SENATE MINUTES

OCTOBER 14, 1997
The regular meeting of Senate was held on Tuesday, October 14, 1997, at 4:00 p.m. in Room E5004.

13. PRESENT

The President, Dr. J. Tuinman, Dr. K. Keough, Dr. K. Bindon, Mr. G. Collins, Acting Dean W. Davidson, Professor J. Dempster, Dr. C. Higgs, Dean G. Kealey, Professor S. Solberg (for Dr. M. Lamb), Dean W. Ludlow, Dean T. Murphy, Dean T. Piper, Dean R. Seshadri, Ms. D. Whalen, Dr. S. Abhyankar, Dr. A. Aboulazm, Dr. G. Bassler, Dr. J. Bear, Professor L. Bennett, Mr. E. Brown, Dr. G. Burford, Dr. S. Chandra, Dr. D. Craig, Dr. S. Ghazala, Professor K. Hestekin, Professor V. Kuester, Dr. O. Janzen, Dr. W. Locke, Dr. I. Mazurkewich, Dr. M. Mulligan, Dr. V. Maxwell, Dr. D. McKay, Capt. W. Norman, Dr. M. Paul, Dr. R. Payne, Dr. N. Rich, Dr. V. Richardson, Dr. R. Rivkin, Dr. G. Sabin, Dr. S. Saha, Dr. G. Shorrocks, Dr. D. Thompson, Dr. D. Treslan, Dr. C. Turner, Dr. K. Vidyasankar, Professor D. Walsh, Dr. A. Whittick, Dr. P. Wilson, Dr. S. Wolinetz, Dr. C. Wood, Mr. G. Beck, Ms. P. McCormick, Mr. S. Musseau, Mr. D. Newton, Mr. J. Parsons, Mr. T. Parsons, Ms. V. Taylor, Mr. L. Walsh.

Dr. May welcomed the following new Senators: Dr. C. Higgs, Professor J. Dempster, Dr. David Thompson, Mr. Trent Parsons, Ms. Valerie Taylor and Mr. Louis Walsh.

14. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

The Chancellor, Mr. L. O'Reilly, Dr. M. Volk, Dr. R. Adamec, Dr. H. Hulan, Dr. D. Tulett.

15. MINUTES

The Minutes of the regular meeting held on September 9, 1997 were taken as read and confirmed with the following amendment:

Page 17, Motion from the Marine Institute Academic Council (cont'd)

Amend the first line to read as follows:
"It was moved by Dr. Bear, and seconded by Mr. Brown that in"

Report of the Committee on Honorary Degrees and Ceremonial

The names of five candidates recommended by the Committee on Honorary Degrees and Ceremonial were presented to the Senate for awarding of doctoral degrees honoris causa. Dr. Locke, Professor Hestekin, Dr. Thompson, Professor Walsh and Dr. Wolinetz each made a brief statement about one candidate. Members were given the opportunity to discuss the merits of the candidates before voting. Upon voting by a show of hands, each candidate was approved by at least a two-thirds majority vote.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF SENATE

It was agreed by separate motion where necessary, that the report of the Executive Committee be approved as follows:

*Report of the Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies

It was agreed by separate motion where necessary, that the report of the Executive Committee be approved as follows:

17.1 Election of Chair of Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies for 1997–98 Academic Year

A memorandum dated September 16, 1997 was received from the Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies advising that in accordance with the HANDBOOK OF SENATE BY–LAWS AND PROCEDURES, SECTION VI. SENATE COMMITTEES—SELECTION AND PROCEDURES, A. Senate Committee Procedures, Clause 7., Dr. Dennis Treslan has been re–elected as Chair of that Committee for the 1997–98 academic year.

17.2 Sir Wilfred Grenfell College

Page 81, 1997–98 Calendar, insert the following after the entry for Residence Requirements:

"Regulations for the Honours degree of Bachelor of Arts at SWGC and Bachelor of Science at SWGC
Programmes are offered leading to the Honours Degrees of Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Science. An Honours degree requires, over and above the requirement of the General degree, a concentration at an advanced level in an approved field, consisting of a subject or subjects of specialization and/or related subjects, and a high quality of work throughout the programme. An Honours degree is of distinct advantage to candidates who plan advanced work or careers in their chosen fields and also to those who have a clear commitment to some special field of study. An Honours degree with first or second class standing is, in many cases, a prerequisite for admission to a graduate programme.

