## **OPEN SESSION**

# Minutes of a Meeting of the Board of Governors held at 4:00 p.m. on April 25, 2006 in 160 Continuing Education Complex

#### Present:

Mr. W. Anderson, Chair Mr. D. Ames Ms. A. Aziz Mr. A. Black Ms. J. Charles Mr. S. Hennessey Ms. H. Milan Mr. S. Narine

#### **Also Present:**

Ms. M. Gallant, UMSU Assessor Ms. E. Goldie, V.P. (External) Dr. D. Jayas (for Dr. J. Keselman) Dr. R. Kerr, V.P. (Academic) & Provost Mr. T. Moyle, Support Staff Assessor

## **Regrets:**

Dr. J. Cooper Dr. M. Gabbert, UMFA Assessor Ms. E. Gordon Dr. J. Hoskins Dr. J. Keselman Dr. W. Norrie Dr. I. Smith Ms. S. Van Schie

# FOR ACTION

## 1. ANNOUNCEMENTS

1.1 Mr. Anderson informed the Board of Governors that after the approval of the Open Session minutes, a presentation would take place entitled, "<u>Lessons</u> <u>Learned in the Manitoba Centre for Health Policy: Taking our driver's test on the road to Knowledge Translation</u>".

## 2. MINUTES: March 21, 2006

Mr. S. Reddy Dr. D. Ruth Mr. T. Sargeant Ms. J. Simons Mr. T. Strutt Dr. E.J.E. Szathmáry Mr. D. Vandal Ms. C. Van De Kerckhove Mr. D. Ward

Ms. D. McCallum, V.P. (Administration) Dr. J. Whiteley (for Dr. M. Gabbert) Ms. C. Keachie, Governance Specialist Mr. J. Leclerc, University Secretary Dr. Patricia Martens, Director, Manitoba Centre for Health Policy



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# 2.1 Approved as corrected

It was noted that page 2, Item # 4.1 2<sup>nd</sup> line should be revised to read, "...Program <u>in</u> Applied Health Sciences." It was also noted that page 3, 2<sup>nd</sup> line down should be revised to read, "....to introduce a Ph.D. <u>Program in</u> Applied Heather Sciences.....". It was also noted that page 5, 2<sup>nd</sup> last paragraph from the bottom, 10<sup>th</sup> line down should be revised to read, "....Residence with <u>principal</u>.....", as opposed to, "principle".

It was moved by Mr. Ward, seconded by Mr. Ames:

# THAT the minutes of the March 21, 2006 Board of Governors Open Session meeting be approved as corrected.

CARRIED

2.2 <u>Business Arising</u> - none

# PRESENTATION

Dr. Kerr introduced Dr. Martens to members of the Board of Governors. After Dr. Martens' presentation, Mr. Anderson thanked her for having taken the time to share her thoughtful insights with the Board.

- 3. FROM EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE none
- 4. FROM ACADEMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE none

## 5. FROM FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

5.1 <u>Student Referendum: Faculty of Music</u>

A referendum was held on March 8<sup>th</sup>, 2006 concerning a \$50.00 per year (\$1.58 per credit hour) contribution to the Faculty of Music to be directed to the Faculty of Music Endowment Fund. There were 166 students eligible to vote; of these 59 voted, with 44 voting in favour of the contribution and 8 students voting no. There were 7 spoiled ballots. The current contribution is \$50.00.

It was moved by Mr. Black, seconded by Ms. Simons:

THAT the Board of Governors approve that a \$50.00 per year (\$1.58 per credit hour) student contribution be assessed on students in the Faculty of Music for a two-year period effective September, 2006 as outlined in the letter dated March 27, 2006 from Dr. Juliette Cooper, Interim Dean, Faculty of Music.

#### CARRIED

Ms. Aziz noted that she was aware that a referendum was not held this year (for students in the Faculty of Arts) to either renew or extend their currently endowment fund contributions.



She asked if it was correct that the Endowment Fund would not be collected this year. Ms. Goldie responded that the Referendum was not held; she indicated she would look into this further, but her assumption was that there will be no money collected. Mr. Black suggested that Ms. Goldie to bring this information to a future meeting of the Board of Governors under "Business Arising".

