Minutes of the OPEN Session of the
Board of Governors
April 22, 2014

Present: P. Bovey, Chair
        J. Leclerc, Secretary
        S. Ally
        D. Barnard
        A. Berg
        T. Bock
        J. Embree
        S. Jesseau
        M. Labine
        J. Lederman
        B. Passey
        H. Reichert
        H. Secter
        M. Wetzel
        M. Whitmore
        R. Zegalski

Regrets: R. Dhalla
        N. Halden
        R. Howard
        M. Robertson
        S. Senkbeil
        A. Turnbull

Absent: A. Dansen
        D. Sauer

Assessors Present: C. Morrill

Officials Present: S. Foster
                 D. Jayas
                 J. Karsey
                 J. Keselman
                 P. Kochan
                 A. Konowalchuk

FOR ACTION

2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

It was moved by Ms. Ally and seconded by Chancellor Secter:
THAT the agenda for the Open session of the April 22, 2014 Board of Governors meeting
be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

3. MINUTES (Open Session)

3.1 Approval of the Minutes of the January 28, 2014 OPEN Session as circulated or
    amended

It was moved by Mr. Zegalski and seconded by Ms. Wetzel:
THAT the minutes of the Open session of the March 18, 2014 meeting be approved as
circulated.

CARRIED

3.2 Business Arising – none

4. UNANIMOUS CONSENT AGENDA
The Chair asked whether any member had concern with any of the items on the Consent Agenda. No items were identified to be removed from the Consent Agenda.

It was moved by Mr. Berg and seconded by Mr. Zegalski:

That the Board of Governors approve and/or receive for information the following:

6.1 THAT the Board of Governors approve a proposal to change the name of the School of Medical Rehabilitation to the “College of Rehabilitation Sciences,” as recommended by Senate, effective upon the formal implementation of the Faculty of Health Sciences.

6.2 THAT the Board of Governors approve a proposal to revise the name of the Department of Physiology to the “Department of Physiology and Pathophysiology,” as recommended by Senate, effective upon approval by the Board of Governors.

6.3 THAT the Board of Governors approve two new offers, two amended offers, and the withdrawal of two offers, as set out in appendix A of the Report of the Senate Committee on Awards – Part A (dated February 25, 2014).

6.4 THAT the Board of Governors approve one amended offer, as set out in appendix A of the Report of the Senate Committee on Awards – Part B (dated February 25, 2014).

The Board received the following for information:

6.5 Suspension of Admission to Three Human Ecology Programs and to the Ph.D. in Cancer Control

7.1 Appointment of a Board member by graduates of the University. CARRIED

5. REPORT FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dr. Barnard reported that the University had successfully hosted the Association of Universities and Colleges of Canada (AUCC) Board and membership meetings the previous week. He stated that the Administration was currently in the late stages of the budget process and were looking at making some changes to the process by moving to a rolling three year plan. He explained that this would enable deans and directors to look further ahead and budget accordingly.

Dr. Barnard commented that there had been some publicity around Israel Apartheid Week and there has been some continuing response in the community. He indicated that he has asked Chancellor Secter to assist in bringing the University together with the intent to foster understanding.
The President noted that he was pleased with media coverage of the Churchill Canada Foundation for Innovation (CFI) proposal, but explained that there would be a number of proposals and the likelihood of success is generally about 20%. Dr. Jayas explained that the proposal was for the study of climate change, safe marine transportation, development of hydro and gas industries and how to remediate oil spills in sea ice. This would focus on monitoring the impact on ecosystem of increased marine traffic. Dr. Jayas noted that there were three universities involved in this proposal: the University of Calgary, the University of Victoria, and the University of Manitoba who have all agreed to contribute to the CFI proposal. He reported that the University is also working on seven other proposals which are worth approximately $1 to $2 million dollars each.

Dr. Morrill referred to the CAUT investigation into the Faculty of Architecture mentioned on page 16. He noted that faculty members have met with members of Administration and with the Faculty Association, that documentation has been provided and one grievance has been filed. Ms. Lederman asked for an update on the progress of the strategic planning exercise. Dr. Keselman responded, explaining that the first phase – engagement and consultation with internal and external stakeholders. She reported that there have been 53 consultation sessions with 1200 people, and that a research associate is working to compiling, analyze, and summarizing the responses into themes. She added that there will be a meeting next week and the process was on track to produce a draft report for circulation. Dr. Keselman noted that there had been no surprises in the feedback received and that she expected the resulting plan to be a crystallization and further refinement of existing priorities.

FOR INFORMATION

8. Proposed Admission Targets, Fall 2014

Dr. Barnard commented that this item is quite straightforward as it is derived from what was agreed to in the past.

9. UPDATES

9.1 Update from the UMSU President

The Chair asked Ms. Ally to report on behalf of UMSU as Mr. Turnbull was not present. She reported that bargaining with unionized staff was underway and that there was a mandate from UMSU Council to lock the employees out if an agreement cannot be reached by May 1st. She explained that UMSU will work to minimize the impact of a lock out and maintain business as usual. Ms. Ally stated that the new executives were transitioning into their new roles, and that they were working to hire a new Health and Dental Administrator. Lastly, Ms. Ally noted that UMSU has been working on their annual daytimers and will be saving $15,000 by printing them locally instead of the the Canadadian Federation of Students.
9.2 Update from the GSA President

The Chair noted that the GSA report had been included with the materials and asked if there were any questions for Ms. Wetzel. Ms. Wetzel thanked the Board and commented that she had found the year to be a wonderful learning experience.

MOTION TO MOVE TO CLOSED AND CONFIDENTIAL SESSION

It was moved by Ms. Jesseau and seconded by Mr. Zegalski:
THAT the meeting move into Closed and Confidential Session.

CARRIED

Chair

University Secretary