1. Admission and Registration

a) Admission to the Honours degree is competitive and limited, depending upon available resources. Candidates should consult the criteria established for the programme in question. To be considered for admission to an Honours programme a candidate shall complete an "Application For Admission to the Honours Programme" form. The application must be approved by the Programme Chair of the subject of specialization before the candidates can be admitted to the programme.

NOTE: A candidate who wishes to enter an Honours programme is strongly advised to consult the Programme Chair at the earliest possible date, as it may not be possible to complete the requirements for the degree in the normal time if the decision to embark on the programme is delayed beyond the end of the second year.

b) Students who have been awarded the General Degree of Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Science at Sir Wilfred Grenfell College may convert it to an Honours Degree of Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Science by applying to the Programme of specialization and the Registrar, and, upon approval of such application by the Programme, completing the requirements for the Honours degree as set forth in the regulations.

c) Before registering for any semester or any session, the candidate must consult with the Programme Chair on the chosen list of
courses. Failure to comply with this requirement may result in denial of access to certain courses.

2. Subjects of Specialization

The Honours Degree of Bachelor of Arts is available in Psychology and the Honours Degree of Bachelor of Science is available in Environmental Science.

3. Course Requirements

Candidates for the Honours Degree of Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Science shall complete a programme of studies which shall consist of not fewer than 120 credit hours subject to the following regulations.

All candidates are required to complete the Core Programme requirements governing the Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Science degrees at Sir Wilfred College.

All candidates must also submit an Honours thesis or dissertation on an approved topic which, may be followed by an oral examination thereon.

Two copies of the Honours thesis/dissertation must be submitted to the University Library upon completion. All Honours thesis/dissertation in the University Library shall be available for unrestricted consultation by students and faculty except under very exceptional circumstances which must be approved by the Academic Studies Committee. Copyright remains with the author. A signed release form must accompany a thesis or dissertation when it is submitted to the University Library.

Further courses shall be chosen

i. With the approval of the Programme Chair, or delegate, of the Subject of Specialization. The candidate's programme shall include not fewer than 60 credit hours in courses applicable to the Subject of Specialization, including the Honours thesis/dissertation, and, where applicable, not fewer than 24 credit hours in one or two cognate areas; and
ii. courses to make up a minimum of 120 credit hours, other than those required for the Core Programme and Specialization Requirements, shall be chosen as follows:

a) any courses in arts, science and fine arts;

b) up to fifteen credit hours in other subject areas.

4. Programme Regulations

Candidates for Honours degrees shall also comply with such additional requirements of the appropriate Programme(s) as approved by the Senate and printed in the University Calendar.

5. Residence Requirements

To qualify for an Honours degree in Arts or Science, a candidate shall attend this University for a minimum of four semesters as a full time student in the Programme of specialization except with the permission of the Academic Studies Committee.

6. Academic Standing

In order to graduate with an Honours degree, a candidate shall obtain

i) A grade of 'B' 70% or better, OR an average of 75% or higher in the courses that comprise the minimum number of credit hours in the Honours subject(s) prescribed by the Programme concerned, excluding 1000-level courses. A grade of 70% or better must be obtained in the Honours dissertation.

AND

ii) An average of at least 1.75 points per credit hour in the courses required for the degree. (See General Regulation F, Classification of Degrees, for explanation of the point system.)

NOTES: 1) Students who wish to fulfil the requirements of Clause 6(i) above using repeated or substituted courses must obtain approval of the Programme Chair and the Academic Studies
Committee. The Honours thesis or dissertation may not be repeated or substituted.

2) For a definition of "Honours subject(s) prescribed by the Programme concerned" in Clause 6(i) above, students should consult the regulations governing specific Honours degree programmes.