## 6. FROM OTHER COMMITTEES - none

## 7. NEW BUSINESS - none

#### FOR INFORMATION

- 8. FROM EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE none
- 9. FROM ACADEMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE none

#### 10. FROM FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

10.1 Clean Air Procedure

The current Administrative Bulletin #86 Regulation of Drifting Smoke at the University of Manitoba has been rescinded and the Procedure: Clean Air has been approved by the President. The use of Administrative Bulletins as governing documents is intended to be temporary only.

The new Procedure has been approved under the authority of the Policy 512 Health and Safety. This Procedure deals with the issue of smoke (including the practice of smudging) and fumes from idling vehicles.

The Executive Director of Human Resources consulted with all eight (8) bargaining units and the EMAPS support staff group regarding the content of the Policy and Procedure.

Ms. Gallant referred to Smudging and Pipe Ceremonies and noted there is a reference made to the Aboriginal Students' Centre as the contact for such ceremonies. She wondered if the Aboriginal Students' Association falls under the same section of the Policy? Mr. Hennessey responded that they are two separate groups. Mrs. McCallum responded that the group required to be notified when a Smudging or Pipe Ceremony takes place is the Aboriginal Students' Centre, as the intent was for there to be one point of contact in the event that there were questions pertaining to the ceremonies.

#### 11. FROM OTHER COMMITTEES - none

#### 12. **REPORTS**

#### 12.1 Report of the President

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Dr. Szathmáry augmented her written report, highlighting several issues.

She noted there will be five sessions of the 126<sup>th</sup> Spring Convocation held at the Fort Garry Campus (May 30<sup>th</sup> - June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2006), one at the Bannatyne Campus for graduates of the Faculty of Medicine (May 12<sup>th</sup>, 2006) and a seventh session will be held at Collège universitaire de Saint-Boniface (June 5<sup>th</sup>, 2006). Dr. Szathmáry also mentioned that five individuals will be receiving honorary degrees at this year's Spring Convocation Ceremonies, all of whom are graduates of the University of Manitoba.

Dr. Szathmáry noted that Ms. Claire Morris, President of the Association of Universities and Colleges of Canada (AUCC) visited the University of Manitoba on March 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2006. Ms. Morris toured some of the University's research facilities in addition to meeting with the Vice-Presidents and the Senior Administration Council.

Dr. Szathmáry mentioned that funds raised for the University during April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2005 - March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2006 totalled \$22,619,532, with almost all of this money is for directed purposes, leaving very little revenue to be drawn upon to facilitate some of the operations of the University. She noted, however, it is a very successful year for the Departments of Advancement and Development.

Ms. Van De Kerckhove asked if there was information regarding the report of millions of litres of raw sewage that went into the Red River and possible charges to the parties responsible. Mrs. McCallum responded that there was a contractor working on the Engineering and Information Technology Complex last summer who inadvertently tied the sanitary sewer line into the storm sewer. Mrs. McCallum further noted that the problem was discovered by Physical Plant employees on March 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2006. She indicated that the problem was immediately reported to Manitoba Conservation and to Environment Canada, as well as the contractor (who accepted full responsibility for the error). Mrs. McCallum noted that the contractor came onsite immediately and corrected the problem within 24 hours of the problem being discovered.

Manitoba Conservation indicated that surprisingly, the bacteria levels had actually improved over what they were at the same time the previous year. Mrs. McCallum also noted that to date there was no indication that there will be any charges laid or any fines assessed; however, the University believes that the contractor will take full responsibility in the event that there are fines assessed.

## 12.2 Report of the UMSU President

President

Ms. Aziz informed the Board of Governors that this was her last meeting as well as Ms. Van De Kerckhove's due to their terms as UMSU and Vice-President UMSU (respectively) nearing completion (on April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2006). She noted that she and Ms. Van De Kerckhove had been busy with transition tasks in the UMSU office for the incoming UMSU President and Vice-Presidents. Ms. Aziz thanked the Board of Governors and noted that the past two years had been quite a

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learning experience and wished the Board members good luck in the future. On behalf of the Board, Mr. Anderson thanked Ms. Aziz and Ms. Van De Kerckhove for their hard work over the last two years. This was met with a round of applause.

# 13. **OTHER INFORMATION** - none

## MOTION TO MOVE TO CLOSED AND CONFIDENTIAL SESSION

It was moved by Mr. Sargeant, seconded by Dr. Ruth:

## THAT the meeting move to Closed and Confidential Session.

#### **MOTION TO ADJOURN**

The Chair moved THAT the meeting adjourn.

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