

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS, Held Thursday, May 20, 1999, at 5:30 p.m. in Room 160, Continuing Education Complex.

Present:

Mr. Paul M. Soubry, Chair.
 Ms. Cynthia Coop, Vice-Chair.
 Dr. Arthur Mauro, Chancellor.
 Dr. Emőke Szathmáry, President.
 Mr. Wayne Anderson.
 Ms. Linda Archer.
 Mr. Ron Black.
 Professor Juliette Cooper.
 Professor Bernie Dronzek.
 Professor Harry Duckworth.
 Mr. Steven Fletcher.
 Ms. Darlene Hildebrand.
 Mr. Colin Kazina.
 Ms. Claudette Lahaie.
 Mr. Iain MacNair.
 Mr. Dale Parkinson.
 Ms. Bobbette Shoffner.
 Ms. Carol Smith.
 Mr. Doug Ward.
 Ms. Claudia Weselake.
 Ms. Leanne Wray.

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Ms. Bev Sawicki, University Secretary.
 Mrs. Margaret Birt, Recording Secretary.
 Mr. James Koh, UMSU Assessor.
 Professor Michael Thomas, Faculty Assessor.
 Mrs. Jean Zushman, Support Staff Assessor.

Also Present:

Dr. Gary Glavin, Acting Vice-President (Research).
 Mr. Mike McAdam, Vice-President (Administration).
 Professor Karen Ogden, Vice-Provost (Acad.Affrs.).

Present for Part of Mtg: Mrs. Elaine Goldie, Executive Director, Alumni & Dev.

Regrets:

Mr. Gordon Fletcher.
 Mr. Gary Timlick.

PRESENTATION:

Ms. Goldie presented an up-date report on Recommendation 70 of the Task Force Report, approved by the Board in June, 1998, which states, "The University should begin preparation by July 1st, 1998 for a major capital campaign for the University that is to be launched in the Year 2000." Ms. Goldie gave a brief history of fund-raising at the University, a description of the traditional five phases of a capital campaign, with special emphasis on the planning stage, and the key factors that make a campaign successful. She described the five distinct phases in a major capital campaign: the planning phase; the nucleus (or quiet) phase; the kick-off (or public) phase; the "home stretch"; and the celebration and "thank you" phase. Mrs. Goldie said the University is well-positioned to launch a campaign, having excellent leadership, a strategic plan to which needs can be connected, tax laws for philanthropy which have never been more beneficial, a good economy, a set of gift acceptance policies which have been developed to enable the University to accept the more sophisticated gifts, and a strong communication network and base among the alumni through the Annual Giving and Gift Planning Department.

[Mrs. Goldie left the meeting.]



MINUTES:

A correction to page 8 was requested, fourth paragraph, fourth line, should read, "...Kozier that the 9% tuition fee increase be changed to 7.5%.". The President requested changes to:

- Page 4, third bullet, third line, should read, "Mr. Desautels asked that one-half of the \$1 million be given to St. Boniface College". A new sentence should be added: "The Government agreed that such transfer would not compromise our ability to match the full amounts under the NSBI."
- Page 7, item 1, third line from the end, should read, "...Investigation Officer and the President drafted a letter detailing the findings which was sent..."
- Page 10, third bullet, fifth line from the bottom, should read, "...University. It is very clear, given the nature of the questions that are asked, and the seriousness with which discussion with Administration and student members of the Board is conducted,..."

It was moved by Professor Dronzek, seconded by Professor Duckworth, that the Minutes, as amended, be approved.

Carried.

BUSINESS ARISING:

1. The Chair reported that Dr. Polny's application for an appeal was heard on May 4 and May 5, 1999 in open session by the Senate Appeals Committee on behalf of the Board. The application was denied.
2. Dr. Szathmáry confirmed that a letter had been sent to the Unions in response to their letter expressing concern that monies had been transferred from the Experience Refund Account to compensate for days-off-without-pay.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM SENATE:**Senate Meeting of May 12, 1999.**

Ms. Weselake reported: the list of graduands for Degrees, Diplomas and Certificates, dated May 1999 was approved; the report of the Senate Committee on Awards will be forwarded to the next meeting of the Academic Affairs Committee; correspondence from COPSE indicates that formal program proposals may be prepared for: B.A. (General) and B.A. (Advanced) in Global Political Economy, Ph.D. in Natural Resources and Environmental Management, and Ph.D. in Social Work; a Program Accreditation 1998 Annual Update was received by Senate; two *in memorium* notices were read at Senate, one for Alfred Henry Shephard, Professor of Psychology, and one for George Morley Alexander Young, a retired Professor from the Faculty of Agriculture.

REPORT OF THE ACADEMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE:

Ms. Archer presented the report of the Academic Affairs Committee meeting held May 4, 1999.