7. Classification of Degrees

a) If a candidate's general average is 2.5 points or better per credit hour in required courses and his/her average is 2.5 per credit hour in the courses in the Honours subject (excluding 1000-level courses), the candidate shall be awarded an Honours degree with First Class standing.

b) If a candidate fulfils the conditions of paragraph 6 but not of paragraph 7, section (a), the candidate shall be awarded an Honours degree with Second Class standing.

c) No classification will be given to the degree awarded a candidate who has completed (i) fewer than one half of the courses required for the degree at this University, or (ii) who has completed fewer than one half of the courses required for the degree at this University since 1959. All candidates for such degrees shall, however, fulfil the condition of paragraph 6 on the courses taken at this University since September 1959 in order to qualify for the degree.

d) A declared candidate for an Honours degree who fails to attain the academic standing specified in paragraph 6, but fulfils the academic requirements for a General degree shall be awarded a General degree, the classification of which shall be determined in accordance with paragraph F. (2) of General Academic Regulations.

In these regulations, all references to the Programme Chair are to be read as "Programme Chair or delegate".

Page 79, delete the entry "Requirements for Honours in Psychology (B.A. only)" in its entirety and replace with the following:

"REQUIREMENTS FOR HONOURS IN PSYCHOLOGY (B.A. ONLY)
The Bachelor of Arts (Honours) degree in Psychology at Sir Wilfred Grenfell College offers greater concentration in a discipline than is required for the completion of a general degree while still meeting the Core Program requirements of the Grenfell College Bachelor's degree. The Honours degree also requires a higher level of academic achievement than required for the general degree. The Bachelor of Arts (Honours) in Psychology at Sir Wilfred Grenfell College is a 120-credit hour program normally requiring four years for completion. The following requirements govern the Bachelor of Arts (Honours) in Psychology at Sir Wilfred Grenfell College of Memorial University of Newfoundland.

1. Residence Requirements

See General Regulations for an Honours degree in Arts and Science at Sir Wilfred Grenfell College.

2. Course Requirements for Bachelor of Arts (Honours) in Psychology

a) Students must meet the Core and Cognate Requirements for Grenfell College Bachelor of Arts degree with a specialization in Psychology degree.

b) Candidates must complete: Psychology 1000, 1001, 2025, 2125, 2225, 2425, 2625, 2825, 2925, 2950, 3950, 4910, 4925.

c) Candidates must complete five of Psychology 3025, 3125, 3225, 3325, 3425, 3525, 3625, 3626, 3627, 3628, 3725, 3825.

d) Honours candidates are required to complete a two-semester research project, Psychology 4951 and 4959.

3. Honours Thesis

The Honours project sequence (Psychology 4951 and 4959) involves the production of an Honours thesis. This thesis will be evaluated by the thesis supervisor and an additional faculty member selected by mutual consent of the candidate and the supervisor."
The Bachelor of Science (Honours) degree in Environmental Science at Sir Wilfred Grenfell College offers greater concentration than is allowed for the completion of a general degree while still meeting the Core Program requirements of the Grenfell College Bachelor's degree. The Honours degree also requires a higher level of academic achievement than required for the general degree. The Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Environmental Science at Sir Wilfred Grenfell College is a 120-credit hour program normally requiring four years for completion. The following requirements govern the Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Environmental Science at Sir Wilfred Grenfell College of Memorial University of Newfoundland.

1. Residence Requirements

See General Regulations for an Honours degree in Arts and Science at Sir Wilfred Grenfell College.

