross, Dr. R. F. Scagel, Dean N. V. Scarfe, Dr. A. D. Scott, Dean M. Shaw, Dr. J. H. G. Smith, Dr. J. D. Spouge, Dr. H. V. Warren, Dr. W. A. Webber, Dean P. H. White, Mr. D. R. Williams, Dr. W. E. Willmott, Mr. E. Wood.

Observers: Mr. J. A. Banham, Miss D. Hopper, Mr. T. A. Myers, Mr. P. Thompson.

Messages of regret for their inability to attend were received from Dr. A. E. Aho, Mr. S. Black, Mrs. A. Brearley, Mr. D. M. Brousson, Dr. S. D. Cavers, Dr. R. M. Clark, Dean W. D. Finn, Mr. D. S. M. Huberman, Mrs. W. T. Lane, Mr. S. S. Lefeaux, Mr. P. Plant, Mr. G. R. Selman, Dr. R. F. Sharp, Dr. J. K. Stager, Mr. B. Stuart-Stubbs, Dr. G. M. Volkoff.

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Minutes of the March 4 special meeting

Dr. Hardwick)
Dean B. E. Riedel) *That the minutes of the special meeting of March 4, having been circulated, be taken as read and adopted.*

Carried

Minutes of the February 25 regular meeting

Dean Scarfe)
Dean Okulitch) *That the minutes of the sixth regular meeting of the Senate for the session 1969-70, having been circulated, be taken as read and adopted.*

Carried

Business Arising from the Minutes

At the February 25 Senate meeting a resolution was passed that the proposed siting of the Law Building should be discussed.

Dr. Oberlander pointed out that the site was not absolutely confirmed but subject to further investigations, namely the bearing capacity of this land and the setback requirements from Marine Drive, this could become the site for the Law Building.

Some members did not feel that this was the best site for the Law Building as it was being moved farther away from other Faculties. Also it was felt that everything north and outside the perimeter of South West Marine Drive should be preserved as a park for the University. This would be the first academic building to be built outside the perimeter into a zone which had not been located for academic buildings until now and would set a precedent.

Dean Curtis said this was an acceptable site to the Law Faculty and Law students and that it would be nearer to the Commerce, Engineering and Science Faculties than the present building.

Business Arising from the Minutes (Continued)

In view of the fact that there were other places suitable for building on campus it was felt that the proposed site should not be used.

Dr. Friedman)
Dr. Willmott) *That Senate view with displeasure the idea of beginning academic construction on the far side of Marine Drive.*

After further discussion the motion was put and carried.

Dr. Oberlander said he felt that the implication had been made by Senate that the Committee had not considered the environmental qualities of the site. He stated he wished to make it absolutely clear that members of the Committee in fulfilling their function would make sure that the quality and balance of the campus environment was not only retained but enhanced.

Enrolment Restrictions 1971-72

The Registrar recommended that a study be made immediately of the effect of imposing for September 1971 the requirement that college students seeking admission to the Second Year in programmes available at the colleges have a grade-point average in their college studies of at least 2.4 and furthermore that the quota on the First Year enrolment be reduced from 3,400 to 3,000. A decision should be made by Senate, not later than its May meeting, to recommend to the Board of Governors quotas in the First and Second Years.

Enrolment Restrictions 1971-72 (Continued)

It was felt that attention should also be paid to the fact that as entrance requirements are raised for people coming into University we should be sure that we require the students already on campus to meet the same standards as they move from year to year.

It was agreed that the study be made and in addition, Faculties were urged to review their promotions policies.

From the Board of Governors

Notification of approval of Senate recommendations - subject, where applicable, to the necessary funds being available

That the admissions policy of The University of British Columbia be modified:

(i) to limit the total undergraduate enrolment on this campus to a maximum of approximately 22,000

(ii) to limit the annual rate of increase of total graduate enrolment on this campus to 15 percent

(iii) to limit the total graduate enrolment on this campus to a maximum of approximately 5,500.

Committee on Prizes, Scholarships and Bursaries

Dean Scarfe)
Dean Okulitch) *That the changes in awards listed in Appendix 'A' be accepted subject to the approval of the Board of Governors, and that letters of thanks be sent to the donors.*

Carried

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Reports of Committees of Senate

Curriculum Committee

Dr. Hall reported on recommendations of the committee regarding items outstanding from the February 25 Senate meeting.

Faculty of Commerce and Business Administration

Dr. Hall)
Dean White)

That the proposed new courses and course changes of the Faculty of Commerce and Business Administration outlined in Appendix 'B' page 5218 be approved subject to the following description changes:

Commerce 447 - Urban Transportation: Economic issues involved in providing transport services, travel demand functions; cost parameters and comparisons of alternate systems; pricing and financing issues.

Commerce 446 - Transportation in Economic Development: The role of transport in economic development with special emphasis on the application of cost-benefit analysis to the evaluation of private and public investments in transport facilities.