1. Report on Awards:

It was moved by Ms. Archer, seconded by Professor Duckworth that the Report of the Senate Committee on Awards, dated March 9, 1999, be approved as recommended by Senate.

Carried.

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2. J. W. Dafoe Foundation Award:

Senate recommended the establishment of an award in commemoration of the 125th Anniversary of The City of Winnipeg to be presented to four Masters students graduating in 1999.

It was moved by Ms. Archer, seconded by Professor Cooper, that the Report of the Senate Committee on Awards, dated April 28, 1999, be approved as recommended by Senate.
Carried.

3. Items for Information:

The following items were received for information:

- (a) Materials relating to the Federal Contractors' Program.
- (b) Program Accreditation 1998 Annual Update.
- (c) Research Report - Housing and Student Life dated March and April 1999.
- (d) Report on Grants and Contracts awarded for the period January 1, 1999 to March 31, 1999.

REPORT OF THE FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE:

Mr. Parkinson, Vice-Chair of the Finance and Administration Committee, reported as follows:

1. Physical Education and Recreation Studies Student Endowment Fee:

It was moved by Mr. Parkinson, seconded by Professor Cooper, that a \$40/year student fee be assessed against undergraduate students of the Faculty of Physical Education and Recreation Studies to the Physical Education and Recreation Studies Endowment Fund for a three year period effective September 1999. Further, that the said student fee be pro-rated for part-time undergraduate students of the Faculty of Physical Education and Recreation Studies.

Carried.

2. Faculty of Engineering Student Endowment Fee:

It was moved by Ms. Weselake, seconded by Professor Cooper that a \$150/year student fee be assessed against undergraduate students in the Faculty of Engineering for a three year period effective September 1999, to be directed to the Engineering Endowment Fund (\$100), and the Building Fund (\$50). Further, that the said student fee be pro-rated for part-time undergraduate students in the Faculty of Engineering.

Carried.

3. Chown Building Renovations:

It was moved by Mr. Parkinson, seconded by Professor Dronzek that the tender for the Chown Building renovations be awarded to Thomas Design Builders in the amount of \$1,934,519.00.

Carried.

4. Management Agreement - SMART Park:

The Chancellor queried the wording under item #5 of the draft Management Agreement which indicated "...SPDC shall receive x% of the net present value of lease payments from park tenants." and said he was not comfortable with the "x%" notation. Mr. McAdam said he would amend the clause and take the revised wording back to the SMART Park Board.



It was moved by Mr. Parkinson, seconded by Mr. Black that the University enter into a two-year agreement with SMART Park Development Corporation for the promotion and development of SMART Park, as set out in the draft document presented to the Board at its meeting on May 20, 1999, as amended.

Carried.

5. For Information:

The following were received by the Finance and Administration Committee for information:

- (a) Audit Services - Annual Report for the year ending March 31, 1999.
- (b) Audit Service - Final Report 1998-99.
- (c) Updated report on the Year 2000 Project.
- (d) Documentation on the final operating budget for 1999/2000.
- (e) COPSE letters dated April 22, 1999 and April 23, 1999.

5. Report of the Vice-President (Administration):

Mr. McAdam reported on the following:

- 1. Campus Beautification Day - May 19, 1999.
- 2. Pan Am Games update.
- 3. Meeting with COPSE to discuss Capital Grant.
- 4. Reid Crowther as Consultant for the Chiller project.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

Ms. Coop presented the report of the Executive Committee arising from the May 11, 1999 meeting:

1. Manitoba Cancer Treatment and Research Foundation Advisory Medical Board - Nominees:

The Executive Committee approved 4 names for nomination to the Advisory Board of the Manitoba Cancer Treatment and Research Foundation from which the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council appoints 2 persons. The names of Dr. David Bowman, Dr. James Johnston, Dr. Richard Nason, and Dr. Gary Krepart were forwarded to MCTRF.

2. J. W. Dafoe Foundation: Appointment:

The Executive Committee approved the appointment of D. Donald Ross to the J. W. Dafoe Foundation Committee, effective April 1, 1999, to replace Frank Lamont, deceased.

3. Other:

- Mr. McAdam reviewed the contents of the letters from COPSE dated April 22, 1999 and April 23, 1999.
- The President commented on her interview on CBC Radio on May 11, 1999 on the topic of tuition fees.
- The President advised that the "Town Hall" meetings have been scheduled for May 17, 1999 (Bannatyne Campus) and June 15, 1999 (Fort Garry Campus).
- Mr. McAdam reported on a supplementary caretaking and housekeeping contract awarded to the University from Pan Am which will provide employment opportunities for approximately 280 students during the Games.