2. Course Requirements for Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Environmental Science.

a) Students must meet the Core Requirements for a Grenfell College Bachelor of Science degree.

b) In addition to the College Core program requirements, those students who have declared an intention to pursue the honours program in Environmental Science must complete the Environmental Science Core requirements and the course requirements of a specific stream, as well as any other courses to achieve a total of at least 120-credit hours.

c) Honours candidates must complete six-credit hours in courses at the fourth-year level beyond those included in the general degree specialization (or stream). These courses normally are drawn from the candidate's honours specialization as follows:
1) For the honours Bachelor of Science in Environmental Science (Biology):

Any two courses from:

Biology 4306 (Applied Biology)

Environmental Science 4069 (Soil Systems)

Environmental Science 4479 (Groundwater Flow)

2) For the Honours Bachelor of Science in Environmental Science (Chemistry)

Environmental Science 4249 (Environmental Organic Chemistry)

or

Environmental Science 4239 (Aquatic Chemistry II)

and

Environmental Science 4069 (Soil Systems)

or

Environmental Science 4479 (Groundwater Flow)

d) Students, in close consultation with a faculty advisor and the agreement of the Chair of the Program, may select fourth-year honours requirement courses in place of those required in Section 2.c. (above), so long as such selections are consistent with the Specialization to which they are added. Such honours selections will be subject to approval by the Academic Studies committee.

e) Honours graduates of the Environmental Science program will also have completed a two-semester research project, consisting of the general degree one-semester project course (Environmental Science 4950) and a further one-semester research course (Environmental Science 4959).

3. Honours Dissertation
The Honours project sequence (Environmental Science 4950 and 4959) involves the production of an Honours dissertation. This dissertation will be evaluated by a three member committee that includes the dissertation supervisor(s) and that is approved by the Environmental Science faculty unit.

4. Academic Standing

In order to graduate with an Honours degree, the candidate must satisfy the regulations regarding academic standing as specified under Regulations for Honours degree of Bachelor of Science at Sir Wilfred Grenfell College.

Courses used to calculate the academic standing as outlined in the General Regulations for an Honours Degree at Sir Wilfred Grenfell College include required ENVS and Chemistry courses for the Chemistry stream students and all required ENVS and Biology courses for the Biology stream students, excluding, in both cases, the 1000 level course.

More specifically, courses normally used for calculations would be:

Biology stream: Environmental Science 4000, 4950, 4959
Biology 2010, 2122, 2600, 3041, 3610, 4360, 4820
Environmental Science 3130, 4131
Two of: Environmental Science 4069, 4306, 4479
Three of: Environmental Science 2261, 2360, 2370, 2371, 2430, 2450, 3072, 3470

Chemistry stream: Environmental Science 4000, 4950, 4959
Environmental Science 3210, 3211, 3260, 3261, 4230, 4240
Environmental Science 4249 (or 4239), 4069 (or 4479)
Three of: Environmental Science 2261, 2360, 2370, 2371, 2430, 2450, 3072, 3470
Note 1: For students completing "open" programmes (see Section 2.e. of the Sir Wilfred Grenfell College General Regulations for Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor or Science Degree Programmes in the Memorial University Calendar), the appropriate courses to be used in calculation of academic standing will be determined by the Environmental Science Unit and will be subject to approval by the Academic Studies committee.

Note 2: Students will normally not be allowed to repeat courses to fulfil the Academic standing criteria for the Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Environmental Science."

Page 53, following the heading F. Classification of Degrees add the following to Clause 2.:

"or regulations for the Honours Degree of Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Science at Sir Wilfred Grenfell College".

Page 100, following the heading Degree Regulations amend the first paragraph by deleting the words "one hundred and forty credit hours" in two places and replace with the following:

"one hundred and twenty-six credit hours".

Amend Clause 5 by deleting "Ninety-five" and replacing with "Eighty-one".

Page 101, following the heading Outline of Major Programme amend paragraph 1 by deleting the words "ninety-five" and replacing with "eighty-one".

Amend paragraph two and three by deleting the words "twenty-seven" and replacing with "twenty-four".

17.3 Department of Computer Science

Page 208, 1997–98 Calendar insert the following immediately before the heading Minor in Computer Science:
"Computer Industry Internship Option (CIIO):

CIIO provides an opportunity for qualified students to obtain rewarding jobs in computer industries for several months of continuous duration, and, at the same time, to gain practical skills in an employment situation during their course of studies.

CIIO is available to Computer Science Majors (B.Sc. and B.Sc. Honours only).

Upon successful completion of the internship, students receive a notation on the transcript, "Requirements for the Computer Industry Internship Option have been completed. Internship Duration: – months."

