

HISTORY ARTICULATION COMMITTEE  
AUTUMN GENERAL MEETING  
Cariboo College  
21 October, 1977

Members Present:

Sec'y & Acting President: Clarence Karr, Malaspina  
Morag Maclachlan, Langara V.C.C.  
John Reed, Douglas  
Gary Kilgore, Capilano  
Ivan Blake, Northern Lights  
John Klassen, Trinity Western  
Ron Adams, Selkirk  
Keith Ralston, U.B.C.  
Jim Wright, Cariboo  
Al Hiebert, Okanagan  
Hugh Johnston, S.F.U.  
Douglas Cole, S.F.U.  
Helen Brown, Malaspina  
Hugh Campbell, East Kootenay  
Jack Gaston, Fraser Valley  
Jim Hendrickson, U.Vic.  
Frank Leonard, New Caledonia  
Kenneth Vernon, Camosun  
Ian McTaggart-Cowan, Post Secondary  
Co-ordinating  
Committee

Friday, 10:00 a.m.

1. Announcements: Elections - Committee Executive

Sec'y C. Karr announced the resignation of President Stan Scott of N.D.U. The secretary asked for nominations for the presidency which he was holding pro tem. No nominations were made and Clarence Karr was acclaimed president. Candidates for the position of secretary being absent, Hugh Campbell volunteered and was acclaimed.

2. Minutes:

Kilgore/Brown: That the minutes of the Spring Symposium be adopted as printed. (Carried)

3. Correspondence:

Stan Scott's letter of resignation as President of the History Articulation Committee was received and placed in the minutes.

Letters of regret for inability to attend the Autumn Meeting were received from Peter Webber and Bill Sloan. North Island College advised that it would not be represented at this meeting.

4. Tri-University Committee:

Keith Ralston advised the Committee that clippings from the B.C. Legislative Papers, 1920-1961, are available in microfilm subscription through Suzanne Dodson, Government Publications Division, The Library, U.B.C. It was noted that the more subscribers, the lower the cost of subscription would be.

5. Business Arising:

Reference was made to North Island College and, in the absence of a representative from N.I.C., Dr. McTaggart-Cowan described the educational objectives that have guided the teaching programme there. He mentioned the constraints imposed by the region's nature and the responses that have been made to meet the immediate needs. He emphasized the proper areas of concern for the Articulation Committees and he also emphasized that a large part of the History offerings at N.I.C. have enjoyed transfer credit involving each of the three public universities as follows:

N.I.C.	Hist. 101 & 102	=	Hist. 135 (U.B.C.)
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	Hist. 200		
	Humanities 124	=	Hist. 235 (U.Vic.)
	230	=	Hist. 240 (U.Vic.)
N.I.C.	Hist. 101 & 102	=	3 unit unassigned (S.F.U.)
	Hist. 200	=	under discussion (S.F.U.)

Gary Kilgore thanked Dr. McTaggart-Cowan on behalf of the Committee.

6. New Courses:

S.F.U.: Hist. 201, Introduction in Western Canada  
Hist. 200, Content undecided  
Hist. 219, Fall of Rome to the 15th Century  
Colonial America to 1763

U.B.C.: Six college units now required for a major in History. Approximately a half dozen 200-level courses will be introduced to provide a sense of progression to the students. However, U.B.C. has no philosophy of progression in course offerings and treats first and second year courses as distinct from third and fourth year courses. It was noted by Dr. McTaggart-Cowan that, because the Credit Transfer Guidelines are accepted as policy by the colleges and universities, the implication exists that any student completing his second year in a B.C. college has the right to transfer into a third year in a B.C. university.

Trinity Western: Course offerings at the third and fourth year level will be available in conformity to charter changes. John Klassen raised the question of course articulation for his institution when upper division courses are presented. U.B.C. advised on the expected nature of the courses and U.Vic. suggested reference through the Registrars' departments would be sufficient usually.

Langara: Hist. 195-295 Ancient Greece and Rome  
(not final)  
Hist. 150-152 British Columbia Studies

Northern Lights: After Christmas a History of Western Civilisation Since 1500 will be presented.

