Both Senate and Council paid tribute to Professor Briggs who attended the final meetings of term for the last time as Vice-Chancellor of the University.

Congratulations were expressed to the University's new Chancellor on his elevation to the House of Lords which was announced in the Queen's Birthday Honours list published on June 12.

The title of Emeritus Professor is to be conferred upon Professor Lord Briggs. This award is normally made to retiring professors but Senate and Council have agreed to vary the present procedures on this special occasion.

Lord Briggs leaves the University this summer to be Provost of Worcester College, Oxford. Both Senate and Council expressed their sincere wishes for his future success and happiness.

In response the Vice-Chancellor recalled the special position which the University and its members would always hold for him. He expressed his personal wishes to Sir Denys Wilkinson for success as the next Vice-Chancellor.

Sir Sydney Caffyn to retire

Lord Briggs also stressed his personal regard for the Chairman of Council, Sir Sydney Caffyn. Later in the Council meeting, Sir Sydney, who was re-elected Chairman for the next academic year, told members that he would be retiring from the Chairmanship on July 31, 1977. He would not wish to accept the office beyond that date, he said.

Sir Sydney has been Chairman of Council for 15 years and before that Chairman of the University College of Sussex. He told Council that almost 20 years ago to the day he had led a delegation from the five Sussex local education authorities to the University Grants Committee about the setting up of the University.

Senate and Council had full agendas for their final meetings of the 1975-76 session. Both considered lengthy Planning Committee reports in addition to other special items of business.

Council, at its meeting on June 18, approved the report and recommendations from the Planning Committee concerning recent

finances and detailed budgets for 1975-76 and 1976-77. Special provision has been made in next year's budgets for new faculty posts in Arts and Education, development funds for the Library and assistance for Community Services to maintain current levels of activity. Details of the budgets are in the table.

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Other financial matters dealt with by Council included:

* increases in tuition fees for the MA (Curriculum Development and Educational Technology) and the M.Phil (Development Studies);
* increases in fees paid to external examiners of research degrees;
* rates of pay for part-time tutors;
* implementation of the nationally agreed salary award for clerical, secretarial, library assistant and related staffs of an additional £312 p.a. (£50 p.w.) for full-time staff aged 18 and over.

Student Rents 1976-77

A report from the Council Group on the Catering and Accommodation Accounts was approved by Council. The Pro-Vice-Chancellor reported on the final meeting of the Group held on June 15.

The standard rent for University-owned accommodation for 1976-77 is to be £8.25, Council agreed. This is an increase proportionate to the recently announced increase in student grants.

Discounts offered for prompt payment are to be increased to £3.50 per term or instalment. For payment in advance for the whole year the discount is £17.50 for termly and nine-month tenancies and £21 for annual tenancies.

Student representatives at the meeting all expressed regret at the decision to increase rents.

On the Catering Account, Council confirmed earlier decisions on the introduction of a continuous review of catering prices and reductions of service in Palmer House Bar and Snack Bar.

There is to be an enquiry and audit into the catering services operated outside the control of the Catering Department, Council agreed. Planning Committee will then consider whether there should be guidelines for such services.

The Business Manager is to be responsible for the registration of food and drink facilities in University buildings. He will scrutinise services to see that employment legislation, public health, safety and all licensing requirements are being met.

Car parking

The fee scheme for car parking on campus is to be abandoned from the end of the present academic year, Council agreed.

Income from fees has been dropping year by year. In its recommendations to Council, Planning Committee pointed out that an expenditure of £20,000 for automatic barriers, which would be needed to ensure collection of fees, was not justified.

The financial effect of discontinuing the scheme will be that the Reserve Fund will receive no further income, currently £1,500 p.a., in repayment of the loan advanced to construct car parks. Council has agreed that the outstanding loan of about £27,500 should be written off.
SENATE

Higher Education Development Programme

Proposals from the Education Area for the establishment of a Higher Education Development Programme were discussed by Senate at its meeting on June 31. The proposals were approved by Senate but the Education Committee has been asked to reconsider the title of the Programme. Earlier in the discussion it was suggested that the proposed title should be reconsidered as it seemed either anomalous or confusing in an institution in which all units were concerned with higher education.

Colleges Advisory Board

A report from the Colleges Advisory Board, which included proposals for a BA in Combined Studies at Brighton College of Education, was approved by Senate.

Occupation of Sussex House

The Pro-Vice-Chancellor reported to Senate that investigations into the removal of confidential papers from his office were proceeding. He was awaiting the report of the Vice-Chancellor's Adviser on Community Relations.

Community Services

In a discussion of Community Services Area, the President of the Students' Union reported to Senate that he had come into possession of certain papers concerning the review of the Area which he wished to circulate to Senate. Senate, however, voted not to receive the papers.

A paper on the implications of the organisational changes made within the Area was introduced by the Chairman of Community Services. Senate approved the recommendations subject to one minor clarification.

Pro-Vice-Chancellor

Both Senate and Council warmly thanked the Pro-Vice-Chancellor, Professor M.W. Thompson, for his work during the past two terms as acting Vice-Chancellor. He was particularly thanked by Senate for his chairmanship of Planning Committee and Senate.

Chairmanship of Community Services

Dr. Brian Smith is to remain Chairman of Community Services for a further year. The Pro-Vice-Chancellor's recommendation was accepted by Senate and Council and was made after extensive consultation with the new Vice-Chancellor, the Students' Union and USTA.

Dr. Smith had agreed to the proposal on the clear understanding that the extension was for one further and final year, the Pro-Vice-Chancellor reported.

The extension of Dr. Smith's chairmanship has been made in the context of a major review of Community Services Area to be initiated at the express wish of the new Vice-Chancellor.

Counselling Services

Professor D.F. Pocock is to be Chairman of Counselling Services from October 1, 1976. Senate and Council approved the Pro-Vice-Chancellor's recommendation and also expressed their thanks to the retiring Chairman, Professor K.F. Smith.

Dr. B.W. Young

Another University officer whose term of office ends this year is Dr. B.W. Young, the Vice-Chancellor's Adviser on Community Relations. He was thanked at Senate for his services over the past four years.

PROFESSORSHIP FOR DR. ROBIN COLE

Dr. Robin Cole has been promoted to a professorship. Senate and Council accepted the recommendation that Dr. Cole should be promoted to a Chair from October 1, 1976.

Dr. Cole, 40, is at present Reader in Developmental Genetics - a post he has held since 1972. He is also Chairman of the Biology Subject Group.

Five leave to take up Chairs

Five members of the University leave this summer to take up professorial appointments elsewhere.

Dr. G. Salgado is to take up a Chair of English at the University of Exeter and Dr. E.P. Henwood will be moving to a Chair of Modern History at the University of Liverpool.

In the Science Area, Dr. T.L. Blundell, Lecturer in Biochemistry, leaves to take up a Chair at Birbeck College, London. Dr. M.A. Moore, Lecturer in Theoretical Physics, will be going to a Chair at the University of Manchester, and Dr. H.P. Williams has been appointed to the newly founded Chair of Management Science at the University of Edinburgh.