Application requirement:

A. Application to CIIO will be made normally after the 2nd year of studies.

B. Applicant must have successfully completed at least CS1700, CS2710, CS2711, CS2740, CS2741, CS3718, CS3724 and CS3740.

C. Applications for the internship will not be considered if all computer science courses required for the CS major/honours degree will have been completed prior to the beginning of the internship.

Internship duration:

Subject to the availability of job openings, a student may choose either an 8, 12 or 16 consecutive months of internship period.

Internship placement:

A competition for internship employment is organized by the Department Co–ordinator. The competition is based on students' academic qualification.

A student who has applied to the internship program gives permission to the Departmental Co–ordinator to supply prospective employers with copies of his/her resume.
A student may obtain his/her own internship placement outside the competition. Such jobs must be confirmed by the employer, and must be subject to the approval of the Co-ordinator and the Head of the Department of Computer Science.

A student who withdraws from an internship program, after a placement, without any reason of grievance, will not be accepted in the internship program again in the future.

Students are not permitted to drop internship periods without prior approval form the departmental Co-ordinator and the Head of the Computer Science Department. Students who drop an internship period without permission or who fail to honour an agreement to work with an employer, or who conduct themselves in such a manner as to cause their discharge from the job, will normally be awarded a fail grade for that internship period.

Note: Students should also refer to the General Regulations of the University.

Expectation of work

The student is expected to submit, within a month from starting their internship, a plan of the intended work for the internship period. The student is also required to submit a progress report due in the last week of each semester.

At the end of the internship period, the student is required to submit a final report which will include the description of the project, the objectives, the goals, and the duties of the intern; it would also include a history of the intern's activities and accomplishment.

Registration, Assessment of Performance, and Assignment of Grades

Students must register for the course CS3700 every semester during their internship.

CS3700 is a non-credit course.
Student performance evaluations are to be completed by the employer and returned to the departmental Co-ordinator. Evaluations are requested every four months. In the evaluation form, the intern also can include his/her comments.

The overall assessment of work performed during the entire internship period is the responsibility of the departmental Co-ordinator, and will be done based upon the input from the employer and the final report submitted by the intern.

Assessment of performance will result in the assignment of one of the following final grades in their final semester of internship:

Pass with Distinction: Indicates EXCELLENT PERFORMANCE in both the work report and work performance.

b) Pass: Indicates that PERFORMANCE MEETS EXPECTATIONS in both the work report and the work performance.

Fail: Indicates FAILING PERFORMANCE in the work report or the work performance.

Also, the following will be noted in the transcript of the intern:

Requirements for the Computer Industry Internship Option have been completed. Internship Duration: – months.

A grade of NC (No Credit) will be awarded in all semesters of the Internship Option prior to the final semester.

CIIO and Honours Programme:

In case a student is enrolled in both the Honours and the CIIO, the requirements of both must be met. Upon approval from the honours project supervisor, the employer and the Head, an internship project may be submitted as a component of an honours project."

Following the heading Course Numbering Scheme insert the following immediately before "1–Programming Languages":

"0–Non–Credit course"
Page 201, following the heading Third Year Courses insert the following:

"3700. Industrial Experience (F) & (W). Students who are admitted to CIIO are required to register for this non-credit course every semester during their internship.

Prerequisite: Admission to the Computer Industry Internship Option (CIIO)."

Page 50, amend General Regulation section D.1.a) by inserting the following:

"(iii) Students who have been admitted to the CIIO (Computer Industry Internship Option), offered by the Department of Computer Science, and who are registered for the duration of any semester in the internship period are termed Full-time Students."

17.4 Department of Biochemistry

Page 198, 1997–98 Calendar following the heading Biochemistry Programme sub-heading Minor in Biochemistry delete clauses a), b) and c) and replace with the following:

"a) Biochemistry 2101, 3106

EITHER Biochemistry 2100 OR Biology 3250

nine credit hours from Biochemistry 3105, 3107, 4002, 4101, 4103, 4104, 4200, 4201; OR six credit hours from these Biochemistry courses and three credit hours from Chemistry 4201, 4411, Biology 3050, 3060.