Carried

Faculty of Arts

Dr. Hall referred to three new courses which were proposed in the B.F.A. Studio Programme - Fine Arts 238 (Studio Art I) - 6 units; Fine Arts 335 (Studio Arts II) - 9 units; and Fine Arts 435 (Studio Arts III) - 12 units. It was pointed out that these three courses constitute approximately one-third of the student's total course work and, by the nature of the programme, they were really central to the student's success or failure in the programme. It was suggested that the Fine Arts Department should develop an expanded statement of criteria to indicate to potential students the standards against which their performance will be assessed.

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Reports of Committees of Senate

Curriculum Committee

Faculty of Arts (Continued)

Dr. Hall)
Dr. Norris)

That the proposal of the Fine Arts Department of the Faculty of Arts to offer Fine Arts 238, 335 and 435 be approved subject to a satisfactory statement as suggested above.

Carried

Faculty of Medicine

With regard to the proposals of the Faculty of Medicine, Dr. Hall pointed out that descriptions of two courses, History of Health Science 400 and Preclinical Sessions 400, were changed to remove these courses from "required" to "elective" status. The committee felt that it was somewhat inconsistent to describe a course as "elective" and at the same time to state that the course was part of the regular medical school curriculum. After discussion with the Faculty of Medicine it appeared that the intention was to have all students on the regular programme take these courses, but to exempt students on special programmes (for example, the combined B.Sc. degree and M.D. degree programme) and transferees from other medical schools.

Dr. Hall)
Dr. Israels)

That the proposals of the Faculty of Medicine outlined in Appendix 'B' page 5218 be approved subject to a clear statement being given regarding History of Health Science 400 and Preclinical Sessions 400.

Carried

Committee to Study the Native Indian Situation at U.B.C.

Miss O'Donnell)
Mr. Jacobs)

That the interim report of the committee be received.

Carried

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Reports of Committees of Senate

Committee to Study the Native Indian Situation at U.B.C. (Continued)

Miss O'Donnell)
Dr. Grey)

That Senate approve in principle the provision of a programme for the counselling of native Indian students and to provide a means for comunicating information to prospective students and to their parents in the various communities around the province about university education. Consideration should also be given to methods of implementing such a programme at the earliest possible opportunity and to methods of financing such a programme.

It was explained that the committee had been set up to look into the reasons why only a small number of Indian students attended the University. It was felt that a counselling programme was needed to inform as many Indian students as possible of the opportunities available. The committee agreed that the best means of accomplishing the aims of such a programme would be through a counselling system with the counselling group being made up of native Indian students now attending U.B.C. or other B.C. universities or colleges.

Dr. Smith)
Dr. McGregor)

That this motion be tabled and referred back to the committee.

It was pointed out that Senate was being asked to approve essentially some matters of principle that constituted the terms of reference of the committee. The committee was trying to find means of accomplishing their objectives.

The motion failed.

There were no objections to Senate asking the University to take steps for communicating information and doing a counselling job but it was felt that there might be difficulty raising funds.

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Committee to Study the Native Indian Situation at U.B.C. (Continued)

In amendment:

Dr. Hardwick)
Miss O'Donnell) *That the last sentence of the motion, which reads "Consideration should also be given to methods of implementing such a programme at the earliest possible opportunity and to methods of financing such a programme" be deleted.*

After further discussion the motion as amended was carried.

Miss O'Donnell)
Dr. Gray) *That Senate be requested to refer to the Senate Admissions Committee the general question of admission requirements for native Indian students, to the end that the Senate Admissions Committee could, in co-operation with the special Senate committee on native Indians, formulate admission requirements which, if need be, could take into account factors other than formal educational prerequisites.*

It was explained that the purpose of this motion was to ask a regular standing committee to investigate the admissions process for native Indian students so as to reduce the administrative hurdles which presently face such students.

After further discussion the motion was carried.

Miss O'Donnell)
Dr. Gray) *That the Senate be requested to authorize the Registrar to have discretion to waive formal educational requirements for native Indian students who otherwise can establish their (intellectual) capacity to undertake university work, such discretion to be exercised by the Registrar in consultation with the Senate Admissions Committee.*

It was explained that this provision was intended to apply for 1970 or until such time as the Senate Admissions Committee was able to discharge its function under the previous motion.

Mr. Osborne)
Dr. Hardwick) *That the motion be tabled and reviewed at a later date if there is additional information from the committee.*

Carried

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Committee to Study the Native Indian Situation at U.B.C. (Continued)

Miss O'Donnell)
Dr. Gray)

That Senate refer the matter of a special introductory programme for native Indian students to a special committee of Senate.

It was explained that the committee felt that such a programme would be a means of providing a meaningful programme of introduction into the process of university education.

The motion was put and carried.