- Dr. Glavin reported on CFI awards; the Health Research Infrastructure Initiative; and the screening of the film "*Searching for Hawa's Secret*", based on Dr. Frank Plummer's work in Kenya.
- Mr. Soubry informed the Board of the upcoming meeting of Board Chairs and Vice-Chairs with the Minister and members of COPSE. He will solicit input and information from the President and the Chancellor. He indicated he will be including the topic of property taxes on the agenda.
- Ms. Coop commented on the letter from Mr. Ian Smith, President of the Alumni Association, which was distributed with the agenda, describing the Alumni Association's agreement with the University. This new agreement reflects the recommendation of the Task Force on Strategic Planning to increase communication with all graduates. The agreement extends no-fee membership to all University of Manitoba graduates who will now receive a copy of the "*Alumni Journal*" three times each year.

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT:

The President:

- Reviewed her report on external activities.
- Indicated that she was continuing as Editor of *The American Journal of Physical Anthropology*, a task she assumed prior to coming to the University.
- Reported on a meeting with Bob Raeburn, Co-Mayor of the University of Manitoba Athletes' Village, at which time the President agreed to provide a small sum of money to produce a small guidebook to The University of Manitoba for the Pan Am Games.
- Noted that the Town Hall meeting arranged at the Bannatyne Campus had been a success. Several faculty members had contacted the President's Office to request that the Fort Garry Campus Town Hall Meeting be held at lunch-time so that more people could attend. As a result, the Fort Garry Town Hall Meeting will now occur on June 15 at 12 noon in Room 290, Education Building.

Mr. McAdam reported:

- Campus Beautification Day was very successful.
- A tour had been conducted of the new Nursing Building which will be turned over to Pan Am to house approximately 1,000 athletes on July 1, 1999. Retrofitting will take place after the Games and it is anticipated Nursing will take over the building in January, 2000.

Dr. Glavin:

- Reviewed the Report of the Vice-President (Research) for April, 1999.
- Noted that on April 14, 1999, Dr. Sami Rizkalla, President of ISIS Canada, won the Premier's Award for the Sustainable Development Award of Excellence, in open competition, for the Taylor Bridge in Headingly.
- Informed the Board that the announcement from CFI on the large institutional innovation fund projects - those greater than \$350,000 - were adjudicated and the University received funding for three out of three.



- Reported that with respect to the University's New Opportunities Awards funding envelope, the original cap was \$1.6 million, based on the total sponsored external research income coming to the University. This figure was appealed, the appeal was successful, and the cap was raised to \$2 million. When CFI received additional monies in the Federal budget, a significant portion was directed to the New Opportunities envelope resulting in a new figure for the University of \$4 million.

Professor Ogden reported:

- The news on the admissions is much improved as of May 1, 1999. Problems had been experienced in the Admissions Office in processing applications which resulted in the lower figures reported earlier. First-year direct-entry University 1 is up 8% over this time last year. Overall, direct-entry applications are up 5%; admissions that require prior work are up 9%. Applications to Medicine are up 35%; Management up 60%; Environmental Design up 11%, and Law up 15%.

REPORT OF UMSU:

Mr. Steven Fletcher, President of UMSU, reported:

- A promotional folder was circulated containing information on the UMSU election platform and new initiatives to be introduced.
- A media-watch program will be initiated to respond promptly to both positive and negative news items.
- Students will be conducting tours during the Pan Am Games in four languages.
- Student pride and stronger ties between faculties will be fostered by such activities as Inter-Faculty Olympics.
- A proposal supported by UMSU Council allowed students from The University of Manitoba to visit First Nations to relate why the University of Manitoba is an option for them. Aboriginal students will be brought in to tour the campus. A Dene artist has been commissioned to create a mural in the Science tunnel in an effort to make the campus a little more familiar. The intent is to encourage potential Aboriginal students to come to the University with the support of the student body at large.
- Physical accessibility on campus needs improvement; one sample is a ramp leading down from an entranceway, with a set of stairs at the bottom. Global TV toured the campus recently and filmed some of the problem areas. Funding has been made available to improve accessibility.
- Lobbying is proceeding with Winnipeg Transit to initiate student fares.
- A web page "umsu.org" will be available soon in an effort to improve communication with students and the public.

The Chancellor asked Mr. Fletcher if any consideration had been given to asking students what activities they would like to participate in on campus. He cited the Research Reports from Housing and Student Life which indicated that the lowest rating shown was for *Success in Involvement in Campus Activities*. Mr. Fletcher said his Vice-President, Gordon Fletcher, had been very successful in increasing student participation in Engineering activities and he had confidence that he would be able to do the same for UMSU on a campus-wide basis.

[Ms. Coop left the meeting at 7:20 p.m.].



MOTION: CLOSED SESSION:

It was moved by Ms. Archer, seconded by Mr. Kazina, that the Board move into Closed and Confidential Session.

Carried.