EITHER Chemistry 2400, 2401 OR Chemistry 2440 and three additional credit hours from the Biochemistry courses listed in (c) above."

17.5 Department of Earth Sciences
Page 214–215, 1997–98 Calendar following the heading Fourth Year delete the course number, title and course description for Earth Sciences 4312 and 4702.

*Report of the Academic Council of the School of Graduate Studies

17.6 Faculty of Business Administration

Page 405, 1997–98 Calendar following the heading Regulations Governing the Degree of Master of Business Administration sub-heading D) Advanced Standing insert new clause 3 to read as follows:

"The Faculty's Committee on Graduate Studies may waive up to two non-business, non-specified electives for students who enter the MBA program with a previous graduate degree. If such a waiver is granted, the remaining electives will be chosen from courses offered by the Faculty of Business Administration."

17.7 Revisions to Political Science M.A. Programme

Page 404, 1997–98 Calendar following the heading Political Science sub-heading Master of Arts delete clauses 1, 2 and 3 and replace with the following:

"The degree of Master of Arts in Political Science may be taken by course work and comprehensive examination or by course work and thesis. Both options are available to full-time and part-time students. Upon initial registration, students are required to choose a payment plan (Plan A, B, or C) for tuition fees.

M.A. with thesis

Students choosing to do the M.A. with thesis must normally complete a minimum of 17 credit hours in graduate programme courses; eight credit hours of which will normally be from 6810 and 6820. Further courses beyond the minimum number may be required, depending on the background and needs of the student.

Each student choosing the thesis option will submit a thesis on a subject that has been approved by the supervisory committee of the Department."
B) M.A. without thesis

Students choosing to do the M.A. without thesis must normally complete a minimum of 20 credit hours in graduate programme courses; eight of which will normally be from 6810 and 6820. Further courses beyond the minimum number may be required, depending on the background and needs of the student.

Each student selecting the non-thesis option will write a comprehensive examination in two parts. The comprehensive examination will be graded by a comprehensive examination committee appointed by the Dean of Graduate Studies, on the recommendation of the Head of the Department, in accordance with the General Regulations governing the School of Graduate Studies.

New Courses

6810. Political Inquiry I

6820. Political Inquiry II

18. Report of the Committee on Committees

On behalf of the Committee Dr. Wolinetz introduced the following report of the Committee on Committees:

18.1 Selection of Chair of Committee on Committees

An e-mail message dated 1 October, 1997 was received from the Committee on Committees advising that Dr. Steven Wolinetz has been re-appointed as Chair of the Committee for the 1997–98 academic year.

18.2 Appointment of Graduate Student Representatives on Standing Committees

On behalf of the Committee on Committees, Dr. Wolinetz moved that the following graduate students be appointed to standing committees of Senate as indicated. The motion was seconded by Mr. Collins and carried:
Committee on Research: Constantine Dmitriev

Committee on Educational Technology Ian Bradbury

Committee on Senate Elections Philip Osborne

18.3 Membership on the Senate ad hoc Committee on Course Evaluations

On behalf of the Committee on Committees, it was moved by Dr. Wolinetz, seconded by Dr. Kealey and carried that the following revised membership of the Senate ad hoc Committee on Course Evaluations be approved.

Peter Golding (Chemistry)

Robin Moore Orr (Medicine)

Andrea Rose (Music Education)

Abraham Ross (Psychology)

Christopher Sharpe (Geography)

James Wyse (Business)

Donna Walsh (English)

In addition, it was agreed that Katherine McManus, Manager for Instructional Development, Centre for Academic and Media Services, School Continuing Education would be asked to serve on the Committee, provide administrative support, and convene the first meeting. The ad hoc committee will be asked to elect its own chair.