Proposals of the Faculties

Faculty of Graduate Studies

Dr. Moyls)
Dean Okulitch)

(a) *That the proposal of the Faculty of Agricultural Sciences to offer a Ph.D. Programme in Food Science be referred to the New Programmes Committee.*

(b) *That the proposal of the Faculty of Science to offer a Ph.D. Programme in Computer Science be referred to the New Programmes Committee.*

(c) *That the proposal of the Faculty of Science to offer Computer Science 649 - Thesis for Ph.D. Degree, be referred to the Senate Curriculum Committee.*

Carried

School of Nursing

Miss McCann)
Dr. Hardwick)

That the proposal of the School of Nursing to offer in Intersession Nursing 252 Human Behaviour and Nursing 281 Introduction to Statistics and Research Methods, be approved.

Carried

Report from the Faculty of Science

Dean Okulitch)
Dean Scarfe)

That the report from the Faculty of Science reviewing the programme in Astronomy be received.

Carried

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Proposals of Senate Members

Dr. Gray)
Dean Scarfe)

That whereas The University of British Columbia has found it necessary to recommend a limitation of enrolment, and whereas the overall needs of the province for higher education are undefined, be it resolved that The University of British Columbia Senate recommends that this University call upon the Provincial Government to establish a representative province-wide commission on Higher Education for the purpose of developing an overall master-plan which will make provision for the higher education needs of the province over the next ten years.

Dr. Gray explained that if the resolution was adopted it would not commit Senate to enter into a study of conditions and demands outside its jurisdiction. It merely asked that the attention of the Provincial Government be directed toward the Higher Educational needs of the province in a manner more positive than so far seemed to have been the case.

The Chairman stated that this question had been raised quite recently and part of this work was being done by the Department of Education.

A query was raised regarding the words "representative province-wide commission".

In amendment:

Dr. Rosenbluth)
Dr. Norris)

That the words "commission representing the different institutions of higher education in the province" be substituted for "representative province-wide commission on higher education".

The motion as amended was carried.

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Other Business

Dr. Belshaw asked if it would be possible to have the 1970 Provincial Government Scholarships more formally examined.

The Chairman explained that the regulations governing the scholarships were changed because several Faculties and student groups had asked for amendments to the regulations, in particular the Law Faculty. The scholarships in the past had been given to people on the basis of first class, high second-class and mid second-class standing. The scholarships will now be awarded to the highest ranking 17 percent of full time undergraduate students who meet residence qualifications for B.C. They will be labelled type (a), (b) and (c) and will be distributed to the institutions relative to the number of full time equivalent undergraduates so that each institution gets the same proportion of scholarships relative to its enrolment and it will take care of the 17 percent of the upper students. Five percent will receive type (a) which is 3/4's of the basic tuition fee; six percent will receive type (b) which is 1/2 of the basic fee; and six percent will get type (c) which is 1/3 of the basic fee.

The meeting adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

The next regular meeting of Senate will be held on Wednesday, April 29, 1970.

Secretary

Confirmed,

Chairman.

APPENDIX 'A'

The Ingledow Scholarships in Engineering
Two scholarships increased from $150 each to $200 each.

The Ghent Davis Memorial Scholarship
This scholarship increased from $750 to $1000.

The North Shore Medical Society Bursary
Increased from one bursary of $300 to two bursaries of $250 each.

The Golder, Brawner and Associates Scholarship
This scholarship increased from $100 to $200.

The Alan Boag Scholarship
This scholarship increased from $250 to $300.

The Summerland Scholarship
Increased from one scholarship of $250 to two scholarships of $250 each.

The Wellwood of Canada Limited Bursaries
These bursaries have been increased from $500 to $1000.

Dr. J. J. Tassin Memorial Bursary of the Cowichan Valley Medical Society
Increased from $300 to $500.

The Comitas Club Bursary
Increased from $200 to $250

The Peat, Marwick, Mitchell & Co. Scholarship
Increased from $300 to $500.

The C.H.A.P. Copy Ltd. Scholarship
Increased from one scholarship of $100 to two scholarships of $100 each.

The Helen Grimmer Scholarships in Physiotherapy
Increased from $125 to $150.

The British Columbia Forest Products Limited Entrance Scholarships
Increased from eight scholarships of $400 each to ten scholarships of $400 each.

The British Columbia Forest Products Limited Bursaries
The total amount of these bursaries has been increased from $5500 to $8000 each with a maximum value of $300.

W.H. MacInnes Entrance Scholarships in English
Scholarships of $100, $75, and $50, respectively have been increased to $150, $100, and $50.

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W. H. MacInnes Entrance Scholarships in Mathematics
Scholarships of $100, $75, and $50, respectively, have been increased to $150, $100, and $50.

The Lieut.-Col. Cecil Merritt, V.C., Chapter, I.O.D.E. Bursary
Increased from $85 to $100.