Northern Lights also is preparing and presenting weekly radio dramas in History (considered by local residents to be as filthy as the CBC). These quality programmes are available on tape upon request. An oral history programme has just been begun and directed readings for no credit are now being offered.

Cariboo: Survey British History outlines are being developed.

Northwest: Canadian History will be introduced.

It was noted by colleges involved in Canadian Studies programmes that there was a noticeable enrollment decline in those programmes, but a corresponding enrollment increase in Canadian History. This phenomenon seemed to be generalised.

#### Extension and Correspondence Programmes:

Senior administrative levels at U.Vic. have proposed 3rd and 4th year offerings to the northern part of Vancouver Island. Reaction to this proposal is mixed but the Department of History will explore the idea on a tentative basis.

U.B.C. retains an interest in a standard Arts/Education programme in the Kamloops-Prince George region, using a small permanent faculty in situ and local personnel as "resource people".

S.F.U. noted that the Faculty of Continuing Studies has had two historians in the Interior and is offering a pilot History programme in the Abbotsford-Chilliwack region. This system eventually will utilise "distance learning modes" (Eng.: correspondence courses), members of the School of Humanities, S.F.U. faculty resident in the area and local personnel.

Cariboo College was anxious to gain a clarification of the colleges' role(s) as seen by the universities in light of S.F.U.'s offering of three courses (in English, Political Science and History) in the Kamloops area. These courses are duplications of Cariboo's offerings in the same region. A discussion ensued in which both Northern Lights and East Kootenay expressed dismay over the implications for their regions.

The Articulation Committee requested that the Academic Council define all programmes, define the geographic context within which they shall be made available and stipulate by whom they shall be made available. Dr. McTaggart-Cowan assured the Committee that the Universities Council will approve no more programmes until the Academic Council is in operation and then close scrutiny will be given to all areas of possible conflict.

#### Colleges Act:

Dr. McTaggart-Cowan addressed the Colleges Act by noting that it allowed more faculty participation within the colleges and that it allowed the creation of "senate-like" bodies at the colleges. The Post-Secondary Co-ordinating Committee probably will continue its existence in an advisory capacity. Meanwhile, the specific terms of reference for the Academic Council are being determined.

The five year review of programmes must remain the task of informed academics and the first steps in this direction will be taken in a year's time.

Under the Act, the only mandated authority of the Articulation Committees is in regard to transfer credit. However, this should not be considered a limitation to academic development as a collateral activity and one area that is certainly within the purview of the Committees is that of teaching methods.

The Associate Deputy Minister is inclined to support Ministry financing of Articulation Committees and this fact raised questions in regard to whether larger amounts of money would be available for the Spring Symposium and whether the Ministry would finance host colleges. Dr. McTaggart-Cowan will investigate these areas.

Spring Symposium:

Malaspina College invited the Committee to its campus for the Spring Symposium and the intention of inviting two major historians to speak to the Committee was expressed. Funding would be provided by the Canadian Historical Association, Helen Brown and Clarence Karr's professional development funds, (perhaps) by Malaspina College and by a \$10.00/person registration fee.

Maclachlan/Ralston: That we accept the plans of Malaspina College regarding invitations and Symposium programme as suggested. (2 opposed)

Wright/Ralston: That the Canadian Historical Association be approached for \$200.00 from its Speakers' Fund.

The weekend of 4 March, 1978 was agreed upon as a tentative date for the Symposium.

Fall Meeting:

The Fall meeting of the Committee was set for College of New Caledonia in Prince George on the weekend of 20-21 October, 1978.

Other Business:

College of New Caledonia raised the matter of the referral of student appeals in departments with only one faculty member. Agreement was reached that students in such colleges could select any other college at random and have their appeal examined there. It was suggested this be an informal system.

U.B.C. noted that M. Bliss and S. Ryerson will be available in residence in the Spring, 1978.

President Karr extended thanks to Dr. McTaggart-Cowan for his attendance and to Cariboo College for acting as host.

Meeting adjourned at 4:07 p.m.