Dr. Wolinetz advised Senate that in selecting members of the ad hoc Committee, the aim of the Committee on Committees was to include as many faculties and schools as possible, taking various course delivery modes into account and at the same time, keeping the size of the Committee manageable. A representative from Sir Wilfred Grenfell College was not included because of the difficulty for that person to participate.
Following concerns expressed by Dr. Bindon and Mr. Brown that the membership did not include faculty representatives from Sir Wilfred Grenfell College nor from the Marine Institute, and recognizing the importance of starting work on this important initiative, it was agreed to approve the membership as recommended by the Committee on Committees and to ask the ad hoc Committee to take into account the concerns expressed on behalf of the College and the Marine Institute.

Student representation:

Penny McCormick (CSU)

Jason Reynolds (CSU)

Jim Evans (CSU)

Louis Walsh (Marine Institute)

Katherine King (GSU)

Barbara Young (GSU)

Sir Wilfred Grenfell College (Vacant)

It was moved by Dr. Wolinetz, seconded by Dr. Treslan and carried, that the student representation of the ad hoc Committee on Course Evaluations be approved.

19. Marine Institute Undergraduate Student Representation on Senate

A memorandum dated September 24, 1997 was received advising that Louis Walsh will be the Marine Institute's Undergraduate student representation on Senate.


A memorandum dated 29 September, 1997 was received from the Executive Committee of Senate recommending that the Report of
the Task Group on University Priorities and Resources, Discussion Paper on University Transformation Principles, Strategies and Priorities dated May 1997, which was circulated to Senate be forwarded to the Senate Committee on Academic Planning for consideration as a topic for discussion at a special meeting of Senate.

Since the report of the Advisory Committee on the Library entitled "Support for the Library" was also referred to the Senate Committee on Academic Planning as a potential topic for a special meeting of Senate, the Executive Committee recommends that a determination be made by that Committee whether both these reports should be considered at the special meeting scheduled for November 18, 1997 or whether a second special meeting should be scheduled for December 9, 1997.

Dr. Tuinman advised that in addition to these two topics a proposal for a framework for Senate discussion of The Impact of Education Technology on Teaching/Learning with the University will also be submitted to Senate in the near future. He advised that the Senate Committee on Academic Planning recommends that the Report of the Senate Advisory Committee on the Library be discussed at a special meeting of Senate on November 18, 1997, and that The Impact of Education on Teaching/Learning with the University be discussed at a special meeting of Senate on December 9, 1997. It is recommended that a special meeting be arranged for early 1998 to discuss the Report of the Task Group on University Priorities and Resources, Discussion Paper on University Transformation Principles, Strategies and Priorities.

It was moved by Mr. Collins, seconded by Dr. Maxwell and carried, that this schedule of special meetings of Senate be approved.

21. Motions Passed at the August 21, 1997, Faculty Council, Faculty of Science, with Respect to the Dismissal of Dr. Alan Law as Dean of Science

A memorandum dated August 25, 1997 was received from the Faculty Council, Faculty of Science, forwarding to Senate motions passed with respect to the dismissal of Dr. Alan Law.
It was moved by Dr. Maxwell, seconded by Dr. Richardson and carried, that the Senate receive as information, and as a whole, the document forwarded from the Council of the Faculty of Science dated August 25, 1997, and containing four motions; and that Senate hold this document in reserve and in relation to its current initiative concerning the Board of Regents, this initiative having the form of the two passed motions of September 9, 1997 requesting the Board (i) to consider "in an urgent full meeting" the proper and appropriate procedures for removing an incumbent dean from office and (ii) to review the dismissal of the Dean of Science, Dr. Law, accordingly -- both motions requesting that the Board cooperate with the Senate in this crucial matter.

22. Undergraduate Student Representation on Senate

A memorandum dated October 9, 1997, was received from the Council of Students' Union advising that the following undergraduate students have been appointed to Senate for the 1997–98 academic year:

Glenn Beck
Penny McCormick
Valerie Taylor
Jamie Parsons
Darren Newton

23. Student Appeals

The Secretary of the Executive Committee reported that two student appeals (MUN NO. 9331620 and 9259254) were denied. One undergraduate student appeal (MUN NO. 9325390) was upheld.

24. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 5:15 p.m.